

**SATURDAY 29 MARCH 2008****SAT 00:00 News and Weather (b009lmht)**

The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by weather.

**SAT 00:30 Book of the Week (b009hvdk)**

The Brother Gardeners: Botany, Empire and the Birth of Obsession

Loves of the Plants

The Brother Gardeners: Botany, Empire and the Birth of Obsession. Andrea Wulf's history of the gardening revolution of the 18th century. 5/5: Loves of the Plants.

**SAT 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b009lmhw)**

The latest shipping forecast.

**SAT 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b009lmhy)**

BBC Radio 4 joins the BBC World Service for a selection of news and current affairs, arts and science programmes. BBC Radio 4 resumes at 5.20am.

**SAT 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b009lmj0)**

The latest shipping forecast.

**SAT 05:30 News Briefing (b009lmj2)**

The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

**SAT 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b009lmj4)**

Daily prayer and reflection with Kevin Franz of the Religious Society of Friends.

**SAT 05:45 Macbeth Remixed (b007vypf)**

The Political Spinning of Macbeth

How was Macbeth's story spun out of all recognition by the politics of kingship?

From the chroniclers of history to the nib of William Shakespeare's quill - if you thought the art of 'spin' was a new phenomenon, think again.

Liam Brennan stars as MacBeth with members of The National Theatre of Scotland.

Producer: Pennie Lanin

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2007

**SAT 06:00 News and Papers (b009lmj6)**

The latest news headlines. Including a look at the papers.

**SAT 06:04 Weather (b009lmj8)**

The latest weather forecast.

**SAT 06:07 Open Country (b009lmjb)**

Countryside magazine. Helen Mark investigates willows grown on the Somerset Levels. Traditionally used for basket making, these are increasingly being harvested for charcoal.

**SAT 06:35 Farming Today This Week (b009lmjd)**

Rural magazine programme with Charlotte Smith.

**SAT 06:57 Weather (b009lmjg)**

The latest weather forecast.

**SAT 07:00 Today (b009lmjj)**

With James Naughtie and Edward Stourton. Including Sports Desk at 7.25am, 8.25am; Thought for the Day at 7.48am; Weather at 7.57am.

**SAT 09:00 Saturday Live (b009lmjl)**

Robert Hardman, a former royal correspondent, is the studio guest star and Fiona MacCarthy talks about being one of the last Debutantes in 1958. Featured poet is Kate Fox.

**SAT 10:00 Excess Baggage (b009lmjn)**

Yemen - Spring Break

**YEMEN**

Yemen is the land of the Queen of Sheba and was once at the

heart of the incense trade; there are even claims that it was the site for the Garden of Eden and the resting place of Noah's Ark. But unlike its oil-rich neighbours, Oman and Saudi Arabia, Yemen has yet to embrace modernity. Its remote plains and troubled history set it apart.

Sandi Toksvig steps back into old-style Arabia with Max Scott to discover the country's unique architecture and hospitable café culture. Sandi is also joined by Tina Gharavi and Darren Palmer who documented and retraced the life and journey of generations of Yemeni sailors who formed a vital but little-known part of British immigrant history, establishing the UK's first Muslim and Arab community in South Shields.

**SPRING BREAKS**

Natural history writer and broadcaster, Paul Evans and author Andrew Eames discuss the delights of travelling in springtime and go in search of the perfect spring break.

**SAT 10:30 Border Blaster: In Search of the Wolf (b009lmjq)**

In Search of the Wolf

In Search of the Wolf: Nick Barraclough recalls the first pirate radio stations which sprang up on the US/Mexico border in the 1950s. 2/2: He continues the Wolfman Jack story.

**SAT 11:00 The Week in Westminster (b009lmjs)**

A look behind the scenes at Westminster with Peter Osborne.

**SAT 11:30 From Our Own Correspondent (b009lmjv)**

BBC foreign correspondents with the stories behind the world's headlines. Introduced by Kate Adie.

**SAT 12:00 Money Box (b009lmjx)**

Paul Lewis with the latest news from the world of personal finance. Including reports on increased water prices, Pension Credit and a new edition of the banking code.

**SAT 12:30 The Now Show (b009lhzo)**

Series 23

Episode 4

Comedy sketches and satirical comments from Steve Punt, Hugh Dennis and the team including Marcus Brigstocke, Mitch Benn, Laura Shavin and Jon Holmes.

**SAT 12:57 Weather (b009lmjz)**

The latest weather forecast.

**SAT 13:00 News Headlines (b009lmk1)**

The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4.

**SAT 13:10 Any Questions? (b009jv7f)**

Jonathan Dimbleby chairs the topical debate from Lambeth. Panellists include Brian Paddick, Keith Vaz, Dominic Grieve and Kathy Sykes.

**SAT 14:00 Any Answers? (b009lmk3)**

Listeners' calls and emails in response to this week's edition of Any Questions, with Jonathan Dimbleby? Call 08700 100 444 [calls from land lines cost no more than 8p a minute].

**SAT 14:30 Saturday Drama (b009lmk5)**

1968: 4.4.68

1968: 4.4.68. Jon Sen's play recalls the events of the last days of Martin Luther King's life before the civil rights leader was assassinated.

**SAT 15:30 Ken Clarke's Jazz Greats (b009jny1)**

Series 6

Episode 4

Former chancellor Ken Clarke profiles great jazz musicians of the 20th century. 4/4: He is joined by Brian Priestley to explore the career of bebop pianist Bud Powell.

**SAT 16:00 Weekend Woman's Hour (b009lmk7)**

Highlights of this week's Woman's Hour programmes with Jane Garvey. Including features on alcohol during pregnancy, girls who fear failure and the return of the suit for men.

**SAT 16:56 1968 Day by Day (b009lmk9)**

John Tusa looks back at the events making the news 40 years ago. The UK sees a landslide Tory victory in the by-elections and a take-over bid for Aintree is unveiled.

**SAT 17:00 Saturday PM (b009lmkc)**

Full coverage and analysis of the day's news, plus the sports headlines. With Caroline Wyatt.

**SAT 17:30 The Bottom Line (b009lmkf)**

Evan Davis presents the business magazine. Entrepreneurs and business leaders talk about the issues that matter to their companies and their customers.

**SAT 17:54 Shipping Forecast (b009lmkh)**

The latest shipping forecast.

**SAT 17:57 Weather (b009lmkk)**

The latest weather forecast.

**SAT 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b009lmkm)**

The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by Weather.

**SAT 18:15 Loose Ends (b009lmkp)**

Clive Anderson presents an eclectic mix of conversation, comedy and music. He is joined by Matthew Kelly and Jay Rayner. Arthur Smith talks to singer Hugh Cornwell and Sean Lock.

**SAT 19:00 Profile (b009lmkr)**

Britney Spears

Series of profiles of people who are currently making headlines.

Paul Henley profiles troubled pop phenomenon Britney Spears, who has made headlines in recent months for reasons far removed from her musical career. Divorce, a bitter custody battle for her two children and her admission to a psychiatric ward in a Los Angeles hospital have all eclipsed the success she continues to enjoy. Can Britney overcome her demons and make the personal comeback her fans are hoping for?

**SAT 19:15 Saturday Review (b009lmkt)**

Wolf Totem by Jiang Rong, Best of the Specials

Michael Cockerell - political documentary maker  
Louise Doughty - novelist  
Maev Kennedy - journalist

**Never So Good**

Jeremy Irons stars as Harold Macmillan in Howard Brenton's new play at the National Theatre. It charts Macmillan's life from his experiences in the First World War through to his resignation in 1963.

Never So Good is in repertory at the National Theatre in London.

**Wolf Totem**

This book by Jiang Rong has been a massive bestseller in China, selling over 2 million copies and an estimated 6 million more pirated versions. It's based on the author's own experiences of volunteering to go and live with Mongolian herdsmen in 1967 during the Cultural Revolution. The protagonist of the book, like Rong himself, learns to love the Mongolian Grasslands and becomes obsessed by the wolves who the Mongolians both fear and revere.

Wolf Totem is published by Hamish Hamilton.

**Best of the Specials**

This album combines all the hits and videos of the iconic ska reggae band.

The Specials The Best Of CD and DVD is released on Monday March 31 by Chrysalis Records.

**Guest Choice**

Louise Doughty chooses the view from Westminster Bridge as her guest choice and compares the way it looks now with the way Wordsworth described it in his poem Upon Westminster Bridge, written in 1805.

Upon Westminster Bridge by William Wordsworth

EARTH has not anything to show more fair:

Dull would he be of soul who could pass by  
A sight so touching in its majesty:

This City now doth like a garment wear  
The beauty of the morning; silent, bare,  
Ships, towers, domes, theatres, and temples lie

Open unto the fields, and to the sky;  
All bright and glittering in the smokeless air.  
Never did sun more beautifully steep  
In his first splendour valley, rock, or hill;  
Ne'er saw I, never felt, a calm so deep!  
The river glideth at his own sweet will:  
Dear God! the very houses seem asleep;  
And all that mighty heart is lying still!

Poppy Shakespeare

Naomi Harris plays Poppy Shakespeare and Anna Maxwell Martin plays 'N' in this television dramatisation of the bestselling novel by Clare Allan which is set in a mental care day hospital and explores the line between sanity and madness.

**SAT 20:00 The Archive Hour (b009lmlkw)**

Britain's Business Problem

Britain's Business Problem: Twenty-five years on from the rise of popular capitalism, do we understand the profit motive any better than we ever did? Robert Peston reports.

**SAT 21:00 Classic Serial (b009hsp4)**

Mr Sponge's Sporting Tour

Episode 1

Mr Sponge's Sporting Tour: Scott Cherry's dramatisation of RS Surtees's picaresque romp. 1/2: Soapey Sponge stands accused of selling the same mad horse to a number of people.

**SAT 22:00 News and Weather (b009lmky)**

The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by weather.

**SAT 22:15 Moral Maze (b009js8z)**

Michael Buerk chairs a debate on the moral questions behind the week's news. Melanie Phillips, Claire Fox, Clifford Longley and Michael Portillo cross-examine witnesses.

**SAT 23:00 Counterpoint (b009s09v)**

Series 22

2008 Heat 1

Paul Gambaccini takes over as chairman of the long-running music quiz.

With Margaret Eccles from Cheltenham, Martin Kimber from Cheltenham, and Adrian Salter from London.

Producer: Paul Bajoria

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2008.

**SAT 23:30 The Muse of Rose Street (b00938p6)**

The story of Stella Cartwright, the muse who bewitched a whole generation of Scottish poets and inspired some of the most passionate love poetry of the 20th century.

**SUNDAY 30 MARCH 2008**

**SUN 00:00 News and Weather (b009lt39)**

The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by weather.

**SUN 00:30 Opening Lines (b0076z31)**

Series 8

Tierra del Fuego

Series showcasing cutting-edge contemporary writing. 2/5: Tierra del Fuego, by Ian Dudley. A family holiday on the Costa del Sol turns into the narrator's worst nightmare.

**SUN 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b009lt3c)**

The latest shipping forecast.

**SUN 02:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b009mcy4)**

BBC Radio 4 joins the BBC World Service for a selection of news and current affairs, arts and science programmes. BBC Radio 4 resumes at 5.20am.

**SUN 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b009lt3f)**

The latest shipping forecast.

**SUN 05:30 News Briefing (b009lt3h)**

The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

**SUN 05:43 Bells on Sunday (b009lt3k)**

The sound of church bells from St Michael and All Angels, Great Cumberton, Worcestershire.

**SUN 05:45 Profile (b009lmlkr)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Saturday]

**SUN 06:00 News Headlines (b009lt3m)**

The latest national and international news.

**SUN 06:05 Something Understood (b009lt3p)**

I Want to Be Left Alone

I Want to Be Left Alone: Mark Tully considers our need for privacy and how we balance this with our responsibilities to others.

**SUN 06:35 Living World (b009ltyh)**

The Duck Pond

The Duck Pond: Lionel Kelleway joins Ciaran Nelson at the RSPB Reserve at Snettisham in Norfolk. Sat in a hide overlooking a lagoon at the reserve, they compare notes on ducks.

**SUN 06:57 Weather (b009ltyk)**

The latest weather forecast.

**SUN 07:00 News and Papers (b009ltym)**

The latest news headlines. Including a look at the papers.

**SUN 07:10 Sunday (b009ltyp)**

Jane Little and guests discuss the religious and ethical news of the week.

**SUN 07:55 Radio 4 Appeal (b009ltyr)**

Honor Blackman appeals on behalf of the National Domestic Violence Helpline. Donations: Freepost BBC Radio 4 Appeal. Credit cards: Freephone 0800 404 8144.

**SUN 07:58 Weather (b009lwn2)**

The latest weather forecast.

**SUN 08:00 News and Papers (b009lwn4)**

The latest news headlines. Including a look at the papers.

**SUN 08:10 Sunday Worship (b009lwn6)**

No Stranger Encounter

No Stranger Encounter: A service from Portsmouth Cathedral reliving the story of the Road to Emmaus, led by the Very Rev David Brindley with Bishop Kenneth Stevenson.

**SUN 08:50 A Point of View (b009jv7h)**

Pedal Power

Clive James ponders David Cameron's latest faux-pas: cycling the wrong way up a one way street and pedalling through a red light. He sets Mr Cameron's wrong-doing in a rather unexpected historical context.

**SUN 09:00 Broadcasting House (b009lwn8)**

News and conversation about the big stories of the week with Clare Balding.

**SUN 10:00 The Archers Omnibus (b009lwnb)**

The week's events in Ambridge.

**SUN 11:15 Desert Island Discs (b009lwnd)**

Penelope Wilton

Kirsty Young's castaway this week is the actress Penelope Wilton. Her first love is the theatre and she's been highly acclaimed for her stage work in plays by Ibsen, Shaw, Shakespeare, Beckett - she relishes and shines in the difficult roles. Yet as one of our leading classical actresses she has no qualms about turning her talents to TV and film - Calendar Girls, Shaun of the Dead and Dr Who are among her more recent on screen appearances.

In spite of being one of our best regarded actresses she is intensely private, intent upon disappearing into the lives of her characters. Penelope says that thing about being an actor is that you turn into other people, you have to hide yourself a bit in order to let that other person come out. People should see the character on the stage, not the actor.

Penelope grew up the middle of three girls and says that her mother was frail and often ill - she says this taught her to be self contained: "I was always worried that I would hurt her by taking a different view so one was sort of being terribly amenable - well of course that's not in one's nature, I'm quite sharp and rather argumentative."

Favourite track: The 2nd movement of String Quintet in C Major by Franz Schubert

Book: An anthology of 20th Century European poetry

Luxury: An open-air cinema with a selection of films

**SUN 12:00 The Write Stuff (b009j9cd)**

Series 11

EM Forster

4 Extra Debut. James Walton hosts the literary quiz with John Walsh, Sebastian Faulks, Wendy Holden and John O'Farrell. From March 2008.

**SUN 12:32 The Food Programme (b009lwnj)**

Rice Stocks

Sheila Dillon investigates the rapid increase in the price of rice around the world and looks at the impact across Asia and Africa. She finds out what has led to a big drop in global reserves.

**SUN 12:57 Weather (b009lwnj)**

The latest weather forecast.

**SUN 13:00 The World This Weekend (b009lwnl)**

A look at events around the world with Brian Hanrahan.

**SUN 13:30 Dancing Round the Mediterranean (b008jhjr)**

With his dancing shoes, Steve Carver joins a cruise ship as a 'gentleman host', so no one feels like a 'wallflower'. From 2007.

**SUN 14:00 Gardeners' Question Time (b009lwnn)**

Peter Gibbs chairs the popular horticultural forum. Peter Seabrook, Bunny Guinness and Bob Flowerdeew answer questions from gardeners in Essex.

**SUN 14:45 Men Read Maps Women Gossip (b007l3z2)**

Episode 4

Vivienne Parry and Quentin Cooper compete in a battle of the sexes, taking part in live experiments. 4/4: Tests determine their ability to empathise.

**SUN 15:00 Classic Serial (b009lwnq)**

Mr Sponge's Sporting Tour

Episode 2

Mr Sponge's Sporting Tour: Scott Cherry's dramatisation of RS Surtees's picaresque romp. 2/2: It becomes obvious that Soapey isn't the only one who should be in the dock.

**SUN 16:00 Open Book (b009lwns)**

Jo Brand, The Literature of Armageddon, and Julia Donaldson

Jo Brand

Stand up comedienne and novelist Jo Brand talks to Mariella Frostrup about her five favourite books and how they relate to her own experience of life, her former job as a psychiatric nurse and her interest in the world around her.

The Literature of Armageddon

Twenty five years ago the threat of nuclear annihilation spawned a literary genre. In the 21st century the causes of potential global cataclysm may have changed from nuclear to ecological but the threat is still perceived to be there, so how are today's generation of writers writing about current fears. Sarah Hall whose own award winning book The Carhullan Army depicts a dystopian England, much of which is under water, Rachel Seifert and Robert McFarlane talk about the literary underbelly of Armageddon then and now.

Julia Donaldson

Creating Stories For Your Children by Ronny M Cole (Hay House Publishing) is out this week, marking World Storytelling

day. Award winning author of The Gruffalo Julia Donaldson gives her own tips on how to make up stories for your children and reveals how she gets the ideas for her own work.

**SUN 16:30 Fred's Archive (b009lwnv)**

Joan Bakewell explores the unique archive of Fred Hunter. Back in the 1960s, Fred borrowed a tape recorder and began to record some of the great poets of his time.

**SUN 16:56 1968 Day by Day (b009lwnx)**

John Tusa looks back at the events making the news 40 years ago. Yuri Gagarin is buried, the Yardbirds record a legendary gig and Czechoslovakia's new president is sworn in.

**SUN 17:00 File on 4 (b009jny9)**

Angus Stickler investigates the market for platinum and the rush by mining companies to exploit South Africa's reserves.

**SUN 17:40 Profile (b009lmkr)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Saturday]

**SUN 17:54 Shipping Forecast (b009lwnz)**

The latest shipping forecast.

**SUN 17:57 Weather (b009lwp1)**

The latest weather forecast.

**SUN 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b009lwp3)**

The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by Weather.

**SUN 18:15 Pick of the Week (b009lwp5)**

Matthew Parris presents a selection of highlights from the past week on BBC radio.

**SUN 19:00 The Archers (b009lwp7)**

Will tells Nic how happy he is with her. He wants them all to go on holiday the following Tuesday! He suggests visiting his Aunt Rosie in Great Yarmouth and staying in a nearby hotel. Nic thinks it's a wonderful idea and is extremely excited. She hadn't realised, though, that Will would be taking George too, if he gets the OK from Emma.

Will goes to see Emma to ask if George can go on holiday. Emma has initial reservations but, after Will assures her that everything is fine, she agrees.

Although Brian is supposed to be taking a back seat, he can't help pointing out to Adam that he has noticed mildew on the wheat. Adam tells Brian that he has already dealt with it, leaving Brian feeling put out. Adam is irritated by his interference and says if he needs help, he will ask for it.

Jennifer tries to plan a holiday of their own but Brian is reluctant to go and leave everything in Adam's hands. He tells Jennifer what happened, but she agrees with Adam, making Brian see he is being over-sensitive. They plan a family day out at an other sanctuary instead. Jennifer assures Brian they will have a lovely day.

Episode written by Mary Cutler.

**SUN 19:15 Go4it (b009lwp9)**

Barney Harwood looks at some spectacular pictures painted on Nebaumn's tomb in Ancient Egypt nearly 3,500 years ago, recently restored by the British Museum for an exhibition.

**SUN 19:45 Just William Strikes Again (b00776h8)**

William the Dear Little Boysie

Classic stories by Richmal Crompton, adapted by Martin Jarvis. William the Dear Little Boysie. There seems to be no way for William and the Outlaws to avoid Mrs Bott's party.

**SUN 20:00 Feedback (b009jv71)**

Roger Bolton airs listeners' views on BBC radio programmes and policy.

**SUN 20:30 Last Word (b009jv77)**

Matthew Bannister presents the obituary series, analysing and celebrating the life stories of people who have recently died.

**SUN 21:00 Money Box (b009lmjx)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:00 on Saturday]

**SUN 21:26 Radio 4 Appeal (b009ltyr)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:55 today]

**SUN 21:30 Analysis (b009jtqh)**

Can We Kick the Habit?

Can We Kick the Habit? Social historian Richard Weight asks why the problem of drug addiction has proved so intractable to a range of public policy approaches.

**SUN 21:58 Weather (b009lwpce)**

The latest weather forecast.

**SUN 22:00 Westminster Hour (b009lwpf)**

Reports from behind the scenes at Westminster. Including at 1 0.45pm Who Owns Adam Smith? Which party can claim to represent the legacy of the famous Scottish economist?

**SUN 23:00 1968 Day by Day Omnibus (b00b20wg)**

Week ending 30th March 1968

Another chance to look back at the events making the news 40 years ago with John Tusa.

Yuri Gagarin dies, Czechoslovakia's new president is sworn in, Martin Luther King protests in Memphis and the Beatles spread the word on meditation.

**SUN 23:30 Something Understood (b009lt3p)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:05 today]

**MONDAY 31 MARCH 2008**

**MON 00:00 News and Weather (b009m1lz)**

The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by weather.

**MON 00:15 Thinking Allowed (b009js8v)**

Marseille

**MARSEILLE**

Marseille is France's major port and over centuries has been defined by the waves of immigrants that have settled in the city – Tunisians, Moroccans, Algerians, Italians, Armenians, Jewish communities, and now Eastern Europeans and Indian Ocean immigrants too. When burning cars and race riots tore at the fabric of France in 2005, and again in 2007, Marseille was expected to explode, but it did not. How did its most diverse city manage to escape unscathed? Laurie Taylor explores Marseille's unique racial geography to find out what kept the peace.

**MON 00:45 Bells on Sunday (b009lt3k)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 05:43 on Sunday]

**MON 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b009m12l)**

The latest shipping forecast.

**MON 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b009m123)**

BBC Radio 4 joins the BBC World Service for a selection of news and current affairs, arts and science programmes. BBC Radio 4 resumes at 5.20am.

**MON 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b009m125)**

The latest shipping forecast.

**MON 05:30 News Briefing (b009m127)**

The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

**MON 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b009m129)**

Daily prayer and reflection with Kevin Franz of the Religious Society of Friends.

**MON 05:45 Farming Today (b009m12c)**

News and issues in rural Britain with Mark Holdstock.

**MON 05:57 Weather (b009m12f)**

The latest weather forecast for farmers.

**MON 06:00 Today (b009m12h)**

With John Humphrys and Sarah Montague. Including Sports

Desk at 6.25am, 7.25am, 8.25am; Weather at 6.05am, 6.5 7am, 7.57am; Thought for the Day at 7.48am.

**MON 09:00 Start the Week (b009m1y6)**

Andrew Marr's guests include Misha Glenny on organised crime, Jonathan Powell on the Good Friday Agreement, Maggie Gee on literature and Mark Ravenhill on new plays.

**MON 09:45 Book of the Week (b009m2jj)**

The Making of Mr Hai's Daughter

Episode 1

The Making of Mr Hai's Daughter: Seeta Indrani reads from Yasmin Hai's account of her assimilation into the English way of life. 1/5: Syed Samsamul Hai arrives in London in 1964.

**MON 10:00 Woman's Hour (b009m3f8)**

Sylvia Pankhurst in Ethiopia; Clare Allan; The 'Looks' of Love

Exploring Sylvia Pankhurst's legacy in Ethiopia. Plus, author Clare Allan on mental health, and are good-looking men less committed to a lasting relationships?

**MON 11:00 Who Needs Scientists? (b009m3m0)**

Research scientist and engineer Mark Miodownik challenges the conventional wisdom that more scientists are essential if Britain is to prosper.

**MON 11:30 Dixon of Dock Green (b0076sl0)**

Series 1

Dixie

Ted Willis's classic TV series, dramatised for radio by Sue Rodwell. 4. Dixie. When things go missing from the Dixon household, the girl from next door is exposed as a petty thief.

**MON 12:00 You and Yours (b009m3rd)**

Consumer news and issues with Winifred Robinson and Liz Barclay.

**MON 12:57 Weather (b009m3rg)**

The latest weather forecast.

**MON 13:00 World at One (b009m3rj)**

National and international news with Martha Kearney.

**MON 13:30 Counterpoint (b009rrxy)**

Series 22

2008 Heat 2

The general knowledge music quiz chaired by Paul Gambaccini, with three more contestants answering questions on all aspects of music.

The second heat of the 2008 series comes from the Royal Northern College of Music in Manchester, with contestants from Scotland and the north of England.

This week's competitors are Diane Hallagan from Leeds, Peter Marks from Dumfriesshire, and James Merryweather from Kyle of Lochalsh.

**MON 14:00 The Archers (b009lwp7)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Sunday]

**MON 14:15 Drama (b009mbbq)**

Baldi (series 5)

Food of the Blue

Baldi: Series of murder mysteries. 4/4: Food of the Blue by James McAleavey. Paolo's attempt at a scholarly retreat at the great Cranolly House coincides with its 500th anniversary.

**MON 15:00 Money Box Live (b009mbbs)**

Vincent Duggleby and guests answer calls on financial issues. Listeners can call 08700 100 444 from 1.30pm until 3.30pm [calls from land lines cost no more than 8p a minute].

**MON 15:30 Afternoon Reading (b009mc8t)**

Countryman's Cooking

Of Pigeon and Pastry

Leslie Phillips reads from WMW Fowler's definitive cookery manual for men.

First sold 40 years ago by Willie Fowler in his local pub and recently rediscovered in a charity shop, these joyfully wicked musings retain a surprising relevance today.

A Pier production for BBC Radio 4.

**MON 15:45 Laurence Llewelyn-Bowen's History of Home (b009mc8w)**  
Country House

Laurence plots the rise of the country house style in the disquieting years of the '70s and '80s when the past became a consolation and an escape from the present. From March 2008.

**MON 16:00 The Food Programme (b009lwng)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 12:32 on Sunday]

**MON 16:30 Go4it (b009qldx)**  
Children & Bereavement: A Go4it Special

A Go4it Special

Barney Harwood presents the children's magazine.

Three children discuss their experiences of bereavement with Barney and Michael Rosen, author of *The Sad Book*. They also interview Milly Bell, who wrote a book to help other children after her own father died from cancer when she was seven years old.

**MON 16:56 1968 Day by Day (b009md6j)**

John Tusa looks back at the events making the news 40 years ago. Lyndon Johnson signals the end to his presidency and riots break out in Japan.

**MON 17:00 PM (b009md6l)**

Full coverage and analysis of the day's news with Eddie Mair. Including Weather at 5.57pm.

**MON 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b009md6n)**

The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by Weather.

**MON 18:30 The Write Stuff (b009md8r)**

Series 11

John Grisham

James Walton takes the chair for the game of literary correctness, flanked by captains Sebastian Faulks and John Walsh with guests Mark Billingham and Jane Thynne. The author of the week and subject for pastiche is John Grisham and the reader is Beth Chalmers.

**MON 19:00 The Archers (b009mdn2)**

Brian and Jennifer go to the otter sanctuary with Alice, Ruairi, Amy and Phoebe. They have a wonderful day. Alice tells them she is going to do voluntary work in the office at the drugs centre in Felpersham but also do chamber-maiding at Grey Gables as she needs money. She is still focused on getting into the RAF. Brian asks if having a job will be a distraction but Alice thinks it will help. They offer Alice an allowance instead but she politely refuses.

Usha tells Alan that her parents were very quiet after receiving the news of their impending marriage. Shiv is, as expected, very happy for them. Usha is anxious about telling Satya. Alan feels it would be better to tell Mabel on his own.

When Alan picks her up from the station, Mabel immediately senses something is on his mind. Alan tells her his news but Mabel is far from happy. She says that it has nothing to do with her daughter, Alan's former wife. But whilst Usha is lovely, she is not a Christian. As they worship different gods, she believes it cannot work. When Usha arrives, Mabel tells her there's no way she can approve of the marriage. Not at all.

Episode written by Mary Cutler.

**MON 19:15 Front Row (b009mdn4)**

Arts news and reviews with Mark Lawson, including a review of Michael Haneke's scene-by-scene American remake of his controversial 1997 film *Funny Games*.

**MON 19:45 15 Minute Drama (b009mdn6)**

What I Think of my Husband

Episode 1

Stephen Wakelam's account of the relationship between Thomas Hardy and his second wife Florence. 1/5: The early meetings of Florence Dugdale and Hardy suggest a growing intimacy.

**MON 20:00 The Rise of the Lifestyle Nutritionists (b009mdr9)**

Episode 2

Ben Goldacre explores our past and present fascination with nutrition and lifestyle. 2/2: He looks at the science behind diet and health in modern medicine.

**MON 20:30 Crossing Continents (b009jtq3)**

Korean Missionaries

Korean Missionaries: Ulli Schauen visits Korea to find out why Koreans are such fervent evangelists. 16,000 work abroad as Christian missionaries, a total surpassed only by the US.

**MON 21:00 Africalab (b009mdrc)**

Episode 1

Hugh Levinson asks whether science and technology can provide the key to ending under-development in Africa. 1/2: He meets the researchers who believe that they can help.

**MON 21:30 Start the Week (b009mly6)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

**MON 21:58 Weather (b009mgcf)**

The latest weather forecast.

**MON 22:00 The World Tonight (b009mgch)**

National and international news and analysis with Ritula Shah. Including reports on the Zimbabwean election results and the dangers of eating too many sausages.

**MON 22:45 Book at Bedtime (b009mgck)**

Mister Pip

Episode 1

Mister Pip, by Lloyd Jones. 1/10: On a Pacific island threatened by uprising, Matilda and her classmates find their lives intertwined with those of Mr Dickens and a boy called Pip.

**MON 23:00 Films for a New India (b008kxhm)**

Episode 1

1/2. Hardeep Singh Kohli explores the world of Indian independent cinema, whose gritty themes and realism contrast sharply with escapist Bollywood.

**MON 23:30 Today in Parliament (b009mgcm)**

News, views and features on today's stories in Parliament with Rachel Hooper.

## TUESDAY 01 APRIL 2008

**TUE 00:00 News and Weather (b009m12k)**

The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by weather.

**TUE 00:30 Book of the Week (b009m2jj)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:45 on Monday]

**TUE 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b009m12m)**

The latest shipping forecast.

**TUE 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b009m12p)**

BBC Radio 4 joins the BBC World Service for a selection of news and current affairs, arts and science programmes. BBC Radio 4 resumes at 5.20am.

**TUE 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b009m12r)**

The latest shipping forecast.

**TUE 05:30 News Briefing (b009m12t)**

The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

**TUE 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b009m12w)**

Daily prayer and reflection with Kevin Franz of the Religious Society of Friends.

**TUE 05:45 Farming Today (b009m12y)**

News and issues in rural Britain with Mark Holdstock.

**TUE 06:00 Today (b009m130)**

With John Humphrys and Evan Davis. Sports Desk at 6.25am, 7.25am, 8.25am; Yesterday in Parliament at 6.45am; Weather at 6.05am, 6.57am, 7.57am; Thought for the Day at 7.48am.

**TUE 09:00 What's the Point of...? (b009mr7s)**

Series 1

Michelin Stars

4/4: Michelin Stars. Quentin Letts takes a witty but thought-provoking look at some great British institutions.

**TUE 09:30 Team Spirit (b009mr7v)**

Episode 3

A research group in the Antarctic implement initiation rites to help with bonding. Presented by Claudia Hammond. From April 2008.

**TUE 09:45 Book of the Week (b009m2jl)**

The Making of Mr Hai's Daughter

Episode 2

The Making of Mr Hai's Daughter: Seeta Indrani reads from Yasmin Hai's account of her assimilation into the English way of life. 2/5: Mr Hai decides to make his children English.

**TUE 10:00 Woman's Hour (b009m3fb)**

Violence against women; Catherine Bott

Harriet Harman and Liz Kelly on ending violence against women. Plus, writer Jacqueline Walker on 60s London, and singer Catherine Bott with songs from the Edwardian music hall.

**TUE 11:00 World On The Move: Great Animal Migrations (b009mr7x)**

Great Animal Migrations: Philippa Forrester and Brett Westwood present the series following the movement and migration of animals across the planet.

**TUE 11:30 Rise of the Footnote (b009mr7z)**

A light-hearted look at the history of the footnote in western literature, from the scribbled notes in the margin of a manuscript to multi-layered systems such as Wikipedia.

**TUE 12:00 Call You and Yours (b009m3rl)**

Consumer news and issues with Winifred Robinson and Liz Barclay.

**TUE 12:57 Weather (b009m3rn)**

The latest weather forecast.

**TUE 13:00 World at One (b009m3rq)**

National and international news with Martha Kearney.

**TUE 13:30 Music Feature (b009mr81)**

Angelic Voices

Jeremy Summerly takes a look at the history of the boy choristers who have sung the daily liturgy in English cathedrals and collegiate churches for fourteen hundred years.

**TUE 14:00 The Archers (b009mdn2)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Monday]

**TUE 14:15 Drama (b009mr83)**

Unpredicted

Unpredicted, by Annie McCartney. A Stormont Assembly candidate is rattled when his family begin receiving anonymous messages, accusing him of hypocrisy on the issue of abortion.

**TUE 15:00 Making History (b009mr85)**

Sir John Tiptoft - William Walker - The Duddeston Viaduct

Sir John Tiptoft  
 Making History listener Peter Moore is a member of the Worcester Household, a re-enactment group that focuses on events during the War of the Roses. His character is the 1st Earl of Worcester, Sir John Tiptoft. Tiptoft was a Yorkist, Edward IV's loyal henchman who later earned the title 'butcher of England'. Peter does not deny that Tiptoft was cruel but he points out that he was possibly England's first Renaissance Man, having travelled extensively through Italy. Peter's question for Making History was: 'how could such a cultured man be such a violent one too?'.

William Walker  
 William Walker, the Winchester Diver.  
 Bob Rust of Basildon complained that when Making History visited Winchester in October 2007, we didn't talk about William Walker the Winchester Diver. Bob heard the story of how Walker worked underneath Winchester Cathedral shoring up the foundations during the war and he asked us to investigate further.

The Duddleston Viaduct  
 On Christmas Day 2007, Making History featured Brunel's South Wales Railway to Fishguard. After the programme we were contacted by David Pearson who lives in Birmingham, who told us about the Duddleston Railway Viaduct which spans nearly three quarters of a mile of the area just to the south of the Bull Ring. Built in the 1840's by the Great Western Railway it has never been used and David wanted to know why it was built and why has it remained redundant.

**TUE 15:30 Afternoon Reading (b009pmqn)**  
 Countryman's Cooking

Rook, Cormorant and Christmas

Leslie Phillips reads from WMW Fowler's definitive cookery manual for men. 2/5: Rook, Cormorant and Christmas. A recipe for an alternative roast dinner.

**TUE 15:45 Laurence Llewelyn-Bowen's History of Home (b009mc90)**  
 Loft Living

Bowen hits Manchester to explore the rise of lofts during the 1980s - a change in people's expectations of what homes could be. From April 2008.

**TUE 16:00 Word of Mouth (b009mr87)**  
 Michael Rosen presents the series that takes a close look at the words we use, where they come from and how we play with them. He examines the concept of bad language - why we swear, what makes a particular word taboo in polite company and why swearing is on the increase among young people.

**TUE 16:30 Great Lives (b009qr2r)**  
 Series 15

Peter Cushing

Series of biographical discussions with Matthew Parris.

Actor and writer Mark Gatiss champions the life and work of one of his heroes of horror. Cushing found fame with the Hammer films of the seventies, but his career on stage, screen, radio and television stretched over forty years, from Laurel and Hardy's stooge, to Grand Moff Tarkin in Star Wars.

**TUE 16:56 1968 Day by Day (b009md6q)**  
 1st April 1968

John Tusa looks back at the events making the news 40 years ago.

Robert Kennedy reacts to Lyndon Johnson's decision not to seek another term as president, the gold market reopens in London and Portsmouth grocer Alec Rose rounds Cape Horn.

**TUE 17:00 PM (b009md6s)**  
 Full coverage and analysis of the day's news with Eddie Mair. Including at 5.57pm Weather.

**TUE 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b009md6v)**  
 The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by Weather.

**TUE 18:30 Ed Reardon's Week (b0089m79)**  
 Series 4

Ruth and Reconciliation

When Ed upsets a Holocaust survivor, who would have thought it might lead to love? With Morwenna Banks. From November 2007.

**TUE 19:00 The Archers (b009mdn8)**  
 Amy and Alan are upset by Mabel's religious disapproval of Alan and Usha's planned marriage. Amy's really pleased for her dad and Usha, and pleads with her Gran to be happy for them. Mabel says that unless Usha converts to Christianity, they will never be married in the eyes of God. Alan and Amy realise they are fighting a losing battle.

Ruth is about to leave to pick up Pip from a sleepover at Izzy's, when she receives a text from Pip asking her to collect her from Jonathan's instead. David is really angry and threatens to go round. Just after, Pip sends another text reminding them it's April 1st! David is left very cross but Ruth tells him that sleepovers with boyfriends will soon be a reality.

Nic and Will prepare to set off on holiday. As Will goes to fetch the car, George starts fighting with Mia and pushes her over. She hits her head on the floor. Nic's smacks him, just as Will comes back. Will is horrified and tells her of Ed and Emma's concerns. A huge argument ensues. Will says he can't risk losing George over Nic. Nic is appalled and says, "Good job I packed, isn't it?"

Episode written by Mary Cutler.

**TUE 19:15 Front Row (b009mdnb)**  
 Arts news and reviews with Mark Lawson, including an interview with writer Kate Summerscale, whose new book examines a true Victorian murder case.

**TUE 19:45 15 Minute Drama (b009mdnd)**  
 What I Think of my Husband

Episode 2

Stephen Wakelam's account of the relationship between Thomas Hardy and his second wife Florence. 2/5: Hardy engineers a meeting between Florence and his wife Emma.

**TUE 20:00 Inside the British Council (b009mr8c)**  
 Emily Maitlis explores the workings of the British Council as the organisation approaches its 75th anniversary.

**TUE 20:40 In Touch (b009mr8f)**  
 Peter White with news and information for the blind and partially sighted.

**TUE 21:00 Case Notes (b009mr8h)**  
 Thyroid

Dr Mark Porter investigates health issues of the day. He looks at the latest treatments for the problems that occur with abnormal activity of the thyroid gland.

**TUE 21:30 What's the Point of...? (b009mr7s)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

**TUE 21:58 Weather (b009mgpc)**  
 The latest weather forecast.

**TUE 22:00 The World Tonight (b009mgcr)**  
 National and international news and analysis with Ritula Shah. Including reports on a possible split in Zanu-PF over Zimbabwe's election and opposition to Ukraine's joining NATO.

**TUE 22:45 Book at Bedtime (b009mgct)**  
 Mister Pip

Episode 2

Mister Pip, by Lloyd Jones. 2/10: Mr Watts has promised to introduce the children to Mr Dickens. This surprises them, for they thought Mr Watts the only white person on the island.

**TUE 23:00 The Arts and How They Was Done (b007773d)**  
 The Bronte Sisters and How They Done Their Novels

The National Theatre of Brent illuminate the lives of siblings Charlotte, Emily and Anne. Stars Patrick Barlow. From April 2007.

**TUE 23:30 Today in Parliament (b009mgcw)**

News, views and features on today's stories in Parliament with Susan Hulme.

**WEDNESDAY 02 APRIL 2008**

**WED 00:00 News and Weather (b009m132)**  
 The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by weather.

**WED 00:30 Book of the Week (b009m2j1)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:45 on Tuesday]

**WED 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b009m134)**  
 The latest shipping forecast.

**WED 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b009m136)**  
 BBC Radio 4 joins the BBC World Service for a selection of news and current affairs, arts and science programmes. BBC Radio 4 resumes at 5.20am.

**WED 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b009m138)**  
 The latest shipping forecast.

**WED 05:30 News Briefing (b009m13b)**  
 The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

**WED 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b009m13d)**  
 Daily prayer and reflection with Kevin Franz of the Religious Society of Friends.

**WED 05:45 Farming Today (b009m13g)**  
 News and issues in rural Britain with Charlotte Smith.

**WED 06:00 Today (b009m13j)**  
 With John Humphrys and Evan Davis. Sports Desk at 6.25am, 7.25am, 8.25am; Yesterday in Parliament at 6.45am; Weather at 6.05am, 6.57am, 7.57am; Thought for the Day at 7.48am.

**WED 09:00 Midweek (b009mrj8)**  
 Lively and diverse conversation with Hardeep Singh Kohli and guests.

**WED 09:45 Book of the Week (b009nh79)**  
 The Making of Mr Hai's Daughter

Episode 3

The Making of Mr Hai's Daughter: Seeta Indrani reads from Yasmin Hai's account of her assimilation into the English way of life. 3/5: Mr Hai selects a school for his daughter.

**WED 10:00 Woman's Hour (b009m3fd)**  
 Bette Davis and Joan Crawford rivalry; Alcoholism in older women

The rivalry between Joan Crawford and Bette Davis discussed. Plus, alcohol misuse among older women, and writer Melanie Challenger on the threat facing the blue whale.

**WED 11:00 Marshall's Plan (b009mrjc)**  
 Allan Little recalls the programme developed by George Marshall, the recently installed US Secretary of State in 1947, which injected 13 billion dollars into a postwar Europe.

**WED 11:30 Potting On (b001g8gt)**  
 Something for Me

Pam has a win on the Premium Bonds.

Gordon earmarks the money for a new office computer, but Pam fancies splashing out on a sports car!

Sitcom about a couple at odds over running a garden centre and growing older.

Starring Pam Ayres as Pam and Geoffrey Whitehead as Gordon.

Written by Chris Thompson and Peter Reynolds with Pam Ayres.

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 April 2008.

**WED 12:00 You and Yours (b009m3rs)**

Consumer news and issues with Winifred Robinson and Sheila McClellenn.

**WED 12:57 Weather (b009m3rv)**

The latest weather forecast.

**WED 13:00 World at One (b009m3rx)**

National and international news with Martha Kearney.

**WED 13:30 Britain in a Box (b009mtcc)**

Series 3

Art for Art's Sake

Paul Jackson with a series exploring TV's ability to reflect and influence the society it serves. 5/5: Art for Art's Sake. In 1957, the BBC launched the arts programme Monitor.

**WED 14:00 The Archers (b009mdn8)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Tuesday]

**WED 14:15 Drama (b009mtcf)**

Peter Souter - Goldfish Girl

By Peter Souter

What if you couldn't remember a single minute of the ten years you'd spent with the love of your life? Joe can remember everything about Ally; Ally remembers nothing about Joe.

Joe ..... Alex Jennings  
Ally ..... Juliet Stevenson

Directed by Gordon House.

**WED 15:00 Gardeners' Question Time (b009lwmm)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Sunday]

**WED 15:30 Afternoon Reading (b009mc92)**

Countryman's Cooking

Of Poultry and Poison

Leslie Phillips reads from WMW Fowler's definitive cookery manual for men.

Willie realises that the jolly, bucolic animal-loving Farmer Giles is a myth.

A Pier production for BBC Radio 4.

**WED 15:45 Laurence Llewelyn-Bowen's History of Home (b009mc94)**

Retail

A history of shopping for the home from imports from India during colonial times to the Conran-fuelled passion for European design. From April 2008.

**WED 16:00 Thinking Allowed (b009mtch)**

Cities and Ethnicities

CITIES AND ETHNICITIES

Last week Laurie Taylor travelled to Marseille to find out how the city's ethnic diversity helped it to escape the race riots that scarred much of the rest of France. Can lessons be learnt from France's most diverse city? And how successful is the British model of multi-culturalism? Laurie Taylor is joined by four experts on ethnic diversity, Professor Tariq Modood, Professor Sophie Watson, Professor Lola Young (Baroness Young of Hornsey) and Ted Cantle to discuss race, immigration and ethnicity in our cities and to debate the relative merits of multicultural and assimilatory approaches to migrant cultures.

**WED 16:30 Case Notes (b009mr8h)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 21:00 on Tuesday]

**WED 16:56 1968 Day by Day (b009md6x)**

2nd April 1968

John Tusa looks back at the events making the news 40 years ago.

Snow covers much of Britain, spinsters are put under the spotlight on the BBC and two bombs placed by the Baader-Meinhof group explode in Frankfurt.

**WED 17:00 PM (b009md6z)**

Full coverage and analysis of the day's news with Eddie Mair. Including Weather at 5.57pm.

**WED 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b009md71)**

The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by Weather.

**WED 18:30 Look Away Now (b009mtck)**

Series 2

Episode 1

Garry Richardson presents a topical sports comedy show. With Laurence Howarth, Richie Webb, Dave Lamb, Mark Evans, Katherine Jakeways and special guests.

**WED 19:00 The Archers (b009mdng)**

Alan suggests to Usha that it might be better to give Mabel some space for a while. He explains that Mabel wants her to convert but it's more Mabel's relationship with Amy that concerns him. Satya leaves a message on Usha's phone saying she is coming to see her!

Emma receives an unexpected call from Will. Will tells her that they haven't gone away and asks he if can drop George back to Emma's. Emma is confused and worried, as Will won't tell her what's happened over the phone. Will takes George back to Emma's and explains what he saw. Begrudgingly he admits Ed was right and that he and Nic have split up. Emma is shocked but reassures worried Will that he can still see George. She knows how much he loves him.

Kathy calls Kenton to say she will be late as Jacqui, her liaison officer, wants to meet her urgently. At home, she tells Kenton it's bad news. The prosecution is applying to have the two rape charges heard separately. It appears to be a ploy to delay it. Kathy knows her case is the weaker. If the judge agrees to the separation, she feels she'll have to pull out.

Episode written by Mary Cutler.

**WED 19:15 Front Row (b009mdnj)**

Arts news and reviews with Mark Lawson.

**WED 19:45 15 Minute Drama (b009pmr7)**

What I Think of my Husband

Episode 3

Stephen Wakelam's account of the relationship between Thomas Hardy and his second wife Florence. 3/5: Florence finds herself increasingly uncomfortable in the Hardy household.

**WED 20:00 Bringing Up Britain (b009mtcm)**

Series 1

Episode 1

Mariella Frostrup hosts a debate about parenting with families, experts and policy-makers. At the heart of the debate is a story of a family whose experiences raise relevant issues.

**WED 20:45 Who Owns Adam Smith? (b009mtgk)**

Which party can claim to represent the legacy of the famous Scottish economist?

**WED 21:00 World On The Move: Great Animal Migrations (b009mr7x)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 on Tuesday]

**WED 21:30 Midweek (b009mrj8)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

**WED 21:58 Weather (b009mgcy)**

The latest weather forecast.

**WED 22:00 The World Tonight (b009mgd0)**

National and international news and analysis with Robin Lustig.

Including reports on the dispute over Zimbabwe's election results and a new programme to tackle kerb-crawlers.

**WED 22:45 Book at Bedtime (b009mgd2)**

Mister Pip

Episode 3

Mister Pip, by Lloyd Jones. 3/10: As the blockade of the island starts to grip, the children seek refuge in the imaginary world of Mr Dickens.

**WED 23:00 Poets' Tree (b00shngl)**

Episode 1

The first of Poet Paul Hamilton's poetry magazine programmes.

Paul hears some classic poetry from Derek Harricot, and inspires an unusual person to try poetry for the very first time.

Poetry spoof by Kevin Eldon and Stewart Lee.

With Olivia Colman and Peter Serafinowicz.

Producer: Ed Morrish

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2008.

**WED 23:15 Dr Pfeffer's Lonely Hearts Club (b00774hn)**

Music and Humour

By Jake Oldershaw and Craig Stephens.

A series of late night musical comedies featuring poignant songs of romance, mystery and horror. Enter a strange building down a dark back street and be taken on a journey to meet the enigmatic Dr Pfeffer for a unique rendez-vous.

A disorientating journey through the whispering corridors of the Lonely Hearts Club leads to an encounter with Dr Pfeffer. It's a hot and sultry night and the party is in full swing.

The MC ..... Simon Munnelly  
Dr Pfeffer ..... Jake Oldershaw  
Man ..... Saikat Ahamed  
Woman ..... Alison Carney

Music composed by Derek Nisbet  
Director Kate Chapman.

**WED 23:30 Today in Parliament (b009mgd4)**

News, views and features on today's stories in Parliament with David Wilby.

**THURSDAY 03 APRIL 2008**

**THU 00:00 News and Weather (b009m13l)**

The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by weather.

**THU 00:30 Book of the Week (b009mh79)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:45 on Wednesday]

**THU 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b009m13n)**

The latest shipping forecast.

**THU 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b009m13q)**

BBC Radio 4 joins the BBC World Service for a selection of news and current affairs, arts and science programmes. BBC Radio 4 resumes at 5.20am.

**THU 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b009m13s)**

The latest shipping forecast.

**THU 05:30 News Briefing (b009m13v)**

The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

**THU 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b009m13x)**

Daily prayer and reflection with Kevin Franz of the Religious Society of Friends.

**THU 05:45 Farming Today (b009m13z)**

News and issues in rural Britain with Mark Holdstock.

**THU 06:00 Today (b009m141)**

With James Naughtie and Evan Davis. Sports Desk at **6.25am**. **7.25am**, **8.25am**: Yesterday in Parliament at **6.45am**; Weather at **6.05am**, **6.57am**, **7.57am**; Thought for the Day at **7.48am**.

**THU 09:00 In Our Time (b009mvj0)**

The Laws of Motion

Melvyn Bragg and guests discuss Newton's Laws of Motion. In 1687 Isaac Newton attempted to explain the movements of everything in the universe, from a pea rolling on a plate to the position of the planets. It was a brilliant, vaultingly ambitious and fiendishly complex task; it took him three sentences. These are the three laws of motion with which Newton founded the discipline of classical mechanics and conjoined a series of concepts - inertia, acceleration, force, momentum and mass - by which we still describe the movement of things today. Newton's laws have been refined over the years - most famously by Einstein - but they were still good enough, 282 years after they were published, to put Neil Armstrong on the Moon. With Simon Schaffer, Professor in History and Philosophy of Science at the University of Cambridge and Fellow of Darwin College; Raymond Flood, University Lecturer in Computing Studies and Mathematics and Senior Tutor at Kellogg College, University of Oxford; Rob Iliffe, Professor of Intellectual History and History of Science at the University of Sussex.

**THU 09:45 Book of the Week (b009m2jq)**

The Making of Mr Hai's Daughter

Episode 4

The Making of Mr Hai's Daughter: Seeta Indrani reads from Yasmin Hai's account of her assimilation into the English way of life. 4/5: Yasmin's father dies when she is just 17.

**THU 10:00 Woman's Hour (b009m3fg)**

Sophie Andrews; Uniforms

Sophie Andrews on her abusive childhood. Plus, the legacy of 19th century philanthropist Henriqueta Rylands, and why are some uniforms perceived to be more alluring than others?

**THU 11:00 Crossing Continents (b009ssvg)**

Uzbekistan

Uzbekistan: Natalia Antelava asks whether the radical Ilkham Theatre founded by Mark Weil can survive without its director after Weil was stabbed to death in the street last year.

**THU 11:30 1968: Notes from the Underground (b009mvj4)**

Rosie Boycott, who began her career in journalism at Frenzd, considers the origins, impact and legacy of the underground press in Britain.

**THU 12:00 You and Yours (b009m3rz)**

Consumer news and issues with Liz Barclay and John Waite.

**THU 12:57 Weather (b009m3s1)**

The latest weather forecast.

**THU 13:00 World at One (b009m3s3)**

National and international news with Martha Kearney.

**THU 13:30 Open Country (b009lmjb)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:07 on Saturday]

**THU 14:00 The Archers (b009mdng)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Wednesday]

**THU 14:15 Drama (b00771dy)**

Out of Season

Out of Season, by Anne-Marie O'Connor. Four Blackpool residents seek refuge from the cold in an empty promenade cafe. Their thoughts reveal what brought them to the town.

**THU 15:00 Questions, Questions (b009mvj6)**

Stewart Henderson answers those niggling questions from everyday life.

**THU 15:27 Radio 4 Appeal (b009ltyr)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:55 on Sunday]

**THU 15:30 Afternoon Reading (b009mc96)**

Countryman's Cooking

Salmon and the Salad Queen

Leslie Phillips reads from WMW Fowler's definitive cookery manual for men, 4/5: Salmon and the Salad Queen. Willie considers salad, an obstruction in everyone's path through life.

**THU 15:45 Laurence Llewelyn-Bowen's History of Home (b009mc98)**

Eco-houses

Laurence explores new ways to build and run a home for the mass market by visiting an eco-community in Nottingham. From April 2008.

**THU 16:00 Open Book (b009lwms)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 16:00 on Sunday]

**THU 16:30 Material World (b009mvj8)**

Redefining the Kilogram - Mapping Membrane Proteins

Redefining the Kilogram

On the outskirts of Paris, locked away in an underground vault lies a heavily guarded cylinder of platinum and iridium which has lain there for over 120 years. What's so special about this particular lump of metal? It is the kilogram by which all other kilograms are measured. Quentin Cooper finds out why 'Le Grand K', the international prototype for the kilogram might soon be out of a job. He talks to Dr. Ian Robinson from the National Physical Laboratory in Teddington and science historian William Ashworth.

Mapping Membrane Proteins

Membrane proteins are key to every cell process in the human body and to the activity of bacteria. They control what goes into and out of cells and how nerve impulses are generated. But why do we know so little about them? A new 15 million Euro EU Science programme is going to find out. Quentin is joined by project leader Professor Peter Henderson from the University of Leeds, and leading membrane protein researcher Dr. Chris Tate from the University of Cambridge to find out how the results could lead to a drug revolution.

**THU 16:56 1968 Day by Day (b009md73)**

3rd April 1968

John Tusa looks back at the events making the news 40 years ago.

Clyde the elephant flies into Vietnam, England win the series in the West Indies and Dr Martin Luther King delivers a speech in Memphis, Tennessee.

**THU 17:00 PM (b009md75)**

Full coverage and analysis of the day's news with Eddie Mair. Including Weather at **5.57pm**.

**THU 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b009md77)**

The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by Weather.

**THU 18:30 Banter (b009n3w9)**

Series 3

Episode 1

Andrew Collins hosts the show in which guests are invited to offer their definitive top threes. Guests include Richard Herring and Russell Howard.

**THU 19:00 The Archers (b009mdnn)**

Satya tells Usha that the marriage news has broken her mother's heart. Usha says she thought her parents were fine with it. Satya explained that they had already been patient, letting her pursue a career over marriage and children. She tells Usha that if she marries Alan she will be cut off from the family and it cannot happen.

Clarrie is shocked to hear of Will's split with Nic. Susan breaks the news while Clarrie is shopping. Susan gives her all the details but Clarrie cannot believe what she's hearing. She is extremely concerned for Will as she learns he doesn't want to talk to anyone.

At the Bull, Kathy starts to worry about what the judge will decide over the trial. Kenton tries to reassure her that it will be fine. Elizabeth sees them and says that Nigel has persuaded Matt to sponsor his team chase course. As Kathy goes to congratulate him, Kenton tells Elizabeth about the last minute application to have two trials. Elizabeth tries to be positive but

Kenton is full of regret for not having been around. If Kathy has been through all this for nothing, how can they live with that?

Episode written by Mary Cutler.

**THU 19:15 Front Row (b009mdnq)**

Arts news and reviews with Kirsty Lang, who examines how seances inspired Victorian and Edwardian writers.

**THU 19:45 15 Minute Drama (b009mdns)**

What I Think of my Husband

Episode 4

Stephen Wakelam's account of the relationship between Thomas Hardy and his second wife Florence. 4/5: Florence has to witness Hardy's increasing obsession with writing about Emma.

**THU 20:00 Investigation (b009n3wc)**

Series 4

Episode 2

Simon Cox investigates statins, promoted as the wonder drugs for heart disease and currently used by more than three million Britons. But are statins hugely over-prescribed?

**THU 20:30 Analysis (b009n3wf)**

The Wrong Road to a Warmer World

The Wrong Road to a Warmer World: Kenan Malik asks whether we are approaching climate change and how to combat it from the wrong direction.

**THU 21:00 Leading Edge (b009n3wh)**

The Earliest Americans

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The discovery of human fossil faeces from a cave in Oregon pushes back the date for the first humans in North America by over a thousand years and supports the idea that Native Americans were living there at least 1000 years before the well known Clovis culture.

TB Transmission

TB kills two million people around the world each year, and efforts to combat the disease have been thwarted by the fact that researchers know very little about the life cycle of the TB bacterium. Researchers have finally uncovered the state of the bacteria as they pass from one person to another. It opens a new window on ways to develop new treatments to stop TB spreading and treat it more effectively.

Antarctic Tourism

And as tourism continues to grow in Antarctica, what effect is a growing human presence having on the continent's fragile ecosystem? Gabrielle Walker reports from Port Lockroy, a small island on the Western side of the Antarctic Peninsula.

Sleeping On It

It's been thought that sleep is necessary for consolidating memories but little is known about what changes in the brain occur to achieve this. Gabriel Horn of Cambridge University discusses his team's latest research into how new memories become stabilised in the brain for long term use.

**THU 21:30 In Our Time (b009mvj0)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

**THU 21:58 Weather (b009mgd6)**

The latest weather forecast.

**THU 22:00 The World Tonight (b009mgd9)**

With Robin Lustig in Bucharest and Ritula Shah in London. Including reports on a fractious NATO summit, the jailing of a Chinese activist and steps towards rapprochement in Cyprus.

**THU 22:45 Book at Bedtime (b009mgdc)**

Mister Pip

Episode 4

Mister Pip, by Lloyd Jones. 4/10: As news of reprisals reaches the village, Matilda's mother turns to prayer.

**THU 23:00 Look Away Now (b009mtck)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Wednesday]

**THU 23:30 Today in Parliament (b009mgdf)**

News, views and features on today's stories in Parliament with David Wilby.

**FRIDAY 04 APRIL 2008****FRI 00:00 News and Weather (b009m143)**

The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by weather.

**FRI 00:30 Book of the Week (b009m2jq)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:45 on Thursday]

**FRI 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b009m145)**

The latest shipping forecast.

**FRI 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b009m147)**

BBC Radio 4 joins the BBC World Service for a selection of news and current affairs, arts and science programmes. BBC Radio 4 resumes at 5.20am.

**FRI 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b009m149)**

The latest shipping forecast.

**FRI 05:30 News Briefing (b009m14c)**

The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

**FRI 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b009m14f)**

Daily prayer and reflection with Kevin Franz of the Religious Society of Friends.

**FRI 05:45 Farming Today (b009m14h)**

News and issues in rural Britain with Mark Holdstock.

**FRI 06:00 Today (b009m14k)**

With John Humphrys and Sarah Montague. Sports Desk at 6.25am, 7.25am, 8.25am; Yesterday in Parliament at 6.45am; Weather at 6.05am, 6.57am, 7.57am; Thought for the Day at 7.48am.

**FRI 09:00 Desert Island Discs (b009lwnd)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 on Sunday]

**FRI 09:45 Book of the Week (b009m2js)**

The Making of Mr Hai's Daughter

Episode 5

The Making of Mr Hai's Daughter: Seeta Indrani reads from Yasmin Hai's account of her assimilation into the English way of life. 5/5: What has become of Yasmin's father's dream?

**FRI 10:00 Woman's Hour (b009m3fj)**

Heather Brooke; The sexual double standard

Campaigner Heather Brooke on her battle to get MPs to publically account for how they spend their expenses. Plus, the sexual double standard debated.

**FRI 11:00 Encounters with the Pink Dame (b0081v1w)**

Liz Kershaw presents a profile of Barbara Cartland. Tales from those who met the best-selling writer reveal a woman of huge contradictions and unsurpassed eccentricity.

**FRI 11:30 The Casebook of Inspector Steine (b009n416)**

The Entertainer

Comedy drama series by Lynne Truss set in 1950s Brighton.

Crime is at a low ebb, but Mrs Groynes, the cockney charlady who is actually a criminal mastermind, is determined to reverse the trend. A matinee performance at the Hippodrome gives her an idea.

Inspector Steine ..... Michael Fenton Stevens  
Sergeant Brunswick ..... John Ramm  
Mrs Groynes ..... Sam Spiro  
Constable Twitten ..... Matt Green  
Albert ..... David Holt  
Ventriloquist Vince ..... Kim Wall.

**FRI 12:00 You and Yours (b009m3s5)**

Consumer news and issues with Winifred Robinson and John Waite.

**FRI 12:57 Weather (b009m3s7)**

The latest weather forecast.

**FRI 13:00 World at One (b009m3s9)**

National and international news with Shaun Ley.

**FRI 13:30 The Message (b009n418)**

Jenni Murray and guests in conversation about how current media trends affect our lives.

**FRI 14:00 The Archers (b009mdnn)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Thursday]

**FRI 14:15 Drama (b009n44f)**

Series 1

Distant Cold Light

by Nick Warburton. Trevor Peacock stars as ancient, earthy, inspired chef Warwick Hedges, in a four part series set in an idiosyncratic restaurant in the Cambridgeshire Fens. Part 1: Distant Cold Light. A mysterious young man brings his mother for a special meal.

Warwick Hedges.....Trevor Peacock  
Jack Hedges.....Sam Dale  
David.....Chris Pavlo  
Fay.....Liza Sadovy  
Marcia.....Kate Buffery  
Imogen.....Liz Sutherland  
Zofia.....Helen Longworth  
Samuel.....John Rowe

Director Claire Grove.

**FRI 15:00 Ramblings (b009n4br)**

Walking through Time

Wales - Abergavenny

Walking through Time: Clare Balding explores routes with connections to the past. 2/5: She joins a group of ley hunters at Llanthony Priory near Abergavenny.

**FRI 15:30 Afternoon Reading (b009mc9b)**

Countryman's Cooking

Of Gin and Soft-Soap

Leslie Phillips reads from WMW Fowler's definitive cookery manual for men.

Willie reveals why kissing the pastry-maker too early can be disastrous.

A Pier production for BBC Radio 4.

**FRI 15:45 Laurence Llewelyn-Bowen's History of Home (b009mc9d)**

Ideal Home Show

Laurence talks to philosopher Alain de Botton about how our ideas of the home have changed and what the future holds. From April 2008.

**FRI 16:00 Last Word (b009n4bt)**

Matthew Bannister presents the obituary series, analysing and celebrating the life stories of people who have recently died.

**FRI 16:30 The Film Programme (b009n4bw)**

Nigel Floyd talks to Garth Jennings about Son of Rambow, his autobiographical tale about two schoolboys who decide to re-make Rambo: First Blood with a camcorder.

**FRI 16:56 1968 Day by Day (b009md79)**

4th April 1968

John Tusa looks back at the events making the news 40 years ago.

The assassination of civil rights leader Dr Martin Luther King in Memphis marks a dark day in American history.

**FRI 17:00 PM (b009md7c)**

Full coverage and analysis of the day's news with Eddie Mair. Including Weather at 5.57pm.

**FRI 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b009md7f)**

The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by Weather.

**FRI 18:30 The Now Show (b009n4by)**

Series 23

Episode 5

Comedy sketches and satirical comments from Steve Punt, Hugh Dennis and the team including Mitch Benn, Laura Shavin and Jon Holmes.

**FRI 19:00 The Archers (b009mdnv)**

David admonishes Ruth for doing spring cleaning. She should be resting. He tells her that Oliver had called and is having a tough time. His existing cheese stock is ok. He has accepted Brookfield's offer of milk to continue cheesemaking, but a couple of health shops have cancelled their orders.

Usha confides in Ruth about Satya's total disapproval of her engagement to Alan. She is very upset at being an outcast but determined to go ahead with the wedding. She is worried that Alan may change his mind as it's upsetting so many people they love. Alan convinces her otherwise.

Elizabeth discusses the impending decision from the judge with Kathy. Kathy is worried about letting Kenton down but cannot bear the thought of going through a trial alone. She receives a text from Jacqui with good news. The judge has denied the application. Kathy has now tortured herself for so long that she decides she cannot go through with it anyway. Elizabeth tries to talk her round and reassure her that by telling the truth justice will be - and needs to be - done. Kenton calls Kathy for an update and Kathy tells him that she will be there on Monday!

Episode written by Mary Cutler.

**FRI 19:15 Front Row (b009mdnx)**

Arts news and reviews with Kirsty Lang.

**FRI 19:45 15 Minute Drama (b009mdnz)**

What I Think of my Husband

Episode 5

Stephen Wakelam's account of the relationship between Thomas Hardy and his second wife Florence. 5/5: Looking after the ageing Hardy, Florence seems relatively content with her lot.

**FRI 20:00 Any Questions? (b009n4c0)**

Jonathan Dimbleby chairs the topical debate from Cardiff. Panellists include Rhodri Morgan, Cheryl Gillan, Evan Harris and Helen Mary Jones.

**FRI 20:50 A Point of View (b009n4c2)**

Terminal Terminal

Clive James gets hot under the collar at the prospect of mobile phones on planes but shares his joy over the disastrous opening of Heathrow's Terminal 5 – and tells us why it's the most fun he's had since the night the Millennium Dome opened.

**FRI 21:00 Friday Drama (b009n4c4)**

Blood, Sweat and Tea

Blood, Sweat and Tea: By Richard Monks, adapted from Tom Reynolds's book of the same name. Paramedic Paul Masters's night shift suddenly changes from boredom to high drama.

**FRI 21:58 Weather (b009mgdh)**

The latest weather forecast.

**FRI 22:00 The World Tonight (b009mgdk)**

With Carolyn Quinn. Including reports on NATO's relationship with Russia, the first screening of a Pakistani film in India for 40 years and Martin Luther King's killer's background.

**FRI 22:45 Book at Bedtime (b009mgdm)**

Mister Pip

Episode 5

Mister Pip, by Lloyd Jones. 5/10: The dreaded redskin soldiers



appear in the village. Matilda's teacher is mistaken for Mr Dickens.

**FRI 23:00 Great Lives (b009qr2r)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 16:30 on Tuesday]

**FRI 23:30 Today in Parliament (b009mgdp)**  
News, views and features on today's stories in Parliament with Mark D'Arcy.