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* Man Jumps Speeding Lamborghini



Videos showing Alaskan Iva Gobitack jumping from a standing start over sports cars traveling at up to 60 mph (97 km/h) have amazed millions of viewers online. To date, Alaskan has cleared every speeding car that has driven at him, and the Swedish daredevil has ambitions to leap over even faster cars, perhaps two at once.



MASCOT BRAWL The Duck, mascot of the University of Oregon football team, received a one-game suspension after being involved in a brawl with Shasta the cougar, mascot of the University of Houston. The 20-second YouTube video shows the Duck laying into his opponent number with fists and welded feet.

VIDEO PROPOSAL Matt Still proposed to his unsuspecting girlfriend Ginny Jones via the giant screen at a movie theater in Atlanta, Georgia—and the video of his elaborate marriage proposal racked up over 20 million hits on YouTube in its first four months online. Ginny had gone to the theater with her brother expecting to see the action-adventure movie *Fast Five*, when her boyfriend's video suddenly appeared on screen after the trailers had finished. When Matt's mini-movie was over, he appeared for real in the movie theater to place the ring on stunned Ginny's finger.

CHICK RESCUE A visitor to Ireland's Dublin Zoo uploaded a clip to YouTube showing a 220-lb (99-kg) orangutan tenderly rescuing a drowning chick by lifting it from the water using a leaf. Seeing the tiny moonhen chick struggling in the pond of his enclosure, Jorong, a Bornean orangutan, pulled a leaf from a nearby bush and held it out for the bird to cling to. At the second attempt, he managed to save the chick, then placed it down on the grass and stroked its head.

FLATTENED SNOWMAN A bus driver lost his job after his bosses saw a YouTube video of him running over a snowman that had been built in the road at Urbana, Illinois.

DOG BITES SHARK A video clip of a dog biting a shark in the ocean near Broome, Western Australia, has been viewed 4.5 million times on YouTube. Two dogs were swimming in the sea and appeared to be herding several sharks toward shore, when one suddenly ducked under the water and attacked a shark before emerging unscathed.

POPULAR AD As of March 2012, Evian's "Roller-Skating Babies" ad had been watched over 205 million times via video websites, making it the world's most viewed online advertisement.

* Break-dancing Gorilla



Millions of people have watched this clip of Zola the gorilla dancing at a zoo in Canada. Zola's keepers at the zoo told Ripley's about the video: "Zola, the Calgary Zoo's nine-year-old gorilla is seen here in a shifting area of his enclosure having some playtime in a puddle of water. The keeper was able to capture the action on video and when music was added to the clip, Zola appears to have quite the moves! Western Lowland gorillas are critically endangered and hopefully this bit of video fun can raise awareness of this and of the importance of captive breeding programs. Zola came to the Calgary Zoo three years ago from the Bronx Zoo."

