

SLINK

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FADE IN:

INT. TOP OF THE STAIRS - DAY

There is a SMALL BOOKSHELF against the hallway wall at the top of the stairs. There are six BRIGHTLY COLORED BINS on the shelves.

In front of the bookshelf are a bunch of friendly TOYS acting and playing as though they are alive.

An ETCH-A-SKETCH is drawing a picture of the Mona Lisa on its screen.

A couple of TOPS are spinning and banging into each other.

A BALL is rolling around, a TRAIN ENGINE is driving around, and three MY LITTLE PONIES graze at the CARPET like it's grass, (and others).

SLINK, a regular gray, metal slinky, and RAINBOW, a rainbow colored slinky, are at rest at the top of the staircase. Both slinkies have faces but no limbs.

Slink leans over the edge like it's about to slink down to the first step. At the last second, it gets scared and returns to its original resting position.

Slink looks at Rainbow and shakes its head "no."

Rainbow nods "yes" and slinks down to the first and second steps and then back up to the top.

Slink leans over the edge again. From Slink's point of view, the staircase elongates and slides away from it.

Slink chickens out again and returns to its resting position.

Rainbow positions itself behind Slink and extends itself to push Slink forward. Right before Rainbow makes contact with Slink, Slink moves to the side and Rainbow falls over the edge to the first step.

Rainbow slinks back up to the top of the stairs. Slink looks at Rainbow with apologetic eyes.

Rainbow frustratingly sighs and slinks all the way down the stairs.

Slink watches Rainbow slink away then slinks away from the landing sad and embarrassed.

INT. BEHIND THE BANISTER - SAME DAY

Slink is slinking along the hallway floor. It hears Rainbow rattling loudly and frantically from downstairs.

Peeking through the banister, Slink sees Rainbow in the playroom off the foyer.

Rainbow is surrounded by a gang of tough looking toys: G.I. Joe heavily armored with plastic guns, a hungry T-Rex, a remote control monster truck covered in graffiti with red headlights, (and others). The kind of toys that are labeled "ages 10 and up."

Slink panics and rattles calling out for help.

No other toys are around.

Slink decides it will go downstairs to help Rainbow.

INT. TOP OF THE STAIRS

SERIES OF SHOTS

Slink hops onto the crown molding that lines the bottom of the walls and staircase. Slink slides down the molding about two inches and falls off onto the floor.

Slink wheels a TOY CATAPULT a few inches from the edge of the stairs. It hops into the basket and releases the arm.

The arm immediately catapults Slink forward into the floor, making it land on its top.

Slink stretches a RUBBER BAND around two polls of the banister to make a slingshot. Slink positions itself in front of the band and starts to back up.

Unbeknownst to Slink the rubber band gets caught in one of its coils.

Slink lifts its bottom coils to release the band. Slink gets flung forward but is immediately pulled back by the stuck rubber band.

Slink pushes a piece of CARDBOARD to the edge of the stairs. It gets on the piece of cardboard and scooches it forward like it's riding a sled.

Slink slides down the stairs on the cardboard sled.

INT. HALFWAY DOWN STAIRS

Slink gets halfway down the staircase.

The doorknob in the foyer starts to giggle. The lock starts to turn.

Slink throws itself off the cardboard sled onto the step. The sled slides to the bottom of the stairs.

As soon as the door starts to open, Slink and the toys in the playroom freeze.

MOM walks through the door. She picks the piece of cardboard up off the floor and starts walking up the stairs. She sees Slink sitting in the middle of the step.

MOM

I thought I told Phil to pick up his toys.

Mom picks up Slink and continues walking up the stairs.

INT. TOP OF THE STAIRS

MOM puts Slink on the shelf with the bins and walks into her bedroom with the cardboard.

Slink unfreezes and slinks to the edge of the stairs.

INT. PLAYROOM OFF THE FOYER

A group of toys constructed out of plastic that look like ALIEN ROBOTS, are joining the gang and they are tying Rainbow in a giant knot.

INT. TOP OF THE STAIRS

Slink sees Rainbow being tied up. It leans over the edge of the stair like it's about to slink. From its point of view, the stairs elongate again.

Slink takes a deep breath and closes its eyes. It leans over the edge and slinks to the first step, then the second, and then the third.

Slink slinks all the way to the bottom of the stairs.

INT. PLAYROOM

Slink slinks into the playroom. Alien Robots see Slink and charge toward it.

Slink expands itself. Its top and bottom ends make contact with Alien Robots, effectively punching and kicking them.

T-Rex runs to help but Slink extends itself again, tripping T-Rex. T-Rex struggles to get up with its short arms.

Slink hooks its top coil into the bumper of the Monster Truck and pushes the truck into the wall.

Slink unhooks itself from the truck and turns to G.I.Joe. G.I.Joe drops his gun and raises his arms in surrender.

Slink looks at Rainbow then back at G.I.Joe.

G.I.Joe unties Rainbow.

Slink and Rainbow coil around each other in a hug.

They let go of each other and start to slink towards the stairs.

Rainbow turns back and winks at G.I.Joe. G.I.Joe salutes Rainbow.

Slink sees this and gets angry at Rainbow.

Rainbow smiles guiltily at Slink and quickly starts to slink up the stairs. Slink chases it.

FADE OUT.