

MYTHBUSTERS EPISODE DESCRIPTIONS: 2ND QUARTER 2012

DUCT TAPE ISLAND - Premieres Sunday, March 25 at 9PM ET/PT

It's life or death for Adam and Jamie as they find themselves abandoned on a deserted island with nothing but duct tape! Over the course of 10 days, **MYTHBUSTERS** must conquer the wild by putting duct tape to the test to explore the supposed uses of this "magical material." Can they use it to create a rescue signal? To source water? To catch food? To create a camp? And of course, can they use duct tape to escape the island? If the answer to any of these questions is no, Adam and Jamie's very existence could be compromised. It's survival at its most extreme and bizarre: but it's classic **MYTHBUSTERS**.

FIRE VS. ICE - Premieres Sunday, April 1 at 9PM ET/PT

On this episode of **MYTHBUSTERS**, the team battles with natural elements and become spies! First, Adam and Jamie test out a viral video clip depicting an epic duel between fire and ice. But they can't seem to decide if what they see is real, prompting them to explore the capabilities of C02 extinguishers and whip up homemade flamethrowers. Kari, Grant and Tory re-enact a kidnapping scene from the movie *Body of Lies* as they try to discover whether a dust cloud created by a vehicle can *really* blind state-of-the-art military technology. Set in the beautiful Black Rock Desert, Nevada, Grant plays the spymaster up in a helicopter, Tory and his crew are the kidnappers, and Kari is the victim. It's a test of coordination between those on land and those in the air.

SQUARE WHEELS - Premieres Sunday, April 8 at 9PM ET/PT

In this car crazy episode of **MYTHBUSTERS**, Adam and Jamie try to reinvent the wheel, while Kari, Tory and Grant tackle tandem driving myths. Adam and Jamie design the world's first square wheel kit, assembled from lightweight steel and tire tread, to test the theory that after a certain speed a car with square wheels will ride just as smoothly as it would with circular ones. But can **MYTHBUSTERS** get to the root of the square, and find that mythical speed? Meanwhile, Tory, Kari and Grant recreate a scene from the movie *Date Night*, when a car crash results in two cars being attached at the bumpers. First, they must create a double car monstrosity, but connecting two cars bumper to bumper isn't as easy as you might think. Can two conjoined cars even move, let alone achieve the turbo charged tricks they set out to try?

SWINGING PIRATES – Premieres Sunday, April 15 at 9PM ET/PT

On this episode of **MYTHBUSTERS**, Adam and Jamie take a swing at a movie myth from *Pirates of the Caribbean 2* where pirates in a bone cage suspended above a ravine swing to and fro, eventually swinging to a cliff where they can climb up to freedom. **MYTHBUSTERS** builds a bone cage, but have they created enough momentum to swing it into action? Meanwhile, Kari, Tory and Grant roll out a barrel for a turbo-charged go-cart. The legend says that a risk-taking rider strapped a 55 gallon drum to his go-cart, filled it with four gallons of methanol, lit a flame and took the rocket ride of his life. The team sets out to recreate this rocket-powered go-cart with new technology to improve the original model. But is this breakneck barrel run realistic or is it all hot air?

BATTLE OF THE SEXES – Premieres Sunday, April 22 at 9PM ET/PT

In this episode, **MYTHBUSTERS** pits men against women in the ultimate Battle of the Sexes. Five age-old popular clichés are tested, including: Who's the riskier driver? The men make a surprising wardrobe change to find this out. Are men really better at grilling and barbequing? Or at loading up a car with luggage? They even test the myth that women are better at reading non-verbal emotional cues. And finally, one of the most notorious gender myths of all: who's better at navigating? Is this a long list of male self-delusions? The results may surprise you.

DRIVING IN HEELS - Premieres Sunday, April 29 at 9PM ET/PT

On this episode of **MYTHBUSTERS**, the guys set out to see if fancy footwear puts you at risk on the road. They man-up and slip on the fanciest shoes they can find, putting themselves and the shoes to the test behind the wheel on an extreme stunt-driving track. (They end up testing another myth: that it's dangerous to drive when desperate to urinate.) Let's just say Adam takes one for the team. Meanwhile, Kari, Grant and Tory take on the world's favorite adhesive in a fan-fuelled super glue triple bill. They start with one about rock stars gluing a roomful of furniture to the ceiling of a hotel room, move to pinning down pedestrians with a super glue flytrap, and end with glue crash test that welcomes a brand new Buster the crash test dummy—it's Buster 4.0!

REVENGE OF THE MYTH – Premieres Sunday, May 6 at 9PM ET/PT

On this explosive episode of **MYTHBUSTERS**, the whole team gets together to test out fans' favorite myths. With cannons, fireworks, excavators, and exploding limousines, if you want spectacle, this show has it in spades! Ever since the guys first launched a water tank torpedo, fans have fallen in love with the destructive power of the water heater. In this episode, fans want **MYTHBUSTERS** to harness that power and turn a water heater into a cannon-but will it be the destructive disaster they want it to be? The fans' demands prove to be extremely diverse, as a humble pigeon gets sent plummeting over the edge of a cliff and a mighty machine is put to the test in completing small everyday tasks. Finally, Kari, Tory and Grant return to a busted myth: Fireworks Man. With NASA's help, the team uses 8,000 rockets to try and send Buster to the moon and back-but will he make it?

BOUNCING BULLET - Premieres Sunday, May 13 at 9PM ET/PT

In this episode, Jamie and Adam take aim at a ricochet myth from the television series *Burn Notice*. In the scene, our hero is being chased by another car, but instead of shooting at the driver, he aims his gun down, firing at the ground just in front of the follow car. Supposedly the bullets then skip off the ground and bounce up and through the bottom of the car, distracting the driver so the first car can escape. But could a bullet really bounce up into the underside of a car? Or is this a myth on the rebound? Meanwhile, Tory, Grant and Kari test a popular movie scene that tests whether the shockwave of an explosion can turn someone's jump from the ordinary to the extraordinary.

MAILBAG SPECIAL – Premieres Sunday, May 20 at 9PM ET/PT

You've got mail, MYTHBUSTERS, a lot of mail! This episode is dedicated to answering as many viewer questions as possible. In the course of this correspondence catch-up, MYTHBUSTERS answers a variety of almost 20 separate queries, mini myth requests, concerns and criticisms. The team reminisce over a letter asking, "Have you ever feared for your life while making the show?" Adam plays quizmaster as the team is tested on their

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knowledge of the show and they take a look behind the curtains to see how the camera crew records an explosion. Other mini myths tackled and tested include: Does the density of liquid determine the speed of dropping a six-pack of regular or light beer? Can a 50 caliber desert eagle pistol pierce a line of 25 watermelons? **MYTHBUSTERS** tests the famous saying "you can lead a horse to water, but you can't make it drink." Finally, in an embarrassing finale, they strive to find out if pretty girls pass gas. Kari is never going to live this one down!

BUBBLE PACK - Premieres Sunday, June 3 at 9PM ET/PT

The team hits the 007 button with a rocket-powered ejector seat, and bursts the bubble of an internet video sensation! First, Adam and Jamie test out an internet video that depicts a guy wrapped in bubble pack who dives off a three and a half story building – and walks away uninjured. As huge fans of the world's favorite shock-absorbing packing material, Adam and Jamie can't resist the eye-popping challenge of discovering whether bubble pack really has what it takes to break a multi-story fall. Adam falls for the idea of doing the drop himself, but is he as bouncy as he thinks he is? He and Jamie end up reconstructing the bubble pack to provide more cushion and the final test proves to be an unexpected cliffhanger! Meanwhile, Kari, Tory and Grant test out a James Bond movie myth from *Tomorrow Never Dies* where a car is flipped back on its wheels during a car chase. Bond is almost overcome by his enemy, but hits the button on the passenger-side ejector seat and is able to escape. **MYTHBUSTERS** gets a hold of a Jaguar very similar to the one in the Bond movie, but they must build their own spycar ejector seats. Will they succeed?

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