

**SATURDAY 07 NOVEMBER 2020****SAT 00:00 BBC News (w172x5p4gkxyyqf)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SAT 00:06 The Real Story (w3cszcnt)**

Is Trumpism here to stay?

Before this week's US presidential election, some predicted a landslide win for Joe Biden and a stark repudiation of the Trump years. That didn't happen. The intense criticism of President Trump's handling of the coronavirus pandemic seems to have done little in changing the minds of his core supporters; and former Vice President Joe Biden's appeal for unity seems to have fallen flat in key states like Florida and Texas. Mr Biden called the 2020 election a fight for the nation's soul. So what does the strong showing for President Trump say about the impact he has had on American politics? Is there such thing as 'Trumpism' and - if so - what defines it? How has he changed the relationship between the presidency and the other branches of government? His willingness to question democratic institutions has set him apart from predecessors - so how lasting will his style of leadership be? Ritula Shah and a panel of expert guests discuss whether 'Trumpism' is here to stay.

**SAT 01:00 BBC News (w172x5p4gkxz2gk)**

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**SAT 01:06 Business Matters (w172x192dk8r9kg)**

Biden widens lead in Pennsylvania

If Joe Biden wins Pennsylvania, he wins the White House. But even if he is declared the overall winner, there could be court challenges to the result ahead, which may cause uncertainty for businesses, as Myron Brilliant, head of international affairs at the US Chamber of Commerce, explains. Plus, the New Zealand national All Blacks rugby team is facing financial difficulties as a result of the pandemic. The team is looking to private equity investors for money, but will it change the spirit of the game? And we're joined throughout the programme by joined by Sharon Brett Kelly from Radio New Zealand, Laura Benschoff from WHYY public radio in Pennsylvania and in Georgia, Emma Hurt, Politics reporter for WABE News Atlanta. (Photo of supporters of Joe Biden and Donald Trump face each other at the Pennsylvania Convention Center in Philadelphia; photo by Bastiaan Slabbers via Getty Images).

**SAT 02:00 BBC News (w172x5p4gkxz66p)**

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**SAT 02:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bhgh2jymt)**

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**SAT 02:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pyx9jnhk2)**

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**SAT 02:32 Stumped (w3cszhk2)**

Waugh on photography, India and cricket's future

Australia's former captain Steve Waugh tells us about his photographic journey through India in search of the spirit of cricket.

Waugh also looks ahead to the titanic Test series between Australia and India and gives his views on the future of Test cricket.

Plus, how women's cricketers at the Big Bash in Australia are using barefoot circles to raise awareness about the country's sometimes troubled relationship with its indigenous past.

(Photo: Steve Waugh. Credit: Getty Images)

**SAT 03:00 BBC News (w172x5p4gkxz9yt)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SAT 03:06 The Fifth Floor (w3cszjhy)**

Turkey's Armenians under pressure

The Nagorno Karabakh conflict has put Turkey's Armenian community in a predicament. The disputed territory is an Armenian-populated enclave inside Azerbaijan controlled by separatist Armenians. Turkey backs Azerbaijan while Armenia backs the separatists. But beneath these allegiances lie even deeper divisions that affect ethnic Armenians in Turkey. BBC Turkish journalist Esra Yalcinalp helps unpick this knotty issue.

My home town: Kigali

Felin Gakwaya of BBC Great Lakes takes us home to Rwanda's capital Kigali.

Sent back to Ghana

Being 'sent home' is a frequent threat for many first generation children of West African parents. Mark Wilberforce of BBC Africa was 'sent back' to Ghana, his parents' native country, when they felt his behaviour was getting out of hand in the UK. He tells us how he felt about it then and now.

Pakistan's controversial feminist detective show 'Churails' is the Urdu word for witches and it's also the title of a new web series that has caused quite an uproar in Pakistan. With strong female leads and subject matter such as female desire, it is breaking new ground. Mehvish Hussain of BBC Urdu tells us more about the controversy.

Thailand's monarchy: dividing families and generations  
Thailand has been shaken by huge student protests over recent months, demanding reform of the monarchy, which is seen as sacrosanct by many in their parents' generation. BBC Thai's Issariya Praithongyaem has been following the arguments.

Image: Turkish car rallies support Azerbaijan  
Credit: Turkish woman waves Azeri flag in pro-Azerbaijan car rally in Istanbul

**SAT 03:50 Witness History (w3cszmvmt)**

The church that rose from the rubble

In 2005 Dresden's Lutheran church, the Frauenkirche, opened its doors to the public for the first time in 60 years. The Frauenkirche in the East German city of Dresden was destroyed in 1945 by British and American bombing. The church remained in ruins for over 40 years. Then, in 1993, a painstaking project began to piece the church back together and restore it to its former glory. Josephine Casserly talks to Thomas Gottschlich who was one of the architects leading the reconstruction.

Ruins of the Frauenkirche in Dresden, Germany after the WWII bombing in 1945. Credit: Probst/Ullstein Bild via Getty Images

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**SAT 05:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pyx9jnxqg)**

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**SAT 05:32 Comedians Vs. The News (w3ct0x3k)**

Joanna Hausmann and Njambi McGrath

This week, as we reach the grand finale in the battle to become the next US president, Jess and Eman are joined by Venezuelan American comedian Joanna Hausmann and British Kenyan stand-up Njambi McGrath.

What's a Maga-zuelan? We ask why so many Venezuelans support Donald Trump. And what can Americans learn from Kenya's Presidential power games?

Get involved and tell us about the funny stories where you are. #comediansvs thenews

**SAT 06:00 BBC News (w172x5p4gkxzp66)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SAT 06:06 Weekend (w172x7d4by8y1gx)**

Joe Biden says he will become next US President

The Democratic challenger Joe Biden says millions of Americans have voted for change and that he will become the next US president.

Also, we'll have reaction from both Democratic and Republican party strategists as well as analysis of the legal challenges to the presidential vote.

Plus, why is there a boom in the market for Arab films?

Joining Celia Hatton to discuss these and other issues are Robtel Neajai Pailey, a Liberian activist and Assistant Professor in International Social and Public Policy at the London School of

Economics, and Brian Klaas, American-born Associate Professor in Global Politics at University College London.

(Picture: U.S Democratic presidential nominee Joe Biden. Credit: Reuters)

**SAT 07:00 BBC News (w172x5p4gkxzsyb)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SAT 07:06 Weekend (w172x7d4by8y571)**

Joe Biden: Americans voted for change

The Democratic challenger Joe Biden says millions of Americans have voted for change and that he will become the next US president.

We'll have reaction from both Democratic and Republican party supporters.

Also, can international efforts to limit global warming succeed despite the US withdrawal from the Paris Climate Agreement?

And why the citizens of Geneva voted to give themselves the world's highest minimum wage - about 25 dollars an hour.

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(Picture: U.S Democratic presidential nominee Joe Biden speaks about election results next to vice presidential nominee, Kamala Harris in Wilmington, Delaware, U.S. Credit: Reuters)

**SAT 08:00 BBC News (w172x5p4gkxzp6g)**

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**SAT 08:06 Weekend (w172x7d4by8y8z5)**

Joe Biden says he will not let anyone stop votes being counted

President Trump's Democratic rival has stopped short of declaring a victory in the US presidential elections but asserted that "democracy works" and that votes will be counted. We'll hear from both Democratic and Republican party supporters on alleged voting irregularities.

Plus, Australian pop star Kylie Minogue tells the BBC how she recorded an album from her living room during lockdown.

Joining Celia Hatton to discuss the US elections are Robtel Neajai Pailey, a Liberian activist and Assistant Professor in International Social and Public Policy at the London School of Economics, and Brian Klaas, American-born Associate Professor in Global Politics at University College London. (Picture: U.S Democratic presidential nominee Joe Biden Credit: REUTERS/Kevin Lamarque)

**SAT 08:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pyx9jpb8yv)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**SAT 08:32 The Documentary (w3csz4pw)**

The Superlinguists

Multilingual societies

What is it like to live in a place where you have to speak several languages to get by? Simon Calder travels to India, where a top university only teaches in English, the one language that the students from all over the country have in common. And he meets people who use four different languages with their friends and family, depending on whom they are talking to.

In Luxembourg, it is not so much family, but other situations that require four languages, such as going shopping, watching TV, or school lessons. Simon hears that in secondary school, maths is taught in French, history in German, casual chat in Luxembourgish, and English is compulsory too, so that no one leaves school without being multilingual.

(Photo: Sudeep Bhattacharya (L) and Saumya Goel)

**SAT 09:00 BBC News (w172x5p4gky01fl)**

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**SAT 09:06 BBC OS Conversations (w3ct19yt)**

US election: Divided nation

The US election has amplified political and racial divisions across the nation, so how do voters feel about the splits in their society?

Host Nuala McGovern is in Reno, Nevada, speaking to people across the political spectrum to hear how they feel about the vote and the state of their nation. In this election assumptions have been overturned and expectations upended. Double the number of Black voters are believed to have supported President Trump at the polls compared to 2016, and several prominent Republicans publicly declared they were voting for Joe Biden, instead of the leader of their own party.

Among our conversations, we hear from three Black Trump supporters about why they voted for him, and two women from opposing sides of the political fence on the controversy surrounding the voting and counting.

(Photo: Trump voter Marcia. Credit: Patrick McManus)

**SAT 09:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pyx9jpdpz)**

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**SAT 09:32 Girl Taken (w3ct0xw8)**

Girl Taken

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Girl Taken is a two year investigation to find a little girl taken from her mother in Iran. In this 11 part series, recorded in real time, Sue Mitchell and Rob Lawrie slowly unravel the mystery of what happened to four year old Bru and set out to reunite mother and daughter after years of being apart.

The series starts when Sue Mitchell came into the story, as a reporter for the BBC covering the refugee crisis in Europe. The little girl had hit the media spotlight when her father, claiming to be a widow fleeing Afghanistan under threat of death from the Taliban, asked Rob Lawrie, a volunteer at the Calais camp, for help. He wanted Rob to smuggle Bru to the UK but this failed. Although the story was extensively covered no one knew Bru's mother was alive and desperately searching for her.

Through the original BBC coverage the mother, Goli, makes contact with Sue and Rob, telling them her daughter was taken from the family home in Tehran without her knowledge or consent. She'd been to the police in Iran but was told they could not help. She then travelled thousands of miles at the hands of smugglers with Bru's baby sister, Baran. Sickness forced her to stop in Denmark but authorities and refugee charities there could not find Bru. These recordings cover a series of dramatic turns in the search for the little girl.

The recordings also touch on the plight of other women whose children have been taken from them by abusive husbands. It is still a rare thing to happen, but this investigation exposes shortcomings in the asylum process. Since the recordings aired, officials have discovered other cases where men have come into the United Kingdom with a child to help their asylum claims. These claims have not been fully investigated in the past and there are few safeguards to protect those who have suffered as a result.

The series raises the plight of children living in the Calais Jungle and other overcrowded and unsanitary camps. Through Goli's story we learn more about the control others had in shaping her life. She'd had an arranged marriage to a cruel and controlling man and lived in a society where she had few rights. When she decided to flee Iran and search for Bru, she encountered many dangers, from smugglers to perilous sea crossings in the dead of night with Bru's baby sister, Baran, in her arms.

The series gives voice to one woman's story and in doing so raises issues affecting many others. Goli left the only culture she had known to search the world for her little girl and in doing so changed her outlook completely. On reaching the West she immersed herself in the education she had always wanted. As she began making her own choices she starts to experience possibilities and freedoms she had never before imagined. Goli is hopeful that her story could help other women to challenge the injustice and cruelty she has overcome.

**SAT 09:50 Over to You (w3cszf56)**

Holding elections in Africa in the shadow of the US presidential race

Your feedback on the elections. No not those in the US but ones in Ivory Coast, Guinea and Tanzania. Plus why an edition of The Forum that looked back more than 2,500 years was much needed escapism for some.

Presenter Rajan Datar  
Producer: Howard Shannon

**SAT 10:00 BBC News (w172x5p4gky055q)**

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**SAT 10:06 Sportshour (w172x3c39plhyzf)**

"I 100% believe there are more people that want to see us unite than there are to divide" – Seth Gottesdiener

Seth Gottesdiener has spent the last six weeks cycling across America to gauge the mood of his nation in 2020. He started in Los Angeles, where he owns a gym, and finished in Washington D.C in time for election night. Along the way he spoke to a cross section of society and asked each person the same ten questions – including: Are you proud to be an American? The conversations will form the basis of a documentary he's making.

Gottesdiener tells us polling night in the nations capital city was "very eerie", this year has served as a catalyst for change, his belief that most people are moderate and his feeling that whichever way the election result goes, it will take time for both sides to come together and move forward.

Paris St Germain and Canada striker Jordyn Huitema tells Nesta McGregor about being a star on the football pitch and social media. She explains her early days in the sport, how she lived in a hotel for six months when she arrived at PSG and the steep learning curve at the club. Huitema also tells us what life is like as one half of a footballing couple with Bayern Munich's Alphonso Davies.

We also hear how young Brazilians in one of the poorest favelas in Rio de Janeiro have been able to access better education, healthcare and employment opportunities through playing rugby.

The founder of the World Gay Boxing Championships - Martin Stark – tells us he hopes the event in Sydney will help break down barriers, his ambition for it to be as big as rugby union's Bingham Cup and how boxing helps him cope with Addison's disease. Stark tells us he developed the idea for the championships while he was on a drip in hospital and that he feels the best way to tackle homophobia in sport is through participation.

Francesca Bunting joins us a year out from the women's Rugby League World Cup to discuss her journey in the sport. Brazil will make history as the first South American team to play in any Rugby League World Cup when they face England on the opening day of the tournament. Bunting qualifies to play for Brazil through her grandmother.

In Sporting Witness we head back to 2004 to tell the story of Indian long-distance swimmer Bula Choudhury as she became the first woman to complete the challenge of crossing the straits of the world's seven seas. Her adventure took her to five different continents.

And the BBC's football correspondent - John Murray - joins us live from Goodison Park ahead of Everton facing Manchester United in the Premier League.

Photo: Seth Gottesdiener

**SAT 11:00 BBC News (w172x5p4gky08xv)**

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**SAT 11:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bhgh211bz)**

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**SAT 11:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pyx9jpn67)**

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**SAT 11:32 The Documentary (w3ct17xh)**

Missing and murdered: America's forgotten native girls

Native American women are trafficked, murdered and raped at five to ten times the national rate of other American women. The figures are gruelling. Each year, hundreds of girls and women go missing. Many end up dead. A complex system of tribal, state and federal law means many of these women are often failed by law enforcement when it comes to investigating their disappearances. LeAndra Nephin, from the Omaha Tribe of Nebraska, tells the story of America's forgotten native girls, and how a new generation of warrior women is fighting back against abuse.

**SAT 12:00 BBC News (w172x5p4gky0dnz)**

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**SAT 12:06 Music Life (w3csz6tr)**

Magic moments with Paul Epworth and 100 gees

If you don't know Paul Epworth's name, you'll certainly know his music, as he's produced for the likes of Adele, Florence and the Machine and Rihanna. He asks 100 gees, Arlo Parks and Dave Okumu about working with analogue equipment in a digital world, studio disasters, ideas that evaporate as they take

too long to capture, and the difference between making your own music as opposed to making it for other people.

Futuristic pop duo 100 gees's debut album, 1000 gees, captivated fans all over the world, including Charli XCX, Rico Nasty and Fall Out Boy, and they've been described as a "brain-melting, genre-crushing vision of pop's future". Arlo Parks is a 20-year-old musician and poet who is one of the most exciting artists coming out of London right now. She is redefining intelligent pop-soul with her thoughtful, confessional music that has seen her described as "the voice of Generation Z". And Dave Okumu is a producer and songwriter, known for fronting the Mercury Prize-nominated band The Invisible. He is one of the most sought-after collaborators in music, having worked with Adele, Amy Winehouse, Yoko Ono, King Sunny Ade, Radiohead's Ed O'Brien, and Tony Allen.

**SAT 13:00 BBC News (w172x5p4gky0jfr3)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SAT 13:06 Newshour (w172x2z0y3fpq1p)**

US Election: Biden closes in on 270

US TV networks are closely watching the margin of his lead and if it increases in the coming hours they may declare the former vice-president the winner. In Georgia Joe Biden has also increased his wafer-thin lead slightly, but state officials have already said there will be a recount. President Trump is also trailing in Arizona and Nevada.

Also on the programme: Ethiopia's prime minister has called for the leaders of the Tigray region to be put on trial for destabilising the country, after fighting broke out with government troops and Australian singer Kylie releases an album during lockdown.

(Picture: Poll officials in Michigan work to tally ballots. Credit: Getty Images)

**SAT 14:00 BBC News (w172x5p4gky0n57)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SAT 14:06 Sportsworld (w172x3lh980q5tk)**

Live sport from around the world with news, interviews and analysis.

**SAT 18:00 BBC News (w172x5p4gky144r)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SAT 18:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bhgh21wkw)**

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**SAT 19:00 BBC News (w172x5p4gky17ww)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SAT 19:06 The History Hour (w3cszqps)**

The assassination of Yitzhak Rabin

In 1995, the Israeli prime minister, Yitzhak Rabin, was murdered at a peace rally in Tel Aviv. We hear how his death scuppered hopes of peace in the Middle East. Plus, the racism endured by children born to black American soldiers and German mothers after World War Two, the rebuilding of Dresden's most famous church, and nude theatre in London and New York.

PHOTO: Yitzhak Rabin in 1993 (Getty Images)

**SAT 20:00 BBC News (w172x5p4gky1cn0)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SAT 20:06 Newshour (w172x2z0y3fqk8l)**

Interviews, news and analysis of the day's global events.

**SAT 21:00 BBC News (w172x5p4gky1hd4)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SAT 21:06 Newshour (w172x2z0y3fpq0q)**

Joe Biden wins US presidential election

Democrat challenger Joe Biden has won the 2020 US election, according to BBC projections. His running mate, Kamala Harris, will be the first ever female vice-president. The result was called after Mr Biden overtook Republican incumbent Donald Trump in the state of Pennsylvania. In a statement Mr Biden said he is "honoured and humbled" and that it was time for America to "unite." The Trump campaign says "the simple fact is this election is far from over" and has launched legal

challenges

(Photo: Biden supporters celebrate; Credit: European Photopress Agency)

**SAT 22:00 BBC News (w172x5p4gky1m48)**

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**SAT 22:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bhgh2mckd)**

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**SAT 22:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pyx9jqzd)**

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**SAT 22:32 Heart and Soul (w3ct0x20)**

Fruit of thy womb

In many religions child bearing is revered. Giving birth can be a way of honouring your deity and strengthening your community. In contrast, infertility can be seen as a punishment.

So what impact does that have on the faith of women who find they're unable, or unwilling, to conceive? This Heart and Soul hears how this experience has transformed the spiritual lives of four different women - Christian, a Muslim, a Buddhist and a Jew.

The Fruit of Thy Womb is produced by Julia Paul.

**SAT 23:00 BBC News (w172x5p4gky1qwd)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SAT 23:06 Business Weekly (w3ct0spg)**

US Election: The end of a nailbiting week

The Oval Office is within Joe Biden's grasp - on this edition of Business Weekly we ask what this means for US economic policy. We find out why the markets rallied and ask a former climate negotiator what a Biden presidency could mean for the environment. We'll also hear from the sailors stuck on the ocean thanks to covid but desperate to reach home. There are concerns that the plight of the 400,000 sailors unable to reach shore could become a humanitarian catastrophe. And we take a closer look at the little Ant that grew into a financial giant as Jack Ma's financial company is prevented from listing on the stock exchange at the last moment.

Business Weekly is presented by Lucy Burton and produced by Matthew Davies.

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[Repeat of broadcast at 05:32 on Saturday]

**SUN 00:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pyx9jr6wx)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**SUN 00:32 Trending (w3cszvs)**

How to be a social media star... without the internet

Wasil is well known for his funny, flirtatious satirical videos. But he also lives in Indian-administered Kashmir, which is arguably one of the least-connected places on earth. The internet is often cut off or slowed down to a trickle. It's one of a number of measures the Indian government has taken to restrict information in the province. The government says the measures are necessary to clamp down on militants - but rights organisations call them a serious breach of civil liberties. For Wasil, it makes making and uploading content extremely difficult. Even worse, his career came to a crashing halt when the Indian government banned the app where he has his biggest following - TikTok. The longest continuous internet blackout in Kashmir began more than a year ago. So how is he coping?

Presenter: Reha Kansara

(Photo: Wasil with the sun setting behind him, Credit: Wasi!)

**SUN 00:50 Over to You (w3cszf56)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:50 on Saturday]

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**SUN 01:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bhgh2mqss)**

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**SUN 02:00 BBC News (w172x5p4gky233s)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SUN 02:06 The Science Hour (w3cszkk)**

Coronavirus spreads from mink to humans

All the farmed mink in Denmark are to be killed. Around 17 million. This is because they have SARS COV-2 coronavirus circulating among them and some humans have contracted a new strain from the animals. The scientific detail is sketchy, but Emma Hodcroft at Basel University pieces together a picture of what this means for tackling the virus.

Typhoon Goni and hurricane Eta are two very powerful tropical cyclones. But the way these storms are recorded differs by geographical location and recording style. We speak with Kerry Emanuel, a professor at MIT in Boston, USA.

The magnitude 7 earthquake that hit the Mediterranean last Friday (30/10/20) was 70 miles away from the city of Izmir, but despite this, there was devastating loss of life due to collapsed buildings. Earthquake engineer Eser Çakıt from the Turkish University of Boğaziçi, and Tiziana Rossetto from University College London talk us through the damage.

Migratory arctic animals are a weathervane for how the world is coping with climate change. Scientists have now pulled together monitoring data for these species' movements into one accessible bank. Sarah Davidson tells us how this can help us understand the impact of Arctic climate change.

CrowdScience listeners come in all shapes, sizes and ages. This episode is dedicated to our younger listeners who, as we've learned before, are experts at asking those superficially obvious questions that for parents, are anything but easy to answer. To start off with, Sylvia, asks why elephants are so big? As we hear from our expert - mammals were at one time, much larger - so perhaps the question should be, why aren't they bigger? We investigate what drives body size in the animal kingdom.

Presenter Marnie Chesterton, together with our 'cub' reporter Arlo, goes in search of the most brilliant scientific minds to respond to a slew of other queries. Shambhavi, from Singapore wonders why humans have five digits on each hand? And Benni from California asks why dogs don't get sick when they drink from muddy puddles? Do dogs have some amazing ability to fight off viruses and bugs?

Beyond the confines of our planet, we've also got a question from Olivia, from Sydney, Australia, who regularly contemplates the universe: what is the biggest object in it she wonders? Marnie and her experts do their best to solve these mysteries.

(Image: Credit: Getty Images)

**SUN 03:00 BBC News (w172x5p4gky26vx)**

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**SUN 03:06 World Book Club (w3cszmx4)**

Yiyun Li: The Vagrants

Life or death choices in a bid to survive the horrors of 1970s Communist China

This month in the penultimate edition of a year celebrating the globe's greatest women writers World Book Club talks to acclaimed Chinese author Yiyun Li about her harrowing debut novel The Vagrants.

Winner of the Guardian First Book Award The Vagrants is based on real events which took place in China in 1979 during the era that ultimately led to the fateful Tiananmen Square uprising.

In the provincial town of Muddy Waters a young woman, Gu Shan, is sentenced to death for her loss of faith in Communism. The citizens stage a protest after her execution and, over the following six weeks, the novel charts the hopes and fears of the leaders of the protest and the pain of Gu Shan's parents and friends, as everyone in the town is caught up in the remorseless turn of events.

(Picture: Yiyun Li. Photo credit: Roger Turesson.)

**SUN 04:00 BBC News (w172x5p4gky2bm1)**

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**SUN 04:06 From Our Own Correspondent (w3csz9qd)**

Are We Speaking the Same Language?

The People's Republic of China is officially a multi-ethnic state which protects the rights of minority peoples, including their language and culture. But in recent years its policies applied in Xinjiang and Tibet have darkened that picture. After hearing of a new dispute over the use of the Mongolian language in schools in the Chinese region of Inner Mongolia, Stephen McDonnell went to find out more. It turned out to be a complicated picture - and not easy to judge propaganda from reality.

Caroline Wyatt introduces this story and other insights from BBC correspondents, journalists and writers around the world.

In Nigeria, the nation's been agog - and sometimes aghast - at the follies on public display during several state enquiries into the causes of the recent #EndSARS protests, and the fatal shootings of demonstrators which put an end to them. Mayeni Jones saw several scenes of high, if implausible, drama unfold at hearings in Lagos and Abuja.

The Paraguay River is a mighty one - and a lifeline for the country named after it. Most of its imports and exports are ferried by boat, so the drought that's wracking South America and recently reduced the river to its lowest-ever level could have drastic consequences. William Costa went down to the waterside to hear how fishermen, shipping crews and climatologists are seeing changes.

Elecheks - huge turbans for women, made of many layers of fine, snow-white cotton - are a symbol of Kyrgyz culture. These days many women prefer a simpler headscarf for everyday wear, but the elecheks are still treasured as heirlooms. In Bishkek, Caroline Eden meets one collector and master needle-worker who's pressed some treasured antique textiles into new service - as face masks to combat Covid 19 in Kyrgyzstan.

(Image: Students wearing face masks have a Mongolian language class at a Mongolian primary school in Ordos, Inner Mongolia Autonomous Region of China. Credit: Liu Wenhua/China News Service via Getty Images)

**SUN 04:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pyx9jrpwf)**

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**SUN 04:32 Girl Taken (w3ct0xw8)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:32 on Saturday]

**SUN 04:50 The Big Idea (w3ct0xj4)**

How do we spot rogue cops?

David Edmonds speaks to a leading criminologist who says we can do much better in identifying rogue cops before they act. Produced by Robbie Wojciechowski for the BBC World Service.

Image: Blue police lights (Credit: Getty Images)

**SUN 05:00 BBC News (w172x5p4gky2gc5)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SUN 05:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bhgh2n6s9)**

The world's Newsroom brings you global events as they happen

**SUN 05:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pyx9jrtmk)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**SUN 05:32 Trending (w3cszvs)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 00:32 today]

**SUN 05:50 More or Less (w3ct0py7)**

How deadly is Covid 19?

Tim Harford explores what we know about mortality rates in the current pandemic. We discuss the differences between the risks to different age groups, and why that has an effect on a country's Covid 19 fatality rate.

We speak to Dr Hannah Ritchie from the University of Oxford and Dr Daniel Howdon of the University of Leeds in the UK.

**SUN 06:00 BBC News (w172x5p4gky2l39)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SUN 06:06 Weekend (w172x7d4by90y0d)**

Joe Biden declares victory

Joe Biden takes centre-stage to declare victory over Donald Trump and lays down his plans for office.

Also, how was Joe Biden able to capture key states in the campaign?

Plus we'll hear of the mood at the White House.

Joining Celia Hatton to discuss these and other issues are the award-winning documentary film-maker and human-rights activist, Deeyah Khan; and Paul Melly, a journalist and researcher whose work focuses on Africa and the Middle East.

(Picture: President-elect Joe Biden, his wife Jill Biden, Vice President-elect Kamala Harris, and her husband Doug Emhoff. Credit: EPA)

**SUN 07:00 BBC News (w172x5p4gky2pvf)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SUN 07:06 Weekend (w172x7d4by91244)**

Joe Biden pledges to unify America

In his first speech as US president-elect, Joe Biden says he wants to unify rather than divide and it is time for America to heal. We'll hear from a former close aide to Mr Biden.

We'll also look at the Republican Party's response and discuss if the Trump campaign's legal challenges have any chance of changing the outcome.

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(Picture: US president-elect, Joe Biden Credit: EPA)

**SUN 08:00 BBC News (w172x5p4gky2tlk)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SUN 08:06 Weekend (w172x7d4by915w8)**

Joe Biden announces plans for Covid-19 response

During Joe Biden's victory speech in Delaware, he said that they needed to control the pandemic and he plans to bring together a group of experts to create an action plan starting on January 20th 2021.

We'll also look at how to cope with losing your job amid record unemployment caused by the pandemic.

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(Photo: US president-elect Joe Biden Credit: Andrew Harnik/Reuters)

**SUN 08:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pyx9js5vy)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**SUN 08:32 The Food Chain (w3cszjqd)**

Opening a restaurant in a pandemic

Is there ever a good time to open a restaurant? Surely, during a global pandemic isn't one of them? As coronavirus rips through communities around the globe, lockdowns are forcing tens of thousands of restaurants to close their doors. Tamasin Ford meets the entrepreneurs who are doing the opposite. We hear how a West African restaurant in London and a Chinese restaurant in LA are managing their openings. Plus, how putting food on the menu, became a matter of survival for one of London's top dance clubs.

(Picture: Adejoké, Henry and Stuart. Credit: BBC/Adejoké Bakare/Henry Molina/Stuart Glen)

If you would like to get in touch with the show, please email thefoodchain@bbc.co.uk

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Stuart Glen: co-founder The Cause, London

**SUN 09:00 BBC News (w172x5p4gky2ybp)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SUN 09:06 From Our Own Correspondent (w3csz9qd)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 04:06 today]

**SUN 09:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pyx9js9m2)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**SUN 09:32 Outlook (w3cszf0p)**

The twists and turns of the Rubik's Cube

Outlook's Saskia Edwards goes in search of the elusive creator of what must be one of the most maddening games - the Rubik's Cube. On route she meets one of the fastest cubers in the world, Feliks Zemdegs. He can solve the puzzle in a matter of seconds, but even he can't tell Saskia where she can find its inventor - Erno Rubik.

Erno Rubik has a book out called Cubed: The Puzzle of Us All.

**SUN 10:00 BBC News (w172x5p4gky322t)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SUN 10:06 WorklifeIndia (w3ct1c13)**

Indian Premier League cricket: The new normal

As the world's biggest Twenty20 cricket tournament being held in a pandemic year draws to a close, a lot has changed in the way the game is played, viewed and celebrated. The tournament, known for its carnival Bollywood atmosphere, has been a quiet affair without raucous fans filling the stadiums.

But there has been plenty for the viewers to look forward to - in fact, the sporting league has recorded over 25% more viewership than the previous season, with more women tuning in than ever before.

So, how is this shaping the new normal in cricket? Are virtual watch parties and online fantasy cricket here to stay? And how are big brands and startups responding to the needs of the digital audiences?

In this edition of WorklifeIndia, we discuss the larger viewership trends and how fans are adjusting to the new normal in their favourite sport.

Presenter: Devina Gupta

Contributors: Jake Lush McCrum, COO, Rajasthan Royals; Ridhima Pathak, sports presenter; Shradha Agarwal, COO and strategy head, Grapes Digital

**SUN 10:29 Ceremony of Remembrance from the Cenotaph (w172xst5dfn3rmx)**

Ceremony of Remembrance from the Cenotaph in London

Paddy O'Connell sets the scene in London's Whitehall for the solemn ceremony when the UK remembers the sacrifice made by so many in the two world wars and in other more recent conflicts. The traditional music of remembrance is played by the massed bands. After the Two Minutes Silence and Last Post, wreaths are laid at the foot of the Cenotaph by members of the Royal Family, political leaders and representatives of Commonwealth countries, before a short Service of Remembrance.

The number of veterans in the March Past is reduced this year, and the streets are not lined by the usual crowds, but the familiar music and movements of the ceremony remain.

**SUN 11:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pyx9jsk3b)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**SUN 11:32 The Compass (w3ct165h)**

Climate Wars

Climate Wars: Central and Northern America

Will Robson investigates the impact climate change is having on human security in Central and Northern America.

He examines how global warming is leading to mass migration across the region, and how a spike in freak weather events is undermining basic social infrastructures.

He also hears why the avocado has become a "conflict commodity" in Mexico, and how climate change threatens the resilience of the USA's power grid and its nuclear weapons arsenal.

**SUN 12:00 BBC News (w172x5p4gky3912)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SUN 12:06 The Inquiry (w3csz4lb)**

Why are Thai students risking jail to call for reform of the monarchy?

Pro-democracy protests have happened before in Thailand, but there's something new about the latest one - the king is being publicly criticised. It's a serious criminal offence to do that. This week, Charmaine Cozier asks why people are protesting against the Thai monarchy.

**SUN 12:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pyx9jsnvg)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**SUN 12:32 Assignment (w3csz6lz)**

Sicily's prisoner fishermen

Eighteen fishermen from Sicily are in jail in Benghazi, accused of fishing in Libya's waters. And in this part of the Mediterranean, rich in the highly-prized and lucrative red prawn, these kinds of arrests are frequent. Usually the Libyans release the men after negotiations. This time it's different. General Khalifa Haftar - the warlord with authority over the east of Libya - is demanding a prisoner swap: the freeing of four Libyans in jail in Sicily convicted of human trafficking and implicated in the deaths of 49 migrants, in return for the fishermen. For Assignment, Linda Pressly explores a little-known conflict in the Mediterranean - the so-called, 'Red Prawn War' and its fall-out.

(Image: Domenico Asaro, a third generation fishermen from Mazara del Vallo who has been arrested at sea by Libya three times. Credit: BBC)

**SUN 13:00 BBC News (w172x5p4gky3fb6)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SUN 13:06 Newshour (w172x2z0y3fslsy)**

Biden vows to 'unify' country in victory speech

Joe Biden has said it is "time to heal" the US in his first speech as president-elect, vowing "not to divide but to unify" the country. Mr Trump has yet to concede and has not spoken publicly since his defeat was announced while he was playing golf. The result makes Mr Trump the first one-term president since the 1990s.

Also on the programme: The president of Azerbaijan says his country's forces have captured Shusha, the second-biggest city in the disputed enclave of Nagorno-Karabakh and votes are being counted in Myanmar after the country's second democratic election since the end of five decades of military rule.

(Picture: Supporters gathered in Wilmington for Mr Biden's speech. Credit: Reuters)

**SUN 14:00 BBC News (w172x5p4gky3k2b)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SUN 14:06 World Book Club (w3cszmx4)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 03:06 today]

**SUN 15:00 BBC News (w172x5p4gky3ntg)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SUN 15:06 The Forum (w3cszjw9)**

Comenius, a pioneer of lifelong learning

Teaching not by rote but through play? That's credited to the 17th-century Czech pastor and thinker called Jan Amos Comenius. Splitting schoolchildren up into year groups? That's Comenius. Universal education for all, rich and poor? That's down to him too. Nearly four centuries ago, Comenius came up with principles of modern education but they were only implemented hundreds of years after his death. That these ideas are now so widely accepted obscures the fact that they were ground-breaking - indeed too radical - in his day. Comenius lived through turbulent times: the devastating Thirty Year served as the backdrop to much of his life. He was suffered personal tragedy during the bitter battles between Protestants and Catholics in Europe and spent most of his adult life in exile. Joining Rajan Datar to analyse the contribution to modern thinking made by Comenius in this, the 350th anniversary year of his death are Dr. Vladimir Urbanek, Head of the Department of Comenius' Studies and Early Modern Intellectual History at the Czech Academy of Sciences in Prague; Howard Hotson, Professor of Early Modern Intellectual History at Oxford University; and Dr. Yoanna Leek from the Faculty of Education Sciences at Lodz University in Poland.

[Image: Portrait of Comenius by Jurgen Ovens, painted c. 1650 - 1670. Credit: Sepia Times/Universal Images Group via Getty

Images]

**SUN 15:50 The Big Idea (w3ct0xj4)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 04:50 today]

**SUN 16:00 BBC News (w172x5p4gky3skl)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SUN 16:06 Sportsworld (w172x3lh980tb6x)**

Live Sporting Action

We have live commentary of Manchester City v Liverpool in the English Premier League. Plus highlights of West Brom v Tottenham and Leicester v Wolves and a look ahead to Arsenal v Aston Villa. The Bournemouth goalkeeper and current Bosnia and Herzegovina international, Asmir Begovic, joins us to follow the day's action.

Also this week, cricket as the Indian Premier League reaches the knock-out stages, tennis from the Paris Masters, and the final stage of cycling's Vuelta a Espana.

Photo: Kyle Walker of Manchester City during the UEFA Champions League Group C stage match between Manchester City and Olympiacos FC (Credit: Tom Flathers/Manchester City FC via Getty Images)

**SUN 19:00 BBC News (w172x5p4gky44sz)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SUN 19:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bhgh2px73)**

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**SUN 19:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pyx9jtj2c)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**SUN 19:32 The Documentary (w3csz4pw)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:32 on Saturday]

**SUN 20:00 BBC News (w172x5p4gky48k3)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SUN 20:06 Music Life (w3csz6tr)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 on Saturday]

**SUN 21:00 BBC News (w172x5p4gky4d97)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SUN 21:06 Newshour (w172x2z0y3ftkxt)**

George W Bush congratulates President-elect Joe Biden

Former US president, George W Bush, has called president-elect Joe Biden to congratulate him saying his election was fundamentally fair and the outcome clear. But the current president, Donald Trump, is still refusing to admit defeat. Mr Biden has said the priority for his new administration is tackling the coronavirus and bridging America's political divisions. (Photo: Joe Biden celebrates election win; Credit: Reuters)

**SUN 22:00 BBC News (w172x5p4gky4j1c)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SUN 22:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bhgh2q8gh)**

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**SUN 22:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pyx9jtw9r)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**SUN 22:32 The Documentary (w3csy0yb)**

The Unknown Soldier

Moira Stuart tells the astonishing story of the idea of the Unknown Soldier: a powerful prism for national grief, a brilliant interplay between anonymity and universal recognition, an icon which spread across the globe.

On the second anniversary of the armistice following the end of the Great War, the remains of a single Unknown Soldier were brought home from the battlefields of the Western Front. Given the scale of the carnage and the fact that so many of the fallen were simply unidentifiable, the idea to commemorate the dead through the remains of one anonymous soldier - that would represent them all - was more than just pragmatic. As an idea it had a symbolic, almost poetic, resonance.

And so the remains of the Unknown Soldier were interred with full honours in Westminster Abbey in London. The outpouring of grief brought the nation to a standstill. There were extraordinary scenes on the streets of London. Other Allied nations followed suit. Millions paid their respects.

But even from the beginning the concept of the Unknown Soldier was not without its critics. Some saw it as emblematic of the callousness of states and their governments in wartime - the Unknown could be read as figure of righteous anger, of the terrible, mass anonymity of countless young men lost without trace. And Moira uncovers a twist in the tale: that the future of the Unknown Soldier as a timeless, abstract memorial is open to doubt for the simple reason that thanks to DNA testing, human remains are no longer unidentifiable. There is even a move to use DNA science to re-identify the remains of existing Unknowns around the world.

In this moving feature marking the centenary of Armistice Day, Moira asks whether the Unknown Soldier is finally an icon of war or peace; of sorrow and mourning - or is he a warning to us still?

Producers: Simon Hollis and Jo Wheeler.

(Photo: The Duchess of Sussex's wedding bouquet is laid on the grave of the Unknown Warrior in the west nave of Westminster Abbey. Credit: Victoria Jones/Getty Images)

**SUN 23:00 BBC News (w172x5p4gky4msh)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SUN 23:06 From Our Own Correspondent (w3csz9qd)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 04:06 today]

**SUN 23:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pyx9jv01w)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**SUN 23:32 Girl Taken (w3ct0xw8)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:32 on Saturday]

**SUN 23:50 The Big Idea (w3ct0xj4)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 04:50 today]

## MONDAY 09 NOVEMBER 2020

**MON 00:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv78lss)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**MON 00:06 BBC OS Conversations (w3ct19yt)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:06 on Saturday]

**MON 00:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pz8ktyz25)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**MON 00:32 Discovery (w3ct1c6d)**

Anatomy Of Touch

Digital touch

Claudia Hammond asks if touch can be replicated digitally? What devices exist already and how likely are we to use them? Michael Banissy, co-creator of the Touch Test, neuroscientist David Eagleman and researcher Carey Jewitt look at the possibilities for touch technologies in the future. David has developed a wristband that translates sound into touch for deaf people, Carey looks at the ethics of digital touch and Michael reveals the attitudes from the Touch Test towards digital technologies. If we could replicate the feeling of holding a loved one's hand in hospital would it really be the same? And dancer Lisa May Thomas talks about her experience of extending touch into space and through virtual reality.

**MON 01:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv78qjx)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**MON 01:06 World Business Report (w172x57xv1792wn)**

Joe Biden's economic priorities

What will a Joe Biden Presidency mean for the US and the global economy? Increasingly unequal incomes and the coronavirus are a few of the issues Biden is looking to tackle as he's set to secure a victory from Donald Trump - so where will Biden's push for green policies fit in? Plus, with Kamala Harris becoming the first female vice President, and the first woman of colour to hold the post, we speak with Julia Bond, instrumental in huge corporate changes due to her campaigning

during the Black Lives Matter movement, to find out what this means for her. And what happens when you give the homeless thousands of dollars in a lump sum? The results are 'beautifully surprising', says the Canadian company who did exactly that.

(Image: Joe Biden on a TV screen with share prices in the foreground. Credit: Philip Fong/ Getty Images)

**MON 01:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pz8ktz219)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**MON 01:32 The Food Chain (w3cszjqs)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:32 on Sunday]

**MON 02:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv78v91)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**MON 02:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bhtrcvlq5)**

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**MON 02:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pz8ktz6kf)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**MON 02:32 The Documentary (w3csy0yb)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 22:32 on Sunday]

**MON 03:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv78z15)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**MON 03:06 The Forum (w3cszjw9)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 15:06 on Sunday]

**MON 03:50 Sporting Witness (w3cszh5s)**

India's Queen of the Oceans

In 2004, the Indian long-distance swimmer Bula Choudhury became the first woman to complete the challenge of crossing straits of the world's seven seas. Choudhury is a former Indian national swimming champion in the pool, who was inspired to switch to the open ocean by a traditional Bengali folk tale. Her challenge took her to five continents, although she says one of her hardest swims was in the cold waters of the English Channel. Bula Choudhury talks to Maya Mitter. The programme is a Made-In-Manchester Production.

PHOTO: Bula Choudhury (personal collection)

**MON 04:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv79z59)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**MON 04:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bhtrcvv6f)**

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**MON 04:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pz8ktz1p)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**MON 04:32 CrowdScience (w3cszv6l)**

Why are elephants so big?

CrowdScience listeners come in all shapes, sizes and ages. This episode is dedicated to our younger listeners who, as we've learned before, are experts at asking those superficially obvious questions that for parents, are anything but easy to answer. To start off with, Sylvia, asks why elephants are so big? As we hear from our expert - mammals were at one time, much larger - so perhaps the question should be, why aren't they bigger? We investigate what drives body size in the animal kingdom.

Presenter Marnie Chesterton, together with our 'cub' reporter Arlo, goes in search of the most brilliant scientific minds to respond to a slew of other queries. Shambhavi, from Singapore wonders why humans have five digits on each hand? And Benni from California asks why dogs don't get sick when they drink from muddy puddles? Do dogs have some amazing ability to fight off viruses and bugs?

Beyond the confines of our planet, we've also got a question from Olivia, from Sydney, Australia, who regularly contemplates the universe: what is the biggest object in it she wonders? Marnie and her experts do their best to solve these mysteries.

Presented by Marnie Chesterton, produced by Dom Byrne for the BBC World Service.

Image: Getty Images

**MON 05:00 BBC News (w172x5p4t796jf)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**MON 05:06 Newsday (w172x2wkz5xxgw4)**

Biden lays out plans for US

The President-elect says Covid is his top priority, with the number of infections still rising. Meanwhile President Trump renews his allegations of frauds.

The Ethiopian Prime minister sacks his foreign minister and army chief of staff as fighting continues between federal troops and the dissident region of Tigray.

And how French schools kids are coping with wearing masks.

**MON 06:00 BBC News (w172x5p4t79b8k)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**MON 06:06 Newsday (w172x2wkz5xxlm8)**

US Election: Trump continues to refuse to concede

President-elect Biden prepares for office despite ongoing legal challenges - including setting up a coronavirus taskforce.

Is there any possibility of compromise between Azerbaijan and Armenia for the sake of peace in the disputed enclave of Nagorno Karabakh? We hear from the President of Azerbaijan.

And 30 media companies and journalists are accused of contempt of court over the reporting of Australian Cardinal George Pell's conviction on sexual abuse charges.

**MON 07:00 BBC News (w172x5p4t79g0p)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**MON 07:06 Newsday (w172x2wkz5xxqcd)**

Biden starts work despite Trump's refusal to concede

US President-elect Joe Biden will announce a coronavirus taskforce later today - while Donald Trump continues to tweet unsubstantiated claims of voter fraud.

We'll hear from a female member of parliament in Afghanistan about the inspiration she gets from Kamala Harris's appointment.

And we look at the new restrictions that come into force in Portugal today as the number of coronavirus cases there reach a record high.

**MON 08:00 BBC News (w172x5p4t79krt)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**MON 08:06 HARDtalk (w3csz2r)**

Leopoldo Lopez: An opposition leader in exile

The socialist government of Venezuela presides over an economy in meltdown and a population desperate for change. Yet the country's opposition has failed to build a movement capable of bringing down President Nicolas Maduro. Why? In an exclusive interview, Stephen Sackur speaks to Leopoldo Lopez, the founder of the opposition Popular Will party. Last month, he escaped from Venezuela and found refuge in Spain. Is that the action of a man who has lost faith in the opposition's ability to win their struggle?

**MON 08:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5p28kty16)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**MON 08:32 Business Daily (w3csz7k7)**

US Elections: How will Biden approach the economy?

US President-elect Joe Biden is to make tackling the coronavirus pandemic his top priority following his win over Donald Trump, his team says. Larry Summers, former director of the National Economic Council under President Obama says the country can't have a healthy economy without a healthy population. But before the President-elect can get to work, he and his team have a slew of legal challenges from President Trump to fend off. Barry Richard, veteran Florida lawyer who represented then candidate George W. Bush in the 2000 election Supreme Court battle, runs down the merits of those challenges, as well as their flaws.

Produced by Frey Lindsay and Joshua Thorpe.

(Image credit: Getty Images)

**MON 08:50 Witness History (w3cszmkt)**

The Guerrilla Girls

In 1985, a group of anonymous female artists in New York began dressing up with gorilla masks on their heads and putting up fly-posters around the city's museums and galleries. It was part of a campaign to demand greater representation for women and ethnic minorities in the art world. The guerrilla girls' campaign later went international. Laura Fitzpatrick has been talking to the activists known as "Frida Kahlo" and "Kathe Kollowitz".

PHOTO: Some of the Guerrilla Girls in 1990 (Getty Images)

**MON 09:00 BBC News (w172x5p4t79phy)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**MON 09:06 The Documentary (w3ct0wj)**

DNA and me

Want to know who you really are? Take an at-home DNA test, just like over 26 million others have around the globe. But the question is: why?

For many, it's just a bit of fun; for others it might be for medical insight. But for everyone, it promises to tell you who you really are – and for many, those results might come as a surprise. For BBC reporter Sophia Smith Galer and her father, an innocent at-home kit led to a series of shocking discoveries about their family.

From discovering her true biological grandfather to a superstar relative, understanding their family background won't ever be the same again. With so many stories like theirs emerging around the globe, are at-home DNA test kits now the ultimate palm-reader, setting the paths for our future and sense of self? Do we assume too much of what is still early science – and how much is our identity, really, controlled by our genes anyway?

Sophia explores what this new scientific determination offers, and what other stories that are emerging around the world like her and her father's tell us about how we build a sense of identity today in 2020.

Presenter/producer: Sophia Smith-Galer

(Photo: Sophia Smith-Galer. Credit: Lai Jones)

**MON 09:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5p28kv01sb)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**MON 09:32 CrowdScience (w3cszv6l)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 04:32 today]

**MON 10:00 BBC News (w172x5p4t79t82)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**MON 10:06 Comedians Vs. The News (w3ct0x3k)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 05:32 on Saturday]

**MON 10:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5p28kv05jg)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**MON 10:32 Trending (w3cszvsn)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 00:32 on Sunday]

**MON 10:50 More or Less (w3ct0py7)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 05:50 on Sunday]

**MON 11:00 BBC News (w172x5p4t79y06)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**MON 11:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bhtcrwfb)**

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**MON 11:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5p28kv098l)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**MON 11:32 The Conversation (w3cszj45)**

Women laughing at life

Two comedians using the highs and lows of their personal lives as material for stand-up tell Kim Chakanetsa about what motivated them to get up on stage to be laughed at and how their families react.

New Zealand comedian Angella Dravid, is known for her awkward manner and uses everything from her brief teen marriage to a man in his 40s to her time in a UK prison as fuel for her show. Socially anxious herself, she embraces being uncomfortable in routines.

Born in Russia and now based in London, Olga Koch was nominated for Best Newcomer at the Edinburgh Comedy Awards in 2018 for her debut hour, Fight. It's a show about her father and Russia's roller-coaster years from the collapse of Communism to the rise of Vladimir Putin.

Image

L: Angella Dravid - credit Matt Klitscher

R: Olga Koch - credit James Deacon

**MON 12:00 BBC News (w172x5p4t7b1rb)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**MON 12:06 Outlook (w3cszd3z)**

CJ Daugherty's world of literary escapism

Christi Daugherty – also known as CJ Daugherty – is a best-selling writer of Young Adult thrillers and crime novels. As a child, she would lose herself in books and literary adventures as a way of coping with her own unstable and violent family life. Her father was controlling and abusive – her home was miserable until her mother plotted a secret midnight escape.

Her latest book written as CJ Daugherty is called Number Ten.

Presenter: Emily Webb

Producer: Maryam Maruf

(Photo: Christi Daugherty. Credit: Jack Jewers)

Any comments please email us on outlook@bbc.com

**MON 12:50 Witness History (w3cszmkt)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 today]

**MON 13:00 BBC News (w172x5p4t7b5hg)**

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**MON 13:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bhtcrwxxl)**

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**MON 13:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5p28kv0jrv)**

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**MON 13:32 CrowdScience (w3cszv6l)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 04:32 today]

**MON 14:00 BBC News (w172x5p4t7b97l)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**MON 14:06 Newshour (w172x2z19cr0gw5)**

'Milestone' vaccine offers 90% Covid protection

The pharmaceutical company Pfizer says its experimental coronavirus vaccine has shown itself to be more than 90% effective in preventing infections. The news comes as Joe Biden sets up a Covid-19 advisory board, after winning the US presidency. Also in the programme: The President of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev tells the BBC he does not see a possibility for peace with the current Prime Minister of Armenia. Photo credit: Getty Images.

**MON 15:00 BBC News (w172x5p4t7bdzq)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**MON 15:06 The Documentary (w3ct0wj)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:06 today]

**MON 15:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5p28kv0s83)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**MON 15:32 World Business Report (w172xlv56mh08df)**

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The first effective coronavirus vaccine prevents more than 90% of people getting Covid-19. Rachel Winter is associate investment director at Killik and Co, and talks us through the market winners and losers on news of the development, which comes from a partnership between Pfizer and BioNTech. Also in the programme, following confirmation over the weekend

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(Picture: A syringe and a vial of liquid. Picture credit: Getty Images.)

**MON 16:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7bjqv)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**MON 16:06 BBC OS (w172x2t3n03wssp)**  
New COVID-19 vaccine offers 90% protection

The first effective coronavirus vaccine has been shown to protect ninety percent of people from infection - in what the developers say is a great moment for science and humanity. Our BBC health correspondent talks us through the trials and efficacy of it.

Also, Nuala McGovern is live in Las Vegas speaking to Republican and Democrat supporters getting reaction to Joe Biden's presidential election win. How do they see the future?

And we have reaction from Jamaicans and Indians to Kamala Harris becoming the first female, first black and first South Asian vice president.

(Picture of person being injected with a vaccine. Credit: Getty)

**MON 17:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7bngz)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**MON 17:06 BBC OS (w172x2t3n03xjt)**  
US Election: Reaction to Biden win

Nuala McGovern is live in Las Vegas speaking to Republican and Democrat supporters, getting reaction to Joe Biden's presidential election win. Donald Trump's refusal to acknowledge his loss in the election is causing concerns about a smooth presidential transition. Voters in Las Vegas hear about what they want to happen next.

Also, we have news of the first effective coronavirus vaccine that can prevent more than 90% of people getting Covid-19. The developers - Pfizer and BioNTech - describe it as a "great day for science and humanity". A medical doctor talks us through the trials and efficacy of it.

And we hear from a young African American woman in Las Vegas. How has President Trump's legacy affected her community?

(Photo: Nuala McGovern with guests in Las Vegas. Credit: BBC)

**MON 18:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7bs73)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**MON 18:06 Outlook (w3cszd3z)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 today]

**MON 18:50 Witness History (w3cszmkt)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 today]

**MON 19:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7bwz7)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**MON 19:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bhtrcxndc)**  
The world's Newsroom brings you global events as they happen

**MON 19:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5p28kv187m)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**MON 19:32 Sport Today (w172x3jvs23nwf8)**  
2020/11/09 GMT

BBC sports correspondents tell the story behind today's top sporting news, with interviews and reports from across the world.

**MON 20:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7c0qc)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**MON 20:06 The Documentary (w3ct0wjl)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:06 today]

**MON 20:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5p28kv1czzr)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**MON 20:32 Discovery (w3csz9fd)**  
Birds: singing for survival

As large areas of the world have locked down this year, many of us have become more aware of the birdsong around us. The relative silence has allowed us to listen in. But scientists have known for several years that the birds themselves have been responding to human noise too, by pitching their songs and other calls higher, to be heard over the rumble of our urban life.

There are several ways in which birds can adapt how they communicate in the face of environmental pressures, but what are the limits to these adaptations? And what can this tell us about how to maximise conservation efforts in the future? Rory Crawford talks to ornithologists and animal behaviourists studying bird species around the world. He finds out how the advance of technology is helping researchers explore birds' preferences and behaviours in the wild, and hears how one particular bird changed its song, and the new version rapidly spread across North America – "the most viral tweet of all time", as it's been called!

Picture: A Robin [Erithacus rubecula], Credit: Gary Chalke/Getty Images

**MON 21:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7c4gh)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**MON 21:06 Newshour (w172x2t19cr1b32)**  
New COVID-19 vaccine offers 90% protection

The manufacturers of the first effective coronavirus vaccine say it's been shown to protect ninety percent of people from infection. The pharmaceutical companies, Pfizer and BioNTech say they have not found any serious issues in late stage trials and will soon ask the US authorities to approve the vaccine's use as an emergency measure.

Also on the programme; we'll look at how easy it will be for Joe Biden to govern with no guarantee of control of the Senate; and reaction from the President of Azerbaijan as fighting continues to rage over Nagorno Karabakh.

(Picture: Patient given injection, Credit: Getty Images)

**MON 22:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7c86m)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**MON 22:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bhtrcy0mr)**  
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**MON 22:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5p28kv1mh0)**  
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(Picture: A syringe and a vial of liquid. Picture credit: Getty Images.)

**MON 23:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7ccyr)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**MON 23:06 HARDtalk (w3cszcr2r)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:06 today]

**MON 23:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5p28kv1r74)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**MON 23:32 The Conversation (w3cszj45)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:32 today]

## TUESDAY 10 NOVEMBER 2020

**TUE 00:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7chpw)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**TUE 00:06 The History Hour (w3cszpkps)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 19:06 on Saturday]

**TUE 01:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7cmg0)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**TUE 01:06 Business Matters (w172x192rt14vjx)**  
Investors react to potential Covid vaccine

Pfizer has announced with its German partner that its coronavirus vaccine can prevent more than 90% of people from catching the disease. But will this breakthrough provide the world with a way to fight the virus?

And in the hiatus between Trump and Biden we look at what will change in the way America responds to the pandemic - and how Biden will engage with the rest of the world. Plus, are you hiding a debt from those closest to you? Millions do - we talk about how silence can spiral your debt, and Danny Cheetham tells us how he got out of a lifetime of debilitating debt accrued from gambling, payday loans and spiralling interest payments. We discuss all this live with guests Nisha Gopalan, Bloomberg markets editor in Hong Kong and Peter Morici, Professor Emeritus at the University of Maryland in Washington.

(Image: A doctor holds a syringe and a bottle labelled as the Covid-19 coronavirus vaccine. Photo by Vincent Kalut / Photonews via Getty Images)

**TUE 02:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7cr64)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**TUE 02:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bhtrcyhm8)**  
The world's Newsroom brings you global events as they happen

**TUE 02:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5p28kv23gj)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**TUE 02:32 The Documentary (w3ct0z3f)**  
India's missing children

In India, a child goes missing every eight minutes. BBC South Asia Correspondent Rajini Vaidyanathan meets the family of one of those children and follows their attempts to trace their daughter. It's a journey that takes us into the murky world of human trafficking, where children are bought and sold as commodities - forced to work long hours in factories, brothels or as domestic servants. And far from slowing the trade, the Coronavirus has fuelled demand for child labour and led to an increase in child trafficking as 'middle-men' target communities worst-hit by the pandemic.

(Photo: A girl puts her hand print on an installation during an awareness campaign program initiated by Delhi Police for those children who were missing and kidnapped. Credit: Biplov Bhuyan/Hindustan Times/Getty Images)

**TUE 03:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7cvy8)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**TUE 03:06 Outlook (w3cszd3z)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 on Monday]

**TUE 03:50 Witness History (w3cszmkt)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 on Monday]

**TUE 04:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7czpd)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**TUE 04:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bhtrcy3j)**

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**TUE 04:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pz8kv2bys)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**TUE 04:32 Discovery (w3csz9fd)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 20:32 on Monday]

**TUE 05:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7d3fj)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**TUE 05:06 Newsday (w172x2wkz5y0cs7)**

Nagorno Karabakh: Russian brokered ceasefire

The Armenian Prime Minister said he signed the "painful" agreement with Azerbaijan and Russia to end the war over the disputed region.

As the US face a huge surge of hospitalisations due to Covid infections, we look at the task force put in place by the President-elect Joe Biden. So when and how will a vaccine arrive?

And the president of Peru is kicked out of office by Congress amid raging coronavirus allegations of corruption.

**TUE 06:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7d75n)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**TUE 06:06 Newsday (w172x2wkz5y0hjc)**

Protesters storm Armenian parliament over Nagorno-Karabakh deal

People pour into the streets in Azerbaijan to celebrate the end of fighting over the disputed region.

Iran bans travel in and out of cities as coronavirus deaths hit a new peak.

And we get an update on the fighting in the northern Tigray region of Ethiopia between federal and regional troops.

**TUE 07:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7d7bxs)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**TUE 07:06 Newsday (w172x2wkz5y0m8h)**

Russia brokers 'painful' Nagorno-Karabakh peace deal

Protesters invade the Armenian parliament building in anger at the deal, while Azerbaijanis celebrate in the street.

A huge development in the race to produce the first vaccine that will fight Covid-19. So how does the vaccine work and why are the results so promising?

And we'll hear from the company that's been commissioned to turn moon rock into oxygen and building materials.

**TUE 08:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7dgnx)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**TUE 08:06 People Fixing the World (w3cszv21)**

Audience takeover: Your questions answered

Audience members praise and pick holes in solutions we've covered. Nick Holland and Kat Hawkins hear the best comments and questions and try to get answers.

Among the solutions under review is a story about a man who regrew a rainforest in Ecuador. One listener is worried it'll just get cut down again when he dies. And eyebrows are raised about nurses in Kenya using motorbikes to rescue snakebite victims.

Producer: Nick Holland

**TUE 08:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pz8kv2ty9)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**TUE 08:32 Business Daily (w3csz8b8)**

The 'milestone' vaccine is already having an effect

Stock markets have rocketed on hopes of a Covid-19 vaccine breakthrough. The BBC's Business Editor Simon Jack explains who the winners and losers have been on the markets so far, and what this could mean for future stimulus packages and inflation. The drugmakers responsible for the vaccine claim it can prevent

more than 90% of people from getting Covid-19. We'll hear from Mikael Dolsten, Global Research Chief for one of the drugmakers Pfizer. And epidemiologist Peter Horby of the University of Oxford expresses guarded optimism for the world opening up again.

Produced by Frey Lindsay.

(Image credit: Getty Images.)

**TUE 08:50 Witness History (w3cszmqb)**

Makaton - the signing system that changes lives

In the 1970s, British speech therapist Margaret Walker invented a revolutionary system of communication for children and adults with special needs. Makaton uses simple signs to reinforce spoken speech and make it easier for people with learning difficulties to understand the meaning. Makaton is now used by millions of people in around 40 countries around the world; it helps everyone from children with Down's Syndrome to pensioners with dementia. Margaret Walker talks to Simon Watts.

PHOTO: A Makaton user (credit: The Makaton Charity)

**TUE 09:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7dlf1)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**TUE 09:06 The Documentary (w3ct0z3f)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 02:32 today]

**TUE 09:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pz8kv2yppf)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**TUE 09:32 Discovery (w3csz9fd)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 20:32 on Monday]

**TUE 10:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7dq55)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**TUE 10:06 The Arts Hour (w3cszk3q)**

Actor Elisabeth Moss

Actor Elisabeth Moss discusses her latest role playing the writer Shirley Jackson and working on The Handmaid's Tale during Covid.

Bestselling novelist Lee Child on handing over the writing of his Jack Reacher novels to his brother Andrew Grant

Opera star Joseph Calleja tells us about looking after his voice and himself during lockdown

British director Sarah Gavron reveals the Japanese movie that has informed so much of her own filmmaking - After Life by Hirokazu Koreeda

Director Sofia Coppola talks about reuniting with actor Bill Murray for her latest film On The Rocks

And we hear from the Nigerian singer songwriter and Afro House queen Niniola

Joining Nikki Bedi to discuss the week's cultural highlights is cultural commentator and film programmer Jan Asante and Italian novelist Paolo Giordano, who'll also be telling us about his latest book Heaven and Earth.

(Photo: Actor Elisabeth Moss. Credit: VALERIE MACON/AFP via Getty Images)

**TUE 11:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7dtx9)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**TUE 11:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bhtrczlbf)**

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**TUE 11:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pz8kv365p)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**TUE 11:32 In the Studio (w3cszc4)**

Ann Goldstein: The art of the translator

Daniel Hahn and Ann Goldstein are translators, inhabiting a strange world between creation and publication, but with their own literary and linguistic creativity shaping the final form. Goldstein has been translating for decades, turning the words of

Elena Ferrante, Primo Levi and Jhumpa Lahiri, amongst others, into English. She works prolifically, and in this episode Daniel, himself a prize-winning author and literary judge, spends time with her over the course of three days in 2018 as she translates an award-winning Italian book.

Daniel Hahn discusses with her how to know where to translate exactly and where to get the sense, how to translate phrases which have no translation, and shares experiences about the politics of translation. He finds out how this literary great came to translating, how she chooses the books she wishes to translate and to what extent she acts – as so many translators do – as an advocate for foreign-language books to English-language publishers. And implicit in all this is what is core to the translator's art – intercession between cultures, sharing ideas and stories which would otherwise go unshared.

**TUE 12:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7dymf)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**TUE 12:06 Outlook (w3cszdkj)**

The wild ride of a Tamil comic book pioneer

This edition of Outlook is devoted to the impact of comic books and three remarkable journeys taken by artists and publishers who fell in love with comics as children.

Indian comic enthusiast Vijayan Soundrapandian has been working to bring his favourite characters to audiences in Tamil Nadu. His company Lion-Muthu Comics translates some of the world's most famous comics into Tamil.

In 2017 Outlook reporter Daniel Gross went to South Africa to meet cartoonist Mogorosi Motshumi. Mogorosi witnessed the worst of apartheid, and in the 1970s and 80s, was one of the only black artists using comics to document township life.

And we stay in the Outlook archive by revisiting an interview Emily did with Chinese-American comic creator Gene Luen Yang, he's the author behind the first Chinese Superman.

Main Image: Vijayan Soundrapandian  
Credit: Vijayan Soundrapandian

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**TUE 13:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bhtrcztp)**

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**TUE 13:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pz8kv3fny)**

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**TUE 13:32 Discovery (w3csz9fd)**

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**TUE 14:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7f64p)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**TUE 14:06 Newshour (w172x2z19cr3cs8)**

Will India get the Pfizer Covid-19 vaccine?

India has the second highest number of confirmed Covid-19 cases in the world. Pfizer's new vaccine, which appears to offer 90 percent protection, needs to be stored at minus 70 or 80C. So does India have the ultra-cold storage systems needed to use it?

Also in the programme: Russia is deploying hundreds of peacekeeping troops to Nagorno-Karabakh and surrounding territories, after Armenia and Azerbaijan agreed to end six weeks of war; and we hear tributes to one of the leading Palestinian political figures of the past 30 years, Saeb Erekat, who has died after contracting Covid-19.

(Photo: Indian office workers, wearing protective face masks, arrive at a railway station in Mumbai. Credit: European Photopress Agency)

**TUE 15:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7f9wt)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**TUE 15:06 The Documentary (w3ct0z3f)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 02:32 today]



**TUE 15:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pz8kv3p56)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**TUE 15:32 World Business Report (w172xltw32pgs53)**

Amazon charged with abusing EU competition rules

The European Commission has charged Amazon with abusing its dominant online retail position. Mark Scott is chief technology correspondent at Politico in London, and explains the background to the case. Also in the programme, with international travel suffering its worst downturn in years as a result of coronavirus, innovation is the name of the game in the shape of so-called 'trips to nowhere'. Hiro Miyagawa of Japan's ANA airline explains why they have been taking passengers on one and a half hour sightseeing flights. Joanna Bailey, chief executive of the Simple Flying website tells us whether airlines are likely to make any money with such ventures. Sustainable travel campaigner Ben Iaquito discusses his disappointment at the new trend. And we hear about ocean-going cruises to nowhere from Michael Goh, president of Dream Cruises, which is part of Genting Cruise Lines. Plus, this week marks the latest fight between Sony's Playstation 5, out on Thursday, and Microsoft's latest Xbox, which is launched today. Marta Swannie is an expert in video gaming and e-sports, who works for one of WPP's ad agencies, Superunion, and gives her take on which of the consoles is likely to win the latest battle of the devices.

(Picture: An Amazon parcel on a conveyor belt. Picture credit: Getty Images.)

**TUE 16:00 BBC News (w172x5p4t7ffmy)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**TUE 16:06 BBC OS (w172x2t3n03zsp5)**

Covid vaccine: Your questions answered

We continue to get many questions from listeners around the world about the Covid-19 vaccine developed by Pfizer and BioNTech. It's thought to prevent more than 90% of people from getting Covid-19. Our medical expert provides some answers.

And there is much interest in Kamala Harris, who has become the first woman, and the first black and Asian-American, to be vice-president elect. We hear from Jamaican-American and Indian-American women in the US.

A peace deal has ended six weeks of war between Armenia and Azerbaijan. But many Armenians are feeling bitter. We return to hear from young people on both sides of this divide.

Anger is also being shown on the some streets in Peru after the president was ousted in an impeachment vote, amid bribery allegations. We hear about some of the reaction.

(Photo: A volunteer being injected with trial vaccine - BNT162 Credit: © BioNTech SE 2020)

**TUE 17:00 BBC News (w172x5p4t7fk2)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**TUE 17:06 BBC OS (w172x2t3n03zxf)**

US election conversations: Kamala Harris

Throughout the election campaign, we have been bringing Americans together in conversation. There is much interest in Kamala Harris, who has become the first woman, and the first black and Asian-American, to be vice-president elect. We hear from Jamaican-American and Indian-American women in the US.

We continue to get many listener questions about both the development of a Covid-19 vaccine, and also Joe Biden's victory. So our medical experts and colleagues in the US provide some answers.

Some countries are officially choosing to remain silent about the US President and Vice-President elect. We hear what is being said Russia, Brazil and China.

And after the discovery of the Covid-19 vaccine, which is more effective than previously hoped, we analyse some of the disinformation and conspiracies that are being shared on social media.

(Photo: Democratic 2020 U.S. vice presidential nominee Kamala Harris Credit: Jim Bourg/Reuters)

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**TUE 20:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pz8kv48wv)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**TUE 20:32 Digital Planet (w3csz98w)**

Voyager 2 contacted after seven months

Voyager 2 contacted for the first time since March - says "hello"

We reported back in February how scientists at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory were working flat out repairing Voyager 2. The only antenna that can command the 43 year old spacecraft has been offline since March undergoing repairs and upgrades - but now the Voyager team have called the craft and Voyager 2 returned a signal confirming it had received the "call" and executed the commands without issue. Voyager's Project Manager Suzanne Dodds explains how they did this and what happens next.

**Danielle George MBE – the new president of the IET**

Getting more women and young people engaged in tech and engineering is top of Professor Danielle George's list as she takes over as the president of The Institution of Engineering and Technology (IET). She joins Gareth and Bill on the programme live to discuss digital poverty and what the IET is doing to reduce it

**Online recruitment scams during the pandemic**

What would you do if you realised the job you'd applied for online didn't actually exist? You'd think it would be easy to tell if you were being scammed - but with the coronavirus pandemic forcing people out of jobs and to stay at home, police and cybercrime experts have been warning people how much easier it is to be lured in by recruitment fraud. Reporter Matt Murphy has been speaking to people who've been affected over the last few months.

The programme is presenter by Gareth Mitchell with expert commentary from Bill Thompson.

(Image: Voyager 2. Credit: NASA)

Studio Manager: Giles Aspen

Producer: Ania Lichtarowicz

**TUE 21:00 BBC News (w172x5p4t7g1cl)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**TUE 21:06 Newshour (w172x2z19cr4705)**

Nagorno-Karabakh: Russia sends peacekeeping troops to region

Russia is deploying hundreds of peacekeeping troops to Nagorno-Karabakh and surrounding territories, after Armenia and Azerbaijan agreed to end six weeks of war. The peace deal has prompted wild celebrations in Azerbaijan, and angry scenes in Armenia.

Also on the programme: A reflection on the life of the late Palestinian academic and negotiator Saeb Erekat; and we learn more about the hundreds of internationally important rare books that were stolen in a heist in London and have just been

returned to their rightful owners

(Picture: People celebrate in Baku, following the signing of a deal to end military conflict over the Nagorno-Karabakh region Credit: Reuters)

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**TUE 22:32 World Business Report (w172x58r8rv4wk1)**

Amazon charged with abusing EU competition rules

The European Commission has charged Amazon with abusing its dominant online retail position. Mark Scott is chief technology correspondent at Politico in London, and explains the background to the case. President-elect Joe Biden has vowed to defend the Affordable Care Act, the public health insurance scheme passed when he was vice-president, as the US Supreme Court considers a case attempting to strike down the law. MaryBeth Musumeci of the Kaiser Family Foundation in Washington, DC, explains why Obamacare is under threat.

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**TUE 23:06 People Fixing the World (w3cszv21)**

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**TUE 23:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pz8kv4n47)**

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**TUE 23:32 In the Studio (w3cszvc4)**

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**WED 00:06 The Arts Hour (w3cszk3q)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:06 on Tuesday]

**WED 01:00 BBC News (w172x5p4t7gjc3)**

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**WED 01:06 Business Matters (w172x192rt7rg0)**

What's next for Obamacare?

President-elect Joe Biden has vowed to defend the Affordable Care Act, the public health insurance scheme passed when he was vice-president, as the US Supreme Court considers a case attempting to strike down the law. MaryBeth Musumeci of the Kaiser Family Foundation in Washington, DC, explains why the ACA, also known as Obamacare, is under threat. Michael Cannon, Director of Health Policy Studies at the Cato Institute, argues that the law punishes insurance companies for providing coverage that sick people want.

The European Commission has charged Amazon with abusing its dominant online retail position. Mark Scott, Chief Technology Correspondent at Politico in London, explains the background to the case. Plus, with international travel suffering its worst downturn in years as a result of coronavirus, innovation is the name of the game in the shape of so-called

'trips to nowhere'. Claire Williamson has been investigating. And it's Singles' Day in China. Created by the online retailer Alibaba to celebrate being single it has become the world's biggest 24-hour online shopping extravaganza. The BBC's Robin Brant, in Shanghai, gives us the lowdown on this year's expected sales.

All this and more discussed with our two guests throughout the show. Allison Schragger, Senior Fellow at the Manhattan Institute in New York. And Patrick Barta, Asia Enterprise Editor for the Wall Street Journal in Bangkok.

(Picture: US President-elect Joe Biden addresses the media about the Trump Administration's lawsuit to overturn the Affordable Care Act. Credit: Getty Images.)

**WED 02:00 BBC News (w172x5p4t7gn37)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**WED 02:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bhtdr1djc)**  
The world's Newsroom brings you global events as they happen

**WED 02:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pz8kv50cm)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**WED 02:32 The Compass (w3ct1cgm)**  
Can Germany Save the World?

Can Germany Save the World?: Mutti and her crisis management

A year ago, many Germans were dismissing Angela Merkel as beyond her sell-by date. Her motto, "langsam aber sicher" (slow but sure), was seen as outdated. Covid has transformed that. It is not that she has particularly changed, it is just that the world has come to respect traits that had previously been derided. Germany has now dealt with three crises with extraordinary agility – from unification 30 years ago, to the influx of a million refugees in 2015 and now the pandemic.

John Kampfner looks at these crises and how Germany and Merkel have responded to them. Through the experiences of people across the country, he finds that there is much that can be learned from the way Germany faces its challenges. Is Angela Merkel's true strength as Germany's Chancellor her ability to handle a crisis?

**WED 03:00 BBC News (w172x5p4t7grvc)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**WED 03:06 Outlook (w3cszdkj)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 on Tuesday]

**WED 03:50 Witness History (w3cszmqb)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 on Tuesday]

**WED 04:00 BBC News (w172x5p4t7gwlh)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**WED 04:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bhtdr1n0m)**  
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**WED 04:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pz8kv57vw)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**WED 04:32 Digital Planet (w3csz98w)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 20:32 on Tuesday]

**WED 05:00 BBC News (w172x5p4t7h0bm)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**WED 05:06 Newsday (w172x2wkz5y38pb)**  
Biden: Trump refusal to concede an 'embarrassment'

Trump tweets he will ultimately win, as President-elect continues his preparations for transition to power.

Belarus's exiled opposition leader tells us that people there are resolute against the president and not just on the streets.

And why the Covid-19 pandemic has led to a ban on Diwali fireworks in India.

**WED 06:00 BBC News (w172x5p4t7h42r)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**WED 06:06 Newsday (w172x2wkz5y3dfg)**  
Hong Kong: authorities remove lawmakers from Legislative Council

It follows a resolution to make 'patriotism' a legal requirement for Hong Kong lawmakers. So what will other opposition members do?

The Belarusian opposition leader tells us, from exile, about the sacrifices her family have had to make.

And President-elect Joe Biden - still waiting for President Trump to officially acknowledge his win - defends Obamacare as the Supreme Court considers its future.

**WED 07:00 BBC News (w172x5p4t7h7tw)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**WED 07:06 Newsday (w172x2wkz5y3j5l)**  
Beijing enforces 'patriotism' rule on Hong Kong Legislative Council

Four 'relatively mild' pro-democracy members are stripped of seats - so what will remaining opposition members do?

The Russian-brokered peace deal has ended weeks of fighting between Armenia and Azerbaijan, but the two sides remain bitterly opposed. We'll speak to our correspondent in the Armenian capital Yerevan.

And Hungary is the latest European country to go into a partial lockdown - a considerable change of course by the country's Prime Minister Victor Orban.

**WED 08:00 BBC News (w172x5p4t7hcl0)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**WED 08:06 HARDtalk (w3csz78)**  
Jack Kingston: What is next for Trump?

Donald Trump can't and won't bring himself to concede that he lost the Presidential election. Amid the talk of legal challenges in a slew of states the Republican party is under strain - most senior figures sticking with the President, some very publicly backing away. Stephen Sackur speaks to the former Congressman and loyal Trump backer Jack Kingston. What longer term lessons should his party be taking from the imminent loss of the White House?

**WED 08:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pz8kv5qvd)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**WED 08:32 Business Daily (w3csz8nk)**  
Ukraine's fight against corruption

Ukraine is in the midst of a constitutional crisis. The President Volodymyr Zelensky says the judiciary are blocking anti-corruption reform. The top judges won't budge and can't be sacked. So what do we know about the President's reform credentials? In this episode, we hear from the former central bank governor Valeria Gontareva who says she's been a victim of a campaign of harassment that has left her fearing for her life, ever since she introduced anti-corruption reforms. Former economy minister Tymofiy Mylovovanov, who resigned from government this year following a disagreement with President Zelensky, gives his view on what more needs to be done to combat corruption in Ukraine. And we hear from President Zelensky's official spokesperson Iulia Mendel.

Produced by Joshua Thorpe.

(Image: President Zelensky. Credit: Getty Images)

**WED 08:50 Witness History (w3cszmsl)**  
World War One in Africa

At the start of World War One, British and German colonial forces went into battle in East Africa. Tens of thousands of African troops and up to a million porters were conscripted to fight and keep the armies supplied. We hear very rare recordings of Kenyan veterans of the King's African Rifles, talking about their experiences of the war. The interviews were made in Kenya in the early 1980s by Gerald Rilling with the help of Paul Kiamba. Photo: Locally recruited troops under German command in Dar Es Salaam, Tanzania (then part of German East Africa), circa 1914. (Photo by Hulton Archive/Getty Images)

**WED 09:00 BBC News (w172x5p4t7hhb4)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**WED 09:06 The Compass (w3ct1cgm)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 02:32 today]

**WED 09:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pz8kv5vlj)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**WED 09:32 Digital Planet (w3csz98w)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 20:32 on Tuesday]

**WED 10:00 BBC News (w172x5p4t7hm28)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**WED 10:06 World Book Club (w3cszmx4)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 03:06 on Sunday]

**WED 10:59 Armistice Day Silence (w3ct03kd)**  
Remembering the fallen

Two minute silence for Armistice Day followed by BBC News.

(Photo: Crosses of Remembrance placed in the Field of Remembrance, Westminster Abbey, London. Credit: AFP/Getty Images)

**WED 11:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bhtdr2h7j)**  
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**WED 11:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pz8kv632s)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**WED 11:32 The Documentary (w3csz4px)**  
The Superlinguists

Monolingual societies

Presenter Simon Calder is from Britain, where, on the surface, everyone speaks English. In Brazil everyone appears to speak Portuguese, in Russia, Russian. But scratch the surface, and other languages appear, and not just those of immigrants. Simon meets speakers of indigenous languages (like Welsh in Britain), of dialects (like Moselfrankish in Germany) and vernaculars (like African-American Vernacular English, in the US). These speakers all use the mainstream language every day, but code-switch to their variants, questioning whether their societies are monolingual. Is there even something sinister and oppressive to the idea of monolingualism? A tool to control, used by emperors on conquered peoples, and by governments on immigrants?

**WED 12:00 BBC News (w172x5p4t7hvkj)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**WED 12:06 Outlook (w3cszds9)**  
James Rhodes: My love letter to music

British concert pianist James Rhodes is a star in the world of classical music. He's won awards, had several hit albums, performed in top venues all over the world and Oscar-nominated actor Andrew Garfield will play him in a biopic. His career is a testament to overcoming unimaginable trauma. James is a survivor of child sexual abuse. As a result, he turned to self-harm and even contemplated suicide. This is the story of how music became his lifeline.

This interview was first broadcast on 1 August, 2019. Since then, Spain - where James lives - has overhauled its system of protection against child sexual abuse. The new legislation was passed largely through James' efforts and is named after him: Rhodes Law.

Presenter: Emily Webb  
Producer: Maryam Maruf

Picture: James Rhodes  
Credit: Getty Images

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**WED 12:50 Witness History (w3cszmsl)**  
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**WED 13:00 BBC News (w172x5p4t7hz9n)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**WED 13:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bhtdr2qqs)**  
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**WED 13:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pz8kv6b1l)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**WED 13:32 Digital Planet (w3csz98w)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 20:32 on Tuesday]

**WED 14:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7j31s)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**WED 14:06 Newshour (w172x2z19cr68pc)**  
Hong Kong pro-democracy lawmakers all resign

All of Hong Kong's pro-democracy lawmakers have quit after Beijing forced the removal of four colleagues. On Wednesday, China passed a resolution allowing the city's government to dismiss politicians deemed a threat to national security.

Also in the programme; we have rare interviews with both sides as the Ethiopian military battles local forces in the Tigray region; and a former member of Donald Trump's transition team in 2016 tells us the President's refusal to concede the election is damaging the nation.

(Photo: Pan-democratic legislators announce their resignation from Hong Kong's Legislative Council after four colleagues were disqualified when China passed a new resolution in Hong Kong. Credit: Reuters/Tyrone Siu)

**WED 15:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7j6sx)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**WED 15:06 The Compass (w3ct1cgm)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 02:32 today]

**WED 15:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pz8kv6l29)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**WED 15:32 World Business Report (w172xlmj97zh)**  
Biden's impact on Africa

We consider the impact of Joe Biden's election as US president on the African continent. With China's growing influence on a region rich in raw materials, many analysts feel it is time for the US to play a greater role on the continent, and we hear more from Abraham Muthogo, chief executive of Miradi Capital in Nairobi. Also in the programme, it's Singles Day in China, created by internet giant Alibaba to encourage single people to buy gifts for themselves. Edison Wang is solution director of Yimian, a company that analyses online shopping in Shanghai, and tells us how much of a business hit the event is this year. Plus with the pandemic having hit festivals around the world in a big way, the BBC's Nisha Patel examines the likely economic impact on Diwali, the Indian festival of light, which is this weekend.

(Picture: Then-vice-president Biden speaks in Kenya in 2010. Picture credit: Getty Images.)

**WED 16:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7j6k1)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**WED 16:06 BBC OS (w172x2t3n042plw)**  
US Election conversations: Women in politics

Will a female vice president lead to more American women in elected office? We speak to Democrat and Republican women who are looking ahead to a career in politics. What does the ascent of Kamala Harris mean for how they see their future careers?

We'll talk about the coronavirus pandemic with one of our regular experts, Dr Maria Sundaram, including getting more of your questions answered on the potential development of vaccines against Covid-19. How will we know which one is best to take? We also speak to one of the Danish mink farmers whose animals have been culled to guard against the spread of a coronavirus mutation.

And after a court case to determine the future of Britney Spears' career, including the extent to which she has control of her own affairs, we'll get our reporter to explain her situation and hear some of the Britney fans who have been tweeting #FreeBritney.

Picture: Zipporaa Taylor of Washington DC wears a sweatshirt she made featuring an image of Vice President-elect Kamala Harris at Black Lives Matter Plaza near the White House (REUTERS/Erin Scott)

**WED 17:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7j95)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**WED 17:06 BBC OS (w172x2t3n042tc0)**  
US Election conversations: Women in politics

Will a female vice president lead to more American women in elected office? We speak to Democrat and Republican women who are looking ahead to a career in politics. What does the ascent of Kamala Harris mean for how they see their future careers?

We'll speak to a mink farmer in Denmark after the mass cull of animals over fears about a coronavirus mutation circulating amongst them. We've also got a journalist in Denmark to explain the political controversy around the decision.

And we'll explain what we know so far about an explosion at a Remembrance Day event in Saudi Arabia with our correspondent following the story.

Picture: Zipporaa Taylor of Washington DC wears a sweatshirt she made featuring an image of Vice President-elect Kamala Harris at Black Lives Matter Plaza near the White House (REUTERS/Erin Scott)

**WED 18:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7j119)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**WED 18:06 Outlook (w3cszds9)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 today]

**WED 18:50 Witness History (w3cszmsl)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 today]

**WED 19:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7jpsf)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**WED 19:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bhtrd3g6k)**  
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**WED 19:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pz8kv721t)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**WED 19:32 Sport Today (w172x3jvs23vp7g)**  
2020/11/11 GMT

BBC sports correspondents tell the story behind today's top sporting news, with interviews and reports from across the world.

**WED 20:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7jtjk)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**WED 20:06 The Compass (w3ct1cgm)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 02:32 today]

**WED 20:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pz8kv75sy)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**WED 20:32 Health Check (w3cszcsc)**  
Covid Vaccine '90% effective'

Health Check examines the excitement around the preliminary announcement of 90% effectiveness of BioNTech and Pfizer's Covid-19 vaccine in its phase 3 clinical trial. Claudia Hammond talks to Professor Gregory Poland, head of vaccine research at the Mayo Clinic in the United States about what we do and don't know about the vaccine at this stage, and how the vaccine may be approved and deployed in the coming months. She consults Kalipso Chalkidou, Professor of Global Health Practice at Imperial College London, about the challenges of getting this vaccine to people in low and middle income countries. One logistical problem is that the vaccine has to be stored at minus 80 degrees Celsius. BBC medical and science correspondent James Gallagher also joins Claudia to explain the innovative nature of the vaccine and how its interim success bodes well for the development of other coronavirus vaccines.

Presenter: Claudia Hammond  
Producer: Andrew Luck-Baker

(Picture: Medications in sealed vials with a disposable plastic medical syringe. Photo credit: GIPhotoStock/Getty Images.)

**WED 21:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7jy8p)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**WED 21:06 Newshour (w172x2z19cr73x8)**  
US Covid-19 hospital admissions hit record high

Hospital admissions in the United States from Covid-19 have hit a record high, with more than 1,400 deaths in 24 hours. We speak to a nurse in California.

Also on the programme: As all of Hong Kong's pro-democracy lawmakers quit, we speak to the former US Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs; and aid agencies are worried about refugees fleeing Ethiopia's conflict-hit Tigray region.

(Photo: A woman prepares to take a coronavirus test in Staten Island, New York. Credit: Reuters/Brendan McDermid)

**WED 22:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7k20t)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**WED 22:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bhtrd3ftf)**  
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**WED 22:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pz8kv7f96)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**WED 22:32 World Business Report (w172x58r8rv7sg4)**  
Biden's impact on Africa

We consider the impact of Joe Biden's election as US president on the African continent. With China's growing influence on a region rich in raw materials, many analysts feel it is time for the US to play a greater role on the continent, and we hear more from Abraham Muthogo, chief executive of Miradi Capital in Nairobi. Farmworkers across Central America face an uncertain future as the devastation left by Storm Eta becomes clear. We here from an eyewitness in Honduras and the BBC's Environment correspondent Matt McGrath. Plus with the pandemic having hit festivals around the world in a big way, the BBC's Nisha Patel examines the likely economic impact on Diwali, the Indian festival of light, which is this weekend.

(Picture: Then-vice-president Biden speaks in Kenya in 2010. Picture credit: Getty Images.)

**WED 23:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7k5ry)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**WED 23:06 HARDtalk (w3cszc78)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:06 today]

**WED 23:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pz8kv7k1b)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**WED 23:32 The Documentary (w3csz4px)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:32 today]

#### THURSDAY 12 NOVEMBER 2020

**THU 00:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7k9j2)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 00:06 World Book Club (w3cszmx4)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 03:06 on Sunday]

**THU 01:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7kf86)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 01:06 Business Matters (w172x192rtlbc3)**  
Central America counts the cost of Hurricane Eta

Farmworkers across Central America face an uncertain future as the devastation left by Hurricane Eta becomes clear. We hear from journalist Jeff Ernst who is at the epicentre, San Pedro Sula in northern Honduras and the BBC's Environment correspondent Matt McGrath. As President-elect Joe Biden continues to take calls from world leaders we hear how he is being viewed from overseas.

With the pandemic hitting festivals around the world, the BBC's Nisha Patel examines the likely economic impact on Diwali, the Indian festival of light, which is this weekend. Plus, we speak with Daniel Idzkowski, the founder of Skunklock in San Francisco, whose bike lock gives off a repugnant smell in order

to deter thieves.

And we hear about a contest to find the world's most gifted dog.

Our guests throughout the show are Rebecca Jones, Melbourne Bureau Chief at Bloomberg News and Ralph Silva of the Silva Research Network in Toronto.

(Picture: Cars remain partially submerged in Guadalupe Umanzor, Honduras. Credit: Getty Images.)

**THU 02:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7kk0b)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 02:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bhtdr49fg)**

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**THU 02:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pz8kv7x8q)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**THU 02:32 Assignment (w3csz6m0)**

The burning scar

Indonesia is the world's largest exporter of palm oil, a product found in everything from shampoo to soup; in the last two decades vast areas of forests have been cleared to make way for plantations.

The remote province of Papua, home to Asia's largest remaining rainforests has escaped fairly untouched...until now. It's the new frontier for unfair palm oil expansion. In this remote region Rebecca Henschke and Ayomi Amindoni investigate allegations of unfair land deals, violations of indigenous rights and illegal burning.

(Image: Tadius Butipo, 30 years old, with his son, in a oil palm plantation. Credit: Albertus Vembrianto/BBC)

**THU 03:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7knrg)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 03:06 Outlook (w3cszds9)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 on Wednesday]

**THU 03:50 Witness History (w3cszmsl)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 on Wednesday]

**THU 04:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7kshl)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 04:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bhtdr4jxq)**

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**THU 04:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pz8kv84rz)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**THU 04:32 Health Check (w3cszccs)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 20:32 on Wednesday]

**THU 05:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7kx7q)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 05:06 Newsday (w172x2wkz5y65lf)**

Ethiopia crisis: Tigrayan population ordered to mobilise

The decree - read out on State TV - follows a week of fighting between federal and regional forces.

What effect is the Covid-19 pandemic having in Jordan, a country which is home to over a million Syrian refugees?

And we look at the investigation into the shooting of group of women and children from a Mormon community in Mexico - a killing which caused shock and outrage last year.

**THU 06:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7l0zv)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 06:06 Newsday (w172x2wkz5y69bk)**

Ethiopia: Tigray conflict escalates

Ethiopia's prime minister Abiy Ahmed rejects a request for peace talks, while the regional Tigrayan government has called for its people to mobilise.

We're live in Hong Kong following the mass resignation of pro-democracy politicians. Is there now any opposition voice left in the territory?

And the latest on the campaign to "Free Britney" Spears. Fans believe the 38-year-old star is being kept prisoner against her will by her father - even though she has said in a video that she is doing "fine".

**THU 07:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7l4qz)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 07:06 Newsday (w172x2wkz5y6f2p)**

Tigray population mobilised amid concerns over refugees

The regional government says it has to defend itself against what it calls "flagrant aggression" from the federal government.

Is President Trump's refusal to concede putting the country in jeopardy as it prevents President elect Joseph Biden from receiving national security briefings?

And Russia is seeing a huge rise in coronavirus infections. Healthcare officials in Moscow say they can cope, but in the poorer regions the situation is much more precarious.

**THU 08:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7l8h3)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 08:06 The Inquiry (w3cszl4c)**

Will the EndSARS protest change Nigeria?

For nearly two weeks last month, angry young Nigerians took to the streets in their tens of thousands, blocking major roads in cities across Africa's most populous nation. What began as a protest against the hated police Special Anti-Robbery Squad, or SARS, soon became a conduit for a wider anger with the people who have been in charge of Nigeria for decades. In this week's Inquiry, Kavita Puri asks: will the EndSARS movement change Nigeria?

**THU 08:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pz8kv8mrh)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**THU 08:32 Business Daily (w3csz7y1)**

Does 'Green Finance' offer a solution to climate change?

Ahead of the 2021 Climate Change Conference, big names in the world of finance are banding together to create ways to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. With new improved carbon offset markets, monitoring and standardisation of emissions goals and an emphasis on channelling capital to projects based on renewable energy, evangelists of so-called 'Green Finance' believe capitalism can reinvent itself to the benefit of the planet. Rhian-Mari Thomas, chief executive of the Green Finance Institute and convener of the just-finished Green Horizons Summit, outlines the vision. May Boeve of the environmental group 350.org says much of capital is still directed towards climate-damaging industries. And Bill Winters, chief executive of Standard Chartered, explains how an effective carbon offset market would work.

Produced by Frey Lindsay.

(Picture credit: Getty Images.)

**THU 08:50 Witness History (w3cszmn2)**

When Pluto lost its planet status

An international committee of astronomers agreed Pluto wasn't really a planet in 2006. They reclassified it as a 'dwarf planet' instead. The decision was made after Mike Brown of the California Institute of Technology identified a larger body, Eris, in the Kuiper Belt. He has been telling Bethan Head about his discovery and the public outcry that followed.

Photo: Dwarf planet Pluto Credit: DottedHippo /Getty Images

**THU 09:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7l7d7)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 09:06 Assignment (w3csz6m0)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 02:32 today]

**THU 09:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pz8kv8rhm)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**THU 09:32 Health Check (w3cszccs)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 20:32 on Wednesday]

**THU 10:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7lhzc)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 10:06 The Forum (w3cszjwb)**

The woman whose cells changed medical history

The story of a young mother who unwittingly left behind a vast medical legacy. Henrietta Lacks died of cancer in Baltimore in 1951 and though she never gave consent to her tissue being used for research, doctors at the time found that her unusually virulent tumour had extraordinary properties. As her cells multiplied in labs around the world, they helped make possible all sorts of medical breakthroughs, from the polio vaccine to cancer drugs and IVF treatment. But it took the Lacks family decades to discover what was going on, and the story raises questions for all of us – about medical ethics, institutional racism, and our right to privacy.

Joining Bridget Kendall to discuss this remarkable story are: Henrietta Lacks' grandson David Lacks Jr who's on the board of the HeLa Genome Access Working Group; the award-winning science writer, Rebecca Skloot, whose book *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks* brought the story to the world's attention a decade ago; and Sir John Burn, Professor of Clinical Genetics at Newcastle University.

Produced by Jo Impney for BBC World Service

Image: Henrietta Lacks

Image credit: Lacks Family

**THU 10:50 Sporting Witness (w3cszh5t)**

The 'Blind Maradona'

The Argentine blind footballer Silvio Velo is considered one of the greatest players of all time in his sport. Captain of Argentina since 1991, Velo has won two world championships, earning himself the nicknames "The Blind Maradona" and later "The Blind Messi". He is still scoring goals in his late forties and is credited with boosting the profile of blind sport in South America. Silvio Velo talks to Dan Hardoon. The programme is a Whistledown Production.

(Photo: Silvio Velo in action. Credit: Getty Images)

**THU 11:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7lmqh)**

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**THU 11:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bhtdr5d4m)**

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**THU 11:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pz8kv8zzw)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**THU 11:32 The Food Chain (w3cszjq1)**

Selassie Atadika: My life in five dishes

Selassie Atadika spent a decade working for the UN in some of the world's most volatile regions, and it led to a realisation - that food has an essential role to play in rebuilding economies and bringing communities together.

The Ghanaian chef is now on a mission to revive many of Africa's lost or forgotten foods, and make the rest of the world sit up and take notice.

She tells Emily Thomas how, aged five, she was forced to flee her home in Ghana following a military coup, and why she caused a 'scandal' in her family by dropping her plans to be a doctor for a career in humanitarian work.

Selassie is now gaining international acclaim for Midunu, a nomadic restaurant she set up in her family's former home in Accra, which embodies what she calls 'new African cuisine'. She explains how she wants to use it to make the continent healthier, wealthier, and greener.

(Picture: Selassie Atadika. Credit: Selassie Atadika/BBC)

**THU 12:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7lrgm)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 12:06 Outlook (w3cszdrb)**

Unmasking a horror film icon

Kane Hodder has been dubbed 'cinema's most prolific killer' for the long list of on-screen murderers he has portrayed over the last 40 years. He is best known as the man behind Jason

Voorhees' iconic hockey mask in the Friday the 13th franchise. Kane started out as a stunt performer but his career was almost over before it even began when he suffered severe burns in a fire stunt that went horribly wrong. He tells Jo Fidgen how he recovered and despite it almost killing him why, under highly-controlled conditions, he still loves setting himself on fire.

Picture: Kane Hodder as Jason Voorhees  
Credit: Alamy

**THU 12:50 Witness History (w3cszmn2)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 today]

**THU 13:00 BBC News (w172x5p4t7lw6r)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 13:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bhtrd5mmw)**  
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**THU 13:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pz8kv97h4)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**THU 13:32 Health Check (w3cszccs)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 20:32 on Wednesday]

**THU 14:00 BBC News (w172x5p4t7lzyw)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 14:06 Newshour (w172x2z19cr95lg)**  
Defiant Hong Kong opposition condemned by China

China has condemned the resignation of pro-democracy lawmakers in Hong Kong as a blatant challenge to its authority and says any attempt to inspire radical resistance will fail.

Also in the programme: Ethiopia's government has urged Tigrayan forces to surrender, as the army battles to take control of the region. And why druids in England's Stonehenge are not happy about a new planned tunnel near the site.

(Photo: A last act of defiance from Hong Kong's opposition.  
Credit: Reuters)

**THU 15:00 BBC News (w172x5p4t7m3q0)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 15:06 Assignment (w3csz6m0)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 02:32 today]

**THU 15:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pz8kv9gzd)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**THU 15:32 World Business Report (w172xlvznc2z8k0)**  
The future of British farming

With seven weeks until the UK is not bound by EU rules, we consider the future of farming. Alun Edwards owns Cae Coch farm in Wales, and discusses how upcoming changes to subsidies will affect his business. Natasha Foote of news agency Euractiv explains the proposed changes. We hear from Neil Parish MP, who also chairs the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs committee in the House of Commons. And we get an assessment of the government's new Environmental Land Management model from Tom Bradshaw, vice-president of the National Farmers' Union in the UK. Also in the programme, the Indian government has announced new measures to try and stimulate a recovery from the impact of coronavirus. Dilip Chenoy is secretary general of the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry, and tells us about the impact of a shrinking economy on peoples' lives. Plus, with sales on of guitars on the rise as a result of people being stuck at home because of Covid-19, we find out more from Derek Eyre-Walker, who owns the Guitar Village store in southern England.

(Picture: Sheep on a farm in Wales. Picture credit: Getty Images.)

**THU 16:00 BBC News (w172x5p4t7m7g4)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 16:06 BBC OS (w172x2t3n045lhz)**  
US Election conversations: Trump supporters

It's been days since the White House race was called for Joe Biden, but Donald Trump has yet to concede or show any signs of acknowledging his defeat. Instead, he is making unproven

allegations of widespread voter fraud, which he says tipped the race to Biden. But how do his supporters feel about the election result? We speak to three women who voted for Trump to hear their thoughts.

Also, as the US continues to break further Covid-19 records, Texas has become the first state to pass more than one million confirmed cases. We'll hear from people in Texas to hear how and why the coronavirus situation has got to this point.

And we'll get help with listeners' questions about Covid-19 and a vaccine with the help of one of our regular experts. Today, it is Dr Emma Hodcroft, molecular epidemiologist at the University of Basel in Switzerland.

(Photo: Trump supporter Bobbie. Credit: Bobbie Donnelly)

**THU 17:00 BBC News (w172x5p4t7mc68)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 17:06 BBC OS (w172x2t3n045q83)**  
Coronavirus: Masks and masculinity

Brazil's President Jair Bolsonaro has used a derogatory term for gay people when talking about the response to Covid-19 and the wearing of masks. It's not the first time someone has tried to use the idea of masculinity to ridiculing mask wearing. We talk to our BBC correspondent about why men are less likely to wear a face covering and hear what people across the world think about the issue.

Also, it's been days since the White House race was called for Joe Biden, but Donald Trump has yet to concede or show any signs of acknowledging his defeat. Instead, he is making unproven allegations of widespread voter fraud, which he says tipped the race to Biden. But how do his supporters feel about the election result? We speak to three women who voted for Trump to hear their thoughts.

And we discuss a BBC investigation about the production of palm oil on land where rainforests used to be. The investigation suggests that fires have been deliberately set on the land - something that is against the law in Indonesia when clearing forest. We'll speak to the reporter involved.

(Photo: Face masks pictogram in Duesseldorf's city centre 10/11/2020. Credit: European Photopress Agency)

**THU 18:00 BBC News (w172x5p4t7mgyd)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 18:06 Outlook (w3cszdbz)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 today]

**THU 18:50 Witness History (w3cszmn2)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 today]

**THU 19:00 BBC News (w172x5p4t7mlp)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 19:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bhtrd6c3n)**  
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**THU 19:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pz8kv9yyx)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**THU 19:32 Sport Today (w172x3jvs23y14k)**  
2020/11/12 GMT

BBC sports correspondents tell the story behind today's top sporting news, with interviews and reports from across the world.

**THU 20:00 BBC News (w172x5p4t7mqfn)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 20:06 Assignment (w3csz6m0)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 02:32 today]

**THU 20:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pz8kvb2q1)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**THU 20:32 Science in Action (w3cszh19)**  
Covid-19 defeats US Marines

The WHO is working with China to try and pinpoint the source

of SARS-COV-2. Sian Griffiths, Emeritus Professor of Public Health at the Chinese University of Hong Kong says there are lessons we can learn from the investigation she led into the original SARS outbreak back in 2003. That inquiry revealed how SARS had spread from bats to humans via civet cats.

A Covid-19 vaccine claims to be 90% effective. It uses genetic material, messenger RNA. Daniel Anderson of Harvard MIT Health Science tells us about the huge potential of mRNA to provide treatments for many medical conditions.

However, rolling out such a vaccine globally faces a huge range of economic and practical obstacles as ethicist Nicole Hassoun of Binghamton University explains.

And a unique experiment shows despite a vast range of precautions including being isolated US Marines have contracted Covid-19. Stuart Sealton, Professor of Neurology at Mount Sinai Hospitals says this study shows we need testing to be integrated more thoroughly into everyday life and that many of the precautions we currently use may not be enough to prevent transmission.

(Image: Credit: Getty Images)

Presenter: Roland Pease  
Producer: Julian Siddle

**THU 21:00 BBC News (w172x5p4t7mv5s)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 21:06 Newshour (w172x2z19crb0tc)**  
VW denies using forced labour in Chinese plant

The CEO of Volkswagen China says the company takes all possible measures to ensure forced labour is not used in its car factory in Xinjiang province. China has faced international condemnation for its network of detention centres, which mostly house Muslim minorities, in Xinjiang. Many of the detainees are made to carry out work assignments. China says the centres are used for vocational training.

Also in the programme: we speak to the last man to interview the former leader of Ghana, Jerry Rawlings, who has died at the age of 73; and Amnesty International says it has compelling evidence that dozens of civilians have been massacred in Ethiopia's Tigray region.

(Photo: The logo of German carmaker Volkswagen on a rim cap in a showroom of a car dealer. Credit: Reuters/Francois Lenoir/File Photo)

**THU 22:00 BBC News (w172x5p4t7myxx)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 22:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bhtrd6qc1)**  
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**THU 22:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pz8kvb69)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**THU 22:32 World Business Report (w172x58r8vbpce)**  
Confirmed US daily covid cases at all time high

The total number of confirmed coronavirus cases across the United States has hit an all-time daily high for a second day in a row. More than 142,000 people tested positive in the past 24 hours. In more than a dozen US states, the number of infections has doubled in a fortnight. We get an update on the situation in Michigan from The Detroit News health writer Karen Bouffard. Also in the programme, with seven weeks til the UK is not bound by EU rules, we consider British farmers' future. Alun Edwards owns Cae Coch farm in Wales, and discusses how upcoming changes to subsidies will affect his business. Natasha Foote of news agency Euractiv explains the proposed changes. We hear from Neil Parish MP, who also chairs the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs committee in the House of Commons. And we get an assessment of the government's new Environmental Land Management model from Tom Bradshaw, vice-president of the National Farmers' Union in the UK. Plus, with sales on of guitars on the rise as a result of people being stuck at home because of Covid-19, we find out more from James Curleigh, CEO of Gibson, makes of the some of the most famous guitars in the world.

(Picture: the USA flag with coronavirus images on it. Credit: Getty Images.)

**THU 23:00 BBC News (w172x5p4t7n2p1)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 23:06 The Inquiry (w3csz4c)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:06 today]

**THU 23:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pz8kvbvfyf)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**THU 23:32 The Food Chain (w3cszjqf)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:32 today]

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**FRI 00:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7nb65)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**FRI 00:06 The Forum (w3cszjwb)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:06 on Thursday]

**FRI 00:50 Sporting Witness (w3cszh5t)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:50 on Thursday]

**FRI 01:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7nb59)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**FRI 01:06 Business Matters (w172x192rtf8k6)**  
Confirmed US daily covid cases at all time high

The total number of confirmed coronavirus cases across the United States has hit an all-time daily high for the second day in a row. More than 142,000 people tested positive in the past 24 hours. In more than a dozen US states, the number of infections has doubled in a fortnight. We get an update on the situation in Michigan from The Detroit News health writer Karen Bouffard.

The Indian government has announced new measures to try and stimulate a recovery from the impact of coronavirus and Deutsche Bank has suggested a tax of 5% on a worker's salary if they choose to work from home because they are saving money. Labour economist Julia Pollak of ZipRecruiter tells us about the long-term trends for working from home and isn't a fan of the idea.

Also in the programme, we look at farming in the UK and how it will be impacted by Brexit, plus, with sales on of guitars on the rise as a result of people being stuck at home because of Covid-19, we find out more from James Curleigh, CEO of Gibson, which makes of the some of the most famous guitars in the world.

Our two guests throughout the show are Sushma Ramajandran, a business journalist from New Delhi. And Tony Nash, the Chief Economist at Complete Intelligence in Houston, Texas.

(Picture: the USA flag with coronavirus images on it. Credit: Getty Images.)

**FRI 02:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7nxf)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**FRI 02:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bhtrd76bk)**  
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**FRI 02:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pz8kvbv5t)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**FRI 02:32 World Football (w3csztgz)**  
Sassuolo flying high and African politics

South African FA supremo Danny Jordaan discusses the race to become the President of the Confederation of African Football. And Sassuolo's Pedro Obiang discusses his team's impressive start to the season and the attributes of his coach Roberto de Zerbi.

Picture on website: Pedro Obiang of Sassuolo celebrates during a Coppa Italia match against Spezia (Nicolò Campo/LightRocket via Getty Images).

**FRI 03:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7nknk)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**FRI 03:06 Outlook (w3cszdr)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 on Thursday]

**FRI 03:50 Witness History (w3cszmn2)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 on Thursday]

**FRI 04:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7nudp)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**FRI 04:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bhtrd7ftt)**  
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**FRI 04:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pz8kvc1p2)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**FRI 04:32 Science in Action (w3cszh19)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 20:32 on Thursday]

**FRI 05:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7nt4t)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**FRI 05:06 Newsday (w172x2wkwz5y92hj)**  
Allegations of a massacre in Tigray, Ethiopia

Amnesty International says it has credible video evidence that possibly hundreds of people were killed in the town of Mai-Kadra in the Tigray region of Ethiopia last week. We speak to one of their researchers and also get the latest from the region.

Barack Obama has joined the criticism of President Trump for his failure to concede defeat in the US presidential election. We get the reaction of Robert Reich, a former US Labour Secretary.

And we're in Kenya where trials begin today of the Oxford University and Astra Zeneca Covid-19 vaccine.

**FRI 06:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7nxwy)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**FRI 06:06 Newsday (w172x2wkwz5y967n)**  
Ethiopian government reacts to Tigray massacre allegations

Ethiopia's prime minister, Abiy Ahmed, has accused regional government forces in Tigray of carrying out a massacre which Amnesty International says may have killed hundreds of civilians. We speak to a Minister from the Ethiopian Prime Minister's Office.

We report from New York City where new restrictions are being brought in what Mayor de Blasio describes as the 'last chance' to avoid a second wave of Covid-19 there.

And remembering the attack on the Bataclan hall in Paris. Five years on we reflect on how France has changed in the era of Jihadist attacks.

**FRI 07:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7p1n2)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**FRI 07:06 Newsday (w172x2wkwz5y99zs)**  
'Civilians massacred' in Ethiopia's Tigray region, says Amnesty International

Amnesty International says it has evidence that scores and possibly hundreds of civilians have been killed in what it calls a massacre in Ethiopia's Tigray region this week. The Ethiopian government has accused regional government forces of being involved.

We look at the competing Covid-19 drugs from around the world and assess which ones have the potential to end the pandemic.

And we hear from Chris 'Pineapple' Hooper, who is shortly to become the accidental mayor of a city in Queensland, Australia.

**FRI 08:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7p5d6)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**FRI 08:06 HARDtalk (w3cszby7)**  
HR McMaster: Trump and the transition

Donald Trump hasn't yet accepted it, but he'll be out of the White House in January next year. Gone but not forgotten. His legacy can be seen in a divided body politic, strained international alliances and deep uncertainty about America's geopolitical ambition. HARDtalk's Stephen Sackur speaks to Lt. General HR McMaster, who served as Mr Trump's National Security Adviser until he was fired in 2018. In terms of America's role in the world, will the Trump years be seen as an

aberration or a marker of underlying change?

**FRI 08:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pz8kvcjnl)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**FRI 08:32 Business Daily (w3csz797)**  
The problem with polling

Is the polling industry the real loser in the American presidential elections? Pollsters have come in for criticism that they misjudged President-elect Biden's support, and did even worse in the state senate elections. Andrew Gelman, professor of statistics and political science at Columbia University explains why some of the errors were made. Zeynep Tufekci, associate professor at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, argues that polling can have a distorting effect on democracy itself, changing how people vote or whether they do at all. Meanwhile, Anthony Wells of UK research firm YouGov explains how the polling industry functions outside of the electoral spotlight, and why political forecasts are just a small part of it.

(Image credit: Getty Creative.)

**FRI 08:50 Witness History (w3cszmvv)**  
The 'good enough' mother

Psychoanalyst and paediatrician Donald Winnicott helped shape childcare in Britain through a series of BBC radio broadcasts in the 1940s and 50s. He suggested mothers did best when they followed their instincts, got to know their babies and ignored prescribed rules. He became most famous for developing the idea of what he called 'the good-enough mother'. He also introduced the term 'transitional object' to describe the favourite teddy that babies cling to. He suggested it represented an important phase of development, helping babies develop a sense of self, separate from their mothers. Claire Bowes has been speaking to retired psychoanalyst Jennifer Johns, who knew Donald Winnicott.

PHOTO: A mother with her baby in the 1960s. Credit: BBC.

**FRI 09:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7p94b)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**FRI 09:06 Tech Tent (w3cszhpnm)**  
Will Biden go after Facebook?

Facebook faces more criticism for its handling of misinformation around the US election, this time by members of Joe Biden's team. Could the next US president lead a crackdown on the social media giant? We speak to Siva Vaidyanathan, professor of media studies at the University of Virginia and author of Antisocial Media: How Facebook Disconnects Us and Undermines Democracy. Also on the show: Apple launches a range of new laptops, but it's the chips inside them that are causing a stir. We ask Raspberry Pi creator Eben Upton if it's the end of the road for endlessly faster processors. Plus Hyperloop makes some headlines with a high-speed test in the desert, but is it really going to revolutionise transport systems around the world? Railway engineer and writer Gareth Dennis has his say. Presented by Rory Cellan-Jones with BBC tech reporter Zoe Kleinman.

(Photo: Cutouts of Facebook CEO Mark Zuckerberg outside the US Capitol, Credit: Getty Images)

**FRI 09:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pz8kvcndq)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**FRI 09:32 Science in Action (w3cszh19)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 20:32 on Thursday]

**FRI 10:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7pdwg)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**FRI 10:06 The Real Story (w3cszcnv)**  
Climate change: Can Biden make a difference?

President-elect Joe Biden has said that one of the first acts of his presidency will be to return the United States to the Paris climate change agreement. His administration is proposing to make US electricity production carbon-free by 2035 and to have the country achieve 'net zero' emissions by the middle of the century. In 2015 the United States played a leading role in bringing together 195 countries that pledged to work together to keep the global temperature rise below two degrees Celsius. But less than six months after taking office Donald Trump said he'd withdraw from the agreement, claiming it was putting American jobs and the economy at risk. By the end of the Trump

presidency the US had left - and had also rolled back dozens of environmental protections and implemented plans to expand drilling for oil and gas into public lands. So what has four years of President Trump done to global efforts to tackle climate change? How will America's return to the top table under a Democratic leader change the picture? Will President-elect Biden have the support he needs from Congress and the American people to meet his ambitious targets? And what now for US leadership in persuading other countries to commit fully to fighting climate change? Ritula Shah is joined by a panel of expert guests.

**FRI 11:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7pjml)**  
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**FRI 11:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bhtrd891q)**  
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**FRI 11:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5p28kvcwvz)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**FRI 11:32 World Football (w3csztgz)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 02:32 today]

**FRI 12:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7pncq)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**FRI 12:06 The Fifth Floor (w3cszjhz)**  
Young, French and Muslim

Islam is under scrutiny in France, especially since the killing of teacher Samuel Paty after he showed his class cartoons of the Prophet Muhammad. Many Muslim-majority countries have called for a boycott of French products, but what do Muslims living in France think? The BBC's Fethi Benaisa has been talking to the Arabic-speaking community.

How do you say 'lockdown'?  
As Collins dictionary declares 'lockdown' to be its word of the year, we take a virtual stroll round the Fifth Floor to see how it's said in Russian, Sinhala, Korean and Spanish, thanks to Yulia James, Saroj Pathirana, Julie Yoonnyung Lee and Lucia Blasco.

BBC Mundo's dance star  
BBC TV's famous Strictly Come Dancing show was thrown open to insiders recently. They called it Strictly BBC - Dancing with our Staff. One of the 3 finalists was Inma Gil from BBC Mundo, dancing in her living room with her 9-year-old daughter Nora.

Kenya's camel-back clinic  
Last year BBC Africa TV reported on the big challenge of getting medicines and healthcare to Kenya's Maasai, Samburu and Turkana people, who are often on the move with their livestock. Christine Njeri discovered how camels have been enlisted to help with transport.

Saris in lockdown  
Chinki Sinha, who's a contributor to BBC Hindi in Delhi, returned to the family home in Bihar for lockdown. As time went by, friends and followers on social media started to notice an eye-catching series of fashion shoots, with Chinki, her aunt and her mother, dressed in a succession of beautiful saris.

Image: Young French Muslims  
Credit: BBC

**FRI 12:50 Witness History (w3cszmvv)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 today]

**FRI 13:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7ps3v)**  
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**FRI 13:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bhtrd8jjz)**  
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**FRI 13:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5p28kvd4d7)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**FRI 13:32 Science in Action (w3cszh19)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 20:32 on Thursday]

**FRI 14:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7pwwz)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**FRI 14:06 Newshour (w172x2z19crd2hk)**

US election security officials reject Trump's fraud claims

US election officials have said the 2020 White House vote was the "most secure in American history", rejecting President Donald Trump's fraud claims.

Also in the programme: the French Prime Minister has led commemorations for the one hundred and thirty people killed by jihadists in Paris five years ago and one of the most infamous murderers in British history, the Yorkshire Ripper Peter Sutcliffe, has died.

(Photo: Supporters of both candidates are still out on the streets 10 days after the election. Credit: Reuters)

**FRI 15:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7q0m3)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**FRI 15:06 Tech Tent (w3cszhp)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:06 today]

**FRI 15:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5p28kvdchw)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**FRI 15:32 World Business Report (w172xltbrwvplj)**  
Zambia's debt crisis

We hear why copper-rich Zambia is struggling to pay millions of dollars in loan interest. Laura Miti is executive director of the Alliance for Community Action, an NGO in Zambia which campaigns for improved transparency in how the government spends money. And we get the perspective of the country's creditors from Kevin Daly, who is a member of the Zambia External Bondholder Committee, which is a group of lenders holding more than 40% of Zambia's bonds. Also in the programme, we look in depth at the implications of Denmark's move to cull its mink population, after a strain of coronavirus that it is feared could threaten the effectiveness of a vaccine was found to have made its way from the animals into humans. Per Thyrestrup tells us how the loss of his 70,000 mink will affect his livelihood. Professor Sam Sheppard, an expert in microbial genetics at the University of Bath discusses why large intensive livestock farms can be breeding grounds for new strains of diseases. And Maria Lettini, executive director of FAIRR, which is a network of investors seeking to address sustainability issues in meat and protein supply chains, proposes changes to the way modern farming is done in an attempt to address the issue. Plus, the BBC's Dougal Shaw meets some female entrepreneurs who have chosen to start businesses, during the pandemic, whilst also raising young families.

(Picture: A Zambian flag. Picture credit: Getty Images.)

**FRI 16:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7q4e7)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**FRI 16:06 BBC OS (w172x2t3n048hf2)**  
Coronavirus lockdowns: Does Sweden's approach work?

Sweden has seen a sharp rise in coronavirus cases in recent weeks, with thousands of infections being reported every day. The government has again decided against a lockdown and is instead taking local measures. So does this approach work? We hear two different views on how the outbreak has been handled in the country from people who live there, and get the latest on the spike in cases.

Also, in India virus cases are rising as Hindus prepare to celebrate Diwali this weekend. We hear from one family about how they are marking the festival during the pandemic and we speak to a health reporter in the capital Delhi where the highest daily number of cases was reported this week.

And we discuss the latest Covid-19 developments and discussions with our medical expert Dr Megan Murray from Harvard University.

(Photo: People stroll at the Drottninggatan shopping street in central Stockholm. Credit: Fredrik Sandberg/TT/EPA)

**FRI 17:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7q83c)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**FRI 17:06 BBC OS (w172x2t3n048m56)**  
Coronavirus: Celebrating Diwali in India

In India virus cases are rising as Hindus prepare to celebrate Diwali this weekend. We hear from one family about how they are marking the festival during the pandemic. And we speak to a health reporter in the capital Delhi where the highest daily number of cases was reported this week, as a spell of heavy

smog in the city raises fears of further risks for Covid-19 patients.

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And we go to Russia and speak to our correspondent Sarah Rainsford who has been reporting from the country's poorer provinces who are struggling to cope with the coronavirus outbreak, as the infection rate in the country surges again.

(Photo: Indian vendors sell decorative items in the market on the eve of the Diwali festival in Jammu, India. Credit: JAIPAL SINGH/EPA)

**FRI 18:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7qcvh)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**FRI 18:06 The Fifth Floor (w3cszjhz)**  
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**FRI 19:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7qhlm)**  
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**FRI 19:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bhtrd980r)**  
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**FRI 19:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5p28kvdv0)**  
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**FRI 19:32 Sport Today (w172x3jvs241h1n)**  
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BBC sports correspondents tell the story behind today's top sporting news, with interviews and reports from across the world.

**FRI 20:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7qmb)**  
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**FRI 20:06 Tech Tent (w3cszhp)**  
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**FRI 20:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5p28kvdzm4)**  
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**FRI 20:32 CrowdScience (w3cszvm6)**  
How can I beat pain?

We all feel pain on a regular basis; when we stub a toe, break a bone or even experience heartbreak. Bebeton from Cameroon wants to know how to cope with a pain in his wrist that just won't go away. Does a positive mindset help? Or perhaps meditation? Marnie Chesterton speaks to psychologists and neuroscientists to find the answers.

We hear from two people with very different experiences of pain. Lucy has fibromyalgia and experiences pain all over her body every day. While Stephen has a rare genetic condition which means he doesn't feel physical pain at all. But they both argue that pain shouldn't always be unwanted. Perhaps we need to embrace and accept our pain in order to beat it.

Presented by Marnie Chesterton. Produced by Caroline Steel for the BBC World Service

[Image: Man in pain. Credit: Getty Images]

**FRI 21:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7qr2w)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**FRI 21:06 Newshour (w172x2z19crdxg)**  
Interviews, news and analysis of the day's global events.

**FRI 22:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7qv0)**  
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**FRI 22:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bhtrd9m84)**

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**FRI 22:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pz8kvf73d)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**FRI 22:32 World Business Report (w172x58r8rvf18b)**

Zambia's debt crisis

We hear why copper-rich Zambia is struggling to pay millions of dollars in loan interest. Laura Miti is executive director of the Alliance for Community Action, an NGO in Zambia which campaigns for improved transparency in how the government spends money. And we get the perspective of the country's creditors from Kevin Daly, who is a member of the Zambia External Bondholder Committee, which is a group of lenders holding more than 40% of Zambia's bonds. Also in the programme, we look in depth at the implications of Denmark's move to cull its mink population, after a strain of coronavirus that it is feared could threaten the effectiveness of a vaccine was found to have made its way from the animals into humans. Per Thyrestrup tells us how the loss of his 70,000 mink will affect his livelihood. Professor Sam Sheppard, an expert in microbial genetics at the University of Bath discusses why large intensive livestock farms can be breeding grounds for new strains of diseases. And Maria Lettini, executive director of FAIRR, which is a network of investors seeking to address sustainability issues in meat and protein supply chains, proposes changes to the way modern farming is done in an attempt to address the issue. Plus, the BBC's Dougal Shaw meets some female entrepreneurs who have chosen to start businesses, during the pandemic, whilst also raising young families.

(Picture: A Zambian flag. Picture credit: Getty Images.)

**FRI 23:00 BBC News (w172x5p4tv7qz14)**

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**FRI 23:06 HARDtalk (w3cszby7)**

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**FRI 23:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pz8kvfbvj)**

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**FRI 23:32 World Football (w3csztgz)**

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