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“Welcome to the quiz that’s hard to do
and I give everyone a hard time!”

Tom Gleeson (host)

Hard Quiz is a comedy quiz that sets out to find the ultimate quizzing champion, pitting four real contestants against each other in a battle of attrition armed with specialist topics, hosted in Australia by Comedian Tom Gleeson.

Dodging the host’s acerbic remarks along the way, contestants battle it out over three rounds in the hope of reaching the final Hard Quiz Round, where the two hardest quizzers go head to head to get their hands on the holy grail - the Big Brass Mug.

With subjects ranging from the popular (South Park, KISS, The West Wing) to the esoteric (thermodynamics, small arms of WWII) to the just plain impenetrable (vintage Australian washing machines?!), **Hard Quiz** has something for everyone.

The joy of **Hard Quiz** is that it doesn’t just test contestants’ knowledge. It also subjects them to the host’s rapid fire wit and complete comfort with exploiting his guests’ foibles. But contestants have complete licence to fire back, and when one of them lands a blow, then it’s fair to say that everyone’s a winner.

Hard Quiz was an instant hit for the ABC, boosting the 8pm slot and was quickly picked up for a second, third and fourth series.

Round 1 – Expert Round – the 4 contestants answer questions on their expert subject.

Round 2 – Host’s Round – the contestants answer multiple choice questions on the host’s chosen subject (which is different each week).

Round 3 – People’s Round – now down to 3 contestants, they answer quickfire general knowledge questions against the clock.

Round 4 – Head to Head – final 2 contestants answer questions on their expert subject, it’s best of 5 in the style of a penalty shoot out.

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