

## Nickelodeon Presents Epic *Blaze and the Monster Machines* Prime Time Special, "Race to the Top of the World," Featuring Guest Stars Anthony Anderson and Mayim Bialik, on Monday, Nov. 23, at 7 P.M. (ET/PT)

NEW YORK--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Nickelodeon's [Blaze and the Monster Machines](#) speeds across the seven continents in "Race to the Top of the World," an hour-long special featuring guest voice appearances by Emmy-nominated actors Anthony Anderson (*Black-ish*) as Pegwheel the Pirate and Mayim Bialik (*The Big Bang Theory*) as the Sphinx. *Blaze and the Monster Machines* follows the adventures of the amazing monster truck Blaze and his eight-year-old driver AJ, and it's the first preschool show on TV to comprehensively cover all areas of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) in every episode. The special will be simulcast across Nickelodeon, Nick Jr., [NickJr.com](#) and the Nick Jr. App on Monday, Nov. 23, at 7 p.m. (ET/PT).

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In "Race to the Top of the World," Blaze and his friends compete in the greatest race in history. However, when Crusher throws them off course, Blaze and his Monster Machine friends must persevere to make it to the finish line. Along the way, they encounter Pegwheel the Pirate, the cannonball-blasting captain of a scalawag crew of pirate trucks, and meet the mysterious but friendly Sphinx, who warns of ancient sand traps awaiting them in the desert. Blaze cranks up the power on his monster machine transformations by turning himself into a rocket, fire engine, catapult, cannon and more.

Leading up to the premiere, [NickJr.com](#) and the Nick Jr. App will feature exclusive content, including a first-look at the episode starting Nov. 16, as well as three original pieces of short-form content featuring Blaze completing challenges using unique STEM concepts such as force, trajectory and acceleration. [NickJr.com](#) will also have a brand new *Blaze* game, Race to the Top of the World. The game features a collection of mini-games so kids can help Blaze overcome obstacles, including controlling a hot air balloon to ascend above the pyramids and racing down the Eiffel Tower to get back to the ground to win the race.

The *Blaze and the Monster Machines* App, available now, features a new "Top of the World" location and 15 new race levels. Users can build their very own Top of the World track, help Blaze and AJ compete against other monster trucks--Starla, Crusher, Stripes and Zeg--in one of five locations (The Badlands, Top of the World, Dragon Island, The Snowy Slopes or The Monster Dome) and use blazing speed and problem-solving to overcome obstacles along the way.

In the toy aisle, Nickelodeon and Fisher-Price, a subsidiary of Mattel Inc., recently launched an all-new toy line based on *Blaze and the Monster Machines*. With strong online presales leading the way, the line debuted in May exclusive to Toys'R'Us and is now available at all major retailers. The complete introductory line includes die-cast, talking and super stunt vehicles, playsets and more that bring the fun and dynamic characters from the show to life. Nickelodeon has expanded the *Blaze* license into new categories which include games and puzzles, outdoor sports and party goods.

In *Blaze and the Monster Machines*, the amazing monster truck Blaze and his eight-year-old driver AJ have adventures that explore the physics of how things move; tackle problems through scientific inquiry and mathematics; and discover the parts needed to make everyday technologies work. Each action-packed episode is filled with monster trucks, physical humor and upbeat original songs with lyrics that highlight a STEM concept such as adhesion, friction, force, trajectory and magnetism. *Blaze and the Monster Machines* is created by Jeff Borkin ([Team Umizoomi](#) head writer) and Ellen Martin ([Bubble Guppies](#) supervising producer).

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