

SATURDAY 10 MAY 2008**SAT 00:00 News and Weather (b00b6k9m)**

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

SAT 00:30 Book of the Week (b00b47tl)

The Morville Hours

Episode 5

The Morville Hours: Katherine Swift narrates the story of how she created her beautiful garden at Morville. 5/5: Autumnal colours give way to the pleasures of winter.

SAT 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b00b6k9p)

The latest shipping forecast.

SAT 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b00b6k9r)

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 (b00b6k9t)

The latest shipping forecast.

SAT 05:30 News Briefing (b00b6k9w)

The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

SAT 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b00b6k9y)

Daily prayer and reflection with Rev Sharon Grenham-Toze.

SAT 05:45 The Rook and Me (b0076vrd)

Spring - Breeding

Mark Cocker follows a colony of rooks over the course of a year. 2/4: Spring - Breeding. Some rookeries date back hundreds of years. Why are birds so loyal to one site?

SAT 06:00 News and Papers (b00b6kb0)

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

SAT 06:04 Weather (b00b6kb2)

The latest weather forecast.

SAT 06:07 Open Country (b00b6kb4)

Helen Mark explores the Island of Mull in the Inner Hebrides. She explores the seas around the island's northern coast and visits the most westerly point on the British mainland.

SAT 06:35 Farming Today This Week (b00b6kb6)

Rural magazine programme with Mark Holdstock.

SAT 06:57 Weather (b00b6kb8)

The latest weather forecast.

SAT 07:00 Today (b00b6kbb)

With Edward Stourton and John Humphrys. 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 (b00b6kbbd)

Real life stories in which listeners talk about the issues that matter to them. Presenter Fi Glover is joined by Howard Jacobson. Featured poet is Kate Fox.

SAT 10:00 Excess Baggage (b00b6l5t)

Amazon - The Republic of Botswana

AMAZON

John Hemming first visited the Amazon in the early sixties and despite one of his companions being killed by a local tribal hunting party. He went on to revisit the Amazon many times, initiating research into the ecology of the rainforest and writing many books on the indigenous peoples.

John McCarthy meets the great explorer to hear about his relationship with the river and its forests. They discuss the Amazon's future as pressure increases to provide raw materials for the world's ever expanding population.

THE REPUBLIC OF BOTSWANA

Botswana has been brought to people's attention in recent years

through the novels of Alexander McCall Smith. But what is the reality behind the image?

Robyn Scott was brought up in Botswana where her father worked as a flying doctor and Robyn Cox went there to share business skills with the burgeoning commercial community. They talk about their experiences of a land which has avoided many of the troubles of its neighbours and where there remains much to be discovered.

SAT 10:30 Punt PI (b00b6l5y)

Series 1

Episode 2

Steve Punt turns private investigator, examining little mysteries that perplex, amuse and beguile.

He explores the case of the missing steam trains supposedly hidden away ready to keep the country running in case of nuclear war. Steve tracks down former railwaymen, combs through declassified government documents and even visits the secret government bunker where it has been claimed the so-called Strategic Steam Reserve was kept.

SAT 11:00 The Week in Westminster (b00b6l60)

A look behind the scenes at Westminster with Peter Riddell.

SAT 11:30 From Our Own Correspondent (b00b6tsz)

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

SAT 12:00 Money Box (b00b6tt1)

Chris A'Court with the latest news from the world of personal finance. Including features on rising repossessions, online insurance comparison sites, annuities and tenancy deposits.

SAT 12:30 The News Quiz (b00b57cv)

Series 65

Episode 2

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

SAT 12:57 Weather (b00b6tt3)

The latest weather forecast.

SAT 13:00 News Headlines (b00b6tt5)

The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4.

SAT 13:10 Any Questions? (b00b57cx)

Jonathan Dimbleby chairs the topical debate from Breton, Staffordshire. Panellists include Charles Kennedy, Frank Field, Alan Duncan and Alice Thomson.

SAT 14:00 Any Answers? (b00b6tt7)

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 (b0075jb1)

Two Planks and a Passion

Two Planks and a Passion: Anthony Minghella's tender and comic account of a provincial Easter six hundred years ago. The citizens of York are preparing to perform the Mystery Cycle.

SAT 16:00 Weekend Woman's Hour (b00b6tt9)

Highlights of this week's Woman's Hour programmes with Jane Garvey. Including features on Susan Sarandon, jobs for new midwives, ironing and Rebecca Walker on motherhood.

SAT 16:56 1968 Day by Day (b00b6ttc)

10th May 1968

John Tusa looks back at the events making the news 40 years ago. Press baron Cecil King attacks Harold Wilson. 2001: A Space Odyssey is released in the UK.

SAT 17:00 Saturday PM (b00b6ttf)

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

SAT 17:30 iPM (b00b6tth)

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

SAT 17:54 Shipping Forecast (b00b6ttk)

The latest shipping forecast.

SAT 17:57 Weather (b00b6ttm)

The latest weather forecast.

SAT 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b00b6ttp)

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

SAT 18:15 Loose Ends (b00b6ttr)

Peter Curran presents an eclectic mix of conversation, comedy and music. He is joined by Tim Pigott-Smith, Minnie Driver and Jimmy Osmond. Arthur Smith talks to Danny Brocklehurst.

SAT 19:00 From Fact to Fiction (b00b6ttt)

Series 4

A Change of Heart

Christopher Reason's A Change of Heart is a comedy about a local councillor who has just lost her seat.

SAT 19:15 Saturday Review (b00b6ttw)

Tom Sutcliffe and guests review the cultural highlights of the week.

SAT 20:00 The Archive Hour (b00b6tty)

The Terrible Truth

Tom Robinson takes a nostalgic look back at the public service educational publications of the 1950s, 60s and 70s.

Record companies and health educators issued a steady stream of documentary albums, radio programmes and films to educate parents and warn the young about the perils of drugs, alcohol and even the opposite sex. Some were broadcast on TV, others sold in record stores, shown in the cinema or projected to giggling children in school assembly.

Tom reflects that while the tone and style may have changed, the messages are still relevant and contemporary.

SAT 21:00 Classic Serial (b00b435d)

A Dance to the Music of Time

Peace

A Dance to the Music of Time: Michael Butt's dramatisation of Anthony Powell's series of novels. 5/6: Peace. Nick is drawn into the world of the formidable Pamela Flitton.

SAT 22:00 News and Weather (b00b6tv0)

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

SAT 22:15 Unreliable Evidence (b00b5x0k)

Litigants in Person

Clive Anderson presents the series analysing the legal issues of the day. 2/4: Litigants in Person. An expert panel discuss the pros and cons of representing oneself in court.

SAT 23:00 Counterpoint (b00b4jcy)

Series 22

2008 Heat 7

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.

Three contestants battle it out – Tom King from Wickford in Essex, Tim Vick from Woodbridge in Suffolk, and Geoff Wickham from Bishopston in Bristol.

Producer: Paul Bajoria

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2008.

SAT 23:30 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.

SUNDAY 11 MAY 2008

SUN 00:00 News and Weather (b00b6vcd)

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

SUN 00:30 Original Shorts (b0076zdz)

Series 2

Rainbow Warrior

Adam Thorpe's story takes an ironic look at an earnest conservationist dad whose family would rather just have fun on holiday. Read by Martin Jarvis.

SUN 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b00b6vcg)

The latest shipping forecast.

SUN 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b00b6vcj)

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 (b00b6vcl)

The latest shipping forecast.

SUN 05:30 News Briefing (b00b6vcn)

The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

SUN 05:43 Bells on Sunday (b00b6vcq)

The sound of church bells from St Michael's in the village of Whichford, Warwickshire.

SUN 05:45 The Sermon on the Mound (b00b52b2)

Twenty years ago, Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher came to Scotland to speak to the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland on the Mound in Edinburgh.

Her speech included that quotation from St Paul and was a disaster. It marks the key moment when the Scottish middle classes rejected Thatcherism.

Alan Cochrane tries to make sense of Thatcher's controversial gaffe and assesses its legacy of the Sermon on the Mound to politics in Scotland and the UK.

SUN 06:00 News Headlines (b00b6vcs)

The latest national and international news.

SUN 06:05 Something Understood (b00b6vcv)

One Foot in Front

Mark Tully considers the potentially subversive nature of walking. While walking may have immense therapeutic benefits, it is also about protest and pilgrimage.

SUN 06:35 On Your Farm (b00b6x3t)

Country magazine. Alex James visits an Aberdeenshire pig farm which turns dung into power for the National Grid. He also finds out why farmers lose money on every pig they sell.

SUN 06:57 Weather (b00b6x3w)

The latest weather forecast.

SUN 07:00 News and Papers (b00b6x3y)

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

SUN 07:10 Sunday (b00b6x40)

Roger Bolton and guests discuss the religious and ethical news of the week.

SUN 07:55 Radio 4 Appeal (b00b6x42)

Jan Ravens appeals on behalf of Changing Faces. Donations: Freepost BBC Radio 4 Appeal. Credit cards: Freephone 0800 404 8144.

SUN 07:58 Weather (b00b6x44)

The latest weather forecast.

SUN 08:00 News and Papers (b00b6x46)

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

SUN 08:10 Sunday Worship (b00b6x48)

Mass for the Feast of Pentecost

From the Metropolitan Cathedral of Christ the King, Liverpool, led by the Archbishop of Liverpool, the Most Rev Patrick Kelly. The cathedral choir is directed by Timothy Noon.

SUN 08:50 A Point of View (b00b57cz)

Gaffes

Clive James explores the world of the political gaffe – past and present. He argues that it isn't always the elegant speaker who has the competence for office, and at the end of the day he prefers the verbal bumblers.

SUN 09:00 Broadcasting House (b00b6x4b)

News and conversation about the big stories of the week with James Landale.

SUN 10:00 The Archers Omnibus (b00b6x4d)

The week's events in Ambridge.

SUN 11:15 Desert Island Discs (b00b6x4g)

Annie Lennox

Kirsty Young's castaway this week is one of our most successful singer-songwriters, Annie Lennox. Her extraordinary voice has captivated us for more than a quarter of a century and, as one half of the group Eurythmics and as a solo artist, she's sold tens of millions of records and won fistfuls of awards. As a teenager, her musical ability was her passport out of her home town of Aberdeen. At that point, a career as a flautist beckoned: but, after studying in London, she felt she could never make her mark as a classical musician. It was a chance encounter with aspiring pop-star Dave Stewart that set her on an entirely different path.

For much of the 1980s, all her creative energy went into making music. But when her children were born, she says, her priorities shifted. Now she devotes much of her time and energy to supporting different humanitarian causes. She says: "I need to find meaning in my life to make me happy; and that's been an ongoing struggle."

[Taken from the original programme material for this archive edition of Desert Island Discs]

Favourite track: I Say A Little Prayer by Aretha Franklin
Book: Power of Now by Eckhart Tolle
Luxury: Suncream.

SUN 12:00 The Unbelievable Truth (b00b4r5f)

Series 2

Episode 1

David Mitchell hosts the game show in which panellists are encouraged to tell lies. With Alan Davies, Simon Evans, Tony Hawks and Phill Jupitus.

SUN 12:32 The Food Programme (b00b6x4j)

New Orleans

Sheila Dillon visits the city, world famous for its food, to see the work underway to restore its farms and markets after the devastation caused by Hurricane Katrina.

SUN 12:57 Weather (b00b6x4l)

The latest weather forecast.

SUN 13:00 The World This Weekend (b00b6x4n)

A look at events around the world with Shaun Ley.

SUN 13:30 Tracing Your Roots (b00b8kzn)

Sally Magnusson explores the practice of researching family history, one of the UK's most rapidly growing pastimes. Resident genealogist Nick Barratt offers insider tips and ideas.

SUN 14:00 Gardeners' Question Time (b00b6x4q)

Eric Robson chairs the popular horticultural forum. John Cushnie, Anne Swithinbank and Bob Flowerdew are in the

potting shed, answering questions sent in by post and email.

SUN 14:45 Key Matters (b00b6x4s)

Series 1

F sharp major

Ivan Hewett examines five musical keys. Today: F sharp major, as used by Beethoven, Mozart and Messiaen. With Liz Garnett.

SUN 15:00 Classic Serial (b00b6x4v)

A Dance to the Music of Time

Last Dance

A Dance to the Music of Time: Michael Butt's dramatisation of Anthony Powell's series of novels. 6/6: Last Dance. An unexpected meeting in Venice leads Nick to a new perspective.

SUN 16:00 Open Book (b00b6x4x)

John Burnside, The Office Novel, Unusual Book Advertising, and Chip Kidd

John Burnside

Mariella talks to a writer who has achieved equal success with his poetry and his dark novels. He talks about his new novel *Glisters*, set in a hellish post-industrial landscape with echoes of Burnside's own childhood, and reveals how a teenage obsession with Russian literature provided escape from an unhappy home life.

The Office Novel

Two well-received recent debut novels have looked at the minutiae of office life. *Open Book* considers the history of the office novel, from Dickens to the present day, with the help of the critics John Sutherland and D J Taylor, and the novelist Ed Park.

Unusual Book Advertising

Increasingly, publishers are turning to unusual marketing strategies to get their books noticed. With a gangster novel currently being advertised on beer mats, Mariella is joined by Jo Howard, the Chair of the Book Marketing Society, to discuss some of the more resourceful advertising campaigns.

Chip Kidd

You may not have heard of him, but in the world of book design Chip Kidd is a superstar. He's one of the most successful designers of book jackets. He joins Mariella to talk about his second novel, and explains his approach to book covers and what makes a good one.

SUN 16:30 Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind (b00b6x50)

... the Spotless Mind. John Sessions goes in search of his poetic hero Alexander Pope. Modern poets and satirists including Peter Porter and Ian Hislop discuss his influence.

SUN 16:56 1968 Day by Day (b00b6x52)

11th May 1968

John Tusa looks back at the events making the news 40 years ago. The Sorbonne is reopened in Paris. Students riot in Bonn. The Rolling Stones film their *Jumpin' Jack Flash* promo.

SUN 17:00 Fallujah (b00b4zp1)

Paul Wood chronicles the bloody and protracted campaign waged by American forces in 2004 for control of the city of Fallujah, 40 miles west of Baghdad.

SUN 17:40 From Fact to Fiction (b00b6ttt)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Saturday]

SUN 17:54 Shipping Forecast (b00b6x54)

The latest shipping forecast.

SUN 17:57 Weather (b00b6x56)

The latest weather forecast.

SUN 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b00b6x58)

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

SUN 18:15 Pick of the Week (b00b6x5b)

Edward Stourton presents a selection of highlights from the past week on BBC radio.

SUN 19:00 The Archers (b00b6x5d)
Eddie and Joe are thinking of money-making plans for Farm Sunday. Joe realises Clarrie still hasn't given the ok to their venture but Eddie assures him he'll soften her up with a bottle of wine at her birthday lunch. He'll convince her that they'll be doing a public service, then she'll be up for it. But Clarrie's having none of it - she thinks it's too much work for all of them and refuses to be flannelled. She tells Eddie that no means no but then Eddie admits that they've already put one or two posters up.

Clarrie and Jill both tell Alan how sorry they are about the article in the Borchester Echo. Alan and Usha are surprised when he realises Jill doesn't know that Shula was one of the unnamed sources. They feel sorry for Jill. They know she's going to feel such a fool when she realises the truth.

Usha's reassured to know Bishop Andrew is behind them, and is pleased to hear most of the congregation seem supportive. But she's still worried that they'll end up having to leave Ambridge. Alan's convinced it won't come to that and believes the worst is probably over. Usha hopes he's right.

Episode written by Carole Simpson Solazzo.

SUN 19:15 Go4it (b00b6x5g)
Barney Harwood explores the world of inventions, finding out how to become an inventor, what a patent is and how to obtain one, and trying to determine the world's worst invention.

SUN 19:45 West End by the Sea (b00774s9)
Bela in Brighton

Lynne Truss introduces a series of theatrical short stories. In 1951, Bela Lugosi visited Brighton to play Count Dracula.

SUN 20:00 Feedback (b00b57cm)
Roger Bolton airs listeners' views on BBC radio programmes and policy.

SUN 20:30 Last Word (b00b57cq)
Matthew Bannister presents the obituary series, analysing and celebrating the life stories of people who have recently died.

SUN 21:00 Money Box (b00b6tt1)
[Repeat of broadcast at 12:00 on Saturday]

SUN 21:26 Radio 4 Appeal (b00b6x42)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:55 today]

SUN 21:30 In Business (b00b55tf)
Adventure Capitalist

Adventure Capitalist: Peter Day talks to Welsh-born Michael Moritz, one of the venture capital stars of Silicon Valley USA.

SUN 21:58 Weather (b00b6x5j)
The latest weather forecast.

SUN 22:00 Westminster Hall (b00b6x5l)
Reports from behind the scenes at Westminster. Including at 1 **0.45pm** For Whom the Division Bell Told.

SUN 23:00 1968 Day by Day Omnibus (b00b6x5n)
Week ending 11th May 1968

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

SUN 23:30 Something Understood (b00b6vcv)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:05 today]

MONDAY 12 MAY 2008

MON 00:00 News and Weather (b00b6yqv)
The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by weather.

MON 00:15 Thinking Allowed (b00b529w)
Hearing Voices - Paganism

HEARING VOICES
The phenomenon of hearing voices might not be as unusual as we think, and many people even live quite happily with the voices they hear. Sometimes the voices have helpful advice, or

words of encouragement to offer. But where do the voices come from? Might they be the sound of society itself? Dr Julie Kirby, senior Lecturer at Edge Hill University talks about her research study of over sixty people who live with voice hearing.

PAGANISM
Laurie Taylor is joined by Dr Graham Harvey, Reader in Religious Studies at The Open University and the author of paper entitled Recent developments in Paganism and Professor Wendy Griffin, co-founder of the Pagan Studies Group of the American Academy of Religion, to discuss the nature of contemporary paganism and to find out if it can ever become more accepted as a religion in the future.

MON 00:45 Bells on Sunday (b00b6vcq)
[Repeat of broadcast at 05:43 on Sunday]

MON 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b00b6yqx)
The latest shipping forecast.

MON 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b00b6yqz)
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 (b00b6yr1)
The latest shipping forecast.

MON 05:30 News Briefing (b00b6yr3)
The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

MON 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b00b6yng)
Daily prayer and reflection with Rev Sharon Grenham-Toze.

MON 05:45 Farming Today (b00b6yr5)
News and issues in rural Britain with Anna Hill.

MON 05:57 Weather (b00b6yr7)
The latest weather forecast for farmers.

MON 06:00 Today (b00b6yr9)
With Sarah Montague and Evan Davis. Including Sports Desk at **6.25am, 7.25am, 8.25am**; Weather at **6.05am, 6.57am, 7.57am**; Thought for the Day at **7.48am**.

MON 09:00 Start the Week (b00b70yk)
Andrew Marr sets the cultural agenda for the week. Guests include authors David Runciman, John Hutton and Elaine Feinstein.

MON 09:45 Book of the Week (b00b71dl)
Twenty Chickens for a Saddle: The Story of an African Childhood

Episode 1

Twenty Chickens for a Saddle: The Story of an African Childhood. Anne-Marie Duff reads from Robyn Scott's affectionate memoir of growing up in an eccentric family in Botswana (1/5).

MON 10:00 Woman's Hour (b00b71dn)
Frances Osborne; Eating disorders among British Asians

Author Frances Osborne on Lady Idina Sackville, aka 'The Bolter'. Plus the link between mothers' and children's poverty, and eating disorders amongst British Asian women.

MON 11:00 Postcards From the White City (b00b71dq)
4 Extra Debut. Using original postcards, local-born Robert Elms discovers how the 1908 exhibition gave the area of London its name. From May 2008.

MON 11:30 As Told To Craig Brown (b00b71ds)
Episode 4

Eating too much and the end of the world.

Craig Brown introduces a mixture of satire, social observation and nonsense.

Narrated by Juliet Stevenson and Steve Wright

With John Humphrys, Ronni Ancona, Jon Culshaw, Lewis

MacLeod, Sally Grace, Ewan Bailey and Margaret Cabour-Smith.

Producer: Victoria Lloyd

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2008.

MON 12:00 You and Yours (b00b71n4)
Consumer news and issues with Winifred Robinson and John Waite.

MON 12:57 Weather (b00b71n6)
The latest weather forecast.

MON 13:00 World at One (b00b71n8)
National and international news with Martha Kearney.

MON 13:30 Counterpoint (b00b71nb)
Series 22

Episode 8

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.

Three contestants battle it out – John Durbin from Cardiff, John Tattersall from Todmorden in West Yorkshire, and Peter Godfrey from Halifax.

Fro the Royal Northern College of Music in Manchester.

Producer: Paul Bajoria

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2008.

MON 14:00 The Archers (b00b6x5d)
[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Sunday]

MON 14:15 Drama (b00b722v)
Higher

Joyce Bryant's satire on tertiary education.

Karen is the new head of the Geography Department - renamed Geographical Tourism - at Hayborough University, which isn't quite part of the elite Russell Group of top universities. In fact it ranks 132nd. It is open day for the department and Karen is keen that she attracts the right students.

Karen Sophie Thompson
David Mark Heap
Jim Jonathan Keeble
Barbara Sue Ryding
Maura Maggie Fox
Angela Sue Kelly
Harry Ben Hood

Directed by Gary Brown.

MON 15:00 Money Box (b00b722x)
Vincent Duggleby and guests answer calls on financial issues.

MON 15:30 Afternoon Reading (b00b737b)
Jennings' Little Hut

The Squatters

Mark Williams reads one of Anthony Buckeridge's classic school stories, abridged in five parts by Roy Apps.

'Until Darbshire had finished making his famous ventilating-shaft out of that disused drain-pipe, it was just as well they had got air-conditioned walls.' It was only a little hut, but Jennings was very proud of it. And the other boys at Linbury Court were proud of their huts too.

A Pier production for BBC Radio 4.

MON 15:45 Letters Home (b007t26c)
Series 2

Episode 1

A former newspaper editor in Zimbabwe shows his frustration as the decision on his asylum claim is continually postponed.

MON 16:00 The Food Programme (b00b6x4j)
[Repeat of broadcast at 12:32 on Sunday]

MON 16:30 More or Less (b00b737d)

Food Waste - Internet Polling - Electoral Fraud Rumours - CCTV

Food Waste

We discard a third of the food we buy, according to the anti-waste organisation WRAP. Can it be true? We looked at the numbers behind the original report from the anti-waste organisation, WRAP, and at the reports of the report.

Internet Polling

When the result of the recent London mayoral elections were announced, Boris Johnson was generous in victory and Ken Livingstone was gracious in defeat. But behind the scenes another battle was still being fought on less cordial terms: between the pollsters.

A relative newcomer, internet pollster YouGov, had correctly predicted the exact percentage of the vote achieved by the two leading candidates. Their more established rivals, who still use telephone polls, had not. A poll by market research company, Ipsos/MORI, even suggested that Ken Livingstone would win.

But head of ICM Research, Nick Sparrow, still believes that telephone polls tend to give more accurate results than internet polls. He says he has tested internet polling and found it to be inaccurate when compared with telephone polls. Peter Kellner, president of YouGov, defended the use of the internet and says it is time to abandon the telephone poll.

Electoral Fraud Rumours

Over 400,000 votes were rejected during the count for the London mayoral election.

"400,000 votes spoilt! Was Robert Mugabe in London on Thursday night?" asked someone posting on the BNP's website.

Matt Bright, head of communications at London Elects, explained why nothing fishy was really going on. The truth is that many voters just did not bother to use their second preference.

CCTV

Is CCTV failing to cut crime? A senior police officer says the system is an "utter fiasco" - solving only 3% of London's street robberies.

More or Less reporter Ruth Alexander took a closer look at the evidence. She set out to find how many investigations are solved using CCTV footage nationally, and what evidence there is that cameras prevent crime. She spoke to the Association of Chief Police Officers' spokesperson on CCTV, the Deputy Chief Constable of Cheshire Graeme Gerrard, and also Professor Martin Gill, who has carried out an evaluation of CCTV for the Home Office.

MON 16:56 1968 Day by Day (b00b73hm)

12th May 1968

John Tusa looks back at the events making the news 40 years ago. The Poor People's March reaches Washington. Noele Gordon quits Crossroads. The TV show The Railway Children begins.

MON 17:00 PM (b00b73hp)

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

MON 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b00b73hr)

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

MON 18:30 The Unbelievable Truth (b00b73ht)

Series 2

Episode 2

Michael McIntyre resorts to toilet humour and Lucy Porter tells tall stories of giraffes. David Mitchell chairs. From May 2008.

MON 19:00 The Archers (b00b73mv)

Lewis advises Mike and Roy on the planning and building regulations necessary for the house conversion. It's going to be a few months before the work can start. Mike's disappointed that a connecting door is impossible, for fire safety reasons, but Lewis talks them through the plans. Overall it's sounding good. They've even decided on names: Roy and Hayley will keep the name Willow Farm, and Mike's home will be Willow Cottage.

Lewis, Mike and Roy celebrate the plans over a drink. They discuss the badger problem that's affecting Nigel and, supposedly, Oliver.

Fallon's back home for a few days in between gigs. Ed tries to

make plans but it's clear that she's still wrapped up in the band - it's all she can think and talk about. Their evening plans are put on hold when Clarrie's late for her shift at the Bull so Ed decides he'll ask Oliver for some time off tomorrow. But, assuming he'd be working, Fallon's made plans to rehearse a new song with the band. Ed offers to come along and be their test audience. Fallon realises just how much he's missed her. Ed admits last week was horrible - he'd much rather be with her if he can.

Episode written by Carole Simpson Solazzo.

MON 19:15 Front Row (b00b7510)

Arts news and reviews with Mark Lawson, including an interview with Nobel Laureate Doris Lessing, whose new book reflects on the lives of her parents and her childhood in Rhodesia.

MON 19:45 15 Minute Drama (b00b73n1)

Gifted

Episode 1

Nikita Lalwani's story of a talented mathematician who wins a place at Oxford at 15 but struggles to grow up and escape the excessive strictures of family life.

MON 20:00 I Don't Know What to Say (b009xys6)

A year after the death of broadcaster Nick Clarke, his widow Barbara Want investigates the way we as a society deal - or fail to deal - with bereavement.

MON 20:30 The Learning Curve (b00b73rf)

Libby Purves presents a guide to the world of learning, with practical advice, features and listeners' views.

MON 21:00 Frontiers (b00b73y4)

Energy Harvesting

Energy Harvesting: The unlikely of sources can produce vibrations that can be turned into electricity. Gareth Mitchell meets the scientists trying to harvest energy.

MON 21:30 Start the Week (b00b70yk)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

MON 21:58 Weather (b00b7512)

The latest weather forecast.

MON 22:00 The World Tonight (b00b7514)

National and international news and analysis with Ritula Shah.

MON 22:45 Book at Bedtime (b00b7516)

The Behaviour of Moths

Episode 1

The Behaviour of Moths: Stephanie Cole reads from Poppy Adams's powerful novel. 1/10: From her window, lepidopterist Ginny watches and waits for her beloved sister Vivi to return.

MON 23:00 Happy Mondays (b00b7518)

Pappy's Fun Club

Series showcasing new ideas in comedy. Pappy's Fun Club: A modern take on the comedy gang show with Ben Clarke, Matthew Crosby, Brendan Dodds and Tom Parry.

MON 23:30 Today in Parliament (b00b74zd)

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

TUESDAY 13 MAY 2008**TUE 00:00 News and Weather (b00b6ynj)**

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

TUE 00:30 Book of the Week (b00b71dl)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:45 on Monday]

TUE 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b00b6ynl)

The latest shipping forecast.

TUE 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b00b6ynn)

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 (b00b6ynq)

The latest shipping forecast.

TUE 05:30 News Briefing (b00b6yns)

The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

TUE 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b00b6ynv)

Daily prayer and reflection with Rev Sharon Grenham-Toze.

TUE 05:45 Farming Today (b00b6ynx)

News and issues in rural Britain with Anna Hill.

TUE 06:00 Today (b00b6ynz)

With Evan Davis and Edward Stourton. 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 On the Ropes (b00b7bcj)

Ashley Walters

John Humphrys talks to successful people who have weathered storms in their careers.

His guest is actor Ashley Walters, who was jailed for possessing a gun when known as Asher D of So Solid Crew. During his seven months in a young offenders' unit he took a hard look at his life. He became reconciled with his father before he died and reverted to acting. The film Bullet Boy, which mirrored many of his own experiences, won him Most Promising Newcomer at the British Independent Film Awards in 2004.

TUE 09:30 A Sunparched Country (b00b7bel)

Save the Soil, Save the Planet

Caroline Holmes discovers how Australians are adapting to the reality of climate change. 3/5: Save the Soil, Save the Planet. Can old soils be used to slow down global warming?

TUE 09:45 Book of the Week (b00b716p)

Twenty Chickens for a Saddle: The Story of an African Childhood

Episode 2

Twenty Chickens for a Saddle: The Story of an African Childhood. Anne-Marie Duff reads from Robyn Scott's affectionate memoir of growing up in an eccentric family in Botswana (2/5).

TUE 10:00 Woman's Hour (b00b716r)

Artist Barbara Rae; Poet Gillian Clarke

Scottish artist Barbara Rae on her life as a Royal Academician. Plus poet Gillian Clarke, the new poet laureate for Wales, on how she became a writer, and the cyclone in Burma.

TUE 11:00 World On The Move: Great Animal Migrations (b00b7bcn)

Great Animal Migrations

Philippa Forrester and Brett Westwood follow the movement and migration of animals across the planet, focusing on a group of satellite-tagged geese.

TUE 11:30 The Frost Collection (b00b7bcq)

Series 1

Heroes and Villains

David Frost and guests look back at some of the most memorable interviews of his career. With Joanna Lumley, Joan Bakewell, Charles Kennedy and Tim Vine.

TUE 12:00 Call You and Yours (b00b71k5)

Consumer news and issues with Winifred Robinson and Peter White.

TUE 12:57 Weather (b00b71k7)

The latest weather forecast.

TUE 13:00 World at One (b00b71k9)

National and international news with Martha Kearney.

TUE 13:30 The Blues Dance (b00b7bcs)

Don Letts tells the story of the Blues Dance or Jamaican private club in Britain. Crowds gathered to listen and dance to heavy bass lines of reggae, pumped out from huge speakers. The first wave of West Indian immigrants set up informal basement parties in West London, but the phenomenon would later gain prominence across the UK.

Contributors include Linton Kwesi Johnson, Vivien Goldman, Jazzie B, King Tubby, Trevor Sax, Daddy G, Ali Campbell, Caroline Coon, Lemmy Henry and Tippa Irie.

TUE 14:00 The Archers (b00b73mv)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Monday]

TUE 14:15 Drama (b00b7bcv)

Women of an Uncertain Age

By Rony Robinson and Sally Goldsmith

When a mutual friend dies, Clare, Heather and Kat throw caution to the winds and pursue what they really want in their middle age, as opposed to what they think they should want. A funny, touching play about what it is really like to survive the menopause.

Cast

Heather...Deborah Findlay
Clare...Alwyne Taylor
Kat...Gaynor Faye
Clare's Mother...June Broughton
Greg...Chris Jack

Piano performed by Paul Janes

Producer Pauline Harris
Director Polly Thomas.

TUE 15:00 Making History (b00b7bcx)

Harbin China - The Dockside Dandies of Lowestoft

Harbin China

A listener's grandmother was kidnapped and then shot in the city of Harbin in North East China in 1932, what was going on there at the time and why would a British citizen have been targeted? Vanessa Collingridge spoke with Dr Rana Mitter at the University of Oxford who explained that this area of China was caught up in the competing aspirations of Imperial Japan, newly nationalistic China and Soviet Russia.

The Dockside Dandies of Lowestoft

London-based artist Peter Wylie is from Lowestoft in Suffolk and he recently came across photographs like the one above which recorded a style of dress that appears to be unique to the fishermen of his home town in the early 1960s. Making History heard from some of the surviving fishermen who wore these flamboyant suits who explained that they could earn up to £30 a week (that's almost £500 in today's money) and could therefore afford to spend up to £25 on them. Chris Breward, Head of Research at the V&A in London, was surprised by the photographs and, although they reminded him of similar styles seen in London at around the same time, could see no direct

TUE 15:30 Afternoon Reading (b00b736m)

Jennings' Little Hut

The Kettle of Fish

Mark Williams reads one of Anthony Buckeridge's classic school stories, abridged in five parts by Roy Apps.

Mr Wilkins blows his top when he finds Jennings and Darbshire looking for a fish - up a tree.

A Pier production for BBC Radio 4.

TUE 15:45 Letters Home (b007tck6)

Series 2

Episode 2

Immigrants offer their impressions of Britain. Alejandra, who comes from a wealthy Mexican family, started her own business after her husband lost his well-paid job.

TUE 16:00 Word of Mouth (b00b7bcz)

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 (b00b7bd1)

Series 15

Edward Lear

Series of biographical discussions with Matthew Parris.

Nicholas Parsons nominates artist and writer Edward Lear, now remembered best for The Owl and the Pussycat, The Jumblies and other nonsense verse for children.

TUE 16:56 1968 Day by Day (b00b73c2)

13th May 1968

John Tusa looks back at the events making the news 40 years ago. A general strike brings Paris to a halt. American football coaches come to England looking for kickers.

TUE 17:00 PM (b00b73c4)

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

TUE 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b00b73c6)

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

TUE 18:30 Clare in the Community (b00yrrgb)

Series 3

Letter From America

Needing a new place to stay, Clare goes house-hunting with Brian - and she has an unusual, new pen pal.

Clare Barker is a social worker with all the politically correct jargon but none of the practical solutions. Award-winning sitcom by Harry Venning and David Ramsden.

Starring Sally Phillips as Clare, Alex Lowe as Brian, George Harris as Wendell, Andrew Wincott as Simon, Richard Lumsden as Ray, Gemma Craven as Helen, Ellen Thomas as Irene, Nina Conti as Megan, Alex Tregear as Hannah and Roy Hudd as Mr Figgis.

Producer: Katie Tyrrell

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2006

TUE 19:00 The Archers (b00b73mx)

After a cosy afternoon, Ed and Fallon plan to go into Borchester. Fallon gets a text from Dale, one of the band members. He's driving up north but there's a problem with his van. Ed can't believe it when Fallon says she's going to help him. By the time Fallon's ready to leave, Ed's calmed down and apologises for going off at her. Fallon understands but needs Ed's reassurance that things are ok between them. Joe gets Ed's mind off Fallon by asking whether Oliver's considered his theory for protecting the cattle from TB.

Joe wants to borrow David's laminator for the Grundy Farm Sunday signs. David's happy to help.

Pip's practicing for the Young Farmers' stock-judging competition. Joe offers her a good tip and Pip's done her own research so when she places the stock, and justifies her choices, David's impressed.

Siobhan's family are erecting a headstone for the anniversary of Siobhan's death and want Ruairi and Brian to be there. After the last few weeks, Brian doesn't know how to approach Jennifer. But when he does Jennifer simply says that it's fine for him to go, and takes herself off for a bath. Brian heaves a sigh of relief.

Episode written by Carole Simpson Solazzo.

TUE 19:15 Front Row (b00b73mz)

Arts news and reviews with Mark Lawson, including news of the shortlist for this year's Turner Prize for visual art, announced today.

TUE 19:45 15 Minute Drama (b00b8x4k)

Gifted

Episode 2

Nikita Lalwani's story of a talented mathematician who wins a place at Oxford at 15 but struggles to grow up and escape the excessive strictures of family life.

TUE 20:00 Divided Britain (b00b7f7b)

Teaching Tolerance

Teaching Tolerance: Gerry Northam reports from a Lancashire Community College designed to improve performance and help to integrate the white and Asian population of the area.

TUE 20:40 In Touch (b00b7f7d)

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

TUE 21:00 Case Notes (b00b7f7g)

Sun and Skin

Dr Mark Porter investigates health issues of the day. He weighs up the health benefits of sunshine against the harm it can do to our skin.

TUE 21:30 On the Ropes (b00b7bcj)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

TUE 21:58 Weather (b00b74zg)

The latest weather forecast.

TUE 22:00 The World Tonight (b00b74zj)

National and international news and analysis with Robin Lustig. In a special edition of the programme, Foreign Secretary David Miliband gives an extended interview.

TUE 22:45 Book at Bedtime (b00b74zl)

The Behaviour of Moths

Episode 2

The Behaviour of Moths: Stephanie Cole reads from Poppy Adams's powerful novel. Gimmy's sister Vivien's homecoming is both delightful and disturbing.

TUE 23:00 Mouth Trap (b00b7f7j)

Marriage and Babies

Comedy show looking at the modern woman, offering a mixture of satire and silliness. 1/4: Marriage and Babies. Written by and starring Katy Brand and Katherine Parkinson.

TUE 23:30 Today in Parliament (b00b74zn)

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

WEDNESDAY 14 MAY 2008**WED 00:00 News and Weather (b00b6yp1)**

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

WED 00:30 Book of the Week (b00b716p)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:45 on Tuesday]

WED 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b00b6yp3)

The latest shipping forecast.

WED 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b00b6yp5)

BBC Radio 4 joins the BBC World Service, with news, reports and analysis from around the world.

WED 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b00b6yp7)

The latest shipping forecast.

WED 05:30 News Briefing (b00b6yp9)

The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

WED 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b00b6ypc)

Daily prayer and reflection with Rev Sharon Grenham-Toze.

WED 05:45 Farming Today (b00b6ypp)

News and issues in rural Britain with Charlotte Smith.

WED 06:00 Today (b00b6yph)

With Edward Stourton, Sarah Montague. Sports Desk **6.25am, 7.25am, 8.25am**; Yesterday in Parliament **6.45am, 8.31am**; Weather **6.05am, 6.57am, 7.57am, 8.58am**; Thought for the Day **7.48am**.

WED 09:00 Midweek (b00b7lr8)

Lively and diverse conversation.

WED 09:45 Book of the Week (b00b716v)

Twenty Chickens for a Saddle: The Story of an African Childhood

Episode 3

Twenty Chickens for a Saddle: The Story of an African Childhood. Anne-Marie Duff reads from Robyn Scott's affectionate memoir of growing up in an eccentric family in Botswana (3/5).

WED 10:00 Woman's Hour (b00b716x)

Pam Ann; London Children's Ballet; Nettles

Caroline Reid talks about her comic creation Pam Ann. Plus the London Children's Ballet in rehearsal, and the many functions of the nettle.

WED 11:00 Mind Changers (b00b71rb)

Case Study: The Wild Boy of Aveyron

In 1800, 12-year-old Victor emerged from the woods of the Aveyron District, naked and behaving like an animal. It was estimated that he had been living wild since the age of about four.

Doctor Jean-Marc-Gaspard Itard devised a revolutionary programme of training for the boy, which met with partial success. The story is repeatedly quoted in the nature-nurture controversy, but it provides no conclusive proof either way. As with all case studies, it can be used to defend different theories. Nevertheless, many still benefit from Victor's legacy, as children with learning difficulties and others, especially those in Montessori nurseries, are taught by the method of hands-on play devised by Itard.

WED 11:30 No Commitments (b017gnkt)

Series 9

Coming Clean

The love lives of sisters Anna and Charlotte take some unexpected twists and turns. Stars Angela Thorne. From February 2003.

WED 12:00 You and Yours (b00b71kc)

Consumer news and issues with Winifred Robinson and Sheila McClellon.

WED 12:57 Weather (b00b71kf)

The latest weather forecast.

WED 13:00 World at One (b00b71kh)

National and international news with Martha Kearney.

WED 13:30 The Music Group (b00b71rd)

Series 2

Episode 6

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.

Guests include Zoe Ball, Andrew Collins and Polly Toynbee in a show coming from the Pavilion Theatre at the Brighton Festival.

WED 14:00 The Archers (b00b73mx)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Tuesday]

WED 14:15 Drama (b0076wr4)

To Serve them All my Days

Episode 4

To Serve Them All My Days: Shaun McKenna's dramatisation of RF Delderfield's novel. 4/5: Davy is determined to give the new head Alcock his full support, but this proves difficult.

WED 15:00 Gardeners' Question Time (b00b6x4q)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Sunday]

WED 15:30 Afternoon Reading (b00b736p)

Jennings' Little Hut

General Sir Melville Merridew

Mark Williams reads one of Anthony Buckeridge's classic school stories, abridged in five parts by Roy Apps.

A distinguished former pupil is to pay the school a visit.

A Pier production for BBC Radio 4.

WED 15:45 Letters Home (b007tzc)

Series 2

Episode 3

Immigrants offer their impressions of Britain. 3/5: Aylia fled Iran after her dissident views attracted the attention of the police. She continues to battle with the asylum system.

WED 16:00 Thinking Allowed (b00b71rg)

Hikikomori - Women's Anti-Suffrage

HIKIKOMORI

Up to a million adolescents in Japan have been labelled 'hikikomori' because of their predilection for withdrawing from social life and cutting off relationship outside the family for periods in excess of six months. Professor Andy Furlong, Deputy Head of the Department of Management at the University of Glasgow, has been researching this phenomenon and wrote about his findings in a recent article entitled The Japanese Hikikomori phenomenon: acute social withdrawal among young people - published in the Sociological Review.

WOMEN'S ANTI-SUFFRAGE

Julia Bush, Senior Lecturer in history at the School of Social Sciences, University of Northampton, is the author of a new book Women Against the Vote: Female Anti Suffragism in Britain. Laurie Taylor is joined by Julia Bush and Joanna Bourke, Professor of History at Birkbeck College, to talk about the Anti Suffrage Movement. They discuss the lives and historical legacy of the women who actively campaigned against the extension of the franchise to females.

WED 16:30 Case Notes (b00b717g)

[Repeat of broadcast at 21:00 on Tuesday]

WED 16:56 1968 Day by Day (b00b73c8)

14th May 1968

John Tusa looks back at the events making the news 40 years ago. US presidential candidates try to woo farmers. Bob Hope tries to work out how much he is worth.

WED 17:00 PM (b00b73cb)

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

WED 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b00b73cd)

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

WED 18:30 Double Science (b007rgkv)

Episode 1

Comedy by Ben Willbond and Justin Edwards about two science teachers at a sixth form college that specialises in drama. Colin and Kenneth must deal with their new boss.

WED 19:00 The Archers (b00b73n3)

Lilian can't believe Jennifer's letting Brian go to Ireland with Ruairi when Siobhan's family erect a headstone on her grave. Jennifer explains that as Brian compromised over the business this is her part of the bargain. Lilian seems to have a general downer on everything today - men especially! It turns out to be because Borchester Land has nominated Annabelle Schrivener to work with Matt on the digester project.

Jill's astounded when Ruth puts her straight: the malicious gossip in the Echo was from Shula. Jill wastes no time in confronting Shula, who does her best to explain how Ross twisted her words. But Jill believes Shula must have given him something to work with, and senses that Shula isn't entirely happy over Alan and Usha's engagement. Shula insists that she is, at a purely personal level, but she is concerned that it diminishes his standing as the spiritual leader of the community. Jill doesn't agree and believes everyone should give them both full support. Shula insists she's entitled to her opinion, which Jill understands. She just thinks Shula needs to be a bit more open-minded, that's all.

Episode written by Carole Simpson Solazzo.

WED 19:15 Front Row (b00b73n5)

Arts news and reviews with Mark Lawson.

WED 19:45 15 Minute Drama (b00b8tzt)

Gifted

Episode 3

Nikita Lalwani's story of a talented mathematician who wins a place at Oxford at 15 but struggles to grow up and escape the excessive strictures of family life.

WED 20:00 Unreliable Evidence (b00b71rj)

Plea Bargaining

Clive Anderson presents the series analysing the legal issues of the day. What would we gain or lose by adopting a formal system of plea bargaining as is widely used in the US?

WED 20:45 For whom the Division Bell Told (b00b71rl)

Episode 1

Michael Portillo explores the history of one of Westminster's most curious institutions, the backbench MP. He looks at rebellions by MPs who have refused to toe the party line.

WED 21:00 World On The Move: Great Animal Migrations (b00b7bcn)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 on Tuesday]

WED 21:30 Midweek (b00b71r8)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

WED 21:58 Weather (b00b74zq)

The latest weather forecast.

WED 22:00 The World Tonight (b00b74zs)

News and analysis with Robin Lustig. Including reports on Chinese rescue efforts after the earthquake and the surprise resignation of Brazilian environment minister Marina Silva.

WED 22:45 Book at Bedtime (b00b74zv)

The Behaviour of Moths

Episode 3

The Behaviour of Moths: Stephanie Cole reads from Poppy Adams's powerful novel. Ginny recalls how her fascination with moths developed into a partnership with her father.

WED 23:00 Hercule Poirot (b007wcw)

Dead Man's Folly

Episode 3

Dramatised by Michael Bakewell. Sir George thinks his wife's disappearance is connected to her cousin's arrival. Poirot believes it might have a more sinister implication.

WED 23:30 Today in Parliament (b00b74zx)

News, views and features on today's stories in Parliament with Robert Orchard.

THURSDAY 15 MAY 2008**THU 00:00 News and Weather (b00b6ypp)**

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

THU 00:30 Book of the Week (b00b716v)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:45 on Wednesday]

THU 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b00b6ypp)

The latest shipping forecast.

THU 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b00b6ypp)

BBC Radio 4 joins the BBC World Service, with news, reports and analysis from around the world.

THU 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b00b6ypr)

The latest shipping forecast.

THU 05:30 News Briefing (b00b6ypt)

The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

THU 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b00b6ypw)

Daily prayer and reflection with Rev Sharon Grenham-Toze.

THU 05:45 Farming Today (b00b6ypy)

News and issues in rural Britain with Anna Hill.

THU 06:00 Today (b00b6yq0)

With John Humphrys and Edward Stourton. 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 (b00b7r1i)

The Library at Nineveh

Melvyn Bragg and guests discuss the Library at Nineveh, a treasure house of Assyrian ideas from the 7th Century BC. In 1849 a young English adventurer called Henry Layard started digging into a small hill on the banks of the River Tigris in Northern Iraq. Underneath it he found the ancient city of Nineveh. Layard unearthed extraordinary things - wonderful carved reliefs, ancient palace rooms and great statues of winged bulls. He also found a collection of clay tablets, broken up, jumbled around and sitting on the floor of a toilet. It was the remnants of a library and although Layard didn't know it at the time, it was one of the greatest archaeological finds ever made. Conceived to house the sum of all human knowledge the library was built in the 7th century BC as the grand Assyrian Empire entered its last years. The clay tablets have proved to be a window into all aspects of Assyrian life, its literature, politics, religion and medicine - practises that are both deeply alien to us and alluringly familiar. With Eleanor Robson, Senior Lecturer at Cambridge University and Vice-Chair of the British Institute for the Study of Iraq; Karen Radner, Lecturer in the Ancient Near Eastern History at University College London; Andrew George, Professor of Babylonian at the School of Oriental and African Studies at the University of London

THU 09:45 Book of the Week (b00b716z)

Twenty Chickens for a Saddle: The Story of an African Childhood

Episode 4

Twenty Chickens for a Saddle: The Story of an African Childhood. Anne-Marie Duff reads from Robyn Scott's affectionate memoir of growing up in an eccentric family in Botswana (4/5).

THU 10:00 Woman's Hour (b00b7171)

Cherie Blair interviewed; Women's secure units

Cherie Blair on her impoverished beginnings, her time at Number 10, and facing criticism. Plus, the merits of single-sex units for women with mental health problems.

THU 11:00 From Our Own Correspondent (b00b7r73)

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

THU 11:30 The Man from the McCarthy Agency (b00b7r75)

Matthew Sweet reveals the untold story of Harold McCarthy, arguably the most powerful British film critic of the twentieth century despite the fact that his name never appeared in a newspaper byline. From the 1930s to the 1960s, McCarthy supplied reviews of 11,000 films to independent cinema managers from Cork to Calcutta - reviews that shaped what cinemagoers saw on the screen. Yet his importance only became clear recently when a huge archive of his work surfaced at auction.

THU 12:00 You and Yours (b00b71kk)

Consumer news and issues with Liz Barclay and John Waite.

THU 12:57 Weather (b00b71km)

The latest weather forecast.

THU 13:00 World at One (b00b71kp)

National and international news with Martha Kearney.

THU 13:30 Open Country (b00b6kb4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:07 on Saturday]

THU 14:00 The Archers (b00b73n3)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Wednesday]

THU 14:15 Drama (b00773zr)

Heads You Win, Tails I Lose

A drama of risks and probabilities by Peter Kesterton. Nigel is trapped in a dead-end job. He meets Kat, who spins coins to decide her future.

THU 15:00 Questions, Questions (b00b7rdw)

Stewart Henderson answers those niggling questions from everyday life.

THU 15:27 Radio 4 Appeal (b00b6x42)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:55 on Sunday]

THU 15:30 Afternoon Reading (b00b736r)

Jennings' Little Hut

Shortage of Glass

Mark Williams reads one of Anthony Buckridge's classic school stories, abridged in five parts by Roy Appa.

Jennings and Darbishire must think fast when the General wants to see an old school photograph.

A Pier production for BBC Radio 4.

THU 15:45 Letters Home (b007v1nd)

Series 2

Episode 4

Immigrants offer their impressions of Britain. 4/5: Evacuated from Pristina in the wake of the Kosovan war, Saranda Bogujevci describes the problems of growing up in a new society.

THU 16:00 Open Book (b00b6x4x)

[Repeat of broadcast at 16:00 on Sunday]

THU 16:30 Material World (b00b7rdy)

Severn Barrage - Skeletons and TB

Severn Barrage

If it were built, the Severn Barrage would stretch from Cardiff to Western-Super-Mare ...It would be one of the biggest engineering projects ever in the UK and would be the keystone of a tidal power revolution in Britain. It could provide 5% of the UK's electricity needs alone, but there will be significant loss of wildlife habitats. Can science push the boundaries of tidal power overcoming the problems to make it a viable energy source in the future? Quentin is joined by Professor Roger Falconer, School of Engineering, University of Cardiff and Neil Kernode, European Marine Energy Centre.

Skeletons and TB

Our skeletons can tell a story. Quentin Cooper looks into the world of paleopathology. Archaeologists and geneticists are joining forces to try and discover how diseases evolve. By extracting ancient human DNA they are looking to see how Tuberculosis bacterium developed over the centuries and reveal its ultimate origins. Quentin is joined by Professor Charlotte Roberts, Department of Archaeology, University of Durham and Professor Terry Brown, Faculty of Life Sciences, University of Manchester.

THU 16:56 1968 Day by Day (b00b73cg)

15th May 1968

John Tusa looks back at the events making the news 40 years ago. Reporters witness the devastating aftermath of the Battle of Saigon. Trouble continues in Paris.

THU 17:00 PM (b00b73cj)

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

THU 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b00b73cl)

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

THU 18:30 Heresy (b00b7wvz)

Series 5

Episode 1

Victoria Coren chairs the programme that likes to think the unthinkable.

Former host David Baddiel makes a special appearance, joined by David Mitchell and Rev Richard Coles.

An Avalon production for BBC Radio 4.

THU 19:00 The Archers (b00b73n7)

Alan's visiting Jack and Peggy when he bumps into Jennifer. He tells her there's more sports equipment for Alice to collect. She's had a great response from everyone.

Pip's happy to do some 'rowing-up' of the silage grass, on the tractor. Although David's concerned when he realises she's cut herself, he's really proud of her for noticing and removing bits of barbed wire. Eddie hopes David and Ruth don't mind about their competing activities on Farm Sunday. They assure him it's fine but Eddie panics when David teases him about his risk assessment and public liability insurance.

Eddie and David about badgers. It's a problem for Nigel, and Oliver's really concerned - which is worrying for Ed too.

Alice is devastated to learn that the RAF has turned her down. Adam tries to console her and persuades her to join his night out with the strawberry pickers. Alice has a good time, and Adam teases her for clearly only having eyes for Lajor.

Alan's evening out is cut short when he gets a worrying phone call from Usha. She's had a nasty letter and is in a bit of a state. Alan doesn't know why people can't just leave them alone.

Episode written by Carole Simpson Solazzo.

THU 19:15 Front Row (b00b73n9)

Arts news and reviews with Kirsty Lang, including a report on the many appearances of Chopin's melodies in popular culture as Radio 3 prepares to broadcast every note of his music.

THU 19:45 15 Minute Drama (b00b8tzn)

Gifted

Episode 4

Nikita Lalwani's story of a talented mathematician who wins a place at Oxford at 15 but struggles to grow up and escape the excessive strictures of family life.

THU 20:00 Welcome to My World (b007sk3b)

Singer Pauline Black, who has often felt uncomfortable in the countryside because of the colour of her skin, visits a black farmer and prospective Tory MP. Miles Warde reports.

THU 20:30 In Business (b00b7wx3)

Survivors

Survivors: British manufacturers may be staring recession in the face. Peter Day hears how manufacturing companies plan to continue to survive against the odds.

THU 21:00 Costing the Earth (b00b7wx7)

A Clean Break

Ecotourism is a tired concept, but so-called green holidays are becoming increasingly popular and the travel industry is using the idea to market a growing range of products of highly dubious environmental benefit. This programme challenges the notion that one's conscience can be salved by offsetting the carbon used on a flight to a turtle reserve. It also finds that it might well be better for the planet to fly to Benidorm than try camping in Wales.

THU 21:30 In Our Time (b00b7r71)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

THU 21:58 Weather (b00b74zz)

The latest weather forecast.

THU 22:00 The World Tonight (b00b7501)

With Robin Lustig. Including reports on the aftermath of the Burmese cyclone, preparations for the Crewe by-election and how geopolitics influences the nationality of film baddies.

THU 22:45 Book at Bedtime (b00b7503)

The Behaviour of Moths

Episode 4

The Behaviour of Moths: Stephanie Cole reads from Poppy Adams's powerful novel. Ginny's sister Vivien has come home, but Ginny is increasingly anxious about what she wants.

THU 23:00 Nebulous (b00b7wxc)

Series 3

Genesis of the Aftermath

Comedy series by Graham Duff, set in the year 2099, about Prof Nebulous and his team of eco-trouble shooters. Nebulous travels back in time to the day of his greatest experiment.

THU 23:30 Today in Parliament (b00b7505)

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

FRIDAY 16 MAY 2008**FRI 00:00 News and Weather (b00b6yq2)**

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

FRI 00:30 Book of the Week (b00b716z)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:45 on Thursday]

FRI 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b00b6yq4)

The latest shipping forecast.

FRI 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b00b6yq6)

BBC Radio 4 joins the BBC World Service, with news, reports and analysis from around the world.

FRI 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b00b6yq8)

The latest shipping forecast.

FRI 05:30 News Briefing (b00b6yqb)

The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

FRI 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b00b6yqd)

Daily prayer and reflection with Rev Sharon Grenham-Toze.

FRI 05:45 Farming Today (b00b6yqj)

News and issues in rural Britain with Charlotte Smith.

FRI 06:00 Today (b00b6yqj)

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**.

FRI 09:00 Desert Island Discs (b00b6x4g)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 on Sunday]

FRI 09:45 Book of the Week (b00b7173)

Twenty Chickens for a Saddle: The Story of an African Childhood

Episode 5

Anne-Marie Duff reads from Robyn Scott's affectionate memoir of growing up in an eccentric family in Botswana.

FRI 10:00 Woman's Hour (b00b7175)

Jane Horrocks; Childminding regulations

Actor Jane Horrocks on being back on stage. Plus new regulations for childminders in the Early Years Foundation Stage, and the taboo of abortion.

FRI 11:00 Where Next? A Soldier's Journey (b00b7y9q)

Simon Weston catches up with two soldiers featured in the documentary Soldier's Haven, one year on. At the time, both were being treated in Headley Court for serious injuries.

FRI 11:30 Paul Temple (b00b7zrm)

Paul Temple and the Madison Mystery

A Penny for Your Thoughts

4 Extra Debut. A dead millionaire and a mysterious watch-chain sends the sleuth in pursuit of a brutal gang. 2008 revival with Crawford Logan.

FRI 12:00 You and Yours (b00b71kr)

Consumer news and issues with Liz Barclay and John Waite.

FRI 12:57 Weather (b00b71kt)

The latest weather forecast.

FRI 13:00 World at One (b00b71kw)

National and international news with Shaun Ley.

FRI 13:30 Feedback (b00b7zrp)

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

FRI 14:00 The Archers (b00b73n7)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Thursday]

FRI 14:15 Drama (b00b7zrr)

Forty-Three Fifty-Nine: Yara

Forty-Three Fifty-Nine: Yara. By Mike Walker and John Dryden. City worker Grant finds himself caught up in a catastrophe in which many will die if he fails to act decisively.

FRI 15:00 Costing the Earth (b00b7wx7)

[Repeat of broadcast at 21:00 on Thursday]

FRI 15:30 Afternoon Reading (b00qzfhp)

Jennings' Little Hut

The Difficult Guest

Mark Williams reads one of Anthony Buckeridge's classic school stories, abridged in five parts by Roy Apps.

Jennings and Darbshire try to play the perfect hosts, but the General's grandson gives them the slip.

A Pier production for BBC Radio 4.

FRI 15:45 Letters Home (b007w101)

Series 2

Episode 5

Immigrants offer their impressions of Britain. 5/5: Vish Madughiri, an IT professional from Bangalore, is trying to build a new life in the UK with his wife Leela and son Akshay.

FRI 16:00 Last Word (b00b7zrt)

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

FRI 16:30 The Film Programme (b00b7zrw)

Bob Hoskins, the star of The Long Good Friday and Who Framed Roger Rabbit reveals his preference for low budget movies over expensive blockbusters.

Critic Jane Graham on Bill Forsyth's Scottish masterpiece Local Hero.

Mathieu Amalric, the star of The Diving Bell And The Butterfly and the new Bond movie reveals why he thinks his career is a joke.

Anil Sinan's Bollywood masterclass continues with the classic 1957 melodrama Mother India.

FRI 16:56 1968 Day by Day (b00b73cn)

16th May 1968

John Tusa looks back at the events making the news 40 years ago. Four die as part of a high-rise block collapses at Ronan Point. Prince Philip apologises for offending Australians.

FRI 17:00 PM (b00b73cq)

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

FRI 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b00b73ce)

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

FRI 18:30 The News Quiz (b00b9vrf)

Series 65

Episode 3

Sandi Toksvig chairs the topical comedy quiz. Panellists include Jeremy Hardy, Sue Perkins and Kevin Day.

FRI 19:00 The Archers (b00b73nc)

Brian tells Alice about his plan to go to Ireland. If Jennifer's ok about him going, then it's ok with Alice too. It's clear how much she's matured, especially when she graciously accepts a loan to cover her university costs.

Jazzier interrogates Ed about Fallon but he's really fishing about Emma, and tries to stop Ed going to the Bull.

Usha receives another letter, at home. It's vicious and threatening. She tells Alan that she intends to confront Shula. Usha corners her at a bad time, with people all around, but doesn't care. Why should she worry about Shula's reputation? Shula tries desperately to explain but insists she's not the only one with reservations - Usha's family have their own feelings. Shocked that Shula repeats something Alan told her in confidence, Usha believes it's pure racism, which Shula emphatically denies. Usha tells Shula she holds her responsible for the letters. Shula insists she has nothing personal against Usha but Usha reminds her of Richard and warns her that she'll make sure everyone knows what Shula said to Ross. If anything happens to Usha, then Shula and everyone else will know the part she played. She hopes Shula's proud of herself.

Episode written by Carole Simpson Solazzo.

FRI 19:15 Front Row (b00b73nf)

Arts news and reviews with Kirsty Lang.

FRI 19:45 15 Minute Drama (b00b8tzq)

Gifted

Episode 5

Nikita Lalwani's story of a talented mathematician who wins a place at Oxford at 15 but struggles to grow up and escape the excessive strictures of family life.

FRI 20:00 Any Questions? (b00b7zs0)

Jonathan Dimbleby chairs the topical debate from Maidstone. Panellists include Tony McNulty, Jeremy Hunt, Lynne Featherstone and Claire Fox.

FRI 20:50 A Point of View (b00b7zs2)

A weekly reflection on a topical issue from Lucy Kellaway.

FRI 21:00 Chinese in Britain (b00b7zs4)

The first five episodes of the series in which Anna Chen explores the early history of the Chinese who came to Britain before the mass influx of the 1960s.

FRI 21:58 Weather (b00b7507)

The latest weather forecast.

FRI 22:00 The World Tonight (b00b7509)

National and international news and analysis with Robin Lustig.

FRI 22:45 Book at Bedtime (b00b750c)

The Behaviour of Moths

Episode 5

Stephanie Cole reads from Poppy Adams's novel. Vivien's return after 40 years brings back disturbing memories of the past and of their mother's erratic behaviour.

FRI 23:00 Great Lives (b00b7bd1)

[Repeat of broadcast at 16:30 on Tuesday]

FRI 23:30 Today in Parliament (b00b750f)

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