PIKI & POKO EPISODE 2: "HERE IN STARLAND"

INT. GYMNASIUM -DAY

PIKI faces red and white-striped ORB.

PIKI

Poko? Pokooo! How near sighted to leave me! Though brief, our friendship ties our hearts!

Piki cries and her HAIR flops down.

PIKI (CONT'D)

Sad turns to mad! I'm not afraid to fight candy!

Piki jumps through orb. MUSIC and SOUNDS as Piki is transported to StarLand. Darkness. Multicolored stars issue from Piki in streams.

EXT. STARLAND -DAY

Piki falls from sky and lands on bulls-eye painted on the ground. In the distance, CANDYCANE WARRIORS run off with a SCREAMING POKO.

**PIKI** 

Poko! Just a minute, please! I'm coming!

Before Piki can run off, the HOMEMAKER strolls in.

## THE HOMEMAKER

Oh hello, Piki. You're here, wonderful. Please wipe your feet before entering StarLand. -I trust your journey was all it could be?

PIKI

Oh, Mrs. Kind Lady! Please help me. Candy kidnapped my new best friend!

## THE HOMEMAKER

Now Piki, you musn't worry so, you'll get little lines on your forehead. And Piki, here in StarLand? We introduce ourselves BEFORE we ask for special favors.

PIKI

But, strangely enough, you already KNOW my name!

THE HOMEMAKER

Manners, not logic, Piki.

PIKI

I'm so sorry. I am Piki, Piki Matsumoto...

THE HOMEMAKER

Yes, and I'm the Homemaker, your Official Greeter. Welcome to StarLand, Piki.

A GAGGLE OF GLOWING SNAILS floats by. Piki watches in amazement.

PIKI

Unh?

[From now on, anytime Piki or Poko says "Unh!" or "Unh?" the "U!" or "U?" SYMBOL, respectively, appears in the air.]

THE HOMEMAKER

Warm towels will be brought to you shortly, but first, how about some delicious, white fudge squares? Taste the rich butter goodness!

The Homemaker produces an enormous PAN OF WHITE FUDGE. One by one, SQUARES OF FUDGE rise out of the pan and float in the air in a line leading off-screen.

PIKI

Please, it's important, I must find Poko, and...

THE HOMEMAKER

Piki, in StarLand, we politely ACCEPT what we're offered.

PIKI

You are domineering, yet steadfast. Capricorn?

THE HOMEMAKER

EAT the hospitality fudge, Piki.

Piki eats one floating fudge square, then another.

THE HOMEMAKER (CONT'D)

Follow the fudge-line; forward!

Piki, hypnotized, begins devouring FUDGE SQUARES.

THE HOMEMAKER (CONT'D)

The addition of chopped roasted walnuts evokes memories of falling autumn leaves!

Following fudge, Piki leaves the Homemaker behind, and draws close to a CANDYCANE-COLORED PATCH OF GROUND.

THE HOMEMAKER (O.S.) (CONT'D)

Falling autumn leaves, Piki!

Piki steps onto PATCH OF GROUND, which instantly dissolves under her. She falls in slow-motion into a dark PIT, with CANDYCANE SPIKES at the bottom.

PIKI

Unhhhh!

The "U!" SYMBOL follows Piki into the pit.

THE HOMEMAKER

(V.O.)

Falling autumn leaves!

Piki's star bracelet FLASHES, she looks at it.

CU PIKI'S STAR-BRACELET: POKO IN CHAINS

POKO is bound with CANDYCANE CHAINS. CANDYCANE WARRIORS savagely force-feed her MARSHMALLOW BUNNIES through a giant funnel. She SCREAMS and CHOKES.

**POKO** 

Piiikkiiii!!!

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