

Teacher Resource

Reality TV

Focus Questions

Discuss the BTN High story as a class and record the main points of discussion. Students will then respond to the following:

- 1. Do you watch reality TV? If so, which shows do you watch and why do you like them?
- 2. Is there anything you dislike about this genre of television?
- 3. How 'real' do you think reality TV is? Explain.
- 4. Do you feel participants in these programs are portrayed fairly? Explain.
- Give examples tactics or techniques producers might use to create reality TV.

Activities

- Imagine you're a television producer. Develop a proposal for a new reality TV show.
- Your school is now the setting for a reality TV program. In groups, discuss
 how you could make that idea interesting. Come up with possible
 conflicts, character ideas, and situations. Present your idea to the class.
- Write a feature article about how reality TV has changed over the years.
- In small groups, choose an age-appropriate reality television program.
 Analyse and critique the show, and present your discussion points to the class.

EPISODE 12

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KEY LEARNING

Students will explore the techniques used in reality television.

CURRICULUM

<u>Drama – Years 7 and 8 (v8.4)</u> <u>Drama – Years 9 and 10 (v9.0)</u>

Media Arts – Years 7 and 8 (v8.4) Media Arts – Years 9 and 10 (v9.0)

History - Year 10 (v8.4) History - Year 10 (v9.0)