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Hard Quiz

Series Premiere

Host Tom Gleeson sets out to find Australia's hardest quiz champion, pitting four contestants against each other in a battle of attrition.

First up is the EXPERT ROUND, in which contestants are grilled on their nominated topic. But they need to be quick, because opponents can buzz in and steal answers and win double points.



In TOM'S ROUND, contestants compete on Tom's topic for the week. This round is interactive and multiple choice. At the end of TOM'S ROUND, Tom will eliminate one contestant.

Next is the PEOPLE'S ROUND - a fast round about stuff contestants should know. But will they? At the end, a second player is eliminated, leaving our two expertiest experts to play the final round - HARD QUIZ.

HARD QUIZ is a best-of-five, penalty-shoot-out-style showdown, with ultra-hard questions on each contestant's specialty topic. A highly tense round culminates with the HARD QUIZ CHAMPION awarded with the coveted Big Brass Mug™.

HARD QUIZ not only tests contestants' knowledge, it subjects them to Tom Gleeson's wit and his ability to exploit contestants' foibles. Guests have licence to fire back, and when one of them lands a blow, it's fair to say, everyone's a winner!

Australia's funniest new quiz show gets off to a riotous start as Tom Gleeson grills four experts in a Darwinian game of attrition, intelligence and wit. Who will be Australia's first ever Hard Quiz Champion: Sue (Flags), Liz (The Brat Pack), Miles (Dr Who), or Mark (Field Marshals of the British Army)?

#HardQuiz

Short Synopsis

Tom Gleeson grills four self-declared experts in TV's funniest new quiz show. Tonight's contenders: Flags expert Sue, Brat Pack expert Liz, Dr Who fan Miles, and Mark, expert in Field Marshals of the British Army.

Production details

A Thinkative TV production. Exec Producer: Chris Walker Producers: Kevin Whyte, Charlie Pickering, Tom Gleeson. Series Producer: John Tabbagh. ABC Executive Producer Tarni James.

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Silvia's Italian Table

Journalist Sarah Ferguson, comedian Claire Hooper and funny man Merrick Watts join Silvia to cook up a storm, as they talk about 'truth'.

For entrée, Silvia uses her visit to an Italian market stocked with her favourite seafood ingredient – vongole, or clam – as inspiration to cook a sublime prawn and clam seafood stir fry.



As he opens up about truth and lies, Merrick shows off his impressive knife skills, and as the group tucks into the entrée, Sarah talks about how a lifetime of interviewing politicians has taught her to read when someone is telling the truth.

For the main dish, Silvia serves up mouth-watering stuffed Roman tomatoes with roasted potatoes. Originating from Rome, this simple dish uses just tomatoes, rice and cheese. The conversation takes a serious turn as Sarah reveals how a lie to a man asking her on a date ended up with her lying in a hospital bed being prepped for surgery! Merrick confides about a childhood lie he told about a neighbour's broken bike; and Claire confesses to being naturally secretive, and how she balances that with being a comedian.

Dessert is also a little bit naughty, and it's a team effort as everyone pitches in to help make some delicious Italian ricotta doughnuts. After salivating at the smell of the golden, fluffy doughnuts, they tuck in, and conclude one thing – Silvia's Italian Table is delicious!

#SilviasItalianTable

Short synopsis

Silvia's Italian Table is a unique cooking and celebrity chat series presented by Silvia Colloca. Journalist Sarah Ferguson, comedian Claire Hooper and funny man Merrick Watts join Silvia as they cook a meal together and sit down to chat.

Production details

Produced by FremantleMedia; Presenter, Creative Producer, Co-Writer and Co-Creator Silvia Colloca; Executive Producer for FremantleMedia Australia Richard Campbell; Series Producer Josh McAtamney

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Ross Kemp: The Fight Against ISIS

Premiere

East Enders actor Ross Kemp visits Iraq and Syria to embed himself with Kurdish armed forces that are fighting on the front lines against the violent tide of Islamist rebels sweeping across the Middle East. During the course of his tour, Ross comes face-to-face with the enemy as he encounters jihadists serving the so-called Islamic State.



Short Synopsis

Ross Kemp heads to Iraq and Syria, where he follows Kurdish forces in their fight against Islamist rebels, and comes face to face with ISIS jihadists.

Production details

Freshwater Films Limited Production

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Rosehaven

It's Daniel (Luke McGregor) and Emma's (Celia Pacquola) first day at the office and already they are facing the unique difficulties of running a real estate agency in a small town. The only locksmith in town has retired and his son Damien (David Quirk) wants to take over the family business. The only problem is, no one in the local Neighbourhood Watch (led by the very unreasonable Olive) trusts Damien - he's 'odd' - and they certainly don't want him to have unrestricted access to their properties.



Daniel and Emma decide to meet Damien to suss him out for themselves. After visiting Damien in his home – and finding, much to Emma's delight, that he's quite the hoarder – Daniel and Emma agree that he seems trustworthy enough. After confirming with the local police officer Greg (Kim Knuckey) that Damien doesn't have a criminal record – Emma convinces Daniel to hold a meeting with the Neighbourhood Watch to inform them Damien will be McCallum Real Estate's locksmith of choice, they reluctantly agree.

Later that day, Daniel and Emma are visited at the office by Rosehaven's lone Police Officer, the very anxious Greg - who informs them that multiple people in the town have had items stolen from their home. There are no signs of a break in leading everyone to believe it's Damien's fault. A large mob of angry Neighbourhood Watch members descend on Damien's home and Greg enlists the help of Daniel and Emma to help talk them down and find out if Damien is the thief that they all feared he would be.

#Rosehaven

Short synopsis

It's Daniel and Emma's first day in the office and already they are facing unique difficulties of running a real estate agency in a small town. CAST Luke McGregor, Celia Pacquola.

Production details

Created and Written by Luke McGregor and Celia Pacquola. Directed by Jonathan Brough and Shaun Wilson. Produced by Andrew Walker. Co-Producer Fiona McConaghy. Executive Producer Kevin Whyte. ABC Executive Producers Rick Kalowski and Brett Sleigh.

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Play School: Let's Explore

New Series/ 9.30am Weekdays

Let's Explore focuses on the joy of discovering. Join the *Play School* presenters as they explore all of the amazing things that can be found when we venture a bit further and look a little closer.

Production details

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Man Up

Gus Worland is on a mission to change our minds about what it means to be an Aussie man.

Gus is only beginning to wrap his head around the vast implications that traditional male stereotypes have on the Australian male psyche. He wants to hear more stories from men around Australia, and is eager to discover what sorts of solutions are working. But he still has unanswered questions about his mate Angus' suicide.

He heads to the country, where isolation is a key contributor to people taking their own lives. In Wagga Wagga, he meets farmer John Harper, who took the bull by the horns following his bout of 'the black dog'. John's depression was tied to a drought in his region that caused a hit to his livelihood and made him question his self-worth.

Getting help when you most need it is hugely important, but making sure you get the right help is imperative. Mates4Mates is an organisation that supports current and ex-defence personnel. Their members are often dealing with war-inflicted injuries, as well as PTSD. So Gus goes on a sailing trip with four ex-soldiers who tell him about their harrowing experiences and the difficulty adjusting to life back home.

Gus now turns his attention to his teenage son Jack's generation – can young boys and men escape the pull of dangerous male stereotypes? Gus meets up with Steve Biddulph, psychologist and author of *Raising Boys*, for some tips. Steve notes that even though it's the simplest thing to say you're sad, it's something that is so hard for boys to do. The key is to get them to open up to someone they trust. With that in mind, Gus enlists facilitator Tom Harkin to run a masculinity workshop for Jack and his schoolmates. Gus is bowled over by the intense and honest stories the boys begin to share - and even more impressed by the respect that they show each other. Gus is feeling more confident that change is possible. It's been a good day at the office.

Short synopsis

Gus Worland is fired up to discover the secrets for men to survive in the modern world. He travels to meet the men who are making a difference, saving lives and redefining what it really means to 'Man Up'.

Production details

Man Up is principally financed by the Movember Foundation in association with the University of Melbourne. *Man Up* is an Heiress Films Production and was produced in association with the Australian Broadcasting Corporation.

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Upper Middle Bogan

When a shopowner spots Kayne's artwork on the side of the Wheeler truck, she commissions him to paint his designs on her expensive homewares store but, as Margaret is outraged to discover, has no plans to pay him. While Margaret finds a way to stop Kayne being exploited, Bess grapples with a gift from Julie, a fake Fendi bag, and Danny struggles to accept that his local coffee supplier has copied his favourite designer shirt to make its uniform – for a fraction of the price. CAST: Annie Maynard, Robyn Nevin, Michala Banas, Patrick Brammall, Glenn Robbins, Robyn Malcolm, Madeleine Jevic, Rhys Mitchell, Dougie Baldwin, Lara Robinson and Harrison Feldman. Guest Starring Heidi Arena.

#UpperMiddleBogan

Short Synopsis

When a shop owner commissions Kayne to paint his designs, Margaret is outraged that she has no plans to pay him. Bess grapples with a gift from Julie and Danny fumes when a coffee shop copies his shirt to make its uniform.

Production details

Created and written by Robyn Butler and Wayne Hope. Directed by Wayne Hope. Produced by Robyn Butler, Ben Grogan and Wayne Hope. Executive Producers Robyn Butler, Wayne Hope, Geoff Porz. ABC Executive Producer Rick Kalowski. A Gristmill Production in association with ABC TV and Film Victoria.

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Professor Green: Hidden and Homeless

Premiere

UK rapper Professor Green, aka Stephen Manderson, sets out to discover the modern face of homelessness, changing our perceptions of who the homeless are and the harsh reality of their lives.

With recent UK-based statistics showing that more than half of those seeking help with homelessness are under 25, Stephen investigates this pressing issue which is affecting young people in greater numbers. But what do we recognise as homeless today?

From the streets of Manchester, where rough sleeping has shockingly doubled in the last year, Stephen spends time with a 21 year-old man who has already fallen through the cracks in the system. Yet homelessness is not always so visible to society, as Stephen finds when he meets others trapped in the cycle of temporary hostel life and sofa surfing.

On this eye-opening journey he'll uncover a generation of people without access to normal society or a future - and ask whether rising levels of youth homelessness could bring us dangerously close a national epidemic.

Short synopsis

UK rapper Professor Green sets out to discover the modern face of homelessness, changing our perceptions of who the homeless are and the harsh reality of their lives.

Production details

Producer: Charlotte Bridger, Director: Lucy Wilcox. An Antidote Productions for BBC

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National Treasure

Paul (Robbie Coltrane) and his family have to deal with the pressure of the mounting allegations against him. Dee (Andrea Riseborough) confronts her former babysitter, Christina, now one of Paul's accusers. Marie (Julie Walters) is rattled to discover she was away on the nights Paul is accused of assaulting Christina, and Paul gives a radio interview, determined to put his side of the story. It backfires, angering his solicitor and leading to a story in the papers about Dee, her addiction and her history of suicide attempts.

Dee re-examines her own personal problems in light of the allegations being made about Paul. As Paul and Marie celebrate Dee's birthday, Dee wonders if she's repressed far more about her dad than she's prepared to admit. Can she trust her own memories?

#NationalTreasure

Short synopsis

Paul and his family have to deal with the pressure of the mounting allegations against him. Paul gives a radio interview, determined to put his side of the story but it backfires and causes more harm. CAST: Robbie Coltrane

Production details

Four-part drama series. Writer: Jack Thorne. Executive Producers: George Faber, George Ormond, Mark Pybus. Director: Marc Munden. Produced by The Forge.

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