

SATURDAY 15 JANUARY 2011

**SAT 00:00 Planet B (b00j0hqr)**

Series 1  
 5. The Smart Money  
 John and Medley are transported to a world of orgies and circuses, where the slaves seek a new leader.  
 Ten-part series about a mystery virtual world.  
 Written by Paul May.  
 John ..... Gunnar Cauthery  
 Lioba ..... Donnlá Hughes  
 Medley ..... Lizzy Watts  
 Cerberus ..... Chris Pavlo  
 Trader 1 ..... Janice Acquah  
 Trader 2 ..... Robert Lonsdale  
 Wheeler ..... Paul Rider  
 Regulator ..... Stephen Critchlow  
 Lyall ..... Inam Mirza  
 Fracta ..... Jill Cardo  
 Other parts played by the cast.  
 Director: Jessica Dromgoole  
 Made for BBC Radio 7 and first broadcast in March 2009.  
**SAT 00:30 Brian Aldiss Presents (b00nchx0)**  
 Beef; Sole Solution  
 The sci-fi author's own futuristic meaty tale, plus Eric Frank Russell's story of scientific creation. Read by Peter Marinker.  
**SAT 00:45 MR James (b007k1kh)**  
 MR James: Ghost Stories  
 Rats  
 Mr Thompson decides to explore the rooms at the inn where he is staying. Perhaps he shouldn't. Read by Benjamin Whitrow.  
**SAT 01:00 Wimsey (b007jvmm)**  
 The Unpleasantness at the Bellona Club  
 2. The General's Last Evening  
 Lord Peter Wimsey probes the mysterious Mr Oliver - and a pair of tricky wills.  
 Starring Ian Carmichael as Lord Peter Wimsey, Martin Jarvis as George Fentiman and Allan Cuthbertson as Robert Fentiman. British gentleman detective Lord Peter Wimsey features in a number of detective novels and short stories by English crime writer, Dorothy L Sayers. The Unpleasantness at the Bellona Club was first published in 1928.  
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 Ian Carmichael appeared as Lord Peter Wimsey for BBC Radio from 1973 to 1983, in addition to the BBC TV adaptations that were broadcast between 1972 and 1975.  
 Adapted for radio in six episodes by Chris Miller.  
 Producer: Simon Brett.  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 1975.  
**SAT 01:30 The Doomed Oasis, by Hammond Innes (b007k372)**  
 6. Jebel Al-Akhbar  
 Politics and practicalities as the water supply is cut to force the Emir to negotiate - and a final confrontation.  
 Starring Tim Munro.  
 Conclusion of the Arabian adventure based on Hammond Innes' novel.  
 Adapted by Rene Basilico.  
 George Grant ..... Tim Munro  
 Colonel Whittaker ..... Bernard Horsfall  
 David Whittaker ..... Christopher Guard  
 Ruffin ..... Robert Rietty  
 Colonel Goodge ..... Nicholas Courtney  
 Captain Chuck Berry ..... David McAlister  
 Sergeant Rashid ..... Adam Hussein  
 Yousif ..... Ali Refaie  
 Trucial Oman Scout ..... Mohammad Sultan  
 Abdul Zaid Emir of Hadd ..... Remu Setna  
 Henry Grant ..... Robert James  
 Betty ..... Jill Lidstone  
 Producer: John Fawcett Wilson.  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in September 1984.  
**SAT 02:00 Dave Sheasby - Shifting the Leaves (b007jtch)**  
 Episode 5  
 In her quest to finally come to terms with her Cornish past, Marjorie gets help from some youngsters.  
 Written by Dave Sheasby.  
 Marjorie Beaumont ..... Elizabeth Bradley.  
 Mrs Nugent ..... June Barrie  
 Mandy ..... Alison Pettitt  
 Tilson ..... Tristan Sturrock  
 Producer: David Hunter  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1998.  
**SAT 02:15 Hattie Naylor - Ivan and the Dogs (b00xfjd5)**  
 The extraordinary story of a young boy's life on the streets of Moscow, where he was adopted by wild dogs. Stars Tom Glenister.  
**SAT 03:00 Vent (b00nws98)**  
 Series 3  
 Locked In  
 Ben's in trouble. He's free of a coma, but not of the past. Stars Neil Pearson, Josie Lawrence, Robert Webb and Fiona Allen.  
**SAT 04:00 It Sticks Out Half A Mile (b007jq15)**  
 The Fancy Dress Parade  
 Frambourne-on-Sea's pier restoration fund-raising costume party is going well, until Pike brings a piano.

A seaside saga of pier perpetuation starring John Le Mesurier, Ian Lavender and Bill Pertwee.  
 Arthur Wilson ..... John Le Mesurier  
 Frank Pike ..... Ian Lavender  
 Bert Hodges ..... Bill Pertwee  
 Miss Perkins ..... Vivienne Martin  
 Mrs Pike ..... Janet Davies  
 Ernest Wolcott ..... Michael Knowles  
 Mrs Briggs ..... Hilda Braid  
 Willerby Smallpiece ..... Gordon Clyde  
 Waitress ..... Miranda Forbes  
 Written by Harold Snoad and Michael Knowles, based on the characters originally created by Jimmy Perry and David Croft.  
 Producer: Martin Fisher  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in January 1984.  
**SAT 04:30 No Commitments (b007jntt)**  
 Series 6  
 Excess Baggage  
 The past catches up with Stuart, which impacts on Anna - and her sisters make it worse. Stars Rosemary Leach. From July 1999.  
**SAT 05:00 Garrison Keillor's Radio Show (b00xg7dx)**  
 Series 6  
 Episode 8  
 From San Francisco - the American funny man welcomes blues master Elvin Bishop and Scottish balladeer Jean Redpath. From 2010.  
**SAT 06:00 15/01/2011 (b00xg7dz)**  
 Join all your CBeebies friends for songs, rhymes and stories on BBC Radio 7.  
**SAT 08:00 Big Toe Books (b00xg7f1)**  
 Chris Pizey presents children's stories featuring Harry and the Wrinklies by Alan Temperley, Snoodle from Unbelievable by Paul Jennings, and Mighty Fizz Chilla by Philip Ridley.  
**SAT 09:00 Armitage and Moore's Guide to Song (b00xg9tq)**  
 Episode 1  
 Narrators and characters kick off an analysis of popular songs, unpicked by poet Simon Armitage and musicologist Allan Moore.  
**SAT 09:30 King Street Junior (b007x07n)**  
 Series 3  
 Pressures  
 School life hits breaking point with incessant drilling outside - and a playtime bully.  
 Created and written by Jim Eldridge.  
 Ten series of this comedy about King Street Junior School ran between 1985 and 1998. King Street Junior Revisited ran from 2002 to 2005.  
 Philip Sims ..... Karl Howman  
 Mr Beeston ..... James Grout  
 Mr Holliday ..... Tom Watson  
 Mrs Stone ..... Margaret John  
 Mrs Rudd ..... Vivienne Martin  
 Mr Long ..... Paul Copley  
 Miss Lewis ..... Marlene Sidaway  
 Mrs Patterson ..... Deirdre Costello  
 Chandra ..... Leon Hamilton  
 Maureen ..... Victoria Keady  
 Sundar ..... David Crane  
 Carlos ..... Mark Denham  
 Producer: John Fawcett Wilson  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1988.  
**SAT 10:00 Comedy Controller (b007jmg8)**  
 Jenny Eclair  
 The comedienne selects her favourite shows - Radio Active, The Shuttleworths, Hearing With Hegley, Lee and Herring's Fist of Fun, People Like Us and Knowing Me, Knowing You.  
**SAT 13:00 JB Priestley - When We Are Married (b007jvkd)**  
 Three couples receive a very rude shock in the midst of their joint silver wedding celebrations.  
 First performed on stage in 1938, JB Priestley's classic comedy with a star-packed cast.  
 Starring Alun Armstrong as Albert Parker, Alan Bennett as Herbert Soppitt, Brenda Blethyn as Clara Soppitt, Michael Jayston as Joe Helliwell, Polly James as Lottie, Nicola Paggett as Maria Helliwell, Gwen Taylor as Annie Parker, Elizabeth Spriggs as Mrs Northrop, Peter Woodthorpe as Ormonroyd, Cathryn Bradshaw as Ruby, Timothy Watson as Gerald, Deborah Berlin as Nancy, Paul Panting as Fred and James Taylor as the Reverend Mercer.  
 Music by Stuart Hutchinson  
 Adapted and produced: Matthew Walters  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1994.  
**SAT 14:30 Crime Catch-Up (b00xg8jc)**  
 The Doomed Oasis - Bahrain-Sharjah-Dubai  
 George Grant is the English lawyer on an Arabian adventure in search of a missing client. Stars Tim Munro.  
**SAT 15:00 Crime Catch-Up (b00xg9k0)**  
 The Doomed Oasis - Escape to Sarafa  
 On the trail of his missing client in Arabia, English lawyer George Grant is taken to an oasis. Stars Tim Munro.  
**SAT 15:30 Crime Catch-Up (b00xg9ts)**  
 The Doomed Oasis - The Doomed Oasis  
 Hunting a missing client, English lawyer George Grant discovers new sources of oil in Arabia. Stars Tim Munro.  
**SAT 16:00 Crime Catch-Up (b00xg9tv)**  
 The Doomed Oasis - The Empty Quarter  
 Out in Arabia, George Grant learns that missing David Whittaker may be alive and able to save the oasis. Stars Tim

Munro.  
**SAT 16:30 Crime Catch-Up (b00xg9tx)**  
 The Doomed Oasis - Jebel Al-Akhbar  
 Jebel Al-Akhbar: In a politically sensitive area in Arabia, the water supply is cut off to force the Emir to negotiate. Stars Tim Munro.  
**SAT 17:00 Garrison Keillor's Radio Show (b00xg7dx)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 05:00 today]  
**SAT 18:00 The House on the Borderland by William Hope Hodgson (b007wzxn)**  
 2. The Siege  
 After beginning to read the ragged manuscript purporting to be written by an old recluse, the narrator and his sister face the swine-like supernatural creatures' terrifying siege...  
 Read by Jim Norton.  
 First published in 1908, William Hope Hodgson's fantasy novella is now seen as a classic of early, Edwardian sci-fi.  
 Abridged in four parts by Doreen Estall.  
 Producer: Lawrence Jackson  
 Made for BBC Radio 7 by BBC Northern Ireland.  
 First broadcast in September 2007.  
**SAT 18:30 The Man in Black (b00nrv03)**  
 Series 2  
 2. Death Us Do Part by Mike Bartlett  
 Following a freak accident, John hears voices warning him off marriage. Prenuptial nerves or something sinister?  
 Mike Bartlett's tale is introduced by Mark Gatiss as sinister raconteur, The Man in Black.  
 John .... Carl Prekopp  
 Old Man .... Malcolm Tierney  
 Kate .... Tessa Nicholson  
 Clive .... Piers Welner  
 Sarah .... Emerald O'Hanrahan  
 Old Woman .... Kate Layden  
 Doctor .... Stephen Hogan  
 Vicar .... Philip Fox  
 Horrifying series of tales from The Man in Black. You might meet him at a luggage carousel in an airport, or behind the desk at an employment agency or he might approach you in the corridor of a care home.  
 Wherever you encounter him, he's eager to pass on his stories. Stories to unsettle and horrify. Stories to haunt you.  
 Producer: Gemma Jenkins  
 Made for BBC Radio 7 and first broadcast in November 2009.  
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 [Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]  
**SAT 23:00 People Snogging in Public Places (b00xg9tz)**  
 An uncle with learning disabilities moves in with his nephew's family. Jack Thorne's bold and funny drama with Rupert Simonian.

**SUNDAY 16 JANUARY 2011**  
**SUN 00:00 The House on the Borderland by William Hope Hodgson (b007wzxn)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Saturday]  
**SUN 00:30 The Man in Black (b00nrv03)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Saturday]  
**SUN 01:00 JB Priestley - When We Are Married (b007jvkd)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 13:00 on Saturday]  
**SUN 02:30 Wally K Daly (b007jqz6)**  
 A Right Royal Rip-Off  
 Inmates Charles and George have a nice little scam going on behind bars. The last thing they want is to be released from prison, so they plot an outrageously daring heist - involving the Crown Jewels.  
 Starring Peter Jones, Charles Hawtrey, Donald Hewlett and Bernard Bresslaw.  
 The second of Wally K Daly's trilogy of criminal gang capers produced in the style of old British comedy films.  
 Charles Forbes .... Peter Jones  
 Governor Smith ... Donald Hewlett  
 George Evans .... Lockwood West  
 Fingers .... Charles Hawtrey  
 Bullet Head .... Bernard Bresslaw  
 Nigel .... John Warner  
 Mrs Sopworth .... Pauline Letts  
 Colonel .... Stephen Thorne  
 Basil .... Ronald Herdman  
 Winston .... Steve Hodson  
 Tommy .... John Bull  
 Chair Person .... Miranda Forbes  
 Billy .... David Timson  
 Wilkes .... John Rowe  
 Plunket .... John Rye  
 Perkins .... Adrian Egan  
 Doreen .... Wendy Murray  
 Calloni .... Gordon Reid  
 Listen out for conclusion of Wally K Daly's Trilogy - The Bigger They Are.  
 Producer: Martin Jenkins  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1982.  
**SUN 04:00 Garrison Keillor's Radio Show (b00xg7dx)**







Michael Henchard reaches breaking point.  
Stars David Calder as Michael Henchard, Sandra Berkin as Lucetta, Andrea Wray as Elizabeth-Jane and Jason Fleming as Donald Farfrae.  
19th century Dorset is brought vividly to life in Thomas Hardy's magnificent story of a man whose impetuous, vital character is the seed of his own downfall.  
Music arranged and played by Dave Townsend and the Mellstock Band.  
Dramatised in 4-parts by Sally Hedges  
Directed at BBC Pebble Mill by Nigel Bryant  
First broadcast on BBC Radio in 1994.  
**WED 11:00 Juliet Ace - Young Victoria (b00xhz79)**  
The Young Queen  
The young princess turns 18, and William IV dies. Based on the diaries and letters of Queen Victoria. Stars Imogen Stubbs.  
**WED 11:15 RF Delderfield - To Serve Them All My Days (b00xhz7c)**  
Episode 3  
Devastated Davy buries himself in school life in 1926, and in writing the book Beth urged him to write. Stars Oliver Milburn.  
**WED 12:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b007jnf8)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]  
**WED 12:30 Lines From My Grandfather's Forehead (b00h4lm)**  
From 05/04/1971  
An odd romantic tryst and the life of a great Englishman.  
A sequential entertainment for radio starring Ronnie Barker. With Terence Brady and Pauline Yates.  
Pianist: Gordon Langford.  
Written by John Graham, David Nobbs, David McKellar and Peter Vincent, Donald Monat and June Dixon, Miles Rudge and Ted Dicks, Pete Spence, Alan Scott and Chris Bryant, and Gerald Wiley.  
Producer John Fawcett-Wilson  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1971.  
**WED 13:00 Wimsey (b007jvn1)**  
The Unpleasantness at the Bellona Club  
5. At Lady Dormer's  
Discovering General Fentiman was poisoned, Lord Peter Wimsey decides to probe Miss Dorland's hobby.  
Starring Ian Carmichael as Lord Peter Wimsey, Allan Cuthbertson as Robert Fentiman, Amanda Reiss as Ann Dorland and Gabriel Woolf as Inspector Parker.  
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Producer: Simon Brett  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 1975.  
**WED 13:30 Jim Eldridge - Down Payment on Death (b007jtkw)**  
3. A Life for a Life  
Retired hitman, Art Gordo, faces more pressure to kill the shadowy Charles Allweather.  
Dinsdale Landen stars in Jim Eldridge's thriller adapted from his own novel.  
Art Gordo .... Dinsdale Landen  
Louise Lenahan .... Frances Jeater  
Paul Le Clerk .... Donald Gee  
Sally Le Clerk .... Joanna Wake  
Leon Young .... Basil Henson  
Charles Allweather .... Glynn Owen  
Producer: John Fawcett-Wilson  
First broadcast on the BBC World Service in May 1976.  
**WED 14:00 A Shared Vision (b00xj0hp)**  
Poet John Hegley visits Zanzibar in East Africa with an old pair of his glasses in the hope that someone might be able to use them. From April 2003.  
**WED 14:30 Natural Despots (b0076w0s)**  
Episode 1  
Michael Portillo investigates nature's tyrants. Leadership is hard to find in the animal world, but many creatures exercise lethal power to get their own.  
**WED 15:00 A Short History of Ireland (b007r4m9)**  
The Rebellion Spreads North: Rebellion in County Antrim  
The country's rich and turbulent story continues. With Richard Dormer, James Greene and Frances Tomelty.  
**WED 15:15 God's Architect (b00xj15x)**  
Pugin and the Building of Romantic Britain  
With a controversial new home design, Pugin's prospects take off, as his religious convictions take hold. Read by Haydn Gwynne.  
**WED 15:30 Kate Grenville - The Secret River (b00ndlm5)**  
The Sign of the Pickle Herring  
London convict William Thornhill arrives in the alien land of Australia's New South Wales in 1806. Read by Ron Cook.  
**WED 15:45 Paul Theroux - Dark Star Safari (b007w4h4)**  
Episode 3  
Continuing his African journey, the author ponders turning 60 as he returns to Uganda. Read by William Roberts.

**WED 16:00 Big Toe Books (b00xj15z)**  
Chris Pizzezy presents an hour of children's stories featuring The BFG, Jerry and the Inventions and Marshmallow Magic and the Wild Rose Rouge.  
**WED 17:00 PG Wodehouse - The Inimitable Jeeves (b007jxf5)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]  
**WED 17:30 The Marx Brothers' Flywheel, Shyster and Flywheel (b007ww6z)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]  
**WED 18:00 Planet B (b00j1z95)**  
Series 1  
8. Retreat  
John and Medley arrive in a strange religious retreat. Is it a cult or can it offer real enlightenment?  
Ten-part series about a mystery virtual world.  
Written by Thomas Crowe.  
John ..... Gunnar Cauthery  
Medley ..... Lizzy Watts  
Cerberus ..... Chris Pavlo  
Lioba ..... Donlla Hughes  
All other parts played by Robert Lonsdale, Janice Acquah, Jill Cardo, Stephen Critchlow, Manjeet Mann, Malcolm Tierney and Adjoa Andoh.  
Director: Jessica Dromgoole  
Made for BBC Radio 7 and first broadcast in March 2009.  
**WED 18:30 I Am Legend by Richard Matheson (b007k0wz)**  
3. Vampires  
Tortured by memories, Robert Neville, Earth's last living man, steps up his fight against the vampires.  
Richard Matheson's 1954 cult classic set in 1976 USA. One of the 20th century's most significant vampire novels, combining sci-fi and horror.  
Read by Angus McInnes.  
Abridged by Scott Stainton Miller.  
Producer: Eilidh McCreadie  
Made for BBC 7 by BBC Scotland and first broadcast in January 2006.  
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[Repeat of broadcast at 12:30 today]  
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**WED 21:00 Juliet Ace - Young Victoria (b00xhz79)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]  
**WED 21:15 RF Delderfield - To Serve Them All My Days (b00xhz7c)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 today]  
**WED 22:00 The House of Milton Jones (b0011tt2)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]  
**WED 22:30 The Maltby Collection (b00xj161)**  
Series 2  
Episode 4  
At the museum's first children's day, the dog counting competition is not going well. Stars Geoffrey Palmer. From June 2008.  
**WED 23:00 The Lee Mack Show (b00bwzv3)**  
Sophie Ellis-Bextor  
Sophie Ellis-Bextor joins the quick-fire comic for stand-up, sketches and music. With Angela McHale. From March 2005.  
**WED 23:30 The Million Pound Radio Show (b007k0sb)**  
Series 2  
Episode 5  
Danger sports - and chicken terrorists. Andy Hamilton and Nick Revell's sharp-edged topical humour. From September 1986.

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[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 on Wednesday]  
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**THU 04:30 The Marx Brothers' Flywheel, Shyster and Flywheel (b007ww6z)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Wednesday]  
**THU 05:00 Just William (b007jqr1)**  
Series 3

William Goes Shopping  
The schoolboy is side-tracked when running an errand to get fish for his mother. Read by Martin Jarvis.  
**THU 05:15 Just William (b007jqs1)**  
Series 3  
Violet Elizabeth Runs Away  
The mischievous schoolboy is surprised by the arrival of the rich spoilt schoolgirl. Read by Martin Jarvis.  
**THU 05:30 WE Johns - Biggles Flies North (b007m9sh)**  
Ginger Acts Alone!  
Trapped in a flaming jailhouse by the angry mob, the air ace is left with two equally harrowing choices. Read by Michael Palin. From August 1981.  
**THU 05:45 WE Johns - Biggles Flies North (b007mc8q)**  
At the Eleventh Hour  
Tied to a tree, will the air ace and his chums meet an untimely end? Michael Palin concludes Captain WE Johns' adventure. From August 1981.  
**THU 06:00 20/01/2011 (b00xj1wq)**  
Join all your CBeebies friends for songs, rhymes and stories on BBC Radio 7.  
**THU 08:00 The Men from the Ministry (b00xj4lb)**  
The Great Footwear Scandal  
The bumbling civil servants must find 5000 boats  
A weekly tribute to all those who work in government offices and to all the others who spend their days there as well.  
Number One ..... Wilfrid Hyde White  
Number Two ..... Richard Murdoch.  
Mildred ..... Norma Ronald  
Sir Gregory Pitkin ..... Roy Dotrice  
April Adams ..... Diana Olsson  
With Edwin Apps and David Graham.  
"The Men from the Ministry" ran for 14 series between 1962 and 1977. Deryck Guyler replaced Wilfrid Hyde-White from 1966  
Written and produced by Edward Taylor.  
First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in October 1962.  
**THU 08:30 Double Income, No Kids Yet (b0091nkl)**  
Series 3  
Episode 4  
As an expectant mother Lucy is trying to avoid stress - until she tries to break the news of her pregnancy to her mum and dad. Meanwhile Daniel gets an unwelcome taste of the joys of fatherhood.  
David Spicer's comedy drama about modern life and parenthood, as seen through the eyes of two 30-something non-parents.  
Starring David Tennant as Daniel, Liz Carling as Lucy, Joanna Brookes as Alison, Robert Harley as Peter, Sally Grace as Mary and Bill Fellows as Frank.  
Producer: Liz Anstee  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2003.  
**THU 09:00 The Galton and Simpson Playhouse (b00p9354)**  
The Offer  
The original 1962 script that sparked the triumphant Steptoe and Son. Stars Freddie Jones and John Thomson. From January 1999.  
**THU 09:30 Potting On (b0011pkk)**  
Curse of the Pharaoh  
Gordon gets so addicted to a computer game that Pam has to get a dog for company.  
Sitcom about a couple at odds over running a garden centre and growing older...  
Written by Chris Thompson and Peter Reynolds.  
Starring Pam Ayres as Pam and Geoffrey Whitehead as Gordon.  
With Trevor Bannister, Karl Theobald and Alex Tregear.  
Sitcom by Chris Thompson and Peter Reynolds.  
Producer Claire Jones  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2008.  
**THU 10:00 Thomas Hardy - The Mayor of Casterbridge (b007jpfd)**  
The Skimmity Ride  
Forever haunted by his reckless past, the ex-Mayor of Casterbridge, Michael Henchard, is becoming desperate...  
Stars David Calder as Michael Henchard, Andrea Wray as Elizabeth-Jane, Sandra Berkin as Lucetta, Jason Fleming as Donald Farfrae and John Nettles as Newson.  
The dramatic denouement of Thomas Hardy's magnificent story of a man whose impetuous, vital character is the seed of his own downfall.  
Music arranged and played by Dave Townsend and the Mellstock Band.  
Dramatised in 4-parts by Sally Hedges  
Directed at BBC Pebble Mill by Nigel Bryant  
First broadcast on BBC Radio in 1994.  
**THU 11:00 Juliet Ace - Young Victoria (b00xj4ld)**  
The Learning Process  
The coronation captures the heart of the nation. Based on the diaries and letters of Queen Victoria. Stars Imogen Stubbs.  
**THU 11:15 RF Delderfield - To Serve Them All My Days (b00xj4lg)**  
Episode 4  
Davy wants to give Bamfylde's new headmaster his full support in 1927, but Alcock won't make it easy for him. Stars Oliver Milburn.  
**THU 12:00 The Men from the Ministry (b00xj4lb)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]  
**THU 12:30 I'm Sorry, I'll Read That Again (b00d4184)**



Ian Carmichael appeared as Lord Peter Wimsey for BBC Radio from 1973 to 1983, in addition to the BBC TV adaptations that were broadcast between 1972 and 1975.

Adapted for radio in six episodes by Chris Miller.  
Producer: Simon Brett.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1976.

**FRI 13:30 Jim Eldridge - Down Payment on Death (b007jdl9)**

5. The Moment of Truth

Retired hitman, Art Gordo, finally comes face-to-face with his mysterious nemesis.

Dinsdale Landen stars in the gripping conclusion of Jim Eldridge's thriller adapted from his own novel.

Art Gordo .... Dinsdale Landon

Louise Lenehan .... Frances Jeater

Paul Le Clerk .... Donald Gee

Sally Le Clerk .... Joanna Wake

Leon Young .... Basil Henson

Forbes .... Douglas Blackwell

Parsons .... Terrence Hardiman

Hotel Porter .... Frank Coda

Charles Allweather .... Glyn Owen

Producer: John Fawcett-Wilson

First broadcast on the BBC World Service in May 1976.

**FRI 14:00 Garrison Keillor's Radio Show (b00xjth9)**

Series 6

Episode 9

From Minnesota, the American funny man welcomes jazz songbird Inga Swearingen and Nashville picker Guthrie Trapp. From 2010.

**FRI 15:00 A Short History of Ireland (b007r3l5)**

The Races of Castlebar; The Union Proposed

The country's rich and turbulent story continues. With Richard Dormer, James Greene and Frances Tomelty.

**FRI 15:15 God's Architect (b00xjv0n)**

Pugin and the Building of Romantic Britain

Pugin and the Building of Romantic Britain: The architect finds a new love, but his professional life declines and personal misery beckons. Read by Haydn Gwynne.

**FRI 15:30 Kate Grenville - The Secret River (b00nf0tr)**

Adam in Paradise

William stakes his claim on Thornhill's Point, but other people have the same idea. Read by Ron Cook.

**FRI 15:45 Paul Theroux - Dark Star Safari (b007w3f2)**

Episode 5

Travel writer Paul Theroux's epic journey comes to an end in South Africa, his final destination. Concluded by William Roberts.

**FRI 16:00 Big Toe Books (b00xjv0q)**

Chris Pizzey presents an hour of children's stories featuring The BFG, Jerry and the Inventions, and Marshmallow Magic and the Wild Rose Rouge.

**FRI 17:00 It Sticks Out Half A Mile (b007jq3p)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

**FRI 17:30 No Commitments (b007jnv9)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

**FRI 18:00 Planet B (b00j2j7k)**

Series 1

10. Death's Door

John and Lioba aim to meet in the real world, but can they really escape their virtual reality?

Conclusion of series one of three about a mystery virtual world.

Written by Matthew Broughton.

John ..... Gunnar Cauthery

Medley ..... Lizzy Watts

Cerberus ..... Chris Pavlo

Lioba ..... Donnla Hughes

All other parts played by Janice Acquah, Jill Cardo, Stephen Critchlow, Paul Rider, Manjeet Mann, Matthew Broughton and Adjoa Andoh.

Director: Jessica Dromgoole

Made for BBC Radio 7 and first broadcast in March 2009.

**FRI 18:30 I Am Legend by Richard Matheson (b00cfzw4)**

5. Hunting

Earth's last living man, Robert Neville, steps up his hunt for the root of the plague.

Richard Matheson's 1954 cult classic set in 1976 USA. One of the 20th century's most significant vampire novels, combining sci-fi and horror.

Read by Angus McInnes.

Abridged by Scott Stainton Miller.

Producer: Eilidh McCreadie

Made for BBC 7 by BBC Scotland and first broadcast in January 2006.

**FRI 19:00 The Navy Lark (b007klyw)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

**FRI 19:30 The Random Jottings of Hinge and Bracket (b007jrgv)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:30 today]

**FRI 20:00 Wimsey (b007jvn6)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 13:00 today]

**FRI 20:30 Jim Eldridge - Down Payment on Death (b007jdl9)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 13:30 today]

**FRI 21:00 Juliet Ace - Young Victoria (b00xj958)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

**FRI 21:15 RF Delderfield - To Serve Them All My Days (b00xjth7)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 today]

**FRI 22:00 Robin and Wendy's Wet Weekends (b008f86w)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

**FRI 22:30 Getting Nowhere Fast (b008jdf4)**

Series 2

Episode 4

Pamela has had enough of men, including Merv, so she joins a women's group. Stars Mervyn Stutter. From May 2003.

**FRI 23:00 Miranda Hart's Joke Shop (b00mvfw1)**

What an Excuse

The shopkeeper's mother plans a wedding, but the prospective bride has other ideas. With Patricia Hodge. From September 2008.

**FRI 23:30 The Young Postmen (b00xjv0s)**

Everest (The Mountain)

Fearing the sack, Derek goes mountaineering to prove he's employable. Stars Ben Miller and John Thompson. From December 1992.