

## Podcast Episode 7 (TV)



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Why do you think television has become so popular over the last 50 years?

I do agree with the saying that TV is a magic box. It relaxes and pacifies our mind. TV serves many purposes. It's cheap, accessible and available to all income brackets. No need to go to overcrowded stadiums to watch a sport match or tolerate noisy people disturbing you at the movie theater. TV broadcasts different programs and since the advent of satellite the range of channels displaying your favorite programs has astronomically risen. So, it's easy to find out why TV has such a wide appeal.

**Saying:** (n) a well-known short statement that shows an idea most people believe.

**Magic:** (adj) relating to the skill of doing tricks to entertain people

**Relax:** (v) to become quiet and calm

Example: What I needed was a hot drink to relax me.

**Pacify:** (v) to make someone calm and satisfied after they have been angry or upset

Example: I just accepted what he said in the argument to pacify him.

**Serve:** (v) to be useful or helpful for a particular purpose or reason

Example: The sofa also serves as a bed.

**Accessible:** (adj) easy to obtain or use **Synonym:** available

Example: Computers should be readily accessible to all teachers and students in the school.

**Income:** (n): the money that you earn from your work or that you receive from investments

Example: People of higher income should pay more tax.

**Income bracket:** (n) a category of people whose income falls within a specific level

**Overcrowded:** (adj) filled with too many people or things

**Match:** (n) a game, a competition between two teams or people

**Tolerate:** (v) to be able to accept something unpleasant or difficult **Synonym:** Bear

Example: I can't tolerate his bad behavior.

**Disturb:** (v) to **interrupt** someone so that they cannot continue what they are doing

Example: Sorry to disturb you, but I have an urgent message.

**Movie theater:** (n) (American English) a building where you go in order to watch films

**Synonym:** cinema (British English)

**Broadcast:** (v) to send out radio or television programs.

Example: The soccer match was broadcast live.

**Advent:** (n) the time when something first begins to be widely used **Synonym:** arrival, coming

**Satellite:** (n) a machine that has been sent to space for radio, television and other electronic communication

**Range:** (n) a number of people or things that are all different but are all of the same general type

Example: the company offers a wide range of services.

**Display:** (v) to show

Example: Shop windows display the latest fashions.

**Astronomically:** (adv) in an extremely high manner

Example: The prices have risen astronomically in the past 2 years.

(**Astronomical:** (adj) astronomical prices, costs and fees are extremely high)

**rise:** (v) to increase in number, amount or value (rise-rose-risen) **Synonym:** go up, climb

**find out:** (phrasal verb) to learn or discover something

**Appeal:** (n) a quality that makes people like something or someone

Example: The film has great appeal for young people.