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## Screen test

Pick the right television for your home and family with our guide to the latest advances in visual technology

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**IN THE NOT-TOO-DISTANT FUTURE**, it's predicted that your television, computer and phone will merge into one multi-purpose screen for the home. While we're not there yet, the emergence of digital broadcasting, 3D TV and online streaming of content means that buying a TV can be an exhaustive task. As a starting point, consider what type of screen is suitable for you. "Plasmas are great for watching sports, whereas gamers and keen movie buffs should look for an LCD and LED [backlit LCD] screen," says Tim Barnes of LG. To help you think outside the box, we have taken five TV audiences and matched them with visual equipment to suit their needs. >

The Sony '46HX820' TV is great for families, offering full HD 3D capability and an energy-efficient 7-star rating.