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The Awful Truth About Television: The little box that transformed society

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Summary:

When television was first introduced, commentators thought American families wouldn't have ti

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Introducing TV

Based on how engrained the television is in our society, one might think that it had been arou

Yet, television was not officially introduced to the world until in 1939 at the World's Fair.
TV ownership explodes

World War II stalled the development of television. After the war though, TV sales took off fa

Initially, only two networks distributed television programming for approximately 3½ hours per

Trend for TV viewing still rising

Now television technology is exploding in other manners. No longer confined to the home, TV's

The trend for TV viewing is rising higher as well, propelled by new technology. For example, a

Many people see TV as a necessary part of life. For example, when I announced to my mother tha
"No Couch Potato Left Behind"

In November 2005, there was a huge debate in the US about cutting food stamp benefits. At the

Columnist George Will aptly named it the "No Couch Potato Left Behind" entitlement. President

It is time to ask, "What is the cost of this transformation?"

About 'The Awful Truth About Television' Series:

What happens when the average American spends 4 hours 32 minutes every day watching television

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