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# Highlights November 2012



# How We Invented the World

UK SERIES PREMIERE

THURSDAYS FROM 22ND NOVEMBER, 9.00PM

*How We Invented the World* is the ultimate action-packed, hi-energy, landmark series that examines the four inventions that define the modern world – mobiles, cars, planes and skyscrapers –celebrating the people and connections that made them possible. Each playing a crucial role in where we are now in the 21st Century – able to travel the globe, to talk to one another at any time at the push of a button, to live in huge cities, to commute, to capture the world we live in, making the fantasies we create come to life. With commentary by Donald Trump, Sir James Dyson, Jodie Kidd and Stelios Haji-loannou, this four part series lifts the lid on how these iconic inventions came to be. Showcasing the people who have shaped our lives in ways that they could have never imagined or anticipated, this series reveals stories of

human ingenuity, extraordinary connections, unprecedented experimentation and jaw dropping accidents that created the world as we know it.

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# Gold Rush: The Jungle

UK PREMIERE

TUESDAY 13TH NOVEMBER, 9.00PM

This one off special follows the crew from hit series *Gold Rush* as they continue their quest for the ultimate prize. With the team frozen out of the Klondike, Todd Hoffman gets a hot tip on a gold claim in Guyana, South America. But to get there he must lead his crew through snake-infested jungle, up deadly rivers and through dangerous business deals in a "no guts, no glory" adventure. Todd and his team brave the hostile jungle of Guyana in a search for gold-rich ground to mine year-round.

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# Dan Snow's Battle of the Somme

**UK PREMIERE**

SUNDAY 11TH NOVEMBER, 7.00PM

The Battle of Ancre and the Advance of the Tanks is a unique record of a terrible conflict: the final battle of the Somme offensive. Filmed in the midst of battle on the frontline at great risk to the cameraman, this silent film caused a sensation on its release in 1917. Now, in this special two hour documentary, Dan Snow commemorates Remembrance Day 2012 by telling the story of that battle, using the newly restored film to cast a fresh light on these dramatic events. Dan hunts for clues to reveal the truth about the footage: where exactly was it filmed? What became of the people in it? Was any of it faked? Visiting the scene of the battle, listening to the stories of the survivors and using actual items recovered from the battle scene, Dan pieces together the events of those few dark days in 1916.

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# You Have Been Warned

UK SERIES PREMIERE

MONDAYS FROM 12TH NOVEMBER, 8.00PM

*You Have Been Warned* is a fast-paced countdown of the world's top 20 YouTube homemade science stunts and experiments. Each episode finds the cleverest, funniest, most daring, outrageous or just downright bizarre clips - and uses a top cast of the world's best science experts to unpack and explain them for us. They will explain the what, how and why of the biology, physics, and chemistry that made these clips possible. Across the series we meet human powered flying machines in Canada, space explorers in the UK, backwards talking girls in the US and the New Zealander that built a robot rock band. From self-experimenting human guinea pigs, nature obsessed natural born thrillers and the danger junkies of epic stunts each episode is the definitive countdown.

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# Jungle Gold

UK SERIES PREMIERE

TUESDAYS FROM 20TH NOVEMBER, 9.00PM

*Jungle Gold* follows George White and Scott Lomu who four years ago were real estate high-rollers. By the time he was 25 years-old George was worth a million dollars, while 33-year-old Scott was turning over properties for a cool three million. But George and Scott were so intent on the next deal they ignored the warning signs - and lost everything in the 2008 property crash. With their houses and families' futures suddenly on the line, George and Scott had to come up with an answer. Finally they made a life changing decision and headed for the jungles of Ghana in West Africa whose vast reserves of gold rich ground, in mean even rookie miners with aging machinery can make a fortune. Things seem to go well for the duo on the outset when they manage to buy an 80 acre gold rich claim deep in the Ghanaian Jungle. But while getting the gold out of the ground is a challenge the real danger comes once

they find it – keeping hold of the gold and staying alive long enough to reap the rewards. This series follows the two on their journey to reclaim the lives they once had.

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# First Week In

UK SERIES PREMIERE

WEDNESDAYS FROM 28TH NOVEMBER, 10.00PM

From drug charges to cases of domestic violence to kidnapping, *First Week In* offers a candid, behind-the-scenes look into the lives of profiled inmates and the moments leading up to their incarceration. Over six episodes cameras follow their every move, witnessing how the inmates, who have been arrested in cities around the country, cope with their environments, desperately contemplate ways to leave and post bail, and, at times, vow to change their lives for the better. From their initial intake to their interaction and confrontations with violent offenders, to their desperate attempts to make a phone call, no aspect is off limits. For some, the path to freedom seems inevitable. For others, the future is bleak.

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# Swamp Loggers

UK SERIES PREMIERE

TUESDAYS FROM 20TH NOVEMBER, 10.00PM

Back for a new series *Swamp Loggers* follows fourth generation logger Bobby Goodson, who is one of the rare breeds of swamp loggers as he works the murky, dangerous swamps of North Carolina in search of high value timber. This series follows this family-owned operation, which employs nearly a dozen swamp veterans, including Bobby's son Justin Goodson and brother-in-law David Mueller as they battle the elements to get the job done. In the first episode Bobby Goodson welcomes a new member to his team and prepares to move to a fresh tract of land. But will an irate landowner and a bad storm, stop the crew?

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# Curiosity: Bermuda Triangle

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SUNDAYS FROM 4TH NOVEMBER, 10.00PM

*Curiosity* is back with new episodes, continuing to look to answer some of the most iconic and enduring mysteries of science. Why do people seemingly vanish into thin air in the Bermuda Triangle? How was Stonehenge actually built? And does brainwashing really work? All of these questions and more will be explored in the new series of *Curiosity*. In the first episode, scientists dive into the fabled Bermuda triangle, analysing its wrecks and testing different theories on real boats and planes in order to reveal the truth behind the legend.

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# Wildest Islands

UK PREMIERE SERIES

MONDAYS FROM 5TH NOVEMBER, 9.00PM

Celebrate the world's most spectacular island locations in brand new *Wildest Islands*. Dive into the aquamarine lagoons of the Solomon Islands; journey through the lush forests of Zanzibar; and uncover the enduring wonders of the Galapagos Islands as this beautiful five part series that investigates the rich history of these pristine paradises. Combining the extraordinary stories of the people and animals who call these jewels home, each episode explores the extremes of life in these unique and dramatic landscapes. From the leatherback turtles, armadillos, monkeys and manatees of the Caribbean, to the puffins, basking sharks, otters and corncrakes of the Scottish Hebrides, discover how a variety of species have adapted to island life. People have also found ingenious ways to survive and thrive in these remote locations, developing skills, traditions and beliefs

that make their island communities unique. Gain an in-depth understanding of these astonishing environments and experience the breath-taking sceneries, stunning details and colourful cultures that exist throughout the world's islands.

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# Bondi Vet

UK SERIES PREMIERE

WEEKDAYS FROM 1ST NOVEMBER, 7.00PM

Chronicling the adventures of Dr. Chris and his colleague Dr. Lisa Chimes, *Bondi Vet* provides a unique insight into the world of one of Sydney's busiest veterinary clinics.

Back with a new series, Dr Chris and Dr Lisa will meet animal characters such as Homer the turtle, Pearl the poodle and Dorothy the emu. As well as the day to day vet work, Dr Chris heads off to rural Victoria to treat all sorts- from horses to wombats and monkeys! In the first episode it's all go at *Bondi Vet* with Dr. Chris treating a turtle with a cracked shell and Dr. Lisa does all she can to save cat Betty after she is hit by a car.

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# Dark Days in Monkey City

UK SERIES PREMIERE

FRIDAYS FROM 16TH NOVEMBER, 9.00PM

Deep within the jungles on the magical isle of Sri Lanka is the deserted city of Polonnaruwa... also known as Monkey City. There, amidst the crumbling temples, large populations of toque macaques have turned the ruins of this once great and powerful civilisation into a savage battlefield. Once ruled by Buddhist and Hindu kings, the ancient temple city is now home to myriad monkey gangs that fight for supremacy. *Dark Days in Monkey City* blends graphic novel-style animation with live action to present an epic tale of love, treachery, betrayal and triumph. In the first episode the Temple Troop has dominated Monkey City for years, but times are changing and their ancient foes the Black Claws dream of overthrowing them and their home.

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# Monster Bug Wars

UK SERIES PREMIERE

SUNDAYS FROM 11TH NOVEMBER, 9.00PM

Step into nature's fighting pit, where a host of ruthless bugs as bizarre as they are lethal, engage in real-life battles to the death, in gripping series, *Monster Bug Wars*. This new series explores the fascinating weapons, strategies and behaviours nature has evolved over millions of years. With six brand new episodes, and commentary from experts Dr Linda Rayor, and Dr Bryan Grieg Fry, witness epic encounters between swarms of marauding assassins, and vicious one-on-one clashes where only one bug survives. The world of monster bugs is a jungle, where there's just one law - eat or be eaten. In the first episode in the warlike world of bugs, a Rainforest Mantis takes on a huge Spiky Leaf insect, a Bull Ant battles a Redback Spider and the Sydney Funnelweb attacks the Garden Wolf Spider.

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# Taste Off

UK SERIES PREMIERE

FRIDAYS FROM 2ND NOVEMBER, 9.00PM AND 9.30PM

Part-travelogue, part competitive culinary show, *Taste Off* follows self-taught British chef, restaurateur and author Aaron Craze, as he takes on homegrown food heroes around the world to prove he can cook up beloved national dishes as tasty and authentic as the locals. In each episode, Craze – known as one of Jamie Oliver's original Fifteen protégées and as the host of cookery show Rude Boy Food – earns the local culinary dish before competing against the locally crowned master, from head chefs at a 5-star restaurant, to family foodies to roadside cooks. Each episode culminates with a blind taste test where the discerning local audience will make the final call – can an outside chef outdo the experts on their own soil? In the series' final episode, Craze will visit Australia where all dishes will be cooked and judged against each other to become king of *Taste Off*.

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# Auction Kings

UK SERIES PREMIERE

THURSDAYS FROM 8TH NOVEMBER, 9.00PM

Paul Brown and his intrepid Gallery 63 crew are back for a new series of *Auction Kings*. Joining the team this series are pickers Ernie and Steve Garrett aka the Garrett Brothers, and authenticator Jamie Breese, who shows Paul how it's done, UK-style! Historic and off-the-wall items that can be seen on *Auction Kings* include Elvis Presley's gold and diamond bracelet, a document signed by President Abraham Lincoln, a commemorative John Wayne firearm collection, a 1955 mint condition Ford Thunderbird, a French and Indian war cannon, a rare Harley Davidson bicycle, and boxing gloves signed by legends Muhammad Ali and Joe Frazier. Sometimes the buyer gets a steal and sometimes the seller walks away with a hefty profit - you never know which way it's going to go! What you can count on each week are wild and lively auctions featuring mind-blowing objects, nail-biting

bidding wars, and auctioneers Guerry Wise and Jason Brooks who entertain the crowds with their unrestrained, entertaining, and fast-paced auction calls.

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# I'm Pregnant and...

UK SERIES PREMIERE

WEDNESDAYS FROM 14TH NOVEMBER, 9.00PM AND 9.30PM

*I'm Pregnant and...* returns with six episodes documenting the real-life accounts of women coping with pregnancies complicated by unbelievable emotional, physical and circumstantial obstacles. Some of the stories include *I'm Pregnant and...a Little Person* follows single mother to be, Nadia, who suffers from Achondroplasia, otherwise known as dwarfism. As she not only comes to terms with becoming a single mother, Nadia also anxiously awaits the birth her baby – not knowing whether their baby carries the Achondroplasia trait until his birth. Other stories include *I'm Pregnant and... Addicted to Crystal Meth*, *I'm Pregnant and... a Stripper* and *I'm Pregnant and...My Husband Wants to Be Woman*.

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# My Teen is Pregnant and So Am I

UK PREMIERE

THURSDAY FROM 1ST NOVEMBER, 9.00PM

*My Teen Is Pregnant and So Am I* is a compelling look inside two families whose lives are turned upside down when the mothers and their teenage daughters unexpectedly find themselves pregnant at the same time. Liz Forbes, 17, is pregnant to her boyfriend of almost three years while her mother Ann, 37, is expecting her third child. Surprisingly Ann thinks this is brilliant. On the other hand Kristen Phillips, 17, tells of how she accidentally fell pregnant to her boyfriend at the same time as her mother, Melissa, did. It's a struggle for Kristen as her parents struggle to accept the father of the baby. Viewers will go through the heartache and ups and downs as these two different families deal with this unexpected situation.

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# Reel Crimes/Real Story

**UK SERIES PREMIERE**

SUNDAYS FROM 4TH NOVEMBER, 9.00PM

Hosted by Erin Brockovich Investigation  
Discovery's new series *Reel Crime/Real Story* uncovers the true facts and real personalities behind iconic crime-and-justice movies that have become a part of our pop culture. Featuring the headline-stealing homicides that inspired Hollywood hits, *Reel Crime/Real Story* reveals the true tales on which award-winning films *Selena*, *Monster*, and *To Die For* were based, with never-before-seen interviews, crime scene reconstructions, and footage gathered from the actual investigations. In the first episode Erin uncovers the tragic real story of murdered Latin music sensation Selena Quintanilla Perez, whose life and death were portrayed on screen by Jennifer Lopez in 1997 film, *Selena*.

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# My Brother the Serial Killer

UK PREMIERE

THURSDAY, 22ND NOVEMBER AT 9.00PM

Clay Rogers has a little brother who is a serial killer. Glen Rogers is on Florida's Death Row and is due to be executed. In March 2012 Clay received a letter from his brother confessing to even more murders and admitting that he'd made a secret memoir of these murders. In hopes of saving his brother's life, Clay Rogers is going to cross America to find the truth about his brother's murder spree.

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# Inside West Coast Customs

**UK SERIES PREMIERE**

WEEKDAYS FROM MONDAY 5TH NOVEMBER, 8.00PM

*Inside West Coast Customs* returns with an all-new series, featuring the best in custom car fabrication. From rendering to reality, the famed design team at iconic design shop, West Coast Customs (WCC), has become renowned for their one of a kind, show-stopping creations. The crew is back at it again, applying imagination to four wheels and transforming regular vehicles into drivable works of art. With visionary CEO Ryan Freidlinghuas at the helm, WCC has become a pop culture and this series Ryan's celebrity clientele includes Mark Wahlberg, Will.i.am and worldwide superstar Justin Bieber. This season, Ryan and the team prove they can take on any challenge when they create life-sized Mario Karts, design a signature Cadillac for Sean Kingston, and craft a Camaro for a cause with the American Cancer Society.

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# GI Dough

UK SERIES PREMIERE

MONDAYS FROM 12TH NOVEMBER, 9.00PM

Meet Bob and Owen, two men whose obsession is their job. They love guns, tanks, cannons, fatigues and medals, and better still they know how to make money out of them. Bob and Owen pursue the coolest, rarest and most desirable vintage military artifacts there are. In the first episode Bob and Owen find military treasures as they source a WWII Japanese tank and a Saddam Hussein propaganda piece.

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# Life on a Wire

UK SERIES PREMIERE

TUESDAYS FROM 6TH NOVEMBER, 9.00PM

Nik Wallenda is a professional daredevil descended from the famed Wallenda circus family. Now, he's on a mission to bring his famous family's skill, passion, and showmanship to a new 21st century audience, using any means necessary. In extraordinary new series *Life on a Wire*, follow Nik as he designs, tests, builds and ultimately performs innovative and outrageous stunts. With the help of his entire family, Nik creates spectacular acts that cheat death through science, skill and discipline. In the first episode, Nik and his crew head to the Bahamas where he attempts the world record for the highest bike rope crossing – will he succeed?

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# Dust Up!

UK SERIES PREMIERE

TUESDAYS FROM 27TH NOVEMBER, 10.00PM

*Dust Up!* Travels to Nipawin, Saskatchewan in Canada, to meet three maverick pilots: 73-year-old Bud Jardine, his rebellious son Brennan Jardine, and ambitious newbie Travis Karle - all of whom are chasing their dreams of 'crop dusting' at 150 mph, just five-feet off the ground! Not your typical pilots, they each have their own crop dusting operation, and are competitive, ego driven daredevils who choose 'flying tractors' over jets. These crop-gun pilots buzz inches above the fields – dodging trees and telephone wires – to deliver their payloads while entertaining roadside audiences with their death-defying feats. With high stakes drama on the ground and peril in the air, *Dust Up!* features compelling stories about family feuds, resourcefulness and survival in the rural heartland.

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# Wild Fisherman Norway

UK SERIES PREMIERE

FRIDAYS FROM 23RD NOVEMBER, 10.00PM

Join British Angler, Matt Hayes, as he journeys to some of the world's wildest sport fishing locations. In brand new second series *Wild Fisherman: Norway*, Matt returns to a country he knows well to fish in the Fjords, lakes and rivers of the northern wilderness. Will Matt succeed in his mission to catch grayling, trout, pike and the mighty Atlantic salmon or will he be thwarted by the ravages of the remote, untamed landscape around him?

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