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THE RATINGS REPORT

Fox may be known as the king of reality series, but NBC is quietly stealing the crown. As of July, the Peacock network had housed three of this summer's most-watched broadcast reality shows. Surprise. Surprise. -Craig Jaffe

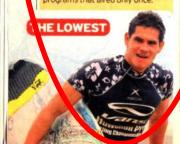
THE TOP FIVE

1 For Love or Money, NBC, 9.9 million viewers 2 American Juniors, Fox, 8.8 3 Big Brother 4, CBS, 8.7 4 Crime & Punishment, NBC, 8.6 5 Last Comic Standing, NBC, 8.3

THE BOTTOM FIVE

Aparadise Hotel, Fox, 5.3
Anything for Love, Fox, 4.5
The Dating Experiment, ABC, 4.0
America's Next Top Model, UPN, 3.8
Boarding House:
North Shore, WB, 2.1

Source: Nielsen. Average audience analysis excludes encores and programs that aired only once.





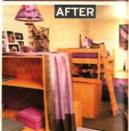
t's just bout tine up the summer me es and head off to college. It may not be able to get you a good physics tutor, but HGTV's "Back-to School Design-a-Thon" (eginning August 15, 9 pm/E) and Trading Spaces on Can pus (TLC, August 9,

8 pm/T) can help take your

room the head of the class.

Jult as with studies, preparation is the key to success when it comes to your home away from home, especially for rosh. "Call your new roommate and figure out who is linging what," recommends Joan Steffend of HGTV's Decorating Cents. "Believe me, those rooms cannot handle two refrigerators and two TVs!"





Steffend rolls up her sleeves to help you show your school colors

Come move-in day, you'll learn that utilizing space can be a bigger challenge than deciphering Heisenberg's uncertainty principle, so "build up, not out," Steffend says. "Never underestimate what lofting your bed can do for a feeling of spaciousness."

Look under the bed for storage options and to the walls for a large surface to cover with personal touches. "A rug will go a long way toward making your dorm a warm space," she says, and think about adding "an accent light with attitude."

Of course, you and your roommate may clash on styles, so Steffend has a plan. "If nothing else, come up with a common color. That way, something will be cohesive."

THIS WEEK

COOKING

KITCHEN

s Network, Saturday, August 9, 9 am/ET)
scream, you scream, we all
cream for ice cream. Or is that
frozen espresso granita? From
time favorites to modern concoctions, "Frozen Treats" brings
together Sara's Secrets, Essence of
Emeril, 30 Minute Meals, Barefoot
Contessa and Everyday Italian to whip up
keep-cool creations.

CONSTRUCTION

BOB VILA'S HOME AGAIN

(TLC, Saturday, August 9, 10 am/ET) History meets high-tech in the 13-part "Dream Garage" as Vila builds a classic post-and-beam storage space for modern cars and boats.

GARDENING

DIY GROWING ROSES

(DIY Network, Monday, August 11, 10:30 am/ET) By any name they smell sweet, especially with this new guide to picking varieties for your climate, pruning tips and more.

FROM MARTHA'S GARDEN

(HGTV, Wednesday, August 13, 7 am/ET)
It's time to learn about the birds and the
bees—and the butterflies—along with some

insider tips on bringing them to your yard.

