

SATURDAY 07 FEBRUARY 2009**SAT 00:00 Midnight News (b00h9036)**

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

SAT 00:30 Book of the Week (b00hd350)

The Last Supper

Episode 5

Holly Aird reads Rachel Cusk's story of her family's three-month tour of Italy, during which they discover some of the country's rich artistic heritage and enjoy adapting to a more relaxed way of life.

The family explore Rome's artistic heritage, as their trip draws to an end.

SAT 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b00h9038)

The latest shipping forecast.

SAT 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b00h903b)

BBC Radio 4 joins the BBC World Service. BBC Radio 4 resumes at 5.20am.

SAT 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b00h903d)

The latest shipping forecast.

SAT 05:30 News Briefing (b00h903g)

The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

SAT 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b00h903j)

Daily prayer and reflection with Andrea Rea.

SAT 05:45 IPM (b00h903i)

The weekly interactive current affairs magazine featuring online conversation and debate.

SAT 06:00 News and Papers (b00h903n)

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

SAT 06:04 Weather (b00h9dk5)

The latest weather forecast.

SAT 06:07 Open Country (b00h9dk7)

Portland Quarry

Stone from the Isle of Portland envelops London's most prestigious buildings, so why do some locals want the quarrying to stop? Helen Mark finds out.

SAT 06:30 Farming Today This Week (b00h9dk9)

News and issues in rural Britain with Charlotte Smith.

SAT 06:57 Weather (b00h9dkc)

The latest weather forecast.

SAT 07:00 Today (b00h9dkf)

Presented by Sarah Montague and Evan Davis.

Reporter Alex Bushill reports on the worst of the UK weather.

Washington correspondent Richard Lister explains how President Obama has persuaded Republican senators to approve the economic stimulus package.

Yesterday in Parliament with Mark D'Arcy.

Founder of the Pakistani nuclear programme Abdul Qadeer Khan has been released from house arrest. Gordon Corrae explains the story behind the man hailed by many in Pakistan as a national hero.

Education correspondent James Westhead and Barry Sheerman MP discuss if there is sympathy for Sharon Shoemith, the former director of children's services at Haringey Council.

Correspondent Yolande Knell discusses if progress has been made towards peace in Israel.

Monks are offering weekend courses to attract more people into monasteries. Yvonne Murray reports.

Thought for the Day with Canon Lucy Winkett.

Correspondent Rob Watson discusses the interest surrounding the US administration's first big speech on global security.

Rachel Reid says she had no relationship with the senior British officer arrested for alleged security leaks.

Iraqi Dr Sana Nimer explains what has changed in the country over the last two years.

Clr David Sparks discusses how well councils are coping with the adverse weather conditions.

Matthew Price examines if George W. Bush will be missed by comedians.

Social worker trainer Joanna Nicolas discusses the media handling of the Baby P case.

Prof Joseph Nye discusses the first speech by US Vice-president Joe Biden on global security.

Economist Ha Joon Chang discusses positive arguments for protectionism.

Journalist AA Gill and author Wendy Moore discuss famous examples of men and women looking for money instead of love.

SAT 09:00 Saturday Live (b00h9dkh)

Real life stories in which listeners talk about the issues that matter to them. Clare Balding is joined by former cricketer and writer Ed Smith, with poetry from Murray Lachlan Young.

As a professional cricketer, Ed played for Kent, captained Middlesex and represented England. He has also written three books and has a weekly column in The Daily Telegraph.

SAT 10:00 Excess Baggage (b00h9dkk)

Belize - Old Touring Guides

BELIZE

John McCarthy ventures far afield in the company of the adventurer Hugh Thomson to explore Belize, described by Aldous Huxley as 'a place that is surely the end of the world'.

OLD TOURING GUIDES

John is also joined by historian and teacher, David Heathcote, for a tour of Britain using old travel guides; they discuss the pleasures of Victorian Baedekers and 1930s Shell guides, amongst others; writer and broadcaster Charlie Connelly shares his interest in the travel writer H.V. Morton.

SAT 10:30 And the Academy Award Goes To... (b00h9dkm)

Series 2

Shakespeare in Love

Continuing with his look at Oscar-winning films and what they tell us about the society that gave birth to them, Paul Gambaccini turns to Shakespeare in Love which won the Oscar for Best Picture, despite being a comedy, and for Best Supporting Actress, despite its recipient Judi Dench's appearance in the film being one of the shortest to win an award.

SAT 11:00 The Week in Westminster (b00h9dkp)

A look behind the scenes at Westminster with Peter Riddell.

SAT 11:30 From Our Own Correspondent (b00h9dkr)

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

SAT 12:00 Money Box (b00h9dkt)

Paul Lewis on the world of personal finance. Reports on the impact of rock bottom interest rates, biometrics in banking and a crackdown on 'sale and rent back' firms.

SAT 12:30 The News Quiz (b00h900h)

Series 67

Episode 5

Sandi Toksvig chairs the topical comedy quiz, with panellists Jeremy Hardy, Chris Addison, Andy Hamilton and Phill Jupitus.

SAT 12:57 Weather (b00h9dkw)

The latest weather forecast.

SAT 13:00 News (b00h9dky)

The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4.

SAT 13:10 Any Questions? (b00h900k)

Jonathan Dimbleby chairs the topical debate in Canterbury. The panel includes Ann Widdecombe, John Sergeant, Greg Dyke and Chuka Umunna.

SAT 14:00 Any Answers? (b00h9d10)

Jonathan Dimbleby takes listeners' calls and emails in response to this week's edition of Any Questions?

SAT 14:30 Saturday Drama (b00h9d12)

On the Ceiling

by Nigel Planer

Lapo Phil Daniels

Loti Bryan Dick

Pope Julius Gary Waldhorn

Cardinal Alidosi Roger Lloyd Pack

Composer Adam Cork

Directed by Mary Peate

High up on the wooden scaffolding tower of the Sistine Chapel, two fresco plasterers get on with the day's work preparing the ceiling for their boss Michelangelo who has not bothered to turn up for work again. As they do so, they bemoan the uselessness of the great master.

Pope Julius and Cardinal Alidosi visit the chapel to inspect the progress of their commission. They are never very impressed, and the Pope is more concerned about getting Michelangelo to do his funeral monument at a knock-down price.

On the Ceiling is not about great artists; it is about those people whose names don't go down in history: the ones who do the essential drudge work, their frustration at their lack of genius and their pride in their own technical expertise. In this version of events, low elements combine to make high art.

Nigel Planer is best known as Neil in The Young Ones, and as Nicholas Craig - The Naked Actor. Other television productions include Shine on Harvey Moon; Dennis Potter's Blackeyes. On stage, Nigel has performed in Simon Gray's Unnatural Pursuits; Ben Elton's We Will Rock You and Hairspray.

SAT 15:30 Robert Winston's Musical Analysis (b00h6ysz)

Series 1

Schumann

Professor Robert Winston explores the relationship between the music and the medical conditions of composers who suffered mental and physical illness.

Robert investigates Robert Schumann, who died in 1856 aged 46 in Endenich Sanatorium in Bonn, following a series of mental breakdowns and suicide attempts.

He hears a convincing case from fellow sufferers Kay Redfield Jamison and Stephen Johnson that Schumann suffered from bipolar disorder, and not syphilis, as has been claimed previously. He also meets pianist Lucy Parham, who introduces him to the music of Schumann's imaginary friends.

SAT 16:00 Woman's Hour (b00h9dt8)

Sharon Shoemith

In 2005, Sharon Shoemith was appointed the Director of Children's Services at Haringey Council, the London borough where Victoria Climbié was tortured to death by her great aunt and boyfriend. In the same London Borough, another tragedy occurred. A 17-month-old child known as 'Baby P' died on 3 August 2007 from severe injuries, inflicted while he was in the care of his mother, partner and lodger.

Sharon Shoemith talks about the case, her department's failings, her refusal to resign and how she has responded to the vilification.

Plus, the multi-award winning film actor Meryl Streep on her latest role in 'Doubt'. She plays Sister Aloysius Beauvier, a principal at a Catholic School in the Bronx who confronts a charismatic priest after suspecting him of abusing a black pupil. Jane talks to Meryl about her role as a nun, and about religion, church hierarchy, Mamma Mia and why she believes women may no longer be a neglected cinema audience.

SAT 17:00 PM (b00h9dtb)

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

SAT 17:30 The Bottom Line (b00h9dtd)

Evan Davis and his business guests talk about government intervention as President Obama plans to limit the salaries of corporate bosses who receive bailout funds. Are these extreme measures for extreme times or could we see a new partnership between politicians and big business emerging from this economic downturn? And Paul Bennett, partner in global design firm IDEO, Hilary Devey, CEO of successful freight transport company Pall-Ex, and Robyn Jones, CEO of contract caterers Charlton House, discuss why home working didn't take off as predicted back in the early 1990s.

SAT 17:54 Shipping Forecast (b00h9dtg)

The latest shipping forecast.

SAT 17:57 Weather (b00h9dtj)

The latest weather forecast.

SAT 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b00h9dtl)

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

SAT 18:15 Loose Ends (b00h9dtn)

Clive Anderson presents an eclectic mix of conversation, comedy and music. He is joined by Rory McGrath, actor Stephen Mangan and Carole Hayman and Lou Wakefield, authors of Ladies of Letters. Plus Arthur Smith talks romance and kissing with Tom Mitchelson and music comes from Speech DeBelle and Ane Brun.

SAT 19:00 Profile (b00h9f6v)

Greg Stemm

Stephen Sackur profiles Greg Stemm, the American behind the controversial exploration of HMS Victory in the English Channel.

The ship, the predecessor to Nelson's Victory, sank in 1744 with the loss of over 1000 lives. Stemm and his company, Odyssey, have already recovered two rare bronze cannon and are seeking permission from the British authorities to raise the rest of the cargo, which may include valuable treasure. Stephen talks to crew members from Stemm's exploration team, as well as marine archaeologists, about the man who started off as Bob Hope's assistant but always dreamt of underwater exploration.

SAT 19:15 Saturday Review (b00h9f6x)

Lily Allen's It's Not Me, It's You, The Curious Case of Benjamin Button, and Spring Awakening

Guests: Historian Kathryn Hughes
Journalist Miranda Sawyer
Poet Paul Farley

The Curious Case of Benjamin Button
In David Fincher's film Fight Club, the lead character's personality is so split he's played by two actors. One of them, Brad Pitt, now plays the lead in Fincher's new movie – the story of Benjamin Button, a man born elderly and condemned to die a baby. But did the panel feel themselves growing old as they watched this near three hour long life story in reverse?

The Curious Case of Benjamin Button is on general release now, certificate 12A.

Spring Awakening

This 1895 play was long banned in both Britain and its native Germany for its explicit examination of teenage sexual longing and its brutal repression. Now, that repression bursts into song in a Broadway rock musical version of the play, recast for its London premiere with British performers. But over a century on, does this cry for sexual freedom sound rather outdated?

Spring Awakening is at the Lyric Hammersmith in west London until 14 March.

Personal ads: a window on the world

As a new book sets out to explore the history of the personal ad and what light it can shed on the past, Tom and the panel apply this principle to today, poring over the personals in papers, magazines and online to find out what they have to tell us about how we live now. And they also offer us ads for themselves...

Classified: The Secret History of the Personal Column is out now, published by Random House.

Lily Allen: It's Not Me, It's You

Lily Allen's first album caught a wave, exploring her twentysomething life in London with engaging honesty. Now that her life is a lot less everyday, is the panel still keen to hear what she has to say? Meanwhile, the panel log on and watch an even newer star, Little Boots, perform her three minute pop songs in her bedroom online.

Lily Allen's album It's Not Me, It's You is out on Parlophone on 9 February. Little Boots' EP is available now.

Altermodern

Modernism begat Postmodernism... and now Postmodernism has begotten Altermodern – at least according to the curator of Tate Britain's fourth Triennial exhibition. But does the panel detect a new movement in the assembly of contemporary art he's put together, or more of the same?

Altermodern is at the Tate Britain in London until 26 April.

SAT 20:00 Archive on 4 (b00hg2m)

The Book Burners

To mark 20 years since the fatwa was issued against Salman Rushdie over the publication of The Satanic Verses, Mike Wooldridge talks to those who took part in the protests and burned the book.

When The Satanic Verses was published, one of the book burners, Inayat Bunglawala, was a second-year student at Queen Mary University in London. He, like many others, reasoned that the Thatcher government had banned Peter Wright's Spycatcher and had gone to court to prevent its distribution, so surely Rushdie's novel, which caused such offence to hundreds of millions of Muslims, deserved a similar fate?

When, on the 14 February 1989, the Iranian Islamic leader Ayatollah Khomeini issued a fatwa calling for Rushdie's death, the protestors were elated. London's Hyde Park saw 70,000 Muslims gather for what became one of the largest protests. Bradford was also the centre of much opposition.

But 20 years on, do the young men who took part in the demonstrations and the book burning still believe that their actions were justified, and would they do it again?

SAT 21:00 Classic Serial (b00h4d2x)

The Invasion - Arab Chronicles of the First Crusade

Episode 1

By Jonathan Myerson. The story of the First Crusade, re-imagined from the Arab point of view, using the chronicles of the period.

Small-time merchant Firuz's life is changed when his land is invaded by a rag-tag army of incomprehensible, odorous and ill-disciplined warriors from the West, fuelled by religious fanaticism.

Firuz Andrew Lincoln
The Stitch Neil Dudgeon
Rihab Helen Schlesinger
Yaghi-Siyan Nicholas Woodeson
Tatikios Peter Polycarpou
Nadirah Rachel Atkins
Suleima Jill Cardo
Anna Janice Acquah
Peter Chris Pavlo
Qilij Gunnar Cauthery
Shams Al-Dawla Dan Starkey

Other parts played by Malcolm Tierney, Stephen Critchlow and Robert Lonsdale

Directed by Jonquil Panting.

SAT 22:00 Weather (b00h9f6e)

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

SAT 22:15 Moral Maze (b00h8qc3)

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

SAT 23:00 Quote... Unquote (b00h62rk)

Nigel Rees chairs the popular quiz involving the exchange of quotations and anecdotes. With guests Celia Walden, Katherine Whitehorn, Richard Coles and Simon Singh.

SAT 23:30 Poetry Please (b00h4dh4)

Sometimes
by Sheenagh Pugh
From: Sheenagh Pugh - Selected Poems
Published by Seren Books

Song of the Battery Hen
by Edwin Brock

Sonny's Lettah

by Linton Kwesi Johnson
From: Mi Revaluashanary Fren
Published by Penguin

While Leila Sleeps
by Jackie Kay
From: Darling - New and Selected Poems
Published by Bloodaxe Books

In the Waiting Room
by Elizabeth Bishop
From: Elizabeth Bishop - Complete Poems
Published by Chatto & Windus

My Party
by Kit Wright
From: Rabbiting On

Loud Without the Wind
by Emily Bronte
From: Selected Bronte Poems
Published by Basil Blackwell

Haworth
by Carol Ann Duffy
From: Rapture
Published by Picador

Remembrance
by Emily Bronte
From: Selected Bronte Poems
Published by Basil Blackwell

Extract from The Song of Solomon, Chapter 1
From: The King James Bible

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SUN 00:30 Afternoon Reading (b007v098)

Be Prepared

The Dog Watch

To mark the centenary of the Scouting movement, a series of stories inspired by their famous motto.

A couple tipsily celebrate their wedding anniversary.

By Candia McWilliam, read by Tamara Kennedy.

SUN 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b00h9fsy)

The latest shipping forecast.

SUN 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b00h9ft0)

BBC Radio 4 joins the BBC World Service.

SUN 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b00h9ft2)

The latest shipping forecast.

SUN 05:30 News Briefing (b00h9ft4)

The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

SUN 05:43 Bells on Sunday (b00h9ft6)

The sound of bells from Selby Abbey in Yorkshire.

SUN 05:45 Profile (b00h9f6v)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Saturday]

SUN 06:00 News Headlines (b00h9ft8)

The latest national and international news.

SUN 06:05 Something Understood (b00h9ftb)

The Violence Within

Mark Tully explores the relationship between inner violence experienced as anger, repression and envy, and outer violence, expressed as cruelty, aggression and greed. If it is true that we are all, by nature, prone to violence, why are some people able to contain their violence and act peacefully in the world?

SUN 06:35 Living World (b00h9v8c)

Sea Lion Island

Lionel Kelleway travels to the Falkland Islands in search of amorous marine mammals. The aptly named Sea Lion Island is a temporary home for sea lions and elephant seals. While it is winter in the UK, it is summertime in the Falklands, and peak time for mating and pupping. Lionel may even get to experience the incredible spectacle of the local pod of killer whales in full hunting action.

SUN 06:57 Weather (b00h9v8f)
The latest weather forecast.

SUN 07:00 News and Papers (b00h9v8h)
The latest news headlines. Including a look at the papers.

SUN 07:10 Sunday (b00h9v8k)
Edward Stourton discusses the religious and ethical news of the week. Moral arguments and perspectives on stories, both familiar and unfamiliar.

SUN 07:55 Radio 4 Appeal (b00h9v8m)
Housing Justice

John Hegley appeals on behalf of Housing Justice. Donations: Freepost BBC Radio 4 Appeal. Credit cards: Freephone 0800 404 8144.

SUN 07:58 Weather (b00h9vcl)
The latest weather forecast.

SUN 08:00 News and Papers (b00h9vcn)
The latest news headlines. Including a look at the papers.

SUN 08:10 Sunday Worship (b00h9vcq)
As Cardinal Cormac Murphy O'Connor prepares to retire from his position as Archbishop of Westminster, he joins the community of seminarians at Allen Hall in London to reflect on priesthood and vocation in the 21st Century. Led by the Rector of Allen Hall, Msgr Mark O'Toole. Director of Music: Charles Cole.

SUN 08:50 A Point of View (b00h900m)
A weekly reflection on a topical issue from Harold Evans.

SUN 09:00 Broadcasting House (b00h9vcs)
News and conversation about the big stories of the week with Paddy O'Connell.

SUN 10:00 The Archers Omnibus (b00h9vcv)
The week's events in Ambridge.

SUN 11:15 Desert Island Discs (b00h9vcx)
David Suchet

Kirsty Young's castaway this week is the actor David Suchet. He has won armfuls of awards for his work - most recently an Emmy for his portrayal of Robert Maxwell - but he is best known for the character he has been associated with for 20 years, Hercule Poirot.

His approach to his work is meticulous and he says he has to inhabit each role he takes on. In this illuminating interview he recalls how, early in his career, a psychologist showed him how to shed his character at the end of each performance otherwise, he found, the edges between his own life and those of the person he was playing became blurred.

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

favourite track: When I Fall In Love by Nat King Cole
Book: Magnum Magnum by Brigitte Lardinois
Luxury: His clarinet and an unlimited supply of reeds.

SUN 12:00 Just a Minute (b00h6sdr)
Series 54

Episode 6

Nicholas Parsons chairs the devious word game. The panellists are Paul Merton, Clement Freud, Jack Dee and Josie Lawrence.

SUN 12:32 The Food Programme (b00hw0zh)
Sicilian citrus industry

Sheila Dillon finds out what happened when, inspired by a previous programme on the decline of Sicily's citrus industry,

some of the farmers involved decided to travel to a trade fair in London with an articulated lorry containing 73,000 oranges, with the aim of trying to save the island's citrus groves.

SUN 12:57 Weather (b00h9vgt)
The latest weather forecast.

SUN 13:00 The World This Weekend (b00h9vgw)
A look at events around the world with Shaun Ley.

SUN 13:30 Fry's English Delight (b00d6jfx)
Series 1

Quotation

Stephen Fry explores the highways and byways of the English language.

Stephen examines the thought processes of those who compile quotation dictionaries as well as those who use and abuse them. Such compilers can wield unsuspected power, conferring greatness on the most insignificant text.

SUN 14:00 Gardeners' Question Time (b00h9008)
Eric Robson chairs the popular horticultural forum.

John Cushnie, Chris Beardshaw and Anne Swithinbank answer the questions posed by gardeners in South Wales.

Including the Gardeners' Question Time gardening weather forecast.

SUN 14:45 A View Through a Lens (b00h9vgy)
Series 1

Wolves

Wildlife cameraman John Aitchison offers a personal view of life as he finds himself in isolated and often dangerous locations across the globe filming wildlife. In this programme, John travels to Yellowstone National Park in Wyoming to film wolves hunting elk; something that has rarely been seen let alone filmed. It's a hugely challenging task as temperatures plummet below freezing, but the results are both exhilarating and shocking.

SUN 15:00 Classic Serial (b00h9vnh)
The Invasion - Arab Chronicles of the First Crusade

Episode 2

By Jonathan Myerson. The story of the First Crusade, re-imagined from the Arab point of view, using the chronicles of the period.

Antioch is under siege from the Crusaders and the local Christian men have been expelled from the city for fear of betrayal. But, with a little collaboration, The Stitch has a plan to end the siege.

Firuz Andrew Lincoln
The Stitch Neil Dudgeon
Rihab Helen Schlesinger
Yaghi-Siyan Nicholas Woodeson
Tatikios Peter Polycarpou
Nadirah Rachel Atkins
Suleima Jill Cardo
Anna Janice Acquah
Peter Chris Pavlo
Bohemond Stephen Critchlow
Shams Al-Dawla Dan Starkey

Other parts played by Gunnar Cauthery, Inam Mirza and Malcolm Tierney

Directed by Jonquil Panting.

SUN 16:00 Open Book (b00h9vnk)
Kate Grenville on Australia

Mariella Frostrup talks to Australian novelist Kate Grenville about her relationship with her country's past, and her exploration of the subject in her book The Lieutenant.

SUN 16:30 Poetry Please (b00h9vwz)

In the lead up to Valentine's Day, Roger McGough introduces listeners' requests for poems on the subject of love. Burt Caesar, Mark Meadows and Adjoa Andoh read poems by Carol Ann Duffy, Sophie Hannah and WH Auden.

Hour by Carol Ann Duffy

From: Rapture
Published by Picador

The Parting by Michael Drayton
From: The Oxford Book of English Verse ed. Quiller-Couch
Published by Oxford University Press

Don't Say I Said by Sophie Hannah
From: Pessimism for Beginners
Published by Carcanet

Tell Me The Truth About Love by WH Auden
From: WH Auden, Collected Shorter Poems 1927-1957
Published by Faber & Faber

Valentine by John Fuller
From: Collected Poems, John Fuller
Published by Chatto & Windus

For My Lover, Returning to His Wife by Anne Sexton
From: The Chatto Book of Love Poetry
Published by Chatto & Windus

Love in the Launderette by Roger McGough
From: Selected Poems, Roger McGough
Published by Penguin

For Margot Heinemann by John Cornford
From: The Oxford Book of War Poetry
Published by Oxford University Press

And You, Helen by Edward Thomas
From: Edward Thomas, Collected Poems
Published by Faber & Faber

How Do I Love Thee? by Elizabeth Barrett Browning
From: The New Faber Book of Love Poems
Published by Faber & Faber

First Meeting by ASJ Tessimond
From: Morning Meeting
Published Autolycus

Amo Ergo Sum by Kathleen Raine
From: The Collected Poems of Kathleen Raine
Published by Golgonooza Press

SUN 17:00 File on 4 (b00h8lff)
Counterfeit Drugs

Allan Urry investigates how criminal syndicates have been able to target GPs, hospitals and chemists with cheap counterfeit drugs. With the NHS under pressure to cut its 11 billion-pound annual spending on medicines, has the hunt for cheaper alternatives opened the door to these dangerous fakes?

SUN 17:40 Profile (b00h9f6v)
[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Saturday]

SUN 17:54 Shipping Forecast (b00h9vx1)
The latest shipping forecast.

SUN 17:57 Weather (b00h9vx3)
The latest weather forecast.

SUN 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b00h9vx5)
The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by Weather.

SUN 18:15 Pick of the Week (b00h9vx7)
Liz Barclay introduces her selection of highlights from the past week on BBC radio.

SUN 19:00 The Archers (b00h9vx9)
Jennifer arrives back from church, telling Brian it's strange without Shula there. Brian can't stop - he's off to tell Tom he's done the supermarket deal.

Will meets Tom at Home Farm. Will's there looking around the shoot, keen to talk to Brian. Tom tells him he wants all of his business at Bridge Farm, now they're owner-occupiers. Tom also tells Will that Helen's going to live in the flat. Brian interrupts, wanting to talk to Tom. Tom says he's busy, but reluctantly agrees to meet Brian later. Will and Brian walk around the shoot. Will has lots of ideas, impressing Brian who's looking forward to his return.

Fallon's annoyed. The flat should have been let to her, not Christopher. Jolene agrees; the wrong decision's been made, but what can they do? Later, Will calls in at the Bull. A grumpy Fallon tells him about the flat. Will says she's mistaken - Helen's moving in. Fallon and Jolene can't believe it.

Tom arrives at Home Farm to speak to Brian. Brian tells Tom the deal's done. He's spoken to Hannah and Maurice, who'll help get things up and running. Tom's furious. Brian said he didn't need to be involved - well he isn't. Brian can do what the hell he likes.

Episode written by Graham Harvey.

SUN 19:15 Go4it (b00h9vxc)

Children's magazine. Barney Harwood meets author Cathy Cassidy to talk about the unusual families that she describes in her fiction.

SUN 19:45 The Star Jelly Mystery (b00h8n6)

The identity of mystery jelly found across the British countryside and beyond has scientists and outdoor enthusiasts stumped. Could it be alien poo, seagull puke, nappy goo or remnants of a meteorite shower? Euan Mellwraith joins in debate on the origins of 'star jelly'.

SUN 20:00 Feedback (b00h8ymn)

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

SUN 20:30 Last Word (b00h900c)

Matthew Bannister presents the obituary series, analysing and celebrating the life stories of people who have recently died. The programme reflects on people of distinction and interest from many walks of life, some famous and some less well known.

SUN 21:00 Money Box (b00h9dkt)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:00 on Saturday]

SUN 21:26 Radio 4 Appeal (b00h9v8m)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:55 today]

SUN 21:30 In Business (b00h8x2b)

The Remarkable Mr China

Peter Day talks to Irish businessman Liam Casey from his base in the industrial powerhouse of Shenzhen, close to Hong Kong. He gives his insights into how China works and how its influence is rippling through companies and consumers all over the world.

SUN 21:58 Weather (b00h9vzt)

The latest weather forecast.

SUN 22:00 Westminster Hour (b00h9vzv)

Reports from behind the scenes at Westminster with Carolyn Quinn. Including: I Was Put on Trial by al-Qaeda.

SUN 23:02 The Film Programme (b00h900f)

Francine Stock talks to Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright John Patrick Shanley about his own adaptation of his stage drama Doubt, which stars Meryl Streep as a nun who harbours suspicions about a priest who teaches in the Catholic school where she works.

SUN 23:30 Something Understood (b00h9ftb)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:05 today]

MONDAY 09 FEBRUARY 2009

MON 00:00 Midnight News (b00hb6d0)

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MON 00:15 Thinking Allowed (b00h8q3y)

Renaissance Dance - Working Class Liverpool

RENAISSANCE DANCE

Elizabeth I danced six galliards every morning up until a year before her death, and Francis I of France publicly performed as the head of a centaur with the Cardinal of Marseille as the rear end. In the renaissance obsessed courtly classes dances went on for days or even weeks as many frustrated foreign ambassadors did attest. A kingly distraction from national duty or the essence of state craft itself?

Professor Margaret McGowan, author of Dance in the Renaissance talks about her exploration of this social obsession.

WORKING CLASS LIVERPOOL

Dr Selina Todd, Lecturer in Modern History at the University

of Manchester is the author of a new paper which looked at how sociologists researched the Liverpool working class identities in the late fifties and early sixties.

Laurie Taylor is joined by Dr Selina Todd and Beverley Skeggs, Professor of Sociology at Goldsmith's University of London to discuss the experiences of the working class and efforts to describe them.

MON 00:45 Bells on Sunday (b00h9ft6)

[Repeat of broadcast at 05:43 on Sunday]

MON 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b00hb6ny)

The latest shipping forecast.

MON 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b00hb6zf)

BBC Radio 4 joins the BBC World Service.

MON 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b00hb7c3)

The latest shipping forecast.

MON 05:30 News Briefing (b00hb88v)

The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

MON 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b00hb9hh)

Daily prayer and reflection with Andrea Rea.

MON 05:45 Farming Today (b00hb9hj)

News and issues in rural Britain with Anna Hill.

MON 05:57 Weather (b00hbs56)

The latest weather forecast for farmers.

MON 06:00 Today (b00hbhh3)

Presented by John Humphrys and Sarah Montague.

Local workers in Australia describe the effects of the bushfires on devastated communities.

Robert Peston speaks to Barclays chief executive John Varley about debts that were built up in the run-up to the credit crunch and the global economic recession.

Science correspondent Tom Feilden explains why scientists want Britain to look again at GM foods.

Chief Secretary to the Treasury Yvette Cooper says bankers who contributed to the credit crunch should not receive bonuses.

Edward Stourton explains why the outcome of the Israeli election is difficult to predict.

Thought for the day with Rabbi Lionel Blue.

Lt Colonel Yvonne Bradley, lawyer for Guantanamo prisoner and British resident Binyam Mohamed, calls for the government to act to get him freed.

Australia is experiencing its worst bushfires since 1983. Nick Bryant reports from the town of Whittlesea, on the outskirts of Melbourne.

Curator at the BFI Katie McGahan and psychologist Dr Petra Boynton discuss sex education films.

Home Secretary Jacqui Smith is in the news for a controversy over her housing allowance. Political editor Nick Robinson outlines the rules.

Prof Ian Crute and Peter Melchett of the Soil Association discuss if the Britain is ready for a more rational debate about the merits of GM crops.

Jon Leyne examines the impact of the revolution in Iran, three decades on.

Sir David Bell of the Media Standards Trust and Sir Christopher Meyer of the PCC discuss press regulation.

Reporter Nicola Stanbridge meets two former bankers and asks how big their bonuses were and whether they can be justified.

Art critic Waldemar Januszczak and Andrew Nairne, of the Arts Council, discuss the state of British art.

MON 09:00 Start the Week (b00hbs58)

Andrew Marr debates freedom of expression 20 years after the fatwa imposed on the novelist Salman Rushdie. His guests

include Kenan Malik and Tariq Modood.

MON 09:45 Book of the Week (b00hbjo0)

Tequila Oil

Episode 1

Jot Davies reads Hugh Thomson's account of his 1979 road trip through Mexico to Belize, aged 18 and without knowing how to drive.

After an unexpected upgrade to first class on the flight to Mexico, Hugh meets a businessman who gives him the idea that will inspire his journey.

MON 10:00 Woman's Hour (b00hbjvn)

Being single; Musician Priti Paintal

Are you sick of being single? Tips for the long-term or newly single woman. Plus musician and composer Priti Paintal, and women in Sarkozy's cabinet.

MON 11:00 God.com (b00hc2cx)

Dr Robert Beckford examines the popularity of religion on the internet.

Every traditional religion and their denominations within has a web site as do a fast-growing number of individual churches, mosques and synagogues. Religion on the internet is second only to sex in terms of the number of sites and appears to be catching up.

Robert asks a podcasting priest, a blogging rabbi and an imam whether on-line religion is replacing more traditional forms. He visits the Iqra Islamic Girls School in Oxford, where he asks the students about their experiences. And Mogg Morgan, a practising pagan, explains how the internet has also strengthened the worldwide pagan community.

MON 11:30 The Yellowplush Papers (b00hc2cz)

My First Employer

Series of five comic tales by William Makepeace Thackeray, adapted by Stephen Wyatt, recounting the rise and fall of early-19th century footman Charles Yellowplush.

Charles attracts the attention of an elegant gentleman, Frederick Altamont, who is pursuing the lovely Mary. Charles does his best to matchmake, until the awful truth about Altamont comes to light.

Charles Yellowplush Adam Buxton

Mother Janice Acquah

Altamont Joseph Kloska

Shum Paul Rider

Mrs Shum Liza Sadovy

Mary Manjeet Mann

Betsy Jill Cardo

Directed by Jessica Dromgoole.

MON 12:00 You and Yours (b00hb5g)

Presented by Julian Worricker.

Should employers be legally obliged to give compassionate leave?

Mark Holdstock visited the Borderway Livestock Market in Carlisle to report on rising meat prices.

Asda is starting to sell odd-sized jeans. Customers at ASDA and Andrew Crawford of Sizemic UK give their views.

What are the problems for people wanting to emigrate from the UK?

Livenation and Ticketmaster, two of the biggest organisations in live music promotion and ticket distribution in the US, are planning to merge.

Flights are about to start travelling from the North of England to the former battlefields in France. Travel journalist Simon Calder discusses.

The financial crisis: should the bankers say sorry?

MON 12:57 Weather (b00hb6q)

The latest weather forecast.

MON 13:00 World at One (b00hc2hx)

National and international news with Martha Kearney.

MON 13:30 Quote... Unquote (b00hc2hz)
Nigel Rees chairs the popular quiz involving the exchange of quotations and anecdotes. With guests Catherine Bennett, Michael Dobbs, Sir Antony Jay and John Lahr.

MON 14:00 The Archers (b00h9vx9)
[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Sunday]

MON 14:15 Drama (b00hc407)
The Need for Nonsense

The Need for Nonsense
by Julia Blackburn

The warm, heartfelt and comic story of the Victorian poet and painter Edward Lear's lifelong friendship with his eccentric Greek servant Giorgio, who inspired him to address the painful truths in his life, while making us laugh.

Edward Lear - Andrew Sachs
Giorgio Kokalis - Alexi Kaye-Campbell
Walter Congreve - Mark Meadows
Hubert Congreve as a boy - Ross McKendrick
Hubert Congreve as a young man - James Rastall
Lady Wortlesham - Kim Hicks

Director Mary Ward-Lowery.

MON 15:00 Archive on 4 (b00hgc2m)
[Repeat of broadcast at 20:00 on Saturday]

MON 15:45 America, Empire of Liberty (b00hbkr2)
Politics and Progress

Series charting the history of America, written and presented by David Reynolds. How politics took hold of the cities, for good and for ill.

MON 16:00 The Food Programme (b00hw3m1)
Polar Diaries

Revisiting two audio food diaries recorded in the north and south poles in 2002. One tells the story of chef Gerard Baker who cooked for a group taking part in the British Antarctic project. The other is a food diary, recorded in the same year, by Christopher Cope, who completed a charity walk to the north pole.

MON 16:30 Beyond Belief (b00hc4n9)
Ernie Rea explores the place of faith in today's world, teasing out the hidden and often contradictory truths behind the experiences, values and traditions of our lives.

MON 17:00 PM (b00hbkt0)
Full coverage and analysis of the day's news with Eddie Mair. Plus Weather.

MON 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b00hbkyv)
The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by Weather.

MON 18:30 Just a Minute (b00hc4nc)
Series 54

Episode 7

Nicholas Parsons chairs the devious word game. The panellists are Paul Merton, Sue Perkins, Liza Tarback and Gyles Brandreth.

MON 19:00 The Archers (b00hbkr9f)
Susan's helping Clarrie get Will's birthday tea ready. They listen to some of the music for Susan and Neil's party - there'll be one track for each year of their marriage. Susan tells Clarrie how helpful Chris is being. She feels guilty that he didn't get the flat.

Will and Nic arrive, and think the birthday cake looks amazing. Will tells Clarrie he's going to take Nic away for Valentine's Night. They light the birthday candles, and all sing to Will.

Tom confronts Hannah. She's been disloyal and this isn't what he expected from her. Hannah can't believe what he's saying. How was she to know that agreeing to work extra hours for Brian would be a problem for Tom?

Later, at Bridge Farm, Helen finds Hannah in the kitchen. She's quite tearful, explaining to Helen what's happened with Tom. Helen explains Tom's history with supermarkets, but says Tom shouldn't have dragged Hannah into things. Helen says Tom

thinks Hannah's great, but he's an idiot sometimes. They agree to go for a drink later.

In the Bull, Helen tells Hannah how lucky Tom is to have her. Tom appears and Helen thinks he's there to apologise to Hannah, but he's meeting Robert. Helen's sure he'll apologise tomorrow.

Episode written by Graham Harvey.

MON 19:15 Front Row (b00hbkrzj)
Presented by John Wilson.

Writer Iain Sinclair assesses how the second series of the US TV drama Mad Men, about a New York advertising agency in the 1960s, compares with the first.

Artists Jane and Louise Wilson discuss film director Stanley Kubrick's archive and how they used it to create their latest project, a short film called Unfolding the Aryan Papers.

Novelist Ian Rankin and musician Danny Thompson pay their respects to the British singer-songwriter John Martyn. We also hear extracts from an interview by John Wilson recorded shortly before the recent death of the influential musician.

Andrew Collins reflects on screen portrayals of the artist/agent relationship, from The Girl Can't Help It to Jerry Maguire.

MON 19:45 15 Minute Drama (b00hbnkg)
Reading Between the Lines

Episode 1

Murder mystery by Mark Lawson.

When a celebrated writer, RP Beckford-Jones, leaves clues in his final novel implying that his recently deceased wife was murdered, DCI Kate Duncan is forced to look more carefully at the incriminating text.

DCI Kate Duncan Lia Williams
Rob Lorenzo Mark Lambert
Parkinson Hugh Ross
Briggs Chris Pavlo
Charlotte Donnlia Hughes
Scotland Jill Cardo
Webster Richard Howard
Tony Parnell Nickolas Grace

With Mark Lawson and Melvyn Bragg as themselves.

Directed by Eoin O'Callaghan.

MON 20:00 It's My Story (b00hgywx)
After Woolworths

Following the fortunes of Steve, a former Woolworths employee, as he struggles to find a new job to feed his growing family after the company went into administration in late 2008 and its stores closed, with the loss of over 27,000 staff.

MON 20:30 The Bottom Line (b00h9tdt)
[Repeat of broadcast at 17:30 on Saturday]

MON 21:00 Costing the Earth (b00hc4w6)
Crisis, What Crisis?

Miriam O'Reilly investigates whether the crash in prices for old newspaper and plastic bottles has made recycling a waste of time.

MON 21:30 Start the Week (b00hbs58)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

MON 21:58 Weather (b00hbnr0)
The latest weather forecast.

MON 22:00 The World Tonight (b00hbnrh)
National and international news and analysis with Ritula Shah. Including reports on President Obama's economic stimulus package, the problems awaiting a new Israeli administration and how vegetables have become fashionable.

MON 22:45 Book at Bedtime (b00hbntl)
An Equal Stillness

Episode 1

Tom Goodman-Hill reads Francesca Kay's story of a painter's

lifelong struggle to balance her vocation with her life as a lover, wife, daughter and mother.

Jennet Mallow, born in 1924 in a Yorkshire vicarage, begins to find her vocation and rejects an academic future.

MON 23:00 With Great Pleasure (b007wj9)
Richard Briers

Much-loved screen, stage and radio actor, Richard Briers chooses some of his favourite performance pieces in the company of his daughter Lucy Briers and his old friend Peter Egan.

Includes extracts from PG Wodehouse, William Shakespeare and Dorothy Parker.

Producer: Christine Hall

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2007.

MON 23:30 Today in Parliament (b00hbnxp)
News, views and features on today's stories in Parliament with Susan Hulme.

TUESDAY 10 FEBRUARY 2009

TUE 00:00 Midnight News (b00hb6b0)
The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4. Followed by weather.

TUE 00:30 Book of the Week (b00hbvj0)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:45 on Monday]

TUE 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b00hb6d2)
The latest shipping forecast.

TUE 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b00hb6p0)
BBC Radio 4 joins the BBC World Service.

TUE 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b00hb6zh)
The latest shipping forecast.

TUE 05:30 News Briefing (b00hb7c5)
The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

TUE 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b00hb890)
Daily prayer and reflection with Andrea Rea.

TUE 05:45 Farming Today (b00hbb84)
News and issues in rural Britain with Anna Hill.

TUE 06:00 Today (b00hbbgs)
Presented by John Humphrys and Evan Davis.

Craig Woolhouse of the Environment Agency discusses the 90 flood warnings which have been issued.

Edward Stourton asks Israeli pollster Rafi Smith who is likely to become Israel's new prime minister.

Banks could face legal action from workers who don't get their bonuses. Lawyer Ronnie Fox discusses.

Kevin Connelly reports on President Obama's attempts to increase support for his economic stimulus plan.

It is 30 years since the revolution in Iran brought Ayatollah Khomeini to power. Correspondent John Simpson remembers Mr Khomeini's return from exile.

Andrew Hosken explains how the second home allowance for MPs works.

Antiquities expert Zahi Hawass explains the importance of more than 20 mummies found inside a 2600-year-old Egyptian tomb.

Thought for the day with writer Anne Atkins.

Nick Bryant and Phil Mercer talk to people affected by the bushfires in Australia.

The former heads of the banks RBS and HBOS are to be questioned by MPs. Nick Robinson and Robert Peston discuss.

Steve Rosenberg reports from the German town of Halberstadt on an unusual recital: a new note is being played in John Cage's *As Slow As Possible*, which will not change for another year and a half.

Edward Stourton travels along the Gaza border to discover how the conflict will affect the Israeli elections.

Prof Germaine Greer and Neil Slavery of the Planning Institute of Australia discuss whether there needs to be a fundamental change in policy across Australia to make sure fires are managed properly.

Peter Crowden of the National Pest Technician's Association discusses rat population increases.

Prof Jim Al-Khalili and biographer Graham Farmelo discuss if aesthetics and logical thinking can go together.

TUE 09:00 The Long View (b00hclwm)
The Creation of the Bank of England

Jonathan Freedland presents the series that looks for the past behind the present.

With Britain officially entering a recession, Jonathan takes the long view of combating a credit crunch.

In 1694, the economy was in turmoil and in desperate need of new sources of revenue. The scheme that was chosen to bring in funds was the Bank of England, founded with the explicit intention to lend to the government at a reasonable rate and to keep interest rates in check. Jonathan looks at the early days of the Bank of England and asks what lessons we can learn from the financial crisis of the 1690s.

Image: The oldest known bank-note, issued by the Bank of England in 1699.

TUE 09:30 Darwin: My Ancestor (b00hc944)
Episode 3

Writer and poet Ruth Padel investigates the qualities of her great great grandfather Charles Darwin and attempts to discover the man behind the science.

Ruth explores the losses which Darwin experienced in his life, how he coped with them and in what ways they shaped his view of the world. He saw three of his children die, one of which affected him particularly deeply and caused him to lose much of his religious belief. He also had to cope with the death of his mother when he was a boy, the loss of his own health and almost losing his research for *On the Origin of Species*.

Among Ruth's interviewees are Darwin biographer Janet Browne, writer and fellow Darwin descendant Randal Keynes and the former Bishop of Oxford, Richard Harries.

TUE 09:45 Book of the Week (b00hd915)
Tequila Oil

Episode 2

Jot Davies reads Hugh Thomson's account of his 1979 road trip through Mexico to Belize, aged 18 and without knowing how to drive.

After running into a police roadblock and having his unregistered car impounded, Hugh is offered an unusual way out of his predicament - a job as a translator in a remote sawmill.

TUE 10:00 Woman's Hour (b00hk98c)
Bullying; Singer Alison Krauss

Is bullying a necessary part of growing up? Plus the life and work of sculptor and artist Dora Gordine, and violinist and singer Alison Krauss on collaborating with Robert Plant.

TUE 11:00 Jon Ronson and the Quest for the Aryan Cow (b00hc946)

Jon Ronson investigates the controversial story of the work of Lutz Heck, the director of Berlin Zoo who attempted to resurrect several pure-blooded, extinct animal species as part of the Nazi programme to control the genetic destiny of all creation.

He visits Munich Zoo, which proudly advertises its 'formerly extinct aurochs' - a type of large and powerful cow - but does not refer to the fact that behind this apparent triumph lies the story of Heck's collusion with Goering's aspiration to replace Europe's 'racially degenerate' wildlife and plant life with pure, 'noble' and extinct species.

TUE 11:30 Forever 22 (b00hc948)

Roger Daltrey explores the turbulent relationship between Buddy Holly and his manager and producer, Norman Petty.

Niki Sullivan and JJ Allison, guitarist and drummer with The Crickets, and Buddy's widow Maria Elena reveal that all was not well between the pair, and the tensions led to a split. Roger hears how Petty made a series of unusual business decisions on behalf of the band, and accrued writing credits - and consequently royalty payments - to himself which are still causing financial difficulties some 50 years on.

TUE 12:00 You and Yours (b00hbk47)
Call You and Yours

Consumer news and issues with Julian Worricker.

TUE 12:57 Weather (b00hbk5j)
The latest weather forecast.

TUE 13:00 World at One (b00hbk6s)
National and international news with Martha Kearney.

TUE 13:30 Robert Winston's Musical Analysis (b00hd27b)
Series 1

Mahler

Professor Robert Winston explores the relationship between the music and the medical conditions of composers who suffered mental and physical illness.

Robert investigates Gustav Mahler, and the crisis in his marriage that drove him to consult Sigmund Freud in the final year of his life. Psychotherapist Dr Emanuel Garcia tells Robert that the meeting with Freud, while curing Mahler of his impotence, robbed him of his creativity.

TUE 14:00 The Archers (b00hbk9f)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Monday]

TUE 14:15 McLevy (b00nj7cj)
Series 5

The Chosen One

'The Princess of the Occult' is an Edinburgh sell-out, but the Victorian detective wonders if she's a fraud. Stars Brian Cox.

TUE 15:00 Home Planet (b00hd3jb)

Richard Daniel and the team discuss listeners' questions about the environment and the natural world.

TUE 15:30 Afternoon Reading (b00hd3jd)
The Treasure Chest

Tales of Life and Death

Written by Johann Peter Hebel.

An enduring classic of German literature, *The Treasure Chest* by Johann Peter Hebel (pub.1811) is a collection of pithy comic anecdotes, mysteries and moral tales full of sanity, wit and good humour. Mark Williams dips into *The Treasure Chest* and reads a selection of Hebel's best stories this Sunday on BBC Radio 4. The tales are translated by John Hibberd and abridged by Roy Apps.

As its title promises, *The Treasure Chest* contains some real gems of imaginative fiction. Hebel developed a spontaneous and accessible style for these stories - which he originally wrote for inclusion in a popular almanac - for the entertainment and instruction of the ordinary, working people of the small, German state of Baden, where he was a schoolteacher and Lutheran preacher.

Since its publication in 1811, *The Treasure Chest* has drawn generations of admirers including Goethe, Tolstoy, Wittgenstein, and Herman Hesse.

The reader, Mark Williams, is well known as one of the stars of the BBC TV comedy sketch show, *The Fast Show* ("Suits you, sir...!!") and for the role of Ron Weasley's father in the Harry Potter films.

Translated by John Hibberd and abridged by Roy Apps.
Read by Mark William

Producer/Director: David Blount
A Pier Production for BBC Radio 4.

TUE 15:45 America, Empire of Liberty (b00hbk1p)
Roosevelt and Reform

How Theodore Roosevelt came to power and his battle to bring big business to heel.

TUE 16:00 Law in Action (b00hd42z)
When Human Rights Collide

Clive Coleman reports on legal issues behind the headlines, investigating what happens when human rights collide, and when and where you can take a photo in public.

TUE 16:30 A Good Read (b00hd431)
Victoria Derbyshire and Paul Blezard

Kate Mosse and her guests - BBC TV news presenter, Victoria Derbyshire and writer and broadcaster Paul Blezard to discuss favourite books by Vikas Swarup, Antoine de Saint-Exupery and Arthur Koestler.

Slumdog Millionaire by Vikas Swarup.
Publisher: Doubleday

Letter to a Hostage by Antoine de Saint-Exupery.
Publisher: Babelcube Inc.

The Scum of the Earth by Arthur Koestler.
Publisher: Jonathan Cape

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2009.

TUE 17:00 PM (b00hbk5r)

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

TUE 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b00hbk12)

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

TUE 18:30 Broken Arts (b00hd4nf)
Episode 5

David Quantick and company poke fun at the ridiculous in popular culture. Featuring a guest appearance from Gilbert and Sullivan and special correspondents Dan Maier, Richie Webb, Jane Lamacraft and Margaret Cabourn-Smith.

TUE 19:00 The Archers (b00hbk8n)

Tony visits Brookfield, and is impressed at their grass paddocks. David's phone rings - it's Shula. She can't reach Alistair. They've been burgled.

Tony and David go straight to the Stables. Shula's furious that she forgot to turn on the alarm. David stays for coffee. Shula thinks the burglar might have been watching her. David tells Shula not to dwell on it. It's a random burglary, they got lucky.

Pat finds an inspector from the Environment Agency in the yard at Bridge Farm. He's investigating pollution in Heydon Brook. Pat's shocked - they don't want to be responsible for pollution! The inspector thinks a drain might have collapsed - there are cracks in the yard floor. Tony appears and is worried that the pollution will affect their subsidies. The inspector tells them it won't, but they need to get the problem fixed.

At the Bull, Jolene berates Tony about the flat - he's broken their agreement. Tony says he doesn't think Fallon would be happy to hear that her Mum gambled her chance away, so maybe she shouldn't be making accusations?

Pat calls in to see Shula, who is getting over the shock. Pat tells her about their possible pollution. With the products they sell, bad publicity could be disastrous.

Episode written by Graham Harvey.

TUE 19:15 Front Row (b00hbkyyx)
Presented by Kirsty Lang.

As the second part of Steven Soderbergh's *Che Guevara* biopic opens in the UK, Benicio Del Toro talks to Kirsty about the rise of Latin American actors in the Hollywood film industry and the difficulty of funding a film about a communist hero.

The British artist Mark Wallinger's design of a vast 50 metre-high white horse has been chosen as the work of art for the Ebbsfleet Landmark Project in Kent, dubbed the Angel of the South. The horse is scheduled to be finished in time for the London Olympics in 2012. Mark discusses his giant statue and how he intends to build it.

Kirsty meets the creators of award-winning play *The Caravan*.

Inside the caravan, five actors recreate the experiences of people flooded out of their homes in the Summer of 2007, for an audience of just eight people at a time.

Novelist Josephine Hart discusses her latest novel, *The Truth About Love*, a grief-ridden tale about love of family and country, set in her native Ireland.

TUE 19:45 15 Minute Drama (b00hk9kk)
Reading Between the Lines

Episode 2

Murder mystery by Mark Lawson.

A celebrated writer leaves clues in his final novel implying that his recently-deceased wife was murdered.

DCI Kate Duncan investigates the clues in the posthumously-published *A Guilty Death*.

DCI Kate Duncan Lia Williams
Rob Lorenzo Mark Lambert
Parkinson Hugh Ross
Briggs Chris Pavlo
Charlotte Donlra Hughes
Scotland Jill Cardo
Webster Richard Howard
Tony Parnell Nickolas Grace

With Mark Lawson and Melvyn Bragg as themselves.

Directed by Eoin O'Callaghan.

TUE 20:00 File on 4 (b00hd4nh)
Egypt and the Gaza Crisis

Lucy Ash investigates the behind-the-scenes role played by Egypt and its President Hosni Mubarak in the latest crisis in Gaza. Mubarak may have placed himself at the centre of attempts to end the conflict, but how will he weather the mounting criticism levelled at him both at home and abroad?

TUE 20:40 In Touch (b00hd4nk)

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

TUE 21:00 Case Notes (b00hd4nm)
The Ovary

Dr Mark Porter reports on the ovary - from fertility to screening trials for ovarian cancer. He hears how doctors aim to manage the symptoms of polycystic ovaries, which can include infertility, unwanted body or facial hair, weight problems and depression. Mark also hears about research aimed at finding out which women are most at risk of ovarian cancer, which, because of its vague symptoms, is notoriously difficult to detect in time to be successfully treated.

TUE 21:30 The Long View (b00hclwm)
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TUE 21:58 Weather (b00hbnp0)
The latest weather forecast.

TUE 22:00 The World Tonight (b00hbnr2)
National and international news and analysis with David Eades.

TUE 22:45 Book at Bedtime (b00hjlq9)
An Equal Stillness

Episode 2

Tom Goodman-Hill reads Francesca Kay's story of a painter's lifelong struggle to balance her vocation with her life as a lover, wife, daughter and mother.

David Heaton enters Jenet's life. Will a love affair with another painter foster Jenet's own talent?

TUE 23:00 Weird Tales (b00vknkm)
Series 1

Bleeder by Ed Hime

Trainee surgeon Andy is left with a recurring nightmare after being involved in a car crash which killed his friend.

The flashbacks give him problems in the operating theatre, and, when his dreams start changing, Andy can no longer be sure

what is fantasy and what really happened.

Written by Ed Hime.

Series of four chilling dramas inspired by Lovecraft's stories of magical rites and forbidden lore.

Alice Lizzy Watts
Andy Joseph Kloska
Richard Benjamin Askew
Lovecraft Stephen Hogan
Inside Out Man Ewan Bailey
Dr Larson Jonathan Tafler

Producer: Jessica Dromgoole

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2009.

TUE 23:30 Today in Parliament (b00hbnxc)

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

WEDNESDAY 11 FEBRUARY 2009

WED 00:00 Midnight News (b00hb6b2)

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

WED 00:30 Book of the Week (b00hd915)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:45 on Tuesday]

WED 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b00hb6d4)

The latest shipping forecast.

WED 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b00hb6p2)
BBC Radio 4 joins the BBC World Service.

WED 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b00hb6zk)

The latest shipping forecast.

WED 05:30 News Briefing (b00hb7c7)

The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

WED 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b00hb894)

Daily prayer and reflection with Andrea Rea.

WED 05:45 Farming Today (b00hb88)

News and issues in rural Britain with Charlotte Smith.

WED 06:00 Today (b00hbgv)

Presented by Edward Stourton and Evan Davis.

Martin Barnes of DrugScope discusses the drug classification of ecstasy with Ian Johnston, President of the Police Superintendents' Association.

Tim Franks visits election headquarters as the election results in Israel are released.

Tom Riall of Serco Civil Government discusses the government's controversial plan to pay private companies to find jobs for the long-term unemployed.

Michael Fallon MP and former HBOS boss Michael Bolton discuss the banking crisis and lack of proper risk assessment.

General Synod lay member Paul Eddy and Bishop of Bradford David James discuss if there is a responsibility to share the Christian gospel.

Thought for the day with Vaishnav Hindu teacher and theologian Akhandadhi Das.

Edward Stourton examines the difficulty for Israel in deciding on a prime minister.

Reporter Nicola Stanbridge and Prof Danny Dorling discuss the consequences of the recession on the jobs market.

Zimbabwe's opposition leader Morgan Tsvangirai is to be sworn in as prime minister in a unity government with President Robert Mugabe.

Frank Gardner reports on the EU operation to counteract attacks by Somali pirates.

Prof Colin Blakemore and psychologist Andy Parrott discuss if

society tolerates certain forms of harmful behaviour but not others.

Palestinian adviser Dr Sabri Saidam discusses how the Israeli election result may affect diplomatic relations.

Correspondent Peter Biles discusses the political situation in Zimbabwe with civil rights activist Kumi Naidoo.

Feminist historian Diane Purkiss and Stacey Abbott of Roehampton University discuss women in Hollywood films.

Middle East editor Jeremy Bowen discusses the Israeli elections with journalists Danny Rubenstein and Gil Hoffman.

WED 09:00 Midweek (b00hd4p4)

Lively and diverse conversation with Libby Purves and guests.

WED 09:45 Book of the Week (b00hd917)

Tequila Oil

Episode 3

Jot Davies reads Hugh Thomson's account of his 1979 road trip through Mexico to Belize, aged 18 and without knowing how to drive.

In Mexico City, the Oldsmobile is involved in a traffic accident and Hugh's whole journey is put in jeopardy.

WED 10:00 Woman's Hour (b00hk98f)

Sharon Horgan; Corporate public responsibility

Comedy writer Sharon Horgan on her unromantic view of female friendship. Plus corporate public responsibility - when is it fair for senior management to lose their job?

WED 11:00 The Party's Over (b00hd80v)

Sara Parker returns to Clapham, south London, where she went three years previously to report on the wealthy borough's inhabitants as they prepared for the annual fete.

As the 2009 financial crisis bites, she returns to the Abbeville Village area, with its designer shops and restaurants, to meet up again with Frances and Melissa, two well-off and proactive mothers. She learns that a third, their friend Arlene, has since has moved to nearby Streatham in order to reduce her outgoings.

Now fear of failure is in the air, and those who three years ago helped keep alive the expansive party atmosphere of Clapham en fete are worried. Sara asks if, for Abbeville Village, the party is now over?

WED 11:30 Count Arthur Strong's Radio Show! (b00hd80x)

Series 4

Documentary

To further his career as a top celebrity, Arthur manages to persuade Geoffrey away from his duties at the church hall, to help make a documentary about Arthur himself to sell to the BBC! A visit to an old haunt proves intriguing - could the management have changed hands?

Everyday life with Count Arthur Strong is, as always, an enlightening experience! We again follow the one time Variety Star as he uncompromisingly fulfils his daily list of engagements.

Stars Steve Delaney, Alastair Kerr, David Mounfield and Mel Giedroyc.

Produced by John Leonard and Mark Radcliffe. A Komedia Entertainment & Smooth Operations production for BBC Radio 4.

WED 12:00 You and Yours (b00hbk49)

Presented by Winifred Robinson.

Customers of the Bank of Scotland are taking the bank to court, accusing it of harassment. The Bank says it can't comment on the cases because of ongoing legal proceedings.

The number of subscribers to Twitter, the website to exchange frequent brief messages, has trebled in the last three months.

We hear from the mother of a man who, under the pressure of debts to an illegal money lender, took his own life.

UK scrap yards in this country are struggling. But as reporter Louisa Lim finds in Shanghai, so are the huge Chinese metal

buyers who at their peak accounted for nearly half of the world's market.

We are running out of North Sea gas and one possible replacement is Liquefied Natural Gas but the first ship of a huge contract with Qatar is delayed. Will LNG prove to be a reliable alternative?

Dial 112 in any European member state, including the UK, and you will get through to the national equivalent of 999. The problem is, hardly anybody knows about it.

WED 12:57 Weather (b00hbk5l)
The latest weather forecast.

WED 13:00 World at One (b00hbk6v)
National and international news with Martha Kearney.

WED 13:30 The Media Show (b00hd969)
Steve Hewlett presents a topical programme about the fast-changing media world.

WED 14:00 The Archers (b00hbk8n)
[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Tuesday]

WED 14:15 Drama (b00hdb7y)
Monsieur Monde Vanishes

Ronald Frame's dramatisation of Georges Simenon's 1945 novel about a respectable Parisian who suddenly leaves his wife and business for a raffish new life in the dance halls and casinos of the Cote d'Azur.

Monsieur Monde Richard Greenwood
Julie Claire Knight
Therese Emma Currie

Other parts played by Eliza Langland, Crawford Logan and Nick Underwood.

WED 15:00 Money Box Live (b00hdb80)
Paul Lewis and a panel of guests answer calls on mortgage issues.

WED 15:30 Afternoon Reading (b00hd3rn)
The Treasure Chest

Tales of Wisdom and Common Sense

Written by Johann Peter Hebel.

An enduring classic of German literature, The Treasure Chest by Johann Peter Hebel (pub.1811) is a collection of pithy comic anecdotes, mysteries and moral tales full of sanity, wit and good humour.

A doctor suggests an effective cure; and a barber's boy gets the better of a terrifying customer.

Translated by John Hibberd and abridged by Roy Apps.
Read by Mark Williams.

Producer/Director: David Blount
A Pier Production for BBC Radio 4.

WED 15:45 America, Empire of Liberty (b00hbk1r)
The Taste of Empire

By David Reynolds. America's expansion into Cuba and the Philippines and the impact it had at home.

WED 16:00 Thinking Allowed (b00hdb82)
Drugs and Society - Laddish Masculinity in Higher Education

DRUGS AND SOCIETY

Angus Bancroft, author of a new book Drugs, Intoxication And Society and Dick Hobbs, Professor in Sociology with special reference to Criminology, at London School of Economics discuss how the effects of drink and drugs are affected by the context in which they are consumed.

LADDISH MASCULINITY IN HIGHER EDUCATION

A new study finds that 'acting cool' and 'having a laugh' is sabotaging the chances of male working class students at university. Whilst female working class students adapt to their new environment, their male counterparts struggle to fit in and are apt to withdraw into laddish behaviour.

Laurie Taylor is joined by Siân Preece, Senior Lecturer at the University of Westminster who contributed to the study, and

Deborah Cameron, Rupert Murdoch professor of Language and Communication at Oxford University, to discuss the implications of this latest research with regards to a future widening participation in further education.

WED 16:30 Case Notes (b00hd4nm)
[Repeat of broadcast at 21:00 on Tuesday]

WED 17:00 PM (b00hbkrd)
Full coverage and analysis of the day's news with Eddie Mair. Plus Weather.

WED 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b00hbk4)
The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by Weather.

WED 18:30 I've Never Seen Star Wars (b00hdb84)
Series 2

Arthur Smith

Marcus Brigstocke tries to tempt Arthur to ventures new, but what's new for a man who sang nude in Balham? From February 2009.

WED 19:00 The Archers (b00hbk8q)
Brenda calls in at Home Farm to see Tom. He says he's going to ask his gran to help him buy Brian out. Mike appears - would Tom like to sell his bacon on Mike's milk round? Mike also reminds Tom about looking after the pigs when Neil takes Susan to London.

Susan's in the Bull, making party arrangements with Jolene. Susan plays Jolene some of the party music, and they both sing along. Mike catches them at it. They tell him they're planning a surprise party for Neil, and it's a secret. Mike says he's not sure about midweek parties - Neil would have work the next day. And is Susan sure Neil likes surprises? Or parties for that matter? Susan thinks Mike's implying that Neil's boring. If he can only find fault, then he shouldn't come.

Tom arrives at Glebe Cottage and finds Peggy in need of help - Jack's having a bad day. Tom sorts everything out and Peggy's really grateful. She says she's heard he's having problems with Brian, but she's sure he'd rather talk about Brenda.

Tom arrives home, telling Brenda it wasn't right to ask Peggy. Brenda tells him things will be ok, but Tom says he's stuck with Brian - where can he go from there?

Episode written by Graham Harvey.

WED 19:15 Front Row (b00hbkzy)
Presented by John Wilson.

Manchester City Council have announced that they are going to take down Thomas Heatherwick's spikey 56-metre-high sculpture B of the Bang and put it into storage following safety concerns and a legal row. Head of the council, Sir Richard Leese, and the designer Thomas Heatherwick assess the situation.

James McAvoy and Eastenders star Nigel Harman head the cast in a West End revival of Richard Greenberg's comedy Three Days of Rain. Critic Sarah Churchwell gives her verdict.

Christopher Wallace, AKA New York rapper The Notorious B.I.G, was shot dead in 1997 in Los Angeles, aged 24. It was rumoured to have been a revenge killing in response to his West Coast rival Tupac Shakur's fatal shooting the year before. A film about the unsolved case, Notorious, is about to be released. BBC 1Xtra's DJ Semtex joins John to review the film.

The crime writer Graham Hurley's book No Lovelier Death is set, like all his earlier novels, in Portsmouth. John heads for the top of The Spinnaker building overlooking Portsmouth to discuss the town and its appeal as a fictional crime location.

WED 19:45 15 Minute Drama (b00hk9nq)
Reading Between the Lines

Episode 3

Murder mystery by Mark Lawson.

A celebrated writer leaves clues in his final novel implying that his recently-deceased wife was murdered.

The investigation begins to bear fruit.

DCI Kate Duncan Lia Williams
Rob Lorenzo Mark Lambert

Parkinson Hugh Ross
Briggs Chris Pavlo
Charlotte Donlla Hughes
Scotland Jill Cardo
Webster Richard Howard
Tony Parnell Nickolas Grace

With Mark Lawson and Melvyn Bragg as themselves.

Directed by Eoin O'Callaghan.

WED 20:00 Moral Maze (b00hdb86)
Michael Buerk chairs a debate on the moral questions behind the week's news. Kenan Malik, Claire Fox, Michael Portillo and Melanie Phillips cross-examine witnesses.

WED 20:45 I Was Put on Trial by Al Qaeda (b009y492)
Episode 1

Allan Little describes his own terrifying interaction in November 1993 with a group of mujahideen volunteers who were fighting on behalf of Bosnian Muslims during the war there. He explores the role that Bosnia played as a recruiting arena for Islamist extremists and their effect on the local population.

WED 21:00 A Life With ... (b00hdbfp)
Series 4

Bears

Grant Sonnex meets people whose lives have been inextricably linked with Alaskan wildlife.

Forty years of being a bear guide has convinced Derek Stonorov that grizzly bears are far from the fearsome creatures we are led to believe.

WED 21:30 Midweek (b00hd4p4)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

WED 21:58 Weather (b00hbnp2)
The latest weather forecast.

WED 22:00 The World Tonight (b00hbnr4)
National and international news and analysis with Carolyn Quinn. Including reports on the resignation of the deputy chairman of the Financial Services Authority, American bankers' testimony to a US Congressional committee and opening a 200-year-old mummy in Cairo.

WED 22:45 Book at Bedtime (b00hjlqc)
An Equal Stillness

Episode 3

Tom Goodman-Hill reads Francesca Kay's story of a painter's lifelong struggle to balance her vocation with her life as a lover, wife, daughter and mother.

A shotgun marriage to David Heaton has not brought the happiness that Jennet sought. Moving from London to a Spanish village offers both young artists a fresh start.

WED 23:00 Nick Mohammed in Quarters (b00hdbgz)
Episode 4

Energetic sketch comedy from Nick Mohammed and friends. With Anna Crilly and Colin Hault.

WED 23:15 The Correspondent (b00hdbh1)
Series 2

Episode 4

Series of bittersweet comic monologues, performed by Tom Allen.

WED 23:30 Today in Parliament (b00hbnxf)
News, views and features on today's stories in Parliament with Sean Curran.

THURSDAY 12 FEBRUARY 2009

THU 00:00 Midnight News (b00hb6b4)
The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4. Followed by weather.

THU 00:30 Book of the Week (b00hd917)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:45 on Wednesday]

THU 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b00hb6d6)
The latest shipping forecast.

THU 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b00hb6p4)
BBC Radio 4 joins the BBC World Service.

THU 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b00hb6zm)
The latest shipping forecast.

THU 05:30 News Briefing (b00hb7c9)
The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

THU 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b00hb898)
Daily prayer and reflection with Andrea Rea.

THU 05:45 Farming Today (b00hb88b)
News and issues in rural Britain with Charlotte Smith.

THU 06:00 Today (b00hb9g)
Presented by John Humphrys and Evan Davis.

Schools minister Jim Knight discusses whether the Building Schools for the Future programme will be completed on time and on budget.

Lawyer Andrew Bainham explains why an adoption ruling could not be reversed.

Stuart Greenbaum of Aging Services of California discusses if older adults are offended by being called a 'codger', a 'fogey' or a 'fossil'.

Science correspondent Tom Feilden visits the biggest science conference in the world.

Lib Dem Home Affairs spokesman Chris Huhne discusses why Dutch MP Geert Wilders will not be allowed into the UK.

The British Antarctic Survey is starting a recruitment campaign. Tony McLaughlan, an electrician at the Rothera station in the Antarctic, discusses if working in such a remote region is a good idea.

Thought for the day with the Rev Dr David Wilkinson.

Business academics Peter Hahn and Andrew Gowers examine how the banking sector has to change.

Lawyer George Hawks and Lisa Christensen, Director of Children's Services at Norfolk County Council, discuss how a child's welfare is protected.

Nick Robinson examines the implications of Gordon Brown's grilling on the economy in his Q&A session with MPs.

Sir Clement Freud and journalist Stanley Johnson discuss if the media patronises people over a certain age.

Prof's Steve Jones and David Reynolds discuss the similarities between Abraham Lincoln and Charles Darwin.

Prof David Reynolds and headteacher Donald McComb discuss if an extra language gives children the edge over pupils who are taught in English.

David Shukman reports on the Darwin Foundation's fears that the Galapagos Islands are threatened by tourism.

Oliver Kamm and Sir Lawrence Freedman discuss if the US's global standing is in decline.

THU 09:00 In Our Time (b00hd5x)
Carthage's Destruction

Melvyn Bragg and guests discuss the Destruction of Carthage. The North African city of Carthage was rich and powerful, but in the second century BC it suffered a terrible fate. The Greek historian Appian wrote about it: "Then came new scenes of horror. As the fire spread and carried everything down, the soldiers did not wait to destroy the buildings little by little, but all in a heap. So the crashing grew louder, and many corpses fell with the stones into the midst. Others were seen still living, especially old men, women, and young children who had hidden in the inmost nooks of the houses, some of them wounded, some more or less burned, and uttering piteous cries." When the Romans finally conquered their great enemy in 146 BC, they razed it to the ground, sold off its library and tried to destroy

not merely the city but the civilisation based upon it. Carthage was removed from history with such effect that it's hard to know the city save through Roman eyes. It was a pivotal moment in world history that left Rome as the supreme power in the Mediterranean but after it was gone the ghosts of Carthage haunted Rome and seemed to hint at Rome's own fate. With Mary Beard, Professor of Classics at the University of Cambridge; Jo Quinn, Lecturer in Ancient History at the University of Oxford and Ellen O'Gorman, Senior Lecturer in Classics at the University of Bristol

THU 09:45 Book of the Week (b00hd919)
Tequila Oil

Episode 4

Jot Davies reads Hugh Thomson's account of his 1979 road trip through Mexico to Belize, aged 18 and without knowing how to drive.

An extraordinary piece of luck lands Hugh a job looking after a luxurious golf club, and he finds himself the custodian of an electric golf cart and a well-stocked wine cellar.

THU 10:00 Woman's Hour (b00hk98h)
Annette Gordon-Reed; Maternal mortality rate; Eggs

Annette Gordon-Reed on the slave who became Thomas Jefferson's mistress. Plus the maternal mortality rate, and how often we should eat eggs, and how to cook them.

THU 11:00 From Our Own Correspondent (b00hd5z)
BBC foreign correspondents with the stories behind the world's headlines. Introduced by Kate Adie.

THU 11:30 John Mortimer in Conversation (b0076twc)
Another chance to hear the late Sir John Mortimer reflect on his career as a lawyer and a writer and discuss his views on free speech and religious faith, in conversation with Mark Lawson.

THU 12:00 You and Yours (b00hb4c)
Presented by Winifred Robinson.

The FBI says it has never seen anything like the massive fraud visited on RBS in November 2008, when criminals in 49 cities around the world used fake bank cards with account details stolen from American customers of RBS World Pay. UK customers were not affected.

Local councils are backing a scheme to take thermal images of people's homes to see how much heat is being lost through roofs and windows.

The Big Lottery Fund is consulting on whether it should continue to guarantee to give 60 to 70 per cent of its funding to voluntary organisations. Could charities end up with less lottery money in the future?

Many research applications are rejected in a process which the European parliament says costs too much and takes too long.

A manager at one of the Woolworths stores that closed last month is re-opening it under the name Wellworths. Listeners tell us it is a name that has already been used in Northern Ireland.

One of the proposals that Ministers are consulting on is for homeowners to be offered new low interest loans by the Government to make houses more energy-efficient.

THU 12:57 Weather (b00hb5n)
The latest weather forecast.

THU 13:00 World at One (b00hb6x)
National and international news with Martha Kearney.

THU 13:30 Costing the Earth (b00hc4w6)
[Repeat of broadcast at 21:00 on Monday]

THU 14:00 The Archers (b00hb8q)
[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Wednesday]

THU 14:15 Drama (b0076z6b)
Rumpole and the Teenage Werewolf

By John Mortimer. Rumpole leaves London to defend a case in the Home Counties, where he meets up with Ben, a teenager accused of sending emails deemed to be sexually harassing, and of an actual physical attack on a girl.

Horace Rumpole Timothy West
Hilda Rumpole Prunella Scales
Hermione Swithin Felicity Montague
Mr Beazley Nicholas Le Prevost
Chris Swithin Philip Jackson
Ben Swithin Matt Smith
Judge Denis Wintergreen Karl Johnson
Adrian Hodinott Sean Baker
Felicity Halliday Ellie Beaven

Directed by Marilyn Imrie.

THU 15:02 Open Country (b00h9dk7)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:07 on Saturday]

THU 15:27 Radio 4 Appeal (b00h9v8m)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:55 on Sunday]

THU 15:30 Afternoon Reading (b00hd3rq)
The Treasure Chest

Tales of Cunning

An enduring classic of German literature, The Treasure Chest by Johann Peter Hebel (pub.1811) is a collection of pithy comic anecdotes, mysteries and moral tales full of sanity, wit and good humour.

A soldier gets married while on sentry duty; and Dr Rapunzius sells some amazing toothache pills.

Translated by John Hibberd and abridged by Roy Apps.
Read by Mark Williams

Producer/Director: David Blount
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THU 15:45 America, Empire of Liberty (b00hbkl)
The Wild West

Series charting the history of America, written and presented by David Reynolds. How the West was finally settled and then turned into a myth by the American people.

THU 16:00 Open Book (b00h9vnc)
[Repeat of broadcast at 16:00 on Sunday]

THU 16:30 Material World (b00hd61)
Pheromones at Fifty - Ponds for Life

Pheromones at Fifty
Quentin Cooper finds out if humans can sense pheromones, the subliminal chemical language of scents that is a key means of communication between animals.

It is 50 years since the term was first used, and scientists now know how powerful such signals can be, or rather, how sensitive some creatures' noses are to the chemicals. Even before the word pheromone was invented, Charles Darwin showed how the smelliest crocodiles, ducks, goats and elephants were better at attracting mates. Pheromones even work under water, between lobsters for example.

Do humans make and use their own pheromones? We use a host of expensive scents and deodorants to conceal, augment or replace our bodily odour, but, suprisingly, no definite human pheromone has been isolated and identified. But it seems clear they must exist, otherwise, for example, how else would groups of women living in close proximity synchronise their menstruation?

Ponds for Life

There are almost 500,000 ponds in the UK countryside (not to mention another 2 million in our gardens), but the vast majority of them are in a deplorable condition.

Pond Conservation proposes to dig another 500,000 away from sources of pollution, because ponds, much neglected by ecologists, are the refuge for huge ranges of biodiversity.

They may even be the cradle of life itself. Quentin hears reasons to be cheerful about ponds.

THU 17:00 PM (b00hbkg)

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

THU 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b00hbkt6)

The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4.

followed by Weather.

THU 18:30 Ed Reardon's Week (b00f9k92)

Series 5

Granddad

Comedy series by Christopher Douglas and Andrew Nickolds.

Ed is visited by his new grandson, Smile, and is inspired to write a children's book. However, his daughter is not at all impressed with his flat.

Ed Reardon Christopher Douglas
House Husband Nicholas Boulton
Olive Stephanie Cole
Eli Lisa Coleman
Felix John Fortune
Jaz Philip Jackson
Pearl Rita May
Ping Barunka O'Shaughnessy
TV Man Dan Tetsell
Tim Kim Wall
Stan Geoffrey Whitehead.

THU 19:00 The Archers (b00hk8s)

Alistair's at Bridge Farm, looking at a cow with Tony. He commiserates about the pollution problem, as Eddie arrives to offer his help with it. Clarrie's told him it's urgent. They look at the cracks in the concrete. Eddie thinks it looks like an asteroid's hit. He'll dig down and look, assuring Tony it'll be a precision job. Pat comes out, pleased that Eddie's there, but saying that Rodways don't have their drain plans. How frustrating, says Eddie - a few weeks back, the Estate would have paid for the repair.

Shula is at Ambridge Organics. She tells Helen how upset Daniel is about the burglary. The police think it's an opportunist crime but she's not sure. Tom arrives with a delivery and Helen asks him to stay for coffee. She asks if he's apologised to Hannah yet, which he hasn't. She also asks what he thinks about Bridge Farm's pollution. Tom hasn't given it much thought. Helen tells him they need to get involved, if they want to inherit the farm in one piece.

At the Stables, Shula's still worrying about forgetting the alarm, and their insurance. She's also wondering why them? Uncomfortable Alistair tells her to stop. It's not a nice thing to have happened, but they've got to move on.

Episode written by Graham Harvey.

THU 19:15 Front Row (b00hbkz1)

Presented by John Wilson.

Jeremy Paxman turns art connoisseur in his television series *The Victorians*. He talks to John about revealing the human stories behind Victorian paintings that have often been dismissed as sentimental.

Mark Wallinger discusses artworks from the last 2000 years that he has used in the Hayward Gallery touring exhibition to explore ideas about boundaries, borders and a crucial line decision in the 1966 World Cup Final.

Andrew Dickson and Susannah Clapp review Richard Bean's latest play *England People Very Nice*, which is about immigration into the East End of London since the 17th century and is directed by Nick Hytner.

UK publisher Michael Schmidt reports on how the television drama *Mad Men* has helped to boost sales of Frank O'Hara's poetry.

THU 19:45 15 Minute Drama (b00hk9v9)

Reading Between the Lines

Episode 4

Murder mystery by Mark Lawson.

A celebrated writer leaves clues in his final novel implying that his recently-deceased wife was murdered.

A recluse called John Webster admits to publishing 16 novels under the pseudonym RP Beckford-Jones, but insists that he did not write *A Guilty Death*.

DCI Kate Duncan Lia Williams
Rob Lorenzo Mark Lambert
Parkinson Hugh Ross
Briggs Chris Pavlo
Charlotte Donnlá Hughes
Scotland Jill Cardo
Webster Richard Howard

Tony Parnell Nickolas Grace

With Mark Lawson and Melvyn Bragg as themselves.

Directed by Eoin O'Callaghan.

THU 20:00 Could Shipman Happen Again? (b00hc4nf)

Ann Alexander talks to key players in the Harold Shipman case, including doctors, health academics, victims' families, politicians and police, to ask if adequate systems are now in place to prevent such an atrocity re-occurring.

At the time of his trial, details of the way in which Shipman had managed to evade the systems designed to prevent and detect abuses of medical power prompted calls for urgent change. The Shipman Inquiry, chaired by Dame Janet Smith, produced an unprecedented series of six reports which recommended far-reaching changes to medical regulation, the control of drugs and procedures following the death of patients.

Ann talks to Dame Janet Smith, who says that, while the government accepted the vast majority of her recommendations, it has failed to implement significant elements.

THU 20:30 In Business (b00hdd63)

Prophet Motive

Peter Day hears about the influence of religion on business.

THU 21:00 Leading Edge (b00hdd65)

Ecstasy: The A to B of drugs

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This week the Advisory Council on the Misuse of Drugs published a report on the classification of MDMA, better known as ecstasy. It recommended that the drug be downgraded from class A to class B, but the Home Office has rejected this reclassification. Drug researcher, Professor Valerie Curran explains the difficulties of assessing drug damage to the brain and how long term effects are problematic to interpret.

Origins and Futures: Science in the United States

The 12th of February sees the opening of the annual meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. This year there is something distinctive about the meeting. It is taking place after the election of a new presidency. President Obama has repeatedly put science at the centre of his administration, but what will this actually mean? Alan Leshner, chief executive of the AAAS predicts the changes.

Calculating Love

Valentine's day, the day of the year when a young man's fancy turns to...well, maths. At least that's what one mathematician wishes to argue. Professor Marcus du Sautoy calculates the best way to find love.

Galileo Galilei's Telescope

2009 is the international year of astronomy. What better way to mark it than taking a look back to Galileo Galilei, who discovered the moons of Jupiter. Roland Pease has been to Florence to see some of the instruments through which Galileo peered before reaching his revolutionary conclusions.

THU 21:30 In Our Time (b00hdd5x)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

THU 21:58 Weather (b00hbnp4)

The latest weather forecast.

THU 22:00 The World Tonight (b00hbnr6)

National and international news and analysis with David Eades.

THU 22:45 Book at Bedtime (b00hjlqf)

An Equal Stillness

Episode 4

Tom Goodman-Hill reads Francesca Kay's story of a painter's lifelong struggle to balance her vocation with her life as a lover, wife, daughter and mother.

Jennet has blossomed in Spain, but her happiness is marred by David's depression and drinking. How can she serve the children, and her marriage, best?

THU 23:00 Recorded for Training Purposes (b00hdd69)

Series 3

Episode 6

Sketch show about modern communication and contemporary obsessions. With Ben Willbond and Rachel Atkins. From February 2009.

THU 23:30 Today in Parliament (b00hbnxh)

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

FRIDAY 13 FEBRUARY 2009

FRI 00:00 Midnight News (b00hb6b6)

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

FRI 00:30 Book of the Week (b00hd919)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:45 on Thursday]

FRI 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b00hb6d8)

The latest shipping forecast.

FRI 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b00hb6p6)

BBC Radio 4 joins the BBC World Service.

FRI 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b00hb6zp)

The latest shipping forecast.

FRI 05:30 News Briefing (b00hb7cc)

The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

FRI 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b00hb89d)

Daily prayer and reflection with Andrea Rea.

FRI 05:45 Farming Today (b00hbb8d)

News and issues in rural Britain with Charlotte Smith.

FRI 06:00 Today (b00hb6gz)

Presented by Edward Stourton and Sarah Montague.

A plane crashed into a house in Buffalo, New York State, with 48 people on board. Local resident Brendan Biddlecom describes the scene.

Deian Hopkin of South Bank University discusses the introduction of a new diploma system in education.

Jane Dreaper discusses her interview with Andrew Way, chief exec of London's Royal Free Hospital.

Matthew Wells visits the Brooklyn Museum's exhibition of fakes.

Phil Mercer reports on the bushfires in the Australian town of Healesville.

Columnist Andrew Gimson and author John O'Farrell discuss if politicians should be allowed to swear.

Thought for the day with Abdal Hakim Murad.

Prof Michael Clarke, director of the Royal United Services Institute, discusses the appointment of Richard Holbrooke as US envoy to Afghanistan and Pakistan.

Rebecca Gibbons from New York state police gives an update on the plane crash in Buffalo.

Chairman of the Treasury Select Committee John McFall and Peter McNamara, former head of Alliance and Leicester, discuss the scrutiny the finance sector is now under.

Kevin Connolly examines the financial strains on motorsport in the US.

Nick Bryant reports on the man charged with starting one of the fires which killed at least 180 people in Australia.

Lobbyist Lionel Zetter and writer Matthew Parris discuss whether civil servants should enjoy corporate hospitality.

Dr Mark Hamilton reacts to the news that a 13-year-old boy has become a father.

Matthew Price reports on the centenary of the US National Association for the Advancement of Coloured People (NAACP).

Dr Tim Fox and author Mark Lynas discuss if climate change is

inevitable.

Author Rob Eastaway and Dr Julie Coultas discuss how Murphy's Law was devised.

FRI 09:00 Desert Island Discs (b00h9vcx)
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 on Sunday]

FRI 09:45 Book of the Week (b00hd9lc)
Tequila Oil

Episode 5

Jot Davies reads Hugh Thomson's account of his 1979 road trip through Mexico to Belize, aged 18 and without knowing how to drive.

Finally arriving in Belize, Hugh discovers that the market for big American cars is not quite as he had believed it to be.

FRI 10:00 Woman's Hour (b00hk98k)
Women's rights in Iraq; Hughes Syndrome

What needs to be done to safeguard the rights of women in Iraq? Plus, should testing for Hughes Syndrome be made routine for women who have suffered a miscarriage?

FRI 11:00 The Sarah Party (b00hg592)
Programme that follows the UK's first ever 'Sarah Party', inspired by an event held by two US women named Sarah who wanted to celebrate the name.

Those Sarahs invited include Sarah Cracknell from the pop band St Etienne, Sarah Whatmore from Pop Idol, Sarah Anderson from The Travel Bookshop and Sarah Jane Morris. The programme asks if other new sorts of self-styled communities are springing up, besides this one, and whether people of the same name feel a bond because of it.

FRI 11:30 HR (b00hg6mz)
Series 1

An Appraisal

An angry senior manager has been caught verbally abusing a client. His HR officer must take him to task. Can he?

Nigel Williams' comedy drama series charting the misfortunes of a middle-aged HR officer and his trouble-making colleague.

Peter Jonathan Pryce
Sam Nicholas Le Prevost

Director: Peter Cavanagh

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2009.

FRI 12:00 You and Yours (b00hbk4f)
Presented by Peter White.

Some people who have bought tickets to win a house want their money back.

The European Court of Justice has ruled that a technical fault is no longer an 'extraordinary circumstance' that can be used as an excuse by airlines to avoid paying compensation to delayed passengers.

TV chef Anthony Worrall Thompson explains why he thinks his bank is to blame for his company, AWT Restaurants Ltd, going into administration: something Lloyds TSB strenuously denies.

Some small businesses are now choosing not to play music to their staff and customers because of a major clampdown on licensing.

The O2 Arena sold 1.8 million tickets in 2008, making it more popular than Madison Square Gardens in New York. So what is the secret of its success?

Three primary schools are among the promised developments to go inside London 2012's flagship building. But what else will remain after the games have gone?

The government has awarded a contract to build a fleet of new inter-city trains to a Japanese (rather than a British) firm. Leo Lewis of The Times and Philip Haigh of Rail Magazine discuss.

FRI 12:57 Weather (b00hbk5q)
The latest weather forecast.

FRI 13:00 World at One (b00hbk6z)
National and international news with Shaun Ley.

FRI 13:30 Feedback (b00hg6n1)
Roger Bolton airs listeners' views on BBC radio programmes and policy.

FRI 14:00 The Archers (b00hbk8s)
[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Thursday]

FRI 14:15 Drama (b0076z9n)
Rumpole and the Right to Privacy

By John Mortimer. Rumpole leaves the Old Bailey to defend an editor of a local newspaper who is accused of breaching a successful businessman's right to privacy.

Horace Rumpole Timothy West
Hilda Rumpole Prunella Scales
Mr Rankin David Shaw-Parker
Claude Erskine-Brown Nigel Anthony
Liz Probert Elaine Claxton
Hugo Winterton Anton Rodgers
Gervase Johnson Stephen Critchlow
Sir Mike Smedley Kim Durham
Mrs Justice Erskine-Brown Joanna David

Directed by Marilyn Imrie.

FRI 15:00 Gardeners' Question Time (b00hg6n5)
Peter Gibbs chairs the popular horticultural forum.

Matthew Biggs, Anne Swithinbank and Pippa Greenwood answer questions posed by gardeners.

Including the Gardeners' Question Time gardening weather forecast.

FRI 15:45 America, Empire of Liberty (b00hbk1w)
Fun and God

Series charting the history of America, written and presented by David Reynolds. The rise of the leisure, baseball and the power of religion.

FRI 16:00 Last Word (b00hg6n7)
Matthew Bannister presents the obituary series, analysing and celebrating the life stories of people who have recently died. The programme reflects on people of distinction and interest from many walks of life, some famous and some less well known.

FRI 16:30 The Film Programme (b00hg6n9)
Francine Stock talks to Bruce Robinson, the writer and director of cult favourite Withnail and I, as he prepares to make his first movie for 17 years, The Rum Diary.

FRI 17:00 PM (b00hbkrrj)
Full coverage and analysis of the day's news with Carolyn Quinn. Plus Weather.

FRI 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b00hbk8t)
The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by Weather.

FRI 18:30 The News Quiz (b00hg7k3)
Series 67

Episode 6

Sandi Toksvig chairs the topical comedy quiz, with panellists Jeremy Hardy, Dave Gorman, Andy Hamilton and Francis Wheen.

FRI 19:00 The Archers (b00hbk8v)
Hayley calls at Willow Farm to look at how the work's going. Mike asks if she's happy with the colours. Hayley says she thinks so, and it's so lovely and spacious. She's so grateful to Mike, and he can't wait for them to move in.

Mike goes to Keeper's Cottage. He and Clarrie have a problem. Susan must cancel her party, as Neil's taking her to London. Mike and Clarrie have to do something - but what?

Later, Hayley goes to Grange Farm. Mike's going to hate her but she's changed her mind about the sitting room colour. He can't believe it, after the time she took to choose. But of course he doesn't mind.

Shula appears at Jaxx. She wants to talk to Kenton. He tells her about his pancake evening, and hopes sh'll come. Shula tells Kenton she can't stop thinking that the burglary's connected to Ryan. She suspects that Alistair feels the same, but that he can't bear to think he might have failed. Kenton tells her he knows Ryan from a poker game. Ryan got a bit nasty that night, threatening people. Shula's horrified - she didn't want this for Alistair. What should they do now? Kenton says he'll do some asking around - he's on the case.

Episode written by Graham Harvey.

FRI 19:15 Front Row (b00hbkz3)
Presented by Mark Lawson.

Celebrity Memoirs.

At a time when publishing is suffering as much as any other industry from the desperate economic conditions, the one unchallenged success story has been the rise of the celebrity memoir. The likes of Michael Parkinson, Paul O'Grady, Julie Walters and Alan Carr have dominated the recent non-fiction bestseller lists. Mark talks to the stars-turned-writers about why almost all of them refused the help of a ghostwriter and how surprisingly candid their books have turned out to be.

FRI 19:45 15 Minute Drama (b00hbk15)
Reading Between the Lines

Episode 5

Murder mystery by Mark Lawson.

A celebrated writer leaves clues in his final novel implying that his recently-deceased wife was murdered.

DCI Kate Duncan begins to believe the reclusive author when he insists that he did not write A Guilty Death.

DCI Kate Duncan Lia Williams
Rob Lorenzo Mark Lambert
Parkinson Hugh Ross
Briggs Chris Pavlo
Charlotte Donnla Hughes
Scotland Jill Cardo
Webster Richard Howard
Tony Parnell Nickolas Grace

With Mark Lawson and Melvyn Bragg as themselves.

Directed by Eoin O'Callaghan.

FRI 20:00 Any Questions? (b00hg7k5)
Jonathan Dimbleby chairs the topical debate in Richmond, North Yorkshire. Panellists are former government minister Denis MacShane MP, former Shadow Home Secretary David Davis MP, editor-at-large of The Independent on Sunday Janet Street-Porter and Jo Swinson MP, who speaks for the Liberal Democrats on foreign affairs.

FRI 20:50 A Point of View (b00hg7k7)
A weekly reflection on a topical issue from Harold Evans.

FRI 21:00 America, Empire of Liberty Omnibus (b00hg7k9)
Reform to Expansion

Omnibus edition of the series charting the history of America, written and presented by David Reynolds.

How America reformed its city politics and tried to bring big business to heel. Plus, the history of its expansion overseas for a taste of empire and into its own Wild West.

FRI 21:58 Weather (b00hbnp6)
The latest weather forecast.

FRI 22:00 The World Tonight (b00hbnr8)
National and international news and analysis with Ritula Shah. Including reports on the swearing-in of Zimbabwe's new government, will Americans spend or save after the Congress vote on the stimulus package, and, after the unearthing of a love letter to Anne Boleyn, was notorious womaniser Henry VIII also a romantic?

FRI 22:45 Book at Bedtime (b00hjlqh)
An Equal Stillness

Episode 5

Tom Goodman-Hill reads Francesca Kay's story of a painter's

lifelong struggle to balance her vocation with her life as a lover, wife, daughter and mother.

Returning to England, with little money and an unreliable husband, Jennet realises that their future lies in her hands.

FRI 23:00 A Good Read (b00hd431)
[Repeat of broadcast at 16:30 on Tuesday]

FRI 23:30 Today in Parliament (b00hbnxk)
News, views and features on today's stories in Parliament with Mark D'Arcy.