

SATURDAY 14 JUNE 2008

SAT 19:00 The Book Quiz (b00b6ks5)
Series 2

Episode 7

Kirsty Wark presents the grand final of the literary panel game, as Wendy Holden and Giles Coren do battle with Daisy Goodwin and David Aaronovitch.

SAT 19:30 Run of the Arrow (b00785ls)

Western about an ex-Confederate soldier who heads to the Wild West after the Civil War is over and makes a fresh start among the Sioux. Upon surviving the ritual rite of passage called Run of the Arrow, he is accepted into the tribe and marries. But his loyalty is tested by the arrival of a cavalry group led by an old adversary.

SAT 21:00 Rich Hall's 'How the West Was Lost' (b00c4zvh)
Comedian Rich Hall goes west to find out what killed off that most quintessentially American of all film genres, the western.

Through films such as The Searchers, The Man Who Shot Liberty Valence, Little Big Man, The Wild Bunch and Unforgiven, Rich charts the rise and fall of America's obsession with its own creation myth - the Wild West. He explores how the image of the cowboy as a moral, straight-talking heroic figure was created by Hollywood but appropriated by Washington, as one president after another sought to associate themselves with this potent symbol of strength and valour.

From Tombstone to Texas, Montana to Wyoming, Rich travels across a landscape that is both actual and mythic in the minds of not just Americans, but all of us. With his customary wit and intelligence he unpicks the truth from the fiction of Hollywood's version of frontier life, draws parallels between popular western narratives and America's more questionable foreign policy, and celebrates the real heroes of the west - John Ford, John Wayne, Sam Peckinpah, Arthur Penn and Clint Eastwood.

Filmed on location in Arizona, Montana and Wyoming and incorporating interviews and archive clips of some of the best-loved westerns of all-time, the film is Rich Hall's personal salute to a genre of film he feels passionate about.

SAT 22:30 Fort Apache (b0077zzm)

The first of John Ford's cavalry trilogy, in which a commanding officer, bitter at his demotion after the Civil War, takes his resentment out on the men of Fort Apache, a remote outpost in the Arizona desert.

He is determined to tighten up discipline but eventually shows his ignorance of American Indian behaviour when he leads his troops into a deadly confrontation.

SAT 00:40 Quincy Jones: The Many Lives of Q (b00c18jl)
From the Jazz Age to Hollywood - 1933-1974

In a career spanning six decades, American jazz musician, composer, arranger, record producer and entrepreneur Quincy Jones has won more Grammy awards than any other artist. His list of other honours includes an Emmy for his work on the seminal American television series Roots and an Oscar for his humanitarian work.

This two-part documentary celebrates the life and career of the man who helped make Michael Jackson the king of pop, arranged Frank Sinatra's Fly Me To The Moon, wrote the score for The Italian Job, produced the world's top selling album and single and helped launch the careers of Oprah Winfrey and Will Smith.

At the heart of both films is a wide-ranging interview with Quincy himself, in which he talks candidly about his work and personal life, covering the highs and lows, the triumphs and the tragedies. Family, friends and stars from the music and film industries provide an insight into the man and his unique genius. Both programmes feature archive illustrating the key stages in Quincy's life, including previously unseen home movies and studio footage from his personal archive.

This first part, From the Jazz Age to Hollywood: 1933-1974, spans Quincy's childhood in Chicago, reveals how he discovered music almost by chance and features his first professional engagement at the age of 18, playing trumpet in the Lionel Hampton band. It also charts his Hollywood career writing music for some of the most iconic films of the 1970s and concludes with his life-threatening brain aneurysm.

Contributors include Quincy himself, brother Richard, Harry Belafonte, Michel Legrand, Herbie Hancock, Michael Caine, jazz photographer Herman Leonard, children Martina and Quincy Jones III and former wife Peggy Lipton, and there is

footage of Frank Sinatra, Dinah Washington, Dizzy Gillespie, Count Basie and Ray Charles.

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[Repeat of broadcast at 21:00 today]

SAT 03:10 Quincy Jones: The Many Lives of Q (b00c18jl)
[Repeat of broadcast at 00:40 today]

SUNDAY 15 JUNE 2008

SUN 19:00 Holiday (b0074rs6)

A cheerful 1950s cinema short promoting British holiday resorts.

SUN 19:15 She Wore a Yellow Ribbon (b007894r)

In the second in John Ford's cavalry trilogy, a US cavalry officer suffers a setback on his last mission and is 'retired' before he can take further action. To avert a full-scale war, he decides to act alone.

SUN 21:00 Reputations (b0077861)

John Wayne - the Unquiet American

The series of historical biographies presents a profile of the actor John Wayne. His on-screen bravery and his battle with the cancer that eventually killed him contributed to a heroic public image. But Wayne shirked his country's call to arms in World War Two, endorsed the Hollywood blacklist, fervently supported the war in Vietnam, and criticised the civil rights movement.

SUN 22:00 Rich Hall's 'How the West Was Lost' (b00c4zvh)
[Repeat of broadcast at 21:00 on Saturday]

SUN 23:30 Wagon Master (b00c6s7w)

Poetic story of a pioneering Mormon community. Forced out of Crystal City, a group of Mormons head westward in search of the promised land. The journey is treacherous, and two footloose horse traders are persuaded to 'give the Lord a hand' and guide them across the desert. On the trail, the wagon train encounters travelling entertainers, fugitive gunfighters and Native Americans.

SUN 01:00 Visions of the Future (b0087fn6)

The Intelligence Revolution

Theoretical physicist and futurist Michio Kaku shows how, in the 21st century, artificial intelligence is going to become as ubiquitous as electricity, how robots with human-level intelligence may finally become a reality, and how we'll even be able to merge our minds with machine intelligence. As the challenges and choices are literally mind-bending, Dr Kaku asks how far we will ultimately go.

SUN 02:00 Visions of the Future (b0088yjf)

The Biotech Revolution

Leading theoretical physicist and futurist Michio Kaku looks at the revolution in genetics and biotechnology, which promises unprecedented health and longevity but also raises the spectre of a Frankenstein future of genetically engineered people. Will we, as transhumanists expect, evolve into a new species? Dr Kaku warns that we may end up in a world divided by genetic apartheid.

SUN 03:00 Visions of the Future (b008bsy9)

The Quantum Revolution

Theoretical physicist and futurist Michio Kaku shows how quantum physics is giving mankind the almost godlike power to manipulate the fundamental building blocks of matter. Science fiction ideas like the space elevator, teleportation, invisibility cloaks, or nanosized molecular machines might soon become a reality. But will we use our unprecedented scientific mastery wisely?

MONDAY 16 JUNE 2008

MON 19:00 World News Today (b00c50db)

The latest news from around the world.

MON 19:30 Living with Modernism (b0074sl8)

Episode 5

Simon Davies presents a series looking at modernist homes in the UK and the people who live in them. Stillness, the Bromley home of designer David Callcott, is a beautiful and well-preserved fusion of stark modernism and art deco.

MON 20:00 The Life of Mammals (b007c1h8)
Opportunists

David Attenborough meets the omnivores - the opportunists. When it comes to food, this diverse range of animals, which includes grizzly bears at one end and rats on the other, are so adaptable that they can always make the most of whatever happens to be around at the time. They are nature's generalists but each is equipped with some very specialised skills.

North American raccoons use the same proportion of their brain for processing information from their hands as humans use for sight. Indeed, a raccoon's sense of touch is so acute that, in a way, they can see with their hands, making it easy for them to find food in murky streams at night.

The rare and bizarre-looking babirusa from Sulawesi is equally capable at finding food but uses another part of its body - its nose. This pig's legendary sense of smell enables it to locate the smallest amount of fallen fruit in its dense forest habitat.

Omnivores are able to exploit the most extraordinary opportunities, whether they be man-made or those found in the wild. In Texas, skunks descend into bat caves where the atmosphere is thick with ammonia and lethal fungal spores (and the carpet of flesh-eating beetle larvae) and, in the pitch blackness, they feed on baby bats that have fallen off the cave ceilings.

And if there is no food, some omnivores are able to hibernate, like the raccoon dog, which can double its weight in five months of summer. It is a trick that is also taken up by one of the most impressive of all mammals, the grizzly bear. David gets close to these bears and follows their short season of plenty. He explains how they manage to gain enough weight to survive half a year without food.

The story of the omnivores would not be complete without reference to the most successful of all, the humans. As an example of this success, David looks at the Kumbh Mela festival in central India.

MON 21:00 Storyville (b00c50dd)

The Father, the Son and the Housekeeper

Documentary about Father Michael Cleary, an unlikely superstar of the Irish Catholic Church who had his own TV chatshow and two hit albums to his credit. He was the man who could seemingly do no wrong, but a year after his death a shocking truth emerged about his private life that would rock the Church to its foundations and leave his family's life in tatters. Alison Millar, who met with Cleary as a young film student, revisits her archive to discover the truth about the 'real' Father Ted.

MON 22:00 Searchers 2.0 (b00cfzc2)

Comedy drama in which two actors who owe their entire careers to the Western genre seek revenge against a legendary screenwriter who once mistreated them on the set of an early film.

MON 23:45 Rich Hall's 'How the West Was Lost' (b00c4zvh)

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MON 01:15 Storyville (b00c50dd)

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MON 02:15 Living with Modernism (b0074sl8)

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TUESDAY 17 JUNE 2008

TUE 19:00 World News Today (b00c50p5)

The latest news from around the world.

TUE 19:30 Sounds of the Seventies (b00bxqtl)

Solos

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Vintage rock, pop and soul performances from the BBC archives.

TUE 19:35 Batman (b00c6smj)
Series 2

The Sandman Cometh

Fantasy adventure series. Catwoman and Euro-crook Sandman, disguised as Dr Somnambula, plot to relieve billionaire noodle queen J Pauline Spaghetti of some of her wealth.

TUE 20:00 The Making of the Iron Lady (b00c13bf)

Using unseen archive footage, new filming and interviews with those closest to the action, Michael Cockerell tells the inside story of the 20 years that took Margaret Thatcher from Commons new girl to her election in 1979 as the first ever female British prime minister.

While her decade inside Number 10 has been well covered, the story of how she rose to the top has remained untold, and the film shows how she fought the male chauvinism of Westminster, particularly in her own party.

TUE 21:00 What Happened Next? (b00c50p7)

Kingswood: A Comprehensive School

Series which finds out what happened to people featured in past BBC documentaries. In 1982 a series followed the staff and pupils of Kingswood school in Northamptonshire, with often controversial access to its inner workings. Its success made Kingswood's head Brian Tyler a nationally recognised figure. A TV crew went back to Corby 25 years later to meet some of the characters from a series which remains the only documentary one about life in an ordinary state school.

TUE 22:00 Storyville (b00c50p9)

The Biggest Chinese Restaurant in the World

Bright Future

Series about China's largest restaurant looks to the future with a banquet for a new baby and the anniversary show organised by the West Lake to celebrate its third year. Managers, chefs and waiting staff take to the stage in an all-singing, all-dancing extravaganza rounded off with a star turn by the owner, Qin Linzi. The restaurant addresses the high rate of staff turnover and gives the waiting staff a pay rise, while Qin discusses how important it is for her to drink with her customers.

TUE 22:30 Margaret Thatcher: The Long Walk to Finchley (b00c188n)

Satirical drama based on Margaret Thatcher's early years in politics. Young Margaret wants nothing more than to be an MP, but may be too much of a rebel for the Conservative Party of the 1950s. She did not have a 'good war', she is interested in politics and she thinks a woman's place can be in the House as well as the home.

TUE 23:55 The Making of the Iron Lady (b00c13bf)

[Repeat of broadcast at 20:00 today]

TUE 00:55 Dinner with Portillo (b00c3k8t)

The Iron Lady and the Glass Ceiling

Michael Portillo hosts a dinner party with a cross-section of guests, including Baroness Shirley Williams, Lord Rees-Mogg and Lionel Shriver. They explore the early years of Margaret Thatcher's political career and ask if she was a feminist role model, why the Left has not produced a successful female equivalent and whether women in politics have an easier time now.

TUE 01:25 Margaret Thatcher: The Long Walk to Finchley (b00c188n)

[Repeat of broadcast at 22:30 today]

TUE 02:50 Storyville (b00c50p9)

[Repeat of broadcast at 22:00 today]

TUE 03:20 The Making of the Iron Lady (b00c13bf)

[Repeat of broadcast at 20:00 today]

WEDNESDAY 18 JUNE 2008

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WED 19:35 Batman (b00c6szv)

Series 2

The Catwoman Goeth

Fantasy adventure series. Batman confronts the Sandman on Spaghetti Island. The Batmobile is stolen, and Batman has to walk home. Robin is put in a cat maze.

WED 20:00 Mark Lawson Talks To... (b00936js)

Rabbi Lionel Blue

Journalist and broadcaster Lionel Blue, the first openly gay British rabbi, in conversation with Mark Lawson.

WED 21:00 Jews (b00c50tc)

The Prisoner

Documentary series giving an unprecedented insight into Jewish life in Britain today. It begins with the story of ultra-orthodox Hasidic Jew Samuel Leibowitz, who has multiple convictions for international drug-smuggling. Filmmaker Vanessa Engle follows him as he comes out of prison and returns to his community, documenting his re-entry into ultra-orthodox life to discover whether he can overcome his transgressions and live once again as an observant Hasidic Jew.

WED 22:00 Shanghai Dreams (b00c50tf)

In 1980s China, the country is beginning to reform and workers who had been moved with their families to the provinces in the 60s now long to return to Shanghai. For one displaced family a conflict arises when their 19-year-old daughter finds love with a local boy, threatening their chance of a return to the city.

WED 23:55 What Happened Next? (b00c50p7)

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THURSDAY 19 JUNE 2008

THU 19:00 World News Today (b00c5141)

The latest news from around the world.

THU 19:30 Terry Jones' Medieval Lives (b0078p4l)

The Monk

Monty Python star and medieval enthusiast, Terry Jones, takes us on a tour of the Middle Ages, destroying old myths and discovering extraordinary stories of real people. This week, Terry investigates the truth behind the cloistered medieval monk, whose ideal of giving up the world for a life of prayer and isolation was all too often undermined by an ability to make money out of almost anything, from sheep to iron smelting.

THU 20:00 Can Dogs Smell Cancer? (b0074rtr)

Documentary concerning the first in-depth look at dogs' ability to detect cancer in humans. The programme reveals the results of three astonishing scientific trials exploring dogs' sniffing abilities and includes the first-ever footage of a pet dog spontaneously alerting its owner to a potential cancer.

THU 21:00 The Flapping Track (b00c5143)

The story of South Yorkshire's Highgate Greyhound Stadium, which each week attracts a motley crowd of characters to the world of flapping - independent, unregulated greyhound racing.

In the days when the mines dominated South Yorkshire, flapping was a way of life. But as the mines have closed, so have the tracks. In 1948, there were over 130 flapping tracks in the UK. By 1984, the year of the miners' strike, there were less

than 60. Today there are just 11. The tracks may be dwindling, but to those involved flapping remains an obsession and Highgate is at the centre of these dogmen's lives.

At Highgate, 'Tricky' Russ is in charge and as proprietor is all powerful in this unregulated world. But financially, the track is in trouble and his son shows no interest in entering the family business. In step the track's landlords who have regretted their decision to lease the track and are now determined to restore it to its former glory.

THU 22:10 The Wonderful World of Dogs (b0074rtq)

Australian director Mark Lewis, renowned for developing the unusual genre of comic nature documentary, turns his attention to domestic dogs and their dotting owners. Dog judges, commentators and owners all contribute to this hilarious interpretation of the canine world view.

THU 23:05 Storyville (b00c50dd)

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FRIDAY 20 JUNE 2008

FRI 19:00 World News Today (b00c517q)

The latest news from around the world.

FRI 19:30 A Seaside Parish (b0078p9s)

Series 1

Episode 4

Documentary series following Rev Christine Musser in her new Cornish parish. Christine must decide whether to allow the marriage of two divorcees for the first time in the history of the village church. She is in a panic over the imminent arrival of the bishop and her husband Brett begins to fear she's taken on too much.

FRI 20:00 Early Music (b0074q6r)

Episode 4

Charles Hazlewood introduces performances by some of Britain's leading players of the music of the medieval, renaissance and baroque periods. This edition features Robin Blaze, Gary Cooper, Red Priest, The Orlando Consort, His Majesty's Sagbuttsand Cornets and the Burning Bush.

FRI 21:00 Quincy Jones: The Many Lives of Q (b00c517s)

From the King of Pop to Hip Hop: 1975-2008

Second of a two-part documentary which celebrates the life and career of top American jazz musician, composer, arranger, record producer and entrepreneur, Quincy Jones.

It charts Quincy's recovery from a brain aneurysm and looks at how he went on to produce the biggest selling album of all time, Michael Jackson's Thriller. He also produced and conducted 1985's We Are the World - the American music industry's response to the Ethiopian famine - which is still the biggest selling single of all time. That same year he ventured into new territory, turning Hollywood producer for The Color Purple.

Quincy returned to music with the iconic 1989 album Back on the Block, cross-fertilising the talents of 66 artists including Ray Charles, Ella Fitzgerald, Miles Davis, Herbie Hancock, Patti Austin and six young rappers. The programme also looks at the launch of his television company, his conducting of Phil Collins's Big Band, his remixing of the iconic British dance hit Blue Monday, his humanitarian work in Africa and his mentoring younger musicians.

Contributors include Quincy himself, Lionel Richie, Phil Collins, Bob Geldof, Bernard Sumner, Patti Austin, the major players on Thriller - Rod Temperton (British songwriter), Bruce Swedien (recording engineer), Steve Lukather (guitarist) and daughter Kidada. There's also footage of 1980s Michael

Jackson, Ella Fitzgerald, Miles Davis and ex-partner actress Nastassja Kinski.

FRI 22:00 Cactus Flower (b0078rpf)

Lightweight comedy about an unmarried dentist who asks his assistant to pose as his wife in a bid to allay his young mistress's marital urges. But his assistant seems to blossom in her assumed role, and the romantic balance among the three begins to shift. In her first major role, Goldie Hawn won an Oscar for Best Supporting Actress.

FRI 23:40 The Avengers (b0074s82)

Series 5

The Joker

Steed trumps an ace, while Mrs Peel is forced to play a lone hand when her book on bridge becomes so successful that a famous player invites her for the weekend. Trapped without Steed, she finds that his mysterious house, decorated with card motifs, is also a trap.

FRI 00:30 The Avengers (b0074s8s)

Series 5

Who's Who???

Steed goes out of his mind while Mrs Peel is beside herself as the indefatigable duo start smoking, smooching and slaying British agents. Is this a novel new approach for the best of the British security agents, or is it the result of a dastardly mind-swap machine?

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FRI 02:20 Early Music (b0074q6r)

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