

SATURDAY 26 APRIL 2008**SAT 00:00 News and Weather (b00b076t)**

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

SAT 00:30 Book of the Week (b009xp5h)

Isabella de' Medici

Episode 5

Isabella de' Medici: Caroline P Murphy's biography of the most celebrated woman of Renaissance Florence. 5/5: When her beloved father dies, Isabella's life takes a tragic turn.

SAT 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b00b076w)

The latest shipping forecast.

SAT 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b00b076y)

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 (b00b0770)

The latest shipping forecast.

SAT 05:30 News Briefing (b00b0772)

The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

SAT 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b00b0774)

Daily prayer and reflection with Archdeacon Philip Patterson.

SAT 05:45 Fish Tales (b00776kq)

The Perch

Chris Yates explores the finer traits of some of Britain's coarse fish. Tom Fort argues that perch are quintessentially masculine, despite what the Victorians wrote.

SAT 06:00 News and Papers (b00b077h)

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

SAT 06:04 Weather (b00b07hk)

The latest weather forecast.

SAT 06:07 Open Country (b00b07hm)

The Hastings Fishing Fleets

Helen Mark finds out how sustainable fishing is raising the profile of local food in Hastings. The town has maintained a successful fishing industry for centuries, and now the fishermen want to show their continued commitment to sustainable fishing. They want to see Marine Stewardship Council certification, which already covers mackerel and herring, also apply to all Dover sole caught.

SAT 06:35 Farming Today This Week (b00b07hp)

Rural magazine programme with Charlotte Smith.

SAT 06:57 Weather (b00b07hr)

The latest weather forecast.

SAT 07:00 Today (b00b07ht)

With John Humphrys and James Naughtie. Including Yesterday in Parliament at 7.20am; Sports Desk at 7.25am. 8.25am; Thought for the Day at 7.48am; Weather at 7.57am.

SAT 09:00 Saturday Live (b00b07hw)

Real life stories in which listeners talk about the issues that matter to them. Presenter Fi Glover is joined by Ray Mears. Featured poet is Elvis McGonagall.

SAT 10:00 Excess Baggage (b00b07hy)

Kenya - El Salvador

KENYA

It was regarded as one of the more stable countries in Africa and holiday makers were going in ever increasing numbers for the safaris and sea sports. Following a number of violent incidents there in January, in the wake of the disputed election results, visitor numbers have dwindled.

Tour operators Bruce Phillips and Vivian McCarthy share their

experience and passion of the country and talk about their vision and hopes on how to restore the tourists' faith in Kenya as a destination.

EL SALVADOR

El Salvador is the smallest country in Central America and one of the most densely populated. Much of its originally tropical forest has been turned over to agriculture leaving only relatively small areas devoted to the natural plant and wildlife of the region.

Sandi Toksvig is joined by Rob Crossan who has recently returned from the national park El Imposible and where they have flowers that smell like cocktails. Rob also discusses the brightly coloured art of El Salvador and the popularity of the papusa – a sort of Salvadorian tortilla.

SAT 10:30 Telly Savalas and the Quota Quickies (b00b08q6)

Laurie Taylor recalls a series of 1970s B-Movies, created by the late Harold Baim, in which Hollywood star Telly Savalas waxes lyrical about the charms of certain British cities, including Birmingham, Portsmouth and Aberdeen, not generally recognised as tourist attractions.

SAT 11:00 The Week in Westminster (b00b08qb)

A look behind the scenes at Westminster with Jackie Ashley.

SAT 11:30 From Our Own Correspondent (b00b08qg)

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

SAT 12:00 Money Box (b00b0c47)

Paul Lewis with the personal finance magazine. Including reports on the future for bank charges, how 10p tax losers might be compensated and how to help people in fuel poverty.

SAT 12:30 The Now Show (b009yfch)

Series 23

Episode 8

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

SAT 12:57 Weather (b00b0c49)

The latest weather forecast.

SAT 13:00 News Headlines (b00b0c4c)

The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4.

SAT 13:10 Any Questions? (b009yfck)

Jonathan Dimbleby chairs the topical debate in Chapel-en-le-Frith, Derbyshire. Panellists include Hazel Blears, Eric Pickles, Tim Razzall and Colin Blakemore.

SAT 14:00 Any Answers? (b00b0c4f)

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

SAT 14:30 Saturday Drama (b00b0c4h)

The Small Back Room

Richard Stevens' dramatisation of Nigel Balchin's tense Second World War thriller.

Sammy Rice is called in to try and solve the mystery of a series of unexploded bombs that are being scattered after German air raids. They lie dormant and then inexplicably explode on human contact.

Holland/Brine Paul Jesson
Sammy Damian Lewis
Tilly Dominic Rowan
Waring Nick Rowe
Sue Rebecca Saire
Mair Christopher Benjamin
Stuart Will Keen
Joe Stuart Laing
Pinker/Strang Sean Baker

A Pacificus production for BBC Radio 4.

SAT 15:30 Tales from the Stave (b009y1sr)

Series 4

Pulcinella

Frances Fyfield tracks down the stories behind the scores of well-known pieces of music. 2/4: Pulcinella. Stravinsky's sketchbook for his ballet can be found in the British Library.

SAT 16:00 Weekend Woman's Hour (b00b0c4k)

Highlights of this week's Woman's Hour programmes with Jane Garvey. Including features on Hillary Clinton's campaign, women's rights in Saudi Arabia and living with a workaholic.

SAT 16:56 1968 Day by Day (b00b0c4m)

26th April 1968

John Tusa looks back at the events making the news 40 years ago. The American base at Khe Sanh in Vietnam is shown not to be as safe as previously thought.

SAT 17:00 Saturday PM (b00b0c4p)

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

SAT 17:30 iPM (b00b0c4r)

Eddie Mair presents the weekly interactive current affairs magazine featuring online conversation and debate.

SAT 17:54 Shipping Forecast (b00b0c4t)

The latest shipping forecast.

SAT 17:57 Weather (b00b0c4w)

The latest weather forecast.

SAT 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b00b0c4y)

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

SAT 18:15 Loose Ends (b00b0c50)

Clive Anderson presents an eclectic mix of conversation, comedy and music. Guests are Simon Sebag Montefiori, Jenny Eclair and Jamie Foreman. Gideon Coe talks to Will Hodgkinson.

SAT 19:00 From Fact to Fiction (b00b0g7f)

Series 4

The Ant and the Crocodile

Bettina Gracias explores a personal story behind the vociferous protests around the Olympic torch and the situation in Tibet.

With Pik-Sen Lim, Jonathan Chan-Pensley and Chooi Beh.

SAT 19:15 Saturday Review (b00b0c54)

Breath by Tim Winton, Persepolis by Marjane Satrapi

Persepolis

This hand-drawn animated film is adapted from the graphic novel by Marjane Satrapi and makes dramatic use of her childhood experience to satirise the Islamic Revolution in Iran.

Breath

This novel by the Australian author Tim Winton is a coming-of-age tale of a boy addicted to surfing who gets into deep waters, both literally and psychologically, with consequences that far outlast his youth.

Breath by Tim Winton is published by Hamish Hamilton.

Harper Regan

Lesley Sharpe stars as a woman who walks out on her husband and daughter without telling anyone in Simon Stephens's latest play. For two lost days and nights she is missing, until everything she has ever had is in danger of unravelling.

Harper Regan by Simon Stephens is in rep in the Cottesloe Theatre at the National Theatre in London.

St Martins-in-the-Fields

This landmark church on Trafalgar Square was built by James Gibbs in 1726. St Martins has a tradition of practical Christianity, is famous for its work with the homeless, and is the place where the charity Shelter was founded.

The church has now been extended and refurbished by Eric Parry Architects at a cost of £36 million. New features include an East window designed by the Iranian artist Shirazeh Houshiary, a glass pavilion in the church yard leading to new spaces on the basement floors, and a light-well also in the church yard which brings light down into the level of the crypt.

The Allington Solution
Peter Ackroyd's radio drama stars Benedict Cumberbatch as the 18th century boy-poet Thomas Chatterton, alongside Adrian Scarborough as a 20th century academic who suspects the story of Chatterton's suicide is a romantic fallacy and who sets out to discover the true cause of his death.

SAT 20:00 The Archive Hour (b00b0fzx)
Kington's Last Tapes

Kington's Last Tapes: Tony Staveacre presents highlights from conversations with his friend Miles Kington, recorded shortly before the latter's death.

SAT 21:00 Classic Serial (b009x7g7)
A Dance to the Music of Time

Marriage

A Dance to the Music of Time: Michael Butt's dramatisation of Anthony Powell's series of novels. 3/6: Marriage. Nick and some of his friends embark upon the voyage of married life.

SAT 22:00 News and Weather (b00b0c56)
The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by weather.

SAT 22:15 Bringing Up Britain (b009y490)
Series 1

Episode 4

Mariella Frostrup hosts a debate about parenting with families, experts and policy-makers. A single parent explains why she feels penalised for doing the best for her child.

SAT 23:00 Counterpoint (b009xspH)
Series 22

2008 Heat 5

Paul Gambaccini chairs the general knowledge music quiz, covering the whole musical spectrum from the classics to jazz, stage and film music, rock and pop.

From the Royal Northern College of Music in Manchester, the three contestants battling it out are Greg Lord from Sutton Coldfield, Anthony Payne from St Bees, and Martyn Smith from Aberdare.

Producer: Paul Bajoria.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2008.

SAT 23:30 The Josephine Hart Poetry Programme (b009x81y)
Episode 2

Josephine Hart explores the work of great poets at live events at the British Library, with readings from some of Britain's finest actors. 2/4: Extracts from Milton's Paradise Lost.

SUNDAY 27 APRIL 2008

SUN 00:00 News and Weather (b00b0d6)
The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by weather.

SUN 00:30 Original Shorts (b0076zcx)
Series 2

The Milly Ming

New short stories created by well-known authors. 1/5: The Milly Ming. Jane Gardam's beguiling account of a parish home for unmarried mothers. Read by Sarah Badel.

SUN 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b00b0d8)
The latest shipping forecast.

SUN 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b00b0dgb)
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 (b00b0dgd)

The latest shipping forecast.

SUN 05:30 News Briefing (b00b0dgg)
The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

SUN 05:43 Bells on Sunday (b00b0d9j)
The sound of church bells from St David's, Moreton-in-Marsh.

SUN 05:45 When the Politician Meets the Architect (b00b09m5)
Political Buildings

Jonathan Glancey ponders what the landmark buildings of a country tell us about its political life. Have UK politicians always hidden away in the Palace of Westminster.

SUN 06:00 News Briefing (b00b0dxc)
The latest national and international news.

SUN 06:05 Something Understood (b00b0dxf)
View from Above

View from Above: Felicity Finch reflects on how the space above us and the heights we strive to reach can affect how we perceive our earthbound lives below.

SUN 06:35 On Your Farm (b00b0dxh)
Country magazine. Charlotte Smith visits an intensive chicken producer's farm in Devon. She also meets one of the farmers meeting the growing demand for free range birds.

SUN 06:57 Weather (b00b0dxk)
The latest weather forecast.

SUN 07:00 News and Papers (b00b0dxm)
The latest news headlines. Including a look at the papers.

SUN 07:10 Sunday (b00b0dxp)
Roger Bolton and guests discuss the religious and ethical news of the week.

SUN 07:55 Radio 4 Appeal (b00b0dxr)
Sophie Andrews appeals on behalf of Samaritans.

SUN 07:58 Weather (b00b0dxt)
The latest weather forecast.

SUN 08:00 News and Papers (b00b0dxs)
The latest news headlines. Including a look at the papers.

SUN 08:10 Sunday Worship (b00b0dxy)
Living while you Wait

Living while you Wait: A service from Ararat Baptist Church, Whitechurch, Cardiff. Preacher: Revd Roy Jenkins. Adrian Partington directs the BBC National Chorus of Wales.

SUN 08:50 A Point of View (b009yfcM)
Instructions to the Sea

Clive James turns his attention to political intervention and Zimbabwe, arguing that Robert Mugabe's time is up. All the world has to do, he says, is to get him to agree.

SUN 09:00 Broadcasting House (b00b0dy0)
News and conversation about the big stories of the week with Paddy O'Connell.

SUN 10:00 The Archers Omnibus (b00b0dy2)
The week's events in Ambridge.

SUN 11:15 The Reunion (b00b0d60)
Sue MacGregor reunites rioters and staff to remember the 25 days of the Strangeways Prison riots of 1990.

SUN 12:00 I'm Sorry I Haven't A Clue (b00bc5xt)
As a tribute to Humphrey Lyttelton, a classic episode from the Theatre Royal in Brighton, with regulars Barry Cryer, Graeme Garden, Willie Rushton and Tim-Brooke Taylor.

SUN 12:32 The Food Programme (b00b0g62)
Scallops

Brittany is Europe's largest producer of scallops with a unique way of conserving stocks. Simon Parkes visits the Cotes d'Armor with Manx fisheries experts who want to learn a few lessons from the French way of doing things to benefit scallop production at home.

SUN 12:57 Weather (b00b0g64)
The latest weather forecast.

SUN 13:00 The World This Weekend (b00b0g66)
A look at events around the world with Shaun Ley.

SUN 13:30 Searching for Madeleine (b00b2dzw)
Steve Kingstone looks back at the events of the last year since Madeleine McCann disappeared from her holiday apartment in the Portuguese resort of Praia da Luz.

SUN 14:00 Gardeners' Question Time (b00b0g68)
Peter Gibbs chairs the popular horticultural forum. Matthew Biggs, Bunny Guinness and Bob Flowerdew are guests of Barton Mills and District Gardening Club, near Mildenhall, Suffolk.

SUN 14:45 Key Matters (b00b0g6b)
Series 1

D minor

Ivan Hewett examines five musical keys. Today: D minor – 'saddest of all keys', used by Haydn, Mozart and Spinal Tap.

SUN 15:00 Classic Serial (b00b0g6d)
A Dance to the Music of Time

War

Michael Butt's dramatisation of Anthony Powell's epic series of novels.

When Nick joins his regiment in Wales, old acquaintances reappear.

SUN 16:00 Open Book (b00b0g6g)
William Sutcliffe, Nabokov's Last Novel, and Writing "Faction"

William Sutcliffe
Mariella meets the novelist William Sutcliffe, whose gap-year satire *Are You Experienced?* was a bestseller ten years ago. He talks about his latest novel, about three childhood friends men in their thirties, who are rather taken aback when their mothers announce that they've come to stay for a week - and sort out their love lives. He explains his fascination with men who refuse to grow up, and why he hates lads' mags.

Nabokov's Last Novel
When Vladimir Nabokov, the author of *Lolita*, died in 1977, he left an unfinished novel called *Laura*, which he instructed his family to burn. For the last thirty years it has sat in a bank vault as his son has considered whether to obey. This week he announced that he's decided to publish it. He explains to Mariella how he finally came to this decision, and reveals some previously unknown details about its contents.

Tontines Revisited
Last week on *Open Book*, Will Self told Mariella about discovering a word in the dictionary, "tontine", which supplied him with a plot device. In response to the many listeners who wrote in with examples from novels, Mariella talks to Moneybox presenter and 19th-century literature expert Paul Lewis to find out more.

Writing "Faction"
"Faction" is a genre of literature sitting somewhere between fact and fiction. Mariella is joined by the authors of two new novels which fictionalise the lives of well-known historical figures, TE Lawrence and Mary Lincoln, the widow of the American President Abraham. Robert Ryan and Janis Cooke Newman discuss how they combined the techniques of the novel with meticulous attention to historical accuracy.

SUN 16:30 The Josephine Hart Poetry Programme (b00b0g6j)
Episode 3

Josephine Hart explores the work of great poets at live events at the British Library, with readings from some of Britain's finest actors.

She explores the dramatic monologues of Robert Browning with readers Robert Hardy and Greg Wise.

SUN 16:56 1968 Day by Day (b00b0g6l)
27th April 1968

John Tusa looks back at the events making the news 40 years ago. The Abortion Act comes into force and Martin Luther King's widow delivers his 10 Commandments on Vietnam.

SUN 17:00 Could I Stop Being a Muslim? (b009y1t2)
Former Muslim radical Shiraz Maher is now calling for moderation and greater Muslim integration into British life, causing him to be labelled an apostate by some Islamists.

SUN 17:40 From Fact to Fiction (b00b0g7f)
[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Saturday]

SUN 17:54 Shipping Forecast (b00b0g6n)
The latest shipping forecast.

SUN 17:57 Weather (b00b0g6q)
The latest weather forecast.

SUN 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b00b0g6s)
The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by Weather.

SUN 18:15 Pick of the Week (b00b0gh1)
Ernie Rea presents a selection of highlights from the past week on BBC radio.

SUN 19:00 The Archers (b00b0gh3)
Clarrie asks Alan and Usha how the wedding plans are going. The ceremony is to be at St Stephens and will be a Christian service with some Hindu prayers. Usha is worried that people will disapprove but Alan reassures her that he has had mostly positive comments. Ross Adams, a local journalist, stops by to tell Alan he wants to cover the story in the Borchester Echo. Alan says he has no wish to discuss his private affairs. Usha is worried when she hears this but Alan tells her that it will all be fine.

Eddie tries to reassure a fed up Will that, as far as the red kite is concerned, nobody believes he did it. When Ed pops by and tries to play with George, Will is having none of it. He is still cross with Ed over Nic. Eddie tries to keep the situation normal but Will shouts at Ed, who promptly leaves. Clarrie tries to calm Will down and suggests going to the cemetery after lunch.

While they are there, Ross appears and tries to get their comments on Usha and Alan. Clarrie tells him they are lovely people and to keep his nose out of others' business.

Episode written by Nawal Gadalla.

SUN 19:15 Go4it (b00b0gh5)
Barney Harwood presents the children's magazine. The team learn about money as they visit the Museum of the Bank of England.

SUN 19:45 West End by the Sea (b00774pr)
The Road to Ruin

Lynne Truss introduces a series of theatrical short stories. 1/5: The Road to Ruin, by John Peacock. It's 1813, and the stage doorman tells a tale of backstage lust and treachery.

SUN 20:00 The Message (b009yfc5)
Jenni Murray and guests in conversation about how current media trends affect our lives.

SUN 20:30 Last Word (b009yfce)
Matthew Bannister presents the obituary series, analysing and celebrating the life stories of people who have recently died.

SUN 21:00 Money Box (b00b0c47)
[Repeat of broadcast at 12:00 on Saturday]

SUN 21:26 Radio 4 Appeal (b00b0dxr)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:55 today]

SUN 21:30 Analysis (b009ydmf)
War on the Professions

War on the Professions: Alison Wolf asks if the idea of the independent self-regulated professional has become outmoded.

SUN 21:58 Weather (b00b0gh8)
The latest weather forecast.

SUN 22:00 Westminster Hour (b00b0ghh)
Reports from behind the scenes at Westminster. Including at 10.45pm When the Politician Meets the Architect.

SUN 23:00 1968 Day by Day Omnibus (b00b0ghd)
Week ending 27th April 1968

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

5,000 protest in Trafalgar Square against the military junta in Greece. Enoch Powell is dismissed from Edward Heath's Shadow Cabinet after his 'Rivers of Blood' speech. Decimal coins are introduced. Martin Luther King's widow delivers his 10 Commandments on Vietnam.

SUN 23:30 Something Understood (b00b0dxf)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:05 today]

MONDAY 28 APRIL 2008

MON 00:00 News and Weather (b00b0jh)
The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by weather.

MON 00:15 Thinking Allowed (b009y48v)
Cook Books and Identity - Culture and Globalization

COOK BOOKS and IDENTITY
New research shows that people's choice of cook books is governed by the kinds of lifestyles or ideologies that they represent rather than by the recipes and skills imparted within; it also reveals that celebrity chefs may have less to do with a food renaissance in this country and more to do with the collapse of cooking traditions within families. Laurie Taylor discusses celebrity cook books and Britain's food culture with social scientist and author of the research Andrea Tonner and food critic and cultural commentator Jonathan Meades.

CULTURE AND GLOBALIZATION
A new collection of essays entitled Cultural Politics in a Global Age raises questions about globalisation and cultural identity. Henrietta Moore, Professor of Social Anthropology at the London School of Economics and co-editor the book talks about the resilience of such identity in the face of external threats, about the relative success of campaigns against globalisation and about the manner in which the opportunities provided by global communication can provide alternative centres of power and influence.

MON 00:45 Bells on Sunday (b00b0dgj)
[Repeat of broadcast at 05:43 on Sunday]

MON 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b00b0hjk)
The latest shipping forecast.

MON 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b00b0hjm)
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 (b00b0hjp)
The latest shipping forecast.

MON 05:30 News Briefing (b00b0hjr)
The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

MON 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b00b0hfz)
Daily prayer and reflection with Archdeacon Philip Patterson.

MON 05:45 Farming Today (b00b0hjt)
News and issues in rural Britain with Mark Holdstock.

MON 05:57 Weather (b00b0hju)
The latest weather forecast for farmers.

MON 06:00 Today (b00b0hjt)
Presented by Sarah Montague and James Naughtie.

Including:

A woman has been allegedly imprisoned and abused for 24 years by her father in Austria. With Brigitte Handlos from Austrian Broadcasting Corporation.

Elections in the UK are vulnerable to fraud, according to a report. Stuart Wilks-Heeg, a lecturer in social policy at the University of Liverpool, explains.

Should offenders have a say in their own rehabilitation? With Rod Aldridge of the outsourcing company Capita.

Blind and partially sighted people could benefit from a groundbreaking technique which uses gene therapy.

Guitarist Peter Walker talks to Nicola Stanbridge about his time working with the father of psychedelia, Timothy Leary, and his love for Spanish flamenco music.

Thought for the Day with Rev Dr Giles Fraser, Vicar of Putney.

How will the Liberal Democrats fare against Labour and the seemingly reinvigorated Conservatives? We speak to Lib Dem leader Nick Clegg.

Nick Robinson looks forward to a crucial week in the political life of Gordon Brown.

Confidential documents appear to show that UN peacekeepers in the Democratic Republic of the Congo have been rearming some of the most notorious rebel groups operating in the country. BBC Africa Editor Martin Plaut reports.

Robert Shapiro, former adviser to Bill Clinton and Al Gore, offers his view on the economic crisis in the US.

The files of over 200,000 criminal cases heard at the Old Bailey, including the trials of Dr Crippen and Oscar Wilde, have been made available online for the first time.

Lucy Williamson reports from Indonesia, the country worst affected by bird flu.

How serious a predicament is the government in? With the Sun's associate editor Trevor Kavanagh and political columnist Steve Richards.

MON 09:00 Start the Week (b00b0j1s)
Andrew Marr sets the cultural agenda for the week. Guests include international lawyer Philippe Sands, who discusses the use of torture.

MON 09:45 Book of the Week (b00b0jbp)
The Sky Is Always There

Episode 1

The Sky is Always There: Camilla Carr and Jon James recall their days as hostages held by Chechen rebels. 1/5: Masked men burst into Camilla and Jon's room.

MON 10:00 Woman's Hour (b00b0z09)
Michelle Gomez; Julia Blackburn; Shoplifting

Actor Michelle Gomez on The Taming of The Shrew. Plus, author Julia Blackburn on her extraordinary family, the impact of the square piano, and why do teenage girls shoplift?

MON 11:00 Kenya: Healing the Rift (b00b2qzs)
Episode 1

Mike Wooldridge explores what lay behind the conflict that erupted in Kenya last year. Killings and destruction of property spread across the land, leaving many displaced (1/2).

MON 11:30 As Told To Craig Brown (b00b0sh6)
Episode 2

Satirist Craig Brown presents a bundle of parody, social observation and nonsense in a romp through anything that's newsworthy and a good many things that aren't.

Narrated by Juliet Stevenson and Steve Wright.

With John Humphrys, Ronni Ancona, Jon Culshaw, Lewis McLeod, Sally Grace, Ewan Bailey and Margaret Cabourn-Smith.

Producer: Victoria Lloyd

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2008.

MON 12:00 You and Yours (b00b0sw8)

Consumer news and issues with Liz Barclay and Winifred Robinson.

MON 12:57 Weather (b00b0swb)

The latest weather forecast.

MON 13:00 World at One (b00b0swd)

National and international news with Martha Kearney.

MON 13:30 Counterpoint (b00b0swg)

Series 22

2008 Heat 6

Paul Gambaccini chairs the general knowledge music quiz, covering the whole musical spectrum from the classics to jazz, stage and film music, rock and pop.

From the BBC Radio Theatre in London, the three contestants battling it out are Howard Curtis from London, Jeffrey Darlington from Orpington, Kent, and Martin Leadbetter from Little Wymondley, Hertfordshire.

Producer: Paul Bajoria.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2008.

MON 14:00 The Archers (b00b0gh3)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Sunday]

MON 14:15 Drama (b00b0swj)

Dear Writer

Anna Massey stars as a writer who is finding it impossible to begin her next book. Her brother has died and in clearing out his house - troubling memories keep invading her mind - memories that hint at a family secret and a forgotten tragedy.

'Dear Writer' is written by Jane Rogers and stars Anna Massey as The Writer and Leah Verity White as Polly.

The play is being broadcast as a tribute to Anna Massey - one of the UK's most treasured actresses - who passed away earlier this month.

Producer: Clive Brill

A Pacificus Production for BBC Radio 4.

MON 15:00 Money Box Live (b00b0swl)

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 (b00b0t5w)

An Italian Bestiary

At Home with Dornice

Stories by Julia Blackburn about life and survival for the animals and people of Liguria in Northern Italy, where she has made her home.

A family of dormice are sleeping in a crack in the outside wall.

MON 15:45 A Wonderful Way to Make a Living (b007xpxz)

Series 1

Episode 1

US satirist Joe Queenan presents a series on people with highly unusual occupations. 1/5: He talks to the professional celebrants who will turn any event in life into a milestone.

MON 16:00 The Food Programme (b00b0g62)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:32 on Sunday]

MON 16:30 More or Less (b00b0t5y)

Has Global Warming Peaked? - UK's Pub Capital - Can Hillary Win? - Cereal for a Boy?

Has Global Warming Peaked?

The scientific consensus is that the planet is still getting hotter. But the global temperature has not exceeded the 1998 record. So how do we know whether we are in the middle of a blip or if the warming trend has stopped? And how do scientists measure

the global temperature anyway?

UK's Pub Capital

Presenter Tim Harford always thought that the UK town with the highest concentration of pubs was St Albans in Hertfordshire. Then someone told him it was Chesterfield in Derbyshire. Tim wondered how many other towns claim to be our pub capital so asked listeners at the end of last week's programme which towns they believed had the most pubs for their size.

Can Hillary Win?

Some of Hillary Clinton's leading backers have said her victory at the recent Pennsylvania primary means she has improved her chances of winning the Democratic nomination for presidency. But two US number-crunchers say the odds of her beating Barack Obama have just gone from slim to zero.

Chadwick Matlin of Slate magazine tells Tim Harford about his online delegate calculator and how it is predicting that Hillary does not stand a chance.

Cereal for a Boy?

Women who eat breakfast cereal around the time of conception are more likely than others to give birth to a boy, according to a new study. The researchers analysed the diet of pregnant women to see if there was any link between food choices and the gender of the child.

But the researchers looked at the correlation between gender and over 100 different foods. So was the link between breakfast cereal and giving birth to a male merely the result random variation?

Our reporter Ruth Alexander has been looking at the statistical significance of the study's findings.

MON 16:56 1968 Day by Day (b00b0x8e)

28th April 1968

John Tusa looks back at the events making the news 40 years ago. Thousands march in protest against Enoch Powell. New York students continue their occupation of Columbia University.

MON 17:00 PM (b00b0x89)

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

MON 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b00b0x8c)

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

MON 18:30 The Write Stuff (b00b0z0c)

Series 11

George Eliot

James Walton takes the chair for the game of literary correctness, flanked by captains Sebastian Faulks and John Walsh with guests Peter Kemp and Andrew Davies.

The author of the week and subject for pastiche is George Eliot and the reader is Beth Chalmers.

MON 19:00 The Archers (b00b1023)

Hayley tells Susan the unwelcome news that Matt has a share in the bio-digester. Hayley's good news is that baby Abbie is doing well and coming home on Friday.

Ross turns up at the shop to get information about Alan and Usha but is interrupted by Matt. Susan quizzes Matt about the bio-digester and Borchester Land's involvement due to a cash shortage. Matt gives nothing away and exits. Ross continues his questioning. After checking her identity won't be revealed, Susan tells him she doesn't think it's appropriate for the vicar to marry someone from another faith. She thinks it's setting a bad example and will have a detrimental effect on the number of churchgoers locally.

Matt tells Kathy she has got the job at the golf club. She delightedly accepts the offer and excitedly tells Roy. When Roy goes to the hospital, he tells a surprised Hayley about Kathy's news. They go back to Willow Cottage to prepare for Abbie's return. Kathy drops by and says she is pleased with her news but worried about handing in her notice. Hayley congratulates her and says that Elizabeth and Nigel will understand. Kathy really hopes so.

Episode written by Nawal Gadalla.

MON 19:15 Front Row (b00b10yl)

Arts news and reviews with Mark Lawson, including an

interview with Oscar-winning actress Jodie Foster, who plays a reclusive author in her new film Nim's Island.

MON 19:45 15 Minute Drama (b00b1025)

Nicola Upson - An Expert in Murder

Episode 6

Penrose suspects that the war may hold the key to his double murder investigation. Meanwhile, Hedley White, one of the chief suspects, reappears. From April 2008.

MON 20:00 British Jews and the Dream of Zion (b00b10yn)

Episode 1

To mark the 60th anniversary of the creation of the state of Israel, Jonathan Freedland explores the complex relationship between British Jews and the Jewish homeland.

He traces the history of Anglo-Jewish attitudes to the Zionist project.

MON 20:30 Crossing Continents (b008kjc3)

South Korean Gamers

Julian Pettifer explores South Korea's cutting edge cyber culture. He discovers that e-athletes or computer gamers are treated like rock stars and earn hundreds of thousands of pounds a year, but the dark side of this digital craze is a pathological addiction. Treatment centres have opened all over the country to help young people who cannot tear themselves away from the computer screens.

MON 21:00 The Miracle Berry (b00b10yq)

Tom Mangold investigates the story of a fruit which turns sour tastes to sweet, and the entrepreneurs who planned to market it in the United States in the 1970s.

MON 21:30 Start the Week (b00b0j1s)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

MON 21:58 Weather (b00b128j)

The latest weather forecast.

MON 22:00 The World Tonight (b00b128l)

With Ritula Shah. Including reports on the Austrian who locked up his daughter for 24 years, alleged corruption within the United Nations and the secret behaviour of orang-utans.

MON 22:45 Book at Bedtime (b00b128n)

Sebastian Barry - The Secret Scripture

Episode 1

The Secret Scripture

By Sebastian Barry, abridged by Neville Teller.

1/10. Nearing her 100th birthday, Roseanne McNulty faces an uncertain future as the soon to be closed Roscommon Regional Mental Hospital. Her only solace is her psychiatrist Dr Grene, with whom she has an intense and increasingly complicated relationship.

Read by Doreen Keogh and Alex Jennings.

MON 23:00 Happy Mondays (b00b128q)

The Secret World

Series showcasing new ideas in comedy. An investigation into the private lives of the famous. Jon Culshaw, Sarah Hadland, Lewis Macleod, Jess Robinson and Duncan Wisbey.

MON 23:30 Today in Parliament (b00b128s)

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

TUESDAY 29 APRIL 2008

TUE 00:00 News and Weather (b00b0hg1)

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

TUE 00:30 Book of the Week (b00b0jbp)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:45 on Monday]

TUE 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b00b0hg3)

The latest shipping forecast.

TUE 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b00b0hg5)

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 (b00b0hg7)

The latest shipping forecast.

TUE 05:30 News Briefing (b00b0hg9)

The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

TUE 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b00b0hgc)

Daily prayer and reflection with Archdeacon Philip Patterson.

TUE 05:45 Farming Today (b00b0hgf)

News and issues in rural Britain with Anna Hill.

TUE 06:00 Today (b00b0hgh)

Presented by James Naughtie and John Humphrys.

Including:

Why have oil prices rocketed? With Simon Wardell of Global Insight and AA president Edmund King.

What do the latest national opinion polls really show us? Nick Sparrow of ICM explains.

Police in Austria are continuing to question the man who has admitted imprisoning his daughter in the cellar of his house for 24 years. Bethany Bell reports.

Australian scientists believe that they have found a way to help people lose weight without eating less food.

Why children who go to play groups or day care and mix with other children have a smaller chance of contracting leukaemia.

Has American lost its moral authority? With novelist Will Self and historian Simon Schama.

Thought for the Day with Akhandadhi Das, a Vaishnav Hindu teacher and theologian.

Is Robert Mugabe's regime over? With George Sibotshiwe, spokesman for Morgan Tsvangirai, and Chris McGreal of The Guardian.

What do the Conservatives stand for? A pre-election leader interview with David Cameron.

How can council tax be made fairer? Local government correspondent John Andrew reports from Exeter.

Why are converts from Islam allegedly being subjected to violence and death threats in several countries?

Mark Hutchings reports on the resignation of Rt Rev Carl Cooper, Bishop of St David's.

Brunson McKinley, who runs the International Organisation for Migration, and Mohamed Adow of Northern Aid discuss the impact of climate change on migration.

TUE 09:00 1968 - The Year of Revolutions (b00b24dq)

Episode 2

John Tusa recalls events in France during May 1968. Students and police fought pitched battles on the streets of Paris, hurling paving stones and tear gas. There were massive demonstrations and a general strike brought France to a virtual standstill. Some people wondered if the country might be on the brink of revolution. What was the long-term effect of those weeks of turmoil?

TUE 09:45 Book of the Week (b00b21vp)

The Sky Is Always There

Episode 2

The Sky is Always There: Camilla Carr and Jon James recall their days as hostages held by Chechen rebels. 2/5. The violence of which their kidnappers are capable is revealed.

TUE 10:00 Woman's Hour (b00b0jbr)

Laurie Anderson; Julia Leigh; Toddler nutrition

Performance artist Laurie Anderson on her life and work. Plus novelist Julia Leigh, Maggie's Centre in London's Charing Cross Hospital, and what should you feed a toddler?

TUE 11:00 World On The Move: Great Animal Migrations (b00b1cqj)

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

TUE 11:30 Turned out Nice Again! (b00b1cql)

Episode 2

Allan Beswick tells the remarkable story of George Formby. He recalls Formby's role in the war effort, his relationship with his wife Beryl and the couple's unlikely role in South African politics. Formby's death in 1961 brought a hundred thousand mourners onto the streets of Warrington, including a young Allan Beswick.

TUE 12:00 Call You and Yours (b00b0snm)

Consumer news and issues with John Waite and Peter White.

TUE 12:57 Weather (b00b0snp)

The latest weather forecast.

TUE 13:00 World at One (b00b0snr)

National and international news with Martha Kearney.

TUE 13:30 Tales from the Stave (b00b1cqn)

Series 4

Finzi's Clarinet Concerto

Frances Fyfield tracks down the stories behind the scores of well-known pieces of music. Finzi's Clarinet Concerto. Frances is joined by acclaimed clarinettist Emma Johnson.

TUE 14:00 The Archers (b00b1023)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Monday]

TUE 14:15 Drama (b00b1czp)

Chris Harrald - Mr Larkin's Awkward Day

Chris Harrald's play takes a light-hearted look at a chaotic day in the life of an emerging poet.

One morning in September 1957, Philip Larkin receives a very official looking letter which sends him into a spin.

Philip Larkin Adrian Scarborough
Mrs Giddings Anne Reid
Mrs C Lynne Verrall
Inspector Clough Alan Williams
Bob Stephen Critchlow
Roger John Rowe
Shopkeeper Dan Starkey
Mary Helen Longworth
Tom Ben Crowe
Mr Stenning Chris Pavlo.

TUE 15:00 Making History (b00b1czz)

The Yarrow Stone - The Royal Schools of Ulster

The Yarrow Stone
Making History listener Sam Wade lives in the Yarrow Valley, south west of Selkirk in the Scottish Borders. Nearby are some standing stones and one in particular intrigues him – could it be the site of one of Britain's earliest Christian burials?
Making History consulted Rory MacDonald, the archaeologist at Scottish Borders Council, and Dr Dave Petts at the University of Durham.

The Royal Schools of Ulster
Students at the Royal School, Portora in Enniskillen, contacted Making History after they completed a project on the founding of theirs and five other schools by James 1st's Charter in 1608. They wanted more information about how the founding of their school fits in with the history of the Plantation of Ulster and whether or not Catholic children as well as Protestant were allowed to attend.

Dr Jonathan Bardon explained the background to the establishment of the Royal Schools and how they were meant to provide a kind of social cement for the newly arrived 'planters' from England, Scotland and the Isle of Man. They were not intended for Catholic children, just the children of the 'planters'.

TUE 15:30 Afternoon Reading (b00b0t4n)

An Italian Bestiary

The Chestnuts and the Wild Pigs

Stories by Julia Blackburn about life and survival for the animals and people of Liguria in Northern Italy, where she has made her home.

The wild pigs are the real lords of the forest.

TUE 15:45 A Wonderful Way to Make a Living (b007x4wh)

Series 1

Episode 2

US satirist Joe Queenan presents a series on people with highly unusual occupations. 2/5: He talks to a pet psychic and a dog counsellor who will stay with a pet overnight.

TUE 16:00 Word of Mouth (b00b1czt)

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.

TUE 16:30 Great Lives (b00b1czw)

Series 15

Paul Robeson

Series of biographical discussions with Matthew Parris.

Anna Ford nominates singer, actor and civil rights activist Paul Robeson. From Shakespeare to Showboat, his success as a stage actor was matched by his popularity as a singer, until he fell foul of the House of Un-American Activities Committee.

TUE 16:56 1968 Day by Day (b00b0x6t)

29th April 1968

John Tusa looks back at the events making the news 40 years ago. Ralph Abernathy makes his first speech since replacing Martin Luther King. The show Hair makes its Broadway debut.

TUE 17:00 PM (b00b0x6w)

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

TUE 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b00b0x6y)

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

TUE 18:30 Ed Reardon's Week (b008h5jh)

Series 4

Trimarans That Pass in the Night

The curmudgeonly writer finds himself embroiled in a public love intrigue. Stars Christopher Douglas. From December 2007.

TUE 19:00 The Archers (b00b1027)

Kathy visits Nigel and Elizabeth to hand in her resignation. She reassures them that she has been really happy but needs to make a fresh start. Elizabeth asks if it's anything to do with the evidence she gave at the trial but Kathy tells her no. Elizabeth is not convinced. Lily interrupts, saying that Freddie has fallen in the ha-ha and hurt his leg. The wall needs repairing urgently, in case there is a more serious accident.

Whilst Sid is out jogging, he runs into David and asks him about Matt's involvement in the biodigester. David says that even with two people from Borchester Land on the board, they would be able to outvote them. Will sees them chatting and automatically assumes they have been discussing the red kite.

In the Bull later, Sid is concerned for Will, as he has been drinking for quite some time. David offers to keep an eye on him. Ed arrives with his rowdy mates and tells David a funny story about Jazzer, leaving Will feeling extremely paranoid. Will picks a fight with Ed who tries not to rise to the provocation but then lets fly. Sid and David intervene and David takes Will home.

Episode written by Nawal Gadalla.

TUE 19:15 Front Row (b00b1029)

Arts news and reviews with Mark Lawson, including an interview with David Lodge, whose new novel Deaf Sentence focuses on a professor trying to come to terms with his hearing loss.

TUE 19:45 15 Minute Drama (b00b102c)

Nicola Upson - An Expert in Murder

Episode 7

Hedley has seeks an alibi for the time of Elspeth's murder. Penrose is unconvinced that Josephine was not the intended victim. Stars James Chisholm. From April 2008.

TUE 20:00 File on 4 (b00b1js1)

Julian O'Halloran investigates the events surrounding the fiasco of the opening of Terminal 5 at Heathrow and examines the record of BAA.

TUE 20:40 In Touch (b00b1js3)

Peter White with news and information for the blind and partially sighted.

TUE 21:00 Case Notes (b00b1js5)

Health Checks for the over 40s

Dr Mark Porter investigates health issues of the day. He leads a debate on the programme of health checks for the over 40s recently announced by the government.

TUE 21:30 1968 - The Year of Revolutions (b00b24dq)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

TUE 21:58 Weather (b00b123p)

The latest weather forecast.

TUE 22:00 The World Tonight (b00b123r)

With Ritula Shah. Including reports on the fall of the pound against the euro and its effects on immigration, the fate of Tariq Aziz, and the price of food in Afghanistan.

TUE 22:45 Book at Bedtime (b00b123t)

Sebastian Barry - The Secret Scripture

Episode 2

The Secret Scripture

By Sebastian Barry, abridged by Neville Teller.

2/10. Roseanne has been a patient in Roscommon Mental Hospital for many years. Dr Grene has begun investigating whether any of his patients were originally incarcerated for social, rather than medical, reasons.

Read by Doreen Keogh and Alex Jennings.

TUE 23:00 4 Stands Up (b00b53f)

Series 1

Episode 2

Michael McIntyre hosts the stand-up comedy show featuring top names on the circuit including Paul Sinha, Isy Suttie and Richard Herring.

TUE 23:30 Today in Parliament (b00b123w)

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

WEDNESDAY 30 APRIL 2008

WED 00:00 News and Weather (b00b0hgc)

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

WED 00:30 Book of the Week (b00b2lvp)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:45 on Tuesday]

WED 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b00b0hgm)

The latest shipping forecast.

WED 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b00b0hgp)

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 (b00b0hgr)

The latest shipping forecast.

WED 05:30 News Briefing (b00b0hgt)

The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

WED 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b00b0hgw)

Daily prayer and reflection with Archdeacon Philip Patterson.

WED 05:45 Farming Today (b00b0hgy)

News and issues in rural Britain with Charlotte Smith.

WED 06:00 Today (b00b0hh0)

Presented by John Humphrys and Sarah Montague.

Including:

Political correspondent Norman Smith reports on the main rival mayoral candidates.

Why has Britain had to pull out of some of the world's biggest and most important scientific projects? With Liberal Democrat MP Phil Willis.

An investigation by Human Rights Watch into the increase in violence in Zimbabwe.

The Black Grouse could become a more common sight in Britain's skies once again.

What are the benefits, not only financial, of a career in the City of London?

A report from the tunnels of Arras, scene of one of the bloodiest campaigns of WWI.

The government has dropped a promise to give thousands of prisoners in England and Wales a pay rise.

Thought for the Day with Professor Mona Siddiqui.

The last pre-election leader interview features Gordon Brown.

Business Editor Robert Peston talks to Robert Wardle, outgoing director of the Serious Fraud Office.

The British journalist held hostage in Iraq tells us about his dramatic rescue and how he plans to return to the country.

How significant will the result in the London mayoral election be in reflecting a national picture? We speak to Professor John Curtice of Strathclyde University and our political editor Nick Robinson.

The Olympic flame returns to China after its protest-hit global relay.

Why truth is increasingly stranger than fiction and what it means for sci-fi writers.

WED 09:00 Humphrey Lyttelton: A Celebration (b00bch80)

Kenneth Clarke pays tribute to the broadcaster and jazz trumpeter who presented I'm Sorry, I Haven't a Clue for 36 years. Contributors include friends, admirers and musicians.

WED 09:45 Book of the Week (b00b2lfx)

The Sky Is Always There

Episode 3

Camilla Carr and Jon James tell the story of the 14 months they spent in captivity, having been taken hostage by Chechen rebels. After six months in captivity, despair gives way to hope when Camilla and Jon are allowed to call their parents.

Read by Emma Cuniffe and Adrian Rawlins.

WED 10:00 Woman's Hour (b00b0jbt)

Women in the Lords; Abortion limit; Dr Mable John

Baroness Hayman, the Lords' first female Speaker, on women in the House of Lords. Plus blues singer Dr Mable John, and should the abortion limit be reduced to 20 weeks?

WED 11:00 1968: Philosophy in the Streets (b00b1lvm)

Nick Fraser recalls the intellectual revolution of May 1968 that spread from Paris to the world. Contributors include key philosophers and thinkers, former activists and writers.

WED 11:30 No Commitments (b01709vv)

Series 9

Meeting the Family

Will Victoria get more than she bargained for when Emily brings her new boyfriend home? Stars Angela Thorne. From January 2003.

WED 12:00 You and Yours (b00b0snt)

Consumer news and issues with John Waite and Sheila McClennon.

WED 12:57 Weather (b00b0snw)

The latest weather forecast.

WED 13:00 World at One (b00b0sny)

National and international news with Martha Kearney.

WED 13:30 The Music Group (b00b1lvp)

Series 2

Episode 4

Comedian, broadcaster and GP Dr Phil Hammond asks each of three guests to play the track of their choice for the delight or disdain of the others.

He is joined by comedian Alexei Sayle, music journalist Mark Ellen and writer and actress Sue Perkins.

WED 14:00 The Archers (b00b1027)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Tuesday]

WED 14:15 Drama (b0076wq1)

To Serve them All my Days

Episode 2

To Serve Them All My Days: Shaun McKenna's dramatisation of RF Delderfield's novel. 2/5: Davy has settled in well to school life at Bamfylde and his wife Beth is expecting twins.

WED 15:00 Gardeners' Question Time (b00b0g68)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Sunday]

WED 15:30 Afternoon Reading (b00b0t4q)

An Italian Bestiary

The Devil of Carpasio

Stories by Julia Blackburn about life and survival for the animals and people of Liguria in Northern Italy, where she has made her home.

A beetle as big as a human hand appears on a pillow.

WED 15:45 A Wonderful Way to Make a Living (b007xrfm)

Series 1

Episode 3

US satirist Joe Queenan presents a series on people with highly unusual occupations. 3/5. He talks to John Ficarra and Galway McCullough, fight choreographers for stage and screen.

WED 16:00 Thinking Allowed (b00b1lvr)

Passenger - Superclass

PASSENGER

Dr Eric Laurier is a research fellow in the Department of Geography at the University of Edinburgh; together with his colleagues he recently made a study of the distinctive ways in which people behave in cars. He reveals his findings about the conversational conventions and rituals of car passengers.

SUPERCLASS

The global superclass is made up of 6,000-7,000 people whose influence is so great that it dwarfs the power of nation states. Laurie Taylor is joined by David Rothkopf the author of a new book called Superclass: The Global Power Elite and the World They Are Making and Saskia Sassen Centennial Professor in the Department of Sociology at the LSE to discuss who the members of this superclass are, how they affect our lives, and whether or not we should be doing anything to regulate their incredible power.

WED 16:30 Case Notes (b00b1js5)

[Repeat of broadcast at 21:00 on Tuesday]

WED 16:56 1968 Day by Day (b00b0x70)
30th April 1968

John Tusa looks back at the events making the news 40 years ago. Police break up the student uprising at Columbia University. The first European heart transplant patient dies.

WED 17:00 PM (b00b0x72)

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

WED 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b00b0x75)

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

WED 18:30 Look Away Now (b00b1lvt)

Series 2

Episode 5

Featuring Laurence Howarth, Richie Webb, Dave Lamb, Mark Evans, Katherine Jakeways and special guests.

WED 19:00 The Archers (b00b102f)

Ruth tells Phil the water at Brookfield has been cut off without warning. David confirms there are emergency repairs due to a leaky main. They don't think the water company realises how much water dairy cows need. Ruth and David discuss the trouble between Ed and Will the previous evening. The water comes back on just in time for Eddie to get the cows in for milking.

Returning from town, Jill and Phil stop, as Phil thinks he has spotted another kite. Will appears and asks what they are looking at, leaving them both feeling very awkward. Later, at the shop, Jill bumps into Clarrie who is upset about Derek Fletcher and others speculating about her William. Word has also got round about the row in the pub.

Protective Eddie visits Will at work. Will is angry, especially after the things Ed said about Nic. Eddie tells him to try to turn the other cheek, even though that's not easy. He wants Will to make his peace with Ed but Will won't be persuaded. Clarrie and Eddie are concerned, as Ed and Will were starting to be civil but now they're right back where they started!

Episode written by Nawal Gadalla.

WED 19:15 Front Row (b00b102h)

Presented by Mark Lawson.

Including:

Benedict Cumberbatch has starred on screen as Stephen Hawking and William Pitt. He is now in a new drama at London's Royal Court Theatre. In Martin Crimp's *The City*, four people appear on stage - a man who loses his job, his wife who works as a translator, a neighbour who works as a nurse, and a child who recites rude limericks. Mark tries to unravel the meaning of the play with writer and critic Bidisha.

Dr Bahaa Mayar, advisor to the Iraq Minister of Tourism and Antiquities, talks about his country's cultural heritage in the current situation and explains why he thinks more should be done by the international community to safeguard treasures which have worldwide importance.

Publishers have agreed from this autumn that most book titles for the young will be stamped with a cinema-style age recommendation. Mark is joined by Elaine McQuade, Chair of the Children's Book Group at the Publishing Association, and children's author Theresa Breslin

Mark talks to Sheila Hancock, who is currently rehearsing for a new production of Harold Pinter's play *The Birthday Party*, which celebrates its 50th anniversary at The Lyric Hammersmith Theatre in London this month.

WED 19:45 15 Minute Drama (b00b102k)

Nicola Upson - An Expert in Murder

Episode 8

Murder mystery set in 1934. Elspeth's adoptive mother Alice Simmons arrives in London and provides Penrose with a vital link between the past and the present. From April 2008.

WED 20:00 Unreliable Evidence (b00b1lww)

The Laws of War

Our armed forces no longer have exclusive power to try and punish their own. In a series of high-profile cases over recent

years, troops in action in Afghanistan and Iraq have had their actions scrutinised in ordinary British civil courts. What legal standards should be applied to troops in the line of fire?

WED 20:45 When the Politician Meets the Architect (b00b1lvy)

Economics, Grand Designs and Vanity Construction

...the Architect: Jonathan Glancey ponders what the landmark buildings of a country tell us about its political life. 2/2: Economics, Grand Designs and Vanity Construction.

WED 21:00 World On The Move: Great Animal Migrations (b00b1cjq)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 on Tuesday]

WED 21:30 Humphrey Lyttelton: A Celebration (b00bch80)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

WED 21:58 Weather (b00b123y)

The latest weather forecast.

WED 22:00 The World Tonight (b00b1240)

News and analysis with Robin Lustig. The Mehdi army is under attack in Baghdad. Can it be defeated? Plus, officially the US economy is not in recession. Is the only way up now?

WED 22:45 Book at Bedtime (b00b1242)

Sebastian Barry - *The Secret Scripture*

Episode 3

The Secret Scripture

By Sebastian Barry, abridged by Neville Teller.

3/10. Roseanne, an elderly patient in a mental hospital, is writing her life story. Her psychiatrist is astounded at what she recounts.

Read by Doreen Keogh and Alex Jennings.

WED 23:00 Hercule Poirot (b007vh5j)

Dead Man's Folly

Episode 1

Dramatised by Michael Bakewell. 1/4: Hercule Poirot gets an urgent telephone call from an old friend, distinguished crime writer Ariadne Oliver, asking for his help.

WED 23:30 Today in Parliament (b00b1244)

News, views and features on today's stories in Parliament with Sean Curran.

THURSDAY 01 MAY 2008

THU 00:00 News and Weather (b00b0hh2)

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

THU 00:30 Book of the Week (b00b2lfx)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:45 on Wednesday]

THU 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b00b0hh4)

The latest shipping forecast.

THU 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b00b0hh6)

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

THU 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b00b0hh8)

The latest shipping forecast.

THU 05:30 News Briefing (b00b0hhb)

The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

THU 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b00b0hhd)

Daily prayer and reflection with Archdeacon Philip Patterson.

THU 05:45 Farming Today (b00b0hhg)

News and issues in rural Britain with Anna Hill.

THU 06:00 Today (b00b0hhj)

With Sarah Montague and Evan Davis. Featuring Business Editor Robert Peston on the credit crunch and Aleem Maqbool on conditions in the Gaza Strip.

THU 09:00 In Our Time (b00b1m9b)

The Enclosures of the 18th Century

Melvyn Bragg and guests discuss the enclosure movement of the 18th and 19th centuries. In the early 19th century, the Northamptonshire poet John Clare took a good look at the countryside and didn't like what he saw. He wrote: "Fence meeting fence in owners little bounds Of field and meadow, large as garden-grounds, In little parcels little minds to please, With men and flocks imprisoned, ill at ease." Enclosure means literally enclosing a field with a fence or a hedge to prevent others using it. This seemingly innocuous act triggered a revolution in land holding that dispossessed many, enriched a few but helped make the agricultural and industrial revolutions possible. It saw the dominance of private property as the model of ownership, as against the collective rights of previous generations. For some Enclosure underpinned the economic and agricultural development of Modern Britain. But it has also been a cause celebre for the political left ever since Karl Marx argued that enclosures created the industrialised working class and ushered in the capitalist society. What really happened during the era of 18th and 19th century enclosures? Who gained, who lost and what role did Enclosures play in the agricultural and industrial transformation of this country? With Rosemary Sweet, Director of the Centre for Urban History at the University of Leicester; Murray Pittock, Bradley Professor of English Literature at the University of Glasgow; Mark Overton, Professor of Economic and Social History at the University of Exeter.

THU 09:45 Book of the Week (b00b2lg3)

The Sky Is Always There

Episode 4

Camilla Carr and Jon James tell the story of the 14 months they spent in captivity, having been taken hostage by Chechen rebels. Another hostage arrives.

Read by Emma Cunniffe and Adrian Rawlins.

THU 10:00 Woman's Hour (b00b0jhw)

Pink for girls; Kitty O'Shea re-evaluated

What part do manufacturers play in perpetuating the popularity of pink for girls? Plus, Elisabeth Keohoe on the misrepresentation of Kitty O'Shea.

THU 11:00 Crossing Continents (b00b1m9d)

Somalia

Just over a year ago, Ethiopia sent its troops into Somalia to chase an Islamist movement from the capital, Mogadishu. But anger at the presence of Ethiopian troops has boosted support for radical Islamist groups, and in recent weeks violence has increased. Rob Walker meets the Somali insurgents fighting against the Ethiopian troops and asks whether Ethiopia's intervention has helped to create precisely the threat they had hoped to eradicate.

THU 11:30 Young Musicians Grown Old: BBC Young Musician at 30 (b00b1m9g)

As BBC Young Musician of the Year celebrates its 30th year, 2006 winner Mark Simpson talks to previous winners to find out how they coped with the expectations and celebrity that came with success, and to find out whether the ambitions of youth were fulfilled.

THU 12:00 You and Yours (b00b0sp0)

Consumer news and issues with Winifred Robinson and John Waite.

THU 12:57 Weather (b00b0sp2)

The latest weather forecast.

THU 13:00 World at One (b00b0sp4)

National and international news with Martha Kearney.

THU 13:30 Open Country (b00b07hm)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:07 on Saturday]

THU 14:00 The Archers (b00b102f)
[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Wednesday]

THU 14:15 Drama (b00b1mx3)
Chatterton: The Allington Solution

Who or what killed the boy genius Thomas Chatterton?

For over two hundred years, everyone thought he committed suicide, a neglected poet driven to despair. Everyone, that is, except Jeremy Allington, a literary historian, who thinks the prevailing wisdom is nonsense. Only he isn't quite as polite as that ...

Dangerously close to losing his job and his partner, Allington is determined to prove that history is not as simple as some historians would have us believe. Set in both the present day and the 18th century, Chatterton: The Allington Solution is the first play for Radio 4 by the acclaimed writer, biographer and historian, Peter Ackroyd.

Cast:
Thomas Chatterton Benedict Cumberbatch
Jeremy Allington Adrian Scarborough
Ruth Rachel Bavidge
Partridge David Timson
Sam Beaumont Glen McCready
Mrs Angel Liza Sadovy
Jackman Hugh Ross
Mr Crane Jonathan Keeble
Coroner Hugh Dickson
Mark Lawson Himself

Producer: Nicolas Soames
A Ukemi Production for BBC Radio 4.

THU 15:00 Questions, Questions (b00b1ngt)
Stewart Henderson answers those niggling questions from everyday life.

THU 15:27 Radio 4 Appeal (b00b0dxr)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:55 on Sunday]

THU 15:30 Afternoon Reading (b00b0t4s)
An Italian Bestiary

The Smiling Shepherd

Stories by Julia Blackburn about life and survival for the animals and people of Liguria in Northern Italy, where she has made her home.

In February, Giovanni the shepherd begins to move his flock of sheep and goats back to the high mountain.

THU 15:45 A Wonderful Way to Make a Living (b007ych8)
Series 1

Episode 4

US satirist Joe Queenan presents a series on people with highly unusual occupations.

He talks to personal trainers, personal organisers and a New Yorker who came up with the brilliant idea of naked yoga lessons.

THU 16:00 Open Book (b00b0g6g)
[Repeat of broadcast at 16:00 on Sunday]

THU 16:30 Material World (b00b1ngw)
Back to the Future: Dan Dare - Synthetic Biology

Back to the Future: Dan Dare
It inspired one of the country's best known cosmologists, Stephen Hawking and Buckingham Palace had it regularly delivered during the 1950s.

The Eagle magazine sold 1 million copies per issue in its hey day.

A new Science Museum's exhibition 'Dan Dare and the Birth of Hi-Tech Britain' explores the legacy of World War Two for the country's science.

Quentin Cooper is joined by exhibition curator Ben Russell to find out more.

Synthetic Biology
The emerging field of synthetic biology could open up an entirely new field of medicine.

Could we one day use the techniques of engineering to manipulate our genetic circuitry inside our cells to permanently protect us against diseases like cancer?

Quentin Cooper talks to biologist John McCarthy from Manchester University and Engineer Richard Kitney, Imperial College, London.

THU 16:56 1968 Day by Day (b00b0x77)
1st May 1968

John Tusa looks back at the events making the news 40 years ago. On its fortieth anniversary, the Flying Scotsman runs non-stop from London to Edinburgh.

THU 17:00 PM (b00b0x79)
Full coverage and analysis of the day's news with Eddie Mair.

THU 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b00b0x7c)
The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by Weather.

THU 18:30 Banter (b00b1ngy)
Series 3

Episode 5

Andrew Collins hosts the panel show in which comic guests are invited to come up with their definitive top threes in categories covering anything from playwrights to Playstation.

His guests for this edition include Richard Herring and Will Smith.

THU 19:00 The Archers (b00b102m)
Mike tells Brian that Abbie is coming home tomorrow, Hayley's birthday. They are having a surprise party. Brian says that Tom and Brenda have given notice on the Nest. Mike suggests some ways to encourage more people to make use of the Millennium Wood at minimal cost. Brian runs it past Jennifer who agrees to supply picnic tables and benches, if Mike organises the labour.

Pat questions Ruth about Matt's involvement in the biodigester. Ruth assures her he only has a minority interest. Pat then asks Brian. He doesn't know much more but discloses that Borchester Land have an approximate one-third share. This horrifies Pat, along with the fact that Matt is one of the directors. She knows he won't be doing it for the good of the community.

Shula warns Ruth about journalist Ross Adams, saying that he called Alistair looking for gossip. Mike sends Ross on his way, saying he likes both Usha and Alan and has nothing against them.

Ross catches up with Shula. She tells him she supports the engagement but Ross tricks her into releasing more information than she'd wanted to. Shula realises and is left feeling upset and angry.

Episode written by Nawal Gadalla.

THU 19:15 Front Row (b00b102p)
Arts news and reviews with Kirsty Lang. Matt Thorne reviews the TV drama series The Invisibles and Kirsty talks to director and playwright Neil LaBute.

THU 19:45 15 Minute Drama (b00b102r)
Nicola Upson - An Expert in Murder

Episode 9

Murder mystery by Nicola Upson set in 1934, blending fact with fiction. Penrose has discovered a link between Elspeth and Bernard, but what he has yet to find out is the identity of the murderer. Vital information comes from a very unexpected source.

THU 20:00 A Celebration for Ascension Day (b00b1nh0)
An exuberant celebration of the Ascension of Christ from the newly refurbished St Martin in the Fields in the centre of London. Preacher is Rev Dr Giles Fraser, Rector of Putney.

THU 21:00 Costing the Earth (b00b1nh2)
Greening the Building

Tom Heap asks whether the building industry is equipped to meet demanding government targets on energy-efficient homes. He visits a project near Manchester where a team of academics, working closely with developers and builders, is attempting to

measure the energy efficiency performance of new homes. The results suggest that the trade has a lot of work to do to update its skills and its mindset.

THU 21:30 In Our Time (b00b1m9b)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

THU 21:58 Weather (b00b1246)
The latest weather forecast.

THU 22:00 The World Tonight (b00b1248)
National and international news and analysis with Robin Lustig. Including reports on the recent US airstrike in Somalia, local government in the UK and global warming.

THU 22:45 Book at Bedtime (b00b124b)
Sebastian Barry - The Secret Scripture

Episode 4

The Secret Scripture

By Sebastian Barry, abridged by Neville Teller.

4/10. Roseanne, a long-time patient in a mental hospital, is writing her traumatic yet colourful life story. Dr Grene, the senior psychiatrist at the hospital, is keeping his own record.

Read by Doreen Keogh and Alex Jennings.

THU 23:00 Look Away Now (b00b1lvt)
[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Wednesday]

THU 23:30 Today in Parliament (b00b124d)
News, views and features on today's stories in Parliament with Robert Orchard.

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FRI 00:00 Election Special (b00b1nh4)
James Naughtie and Carolyn Quinn present coverage of the local election results across the UK, including the battle to be Mayor of London. Including Midnight News and Weather.

FRI 03:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b00b0hhq)
BBC Radio 4 joins the BBC World Service for a selection of news and current affairs, arts and science programmes.

FRI 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b00b0hhs)
The latest shipping forecast.

FRI 05:30 News Briefing (b00b0hhv)
The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

FRI 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b00b0hhx)
Daily prayer and reflection with Archdeacon Philip Patterson.

FRI 05:45 Farming Today (b00b0hhz)
News and issues in rural Britain with Charlotte Smith.

FRI 06:00 Today (b00b0hj1)
Presented by John Humphrys and Evan Davis. Featuring Liberal Democrat leader Nick Clegg on the local elections in England and Wales.

FRI 09:00 The Reunion (b00b0g60)
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 on Sunday]

FRI 09:45 Book of the Week (b00b2lg7)
The Sky Is Always There

Episode 5

Camilla Carr and Jon James tell the story of the 14 months they spent in captivity, having been taken hostage by Chechen rebels. After alternating between hope and despair, freedom finally arrives.

FRI 10:00 Woman's Hour (b00b0jby)
Gwyneth Paltrow; Missing children

Gwyneth Paltrow on her return to acting after concentrating on being a mother. Plus, do we have the necessary procedures in place to trace a missing child?

FRI 11:00 Fixing A Hole (b00b1nrb)

The life and times of the great British roadworks, and those who dig and despair of them.

Reporter Sara Parker travels from Cumbria to London via the M25 seeking those for whom a freshly-dug hole in the road is a wonder and a delight but a source of desperation for road users and dwellers.

Copenhagen Street is allegedly Britain's most dug-up thoroughfare. It's in North London, and is regularly the subject of the attentions of gas, electricity and cable TV folk who just love to trouble its tarmac. Reporter Sara Parker hails a taxi on Copenhagen Street, where its driver actually lives and feels the rock-and-roll ride across the patchwork quilt of the capital's roads with an expert's commentary in her ears. Meanwhile, in the depths of a Lake District winter, Sara goes out on call with the boys from the blackstuff as they try to keep the hilly roads from cracking in the frost and being washed away by torrents. She joins the men training to dig a decent hole at a hole-in-the-road training centre whose instructor in his spare time loves nothing more than ballroom-dancing the night away while Strictly come digging by day. And out on the M25, the cones are out in force to protect the workforce from the speeding traffic.

Produced by Simon Elmes.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2008.

FRI 11:30 The Casebook of Inspector Steine (b00b1nrd)

Room at the Top

Comedy drama series by Lynne Truss set in 1950s Brighton. Steine is delighted to meet Lord Melamine, who offers to sell him a gold brick at a knockdown price. But is his lordship all he seems to be?

FRI 12:00 You and Yours (b00b0sp6)

Consumer news and issues with Liz Barclay and Winifred Robinson.

FRI 12:57 Weather (b00b0sp8)

The latest weather forecast.

FRI 13:00 World at One (b00b0spb)

National and international news with Shaun Ley.

FRI 13:30 The Message (b00b1nrg)

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

FRI 14:00 The Archers (b00b102m)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Thursday]

FRI 14:15 Drama (b00b1ny6)

The Playwright and the Grammarian

Comedy by Marcy Kahan.

A playwright and a retired civil servant confront one another over a Radio 4 microphone and go on to transform each other's lives, to the consternation of their best friends.

Tricia Ketchworth Penelope Wilton
Scarlet MacNamara Alison Pettit
Moo Carl Prekopp
Jasper Malcolm Sinclair
Roger Bolton Himself
Peter Donaldson Himself

Directed by Gordon House.

FRI 15:00 Costing the Earth (b00b1nh2)

[Repeat of broadcast at 21:00 on Thursday]

FRI 15:30 Afternoon Reading (b00b0t4v)

An Italian Bestiary

Mules and the Motor Car

Stories by Julia Blackburn about life and survival for the animals and people of Liguria in Northern Italy, where she has made her home.

The mules lost their importance when the roads came, although they took a long time coming.

FRI 15:45 A Wonderful Way to Make a Living (b007yy97)
Series 1

Episode 5

US satirist Joe Queenan presents a series on people with highly unusual occupations. A sudden realisation causes him to analyse the presenter's own line of work.

FRI 16:00 Last Word (b00b1p0q)

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

FRI 16:30 The Film Programme (b00b1p0s)

The film magazine features a review of Iron Man, the new superhero movie with Robert Downey Jr in the lead. Francine Stock talks to Robert Sarkies, director of Out of the Blue.

FRI 16:56 1968 Day by Day (b00b0x7f)

2nd May 1968

John Tusa looks back at the events making the news 40 years ago. The Duke of Edinburgh has a close encounter with an orang-utan. Israel celebrates its 20th anniversary.

FRI 17:00 PM (b00b0x7h)

Full coverage and analysis of the day's news with Eddie Mair.

FRI 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b00b0x7k)

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

FRI 18:30 The News Quiz (b00b1p0v)

Series 65

Episode 1

Sandi Toksvig chairs the topical comedy quiz. Panellists include Jeremy Hardy, Andy Hamilton and Fred Macaulay.

FRI 19:00 The Archers (b00b102t)

As Mike and Brenda are preparing for the party, they discuss an article in the Echo about the poisoned bird. Will arrives to drop the key to Brenda for 1, The Green and catches them. He deliberately asks if there is anything interesting in the paper. Whilst trying to suggest they didn't think it was Will, Mike digs himself into a big hole suggesting the contrary.

Roy and Hayley bring baby Abbie home. They are thankful for all that the hospital has done but won't miss it. They return to a lovely welcome in the form of a surprise party, with Mike and Brenda and an enormous banner, reading 'Welcome Home Abbie'.

Eddie goes to see Will on the Estate. He is concerned as Will is feeling hurt and angry over the speculation about the red kite. Eddie tries to reassure Will to remain positive. At his age, he has a good job that most would envy and he's a home owner. Just then, Will discovers a poisoned buzzard. He starts to panic. Eddie persuades an unconvinced Will to bury it, as ignorance is bliss. Will now suspects that someone's got an agenda and it's not over yet!

Episode written by Nawal Gadalla.

FRI 19:15 Front Row (b00b102w)

Arts news and reviews with Kirsty Lang.

FRI 19:45 15 Minute Drama (b00b102y)

Nicola Upson - An Expert in Murder

Episode 10

Murder mystery by Nicola Upson set in 1934, blending fact with fiction. Josephine and Marta find themselves in mortal danger. Marta has made a ghastly discovery as the investigation closes in on the murderer.

FRI 20:00 Any Questions? (b00b1p0x)

Jonathan Dimbleby chairs the topical debate from the Rose Theatre in Kingston-upon-Thames, Surrey. Panellists include Harriet Harman, Caroline Spelman, Vince Cable and Peter Hall.

FRI 20:50 A Point of View (b00b1p0z)

Snoop and Amy

Clive James explores the concept of talent and reflects on why gifted artists such as Amy Winehouse are so hell-bent on destroying their talent - and themselves.

FRI 21:00 Friday Drama (b00b2s3y)

Wes Bell

Matthew Broughton's dark and compelling play about a lonely young man who finds a home amongst eccentric strangers. His inability to deal with the truth of their lifestyle leads to dreadful, shocking conclusions.

FRI 21:58 Weather (b00b124g)

The latest weather forecast.

FRI 22:00 The World Tonight (b00b124j)

News and analysis with Robin Lustig. Including Paul Moss with reports on the local elections and the London mayoral election result. Plus religious tolerance in Indonesia.

FRI 22:45 Book at Bedtime (b00b124i)

Sebastian Barry - The Secret Scripture

Episode 5

The Secret Scripture

By Sebastian Barry, abridged by Neville Teller.

5/10. Dr Grene has found a document claiming that Roseanne's father was a member of the Royal Irish Constabulary and was killed by the IRA. But this is totally at odds with her own memories of her father and the way he died.

Read by Doreen Keogh and Alex Jennings.

FRI 23:00 Great Lives (b00b1czw)

[Repeat of broadcast at 16:30 on Tuesday]

FRI 23:30 Today in Parliament (b00b124n)

News, views and features on today's stories in Parliament with Mark D'Arcy.