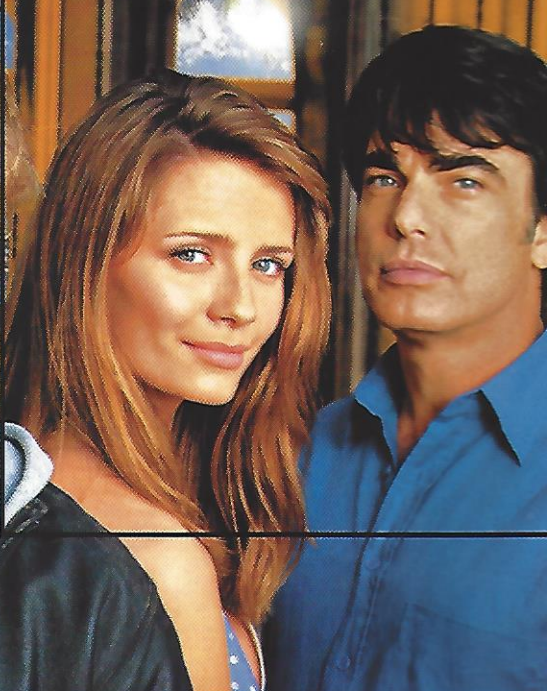
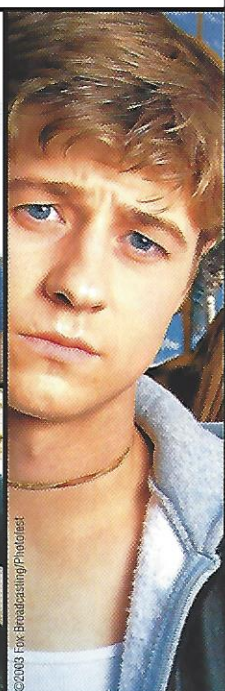
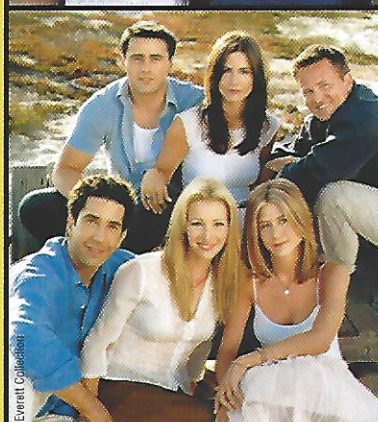
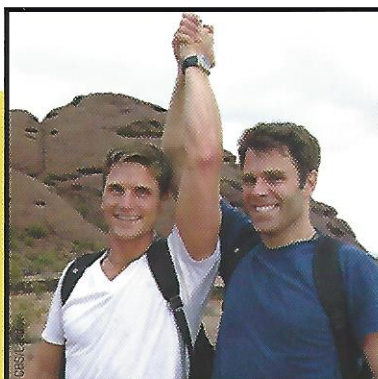


→ The pulse-pounding CBS hit "The Amazing Race" wins the inaugural Emmy Award for Best Reality Program.

→ America bids farewell to the cast of "Friends" after the NBC sitcom's 10th and final season.



Fox uses its tried-and-true teen soap formula to come up with the biggest television hit of the year for teens, "The O.C."

↓ In February 2004, CBS airs "Survivor: All-Stars," starring past "Survivor" winners and contestants.

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← Jessica Simpson, star of MTV's "Newlyweds" with husband Nick Lachey, makes entertainment headlines for mistaking Chicken of the Sea tuna for chicken.



↑ Famous for "Three's Company" and star of ABC's "Eight Simple Rules for Dating My Teenage Daughter," actor John Ritter dies suddenly from heart failure in September.

← "Alias" star Jennifer Garner earns high viewer ratings for ABC TV and lights up the big screen in *13 Going on 30*.



Shows such as TLC's "Trading Spaces" and Bravo's "Queer Eye for the Straight Guy" create a new niche for the home improvement TV genre.

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