

SATURDAY 21 NOVEMBER 2020**SAT 00:00 BBC News (w172x5p563kj7y3)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 00:06 The Real Story (w3cszcnw)

Ethiopia crisis: High stakes for Africa

The fighting between Ethiopian federal troops and regional forces in Tigray has forced thousands of people to flee to Sudan for safety. The UN has warned of a full-scale humanitarian crisis. Ethiopia's Nobel Peace Prize winning prime minister, Abiy Ahmed, says there will be no let-up in his government's 'law enforcement' mission. His aim is to arrest and put on trial TPLF party politicians who he alleges have put the country's constitution in danger. Ethiopia plays a key role in maintaining security in the Horn of Africa. With a population of more than 110 million, and one of the fastest growing economies on the continent, what happens in Ethiopia will inevitably have a wider regional impact. So how did the TPLF - a group which once dominated Ethiopian politics - end up being accused of destroying national unity? Did PM Ahmed opt for a military confrontation before all avenues for negotiation were explored? And what role should Ethiopia's neighbours play in this conflict? Ritula Shah is joined by a panel of experts.

SAT 01:00 BBC News (w172x5p563kjp7)

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SAT 01:06 Business Matters (w172x19342x9ls4)

Saudi Arabia prepares to host virtual G20 summit

The G20 summit of the world's biggest economies is this weekend in the Saudi capital Riyadh. It's the first time it's being hosted by an Arab state, although leaders will only meet online. The agenda includes a collective response to covid-19, the worst recession in decades and women's empowerment. But the summit is being overshadowed by calls from international human rights groups to boycott it. Our Chief International Correspondent Lyse Doucet is in Riyadh and tells us what to expect.

The Federal Reserve has hit back after the Trump administration said it was ending some emergency lending programmes established to provide economic support during the pandemic. Chris Low of FTN Financial gives us the market reaction. Also in the programme, we ask what Donald Trump will do next and consider the future of the Trump brand. Plus, the hair shampoo that doesn't need plastic packaging - or any packaging at all.

All this and more discussed with our guest throughout the show, Colin Peacock of Radio New Zealand, in Wellington.

(Picture: a family photo of G20 Leaders is projected at the historic site of al-Tarif in Diriyah district, on the outskirts of Saudi capital Riyadh. Picture credit: Getty Images.)

SAT 02:00 BBC News (w172x5p563kjhfc)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 02:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bj60q37vh)

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SAT 02:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pzm56vpr)

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SAT 02:32 Stumped (w3cszhk4)

Boult on World Cup heartache and IPL glory

From a Super Over at Lord's to the opening ball of the IPL final, Trent Boult is a man who thrives on pressure. The New Zealand fast bowler talks about success, failure and plenty in between.

Plus, which cricketers have got the X-factor? The ones you leave on the bench apparently! We'll take a look at some controversial new rules designed to make the Big Bash even bigger.

Photo: Trent Boult (Getty Images)

SAT 03:00 BBC News (w172x5p563kjm5h)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 03:06 The Fifth Floor (w3cszjj0)

Explaining Tigray

The crisis in the Tigray region of Ethiopia has continued to intensify, but what are the repercussions for ordinary

Tigrayans? Hana Zeratsyon of BBC Tigrinya tells us how the conflict is affecting her friends and family back home. And where did the tensions begin? The BBC's Emmanuel Igunza, who was based in Addis Ababa for many years, explains.

Keeping a precious text alive

La Galigo is an ancient text which tells the creation story of the Bugis people of South Sulawesi in Indonesia, and is described by UNESCO as the most voluminous literary work in the world. Very few people understand the archaic language it's written in. Callistasia Wiyaya of BBC Indonesian has been hearing about efforts to keep La Galigo alive.

It started with a film poster...

A planned film about the life of Sri Lankan cricketing legend Muttiah Muralitharan has led to a huge backlash in south India, causing the lead actor to quit. The BBC's Nalini Sivathanan explains the controversy around the film.

Learning English to survive: North Korean refugees in South Korea

North Korean refugees in South Korea at least share the same language as their host country. Or do they? BBC Korean's Julie Yoonnyung Lee has been finding out how poor English skills can damage their chances in a society pervaded by English in education, culture and business.

Image: Ethiopian refugees who fled fighting in Tigray province
Credit: ASHRAF SHAZLY/AFP via Getty Images

SAT 03:50 Witness History (w3cszmvw)

When the Egyptian president went to Israel

In 1977, Anwar Sadat became the first Egyptian president to visit Israel and address the Israeli parliament the Knesset. At the time, Egypt was still formally at war with Israel - a country which no Arab nation then recognised. Sadat's visit led to a formal peace treaty between the two countries. Louise Hidalgo spoke to the Egyptian cameraman, Mohamed Gohar who knew Sadat.

PHOTO: Sadat addressing the Knesset (AFP/Getty Images)

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SAT 05:32 The Cultural Frontline (w3cszj97)

New Iranian art and the censors

The repeatedly arrested film maker and women's rights activist, Mahnaz Mohammadi, speaks from Iran about the censors and interrogators she had to deal with while making her award-winning debut feature film, Son-Mother. In the story, a young widow struggles to look after her two children in Tehran. When a kind local man offers her marriage, she must choose between poverty and sending her young son away. Mahnaz Mohammadi talks about making art through personal pain.

Female singers in Iran have been prevented from performing solo since the Islamic revolution in 1979. But Farvaraz Farvardin was determined that her voice would be heard. She speaks to reporter Sahar Zand about her musical journey from singing in the classroom, to online videos, prosecution and seeking asylum in Germany.

Visual artist Barbad Golshiri shares his artistic response to the Covid-19 pandemic in Iran. Tuba Mirum is an audio-visual installation that moves between viral spores and loudspeakers heralding the last judgement, and it draws on both Islamic and Christian iconography.

Plus: Film director Shahram Mokri on how sanctions on Iran undermine hit film making, and why his new movie, Careless Crime, revisits the 1978 mass murder of a cinema audience, which fuelled the revolution in his country.

Presenter: Pooneh Ghoddoosi

Produced by Paul Waters, Sahar Zand, Lucy Collingwood and Shoku Amirani

(Image: From the film Son-Mother by Mahnaz Mohammadi
Image credit: Mahnaz Mohammadi)

SAT 06:00 BBC News (w172x5p563kjdzw)

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SAT 06:06 Weekend (w172x7d52gxbhpl)

Not Georgia or Michigan : What next for Trump?

US President Donald Trump's attempts to overturn the result of the presidential election have suffered further setbacks from members of his own party in the states of Georgia and Michigan. We hear about what options Mr Trump has left.

Also on the programme : The humanitarian crisis following conflict in Northern Ethiopia drives thousands from their homes but the government says it won't stop its military campaign. And book wars in France. Is Amazon really a threat to smaller businesses?

(Photo: Trump meets Michigan Republican Leaders; Credit: Reuters/Leah Millis)

SAT 07:00 BBC News (w172x5p563kk350)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 07:06 Weekend (w172x7d52gxbhpl)

Virtual G20 Summit Opens

The G20 summit of the world's biggest economies kicks off today, in the Saudi capital, Riyadh. For the first time, it's being hosted by an Arab state. But because of the current global pandemic, the leaders will only meet online. We hear from David Rundell, a former American diplomat in Saudi Arabia and author of a new book on the kingdom, Vision or Mirage: Saudi Arabia At The Crossroads.

Also, can the president elect of Moldova, one of the poorest nations in Europe, take her country into the EU?

To discuss these issues and more we have on the programme Laurie Goering, a US-born journalist and head of the climate programme at the Thomson Reuters Foundation in London and Oliver Bullough, a British writer, journalist and former correspondent in Russia.

(Photo: "Family Photo" for annual G20 Summit World Leaders; Credit: REUTERS/Nael Shyoukhi)

SAT 08:00 BBC News (w172x5p563kk6x4)

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SAT 08:06 Weekend (w172x7d52gxbhpl)

Deadly Kabul rocket attack

There has been a deadly rocket attack on the Afghan capital Kabul ahead of scheduled talks between the US Secretary of State Mike Pompeo and the Taliban in Qatar. We get the latest from our correspondent in the region.

Also on the programme: We are in the Saudi capital, Riyadh, as the G20 summit of the world's leading economies opens for an online meeting. And we hear about incoming US first lady Jill Biden.

Discussing these issues are Laurie Goering, a US-born journalist and head of the climate programme at the Thomson Reuters Foundation in London and Oliver Bullough, a British writer, journalist and former correspondent in Russia.

(Photo: Man injured from Afghan rocket. Credit: Omar Sobhani/Reuters)

SAT 08:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pzm56vpr)

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SAT 08:32 When Katty Met Carlos (w3ct1c4v)

From cities to states, the US battles climate change

Joe Biden says he will immediately re-join the Paris agreement on climate change, which Donald Trump withdrew from. Donald Trump has also repealed many of President Obama's environmental laws. In the meantime, cities and States across the US have been taking their own action on the environment and climate change, irrespective of what's been happening in Washington. President-elect Biden has said that climate change is the number one issue for humanity and for him. But will he be able to change much?

Carlos Watson and Ritula Shah (standing in for Katty Kay this week) speak to Wisconsin's Lieutenant Governor, Mandela Barnes, about what his state has been doing and what obstacles it faces. They'll also be speaking to Jody Freeman, professor of environmental law at Harvard, who was an advisor to the Obama administration, about the difficulties Biden could have getting his climate agenda passed. Also taking part will be the mayor of Carmel, Indiana, Jim Brainard, who describes how being a Republican does not conflict with taking action on climate change.

Production team: Editor, Penny Murphy. Producers: John Murphy, Luke Radcliff, Maeva McGoran, Iyore Odighizuwa, Jonelle Awomoyi

SAT 09:00 BBC News (w172x5p563kkbn8)

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SAT 09:06 BBC OS Conversations (w3ct19yw)

Coronavirus: Mental and physical toll

Women in Ecuador, Peru and Brazil reveal the frightening effect of the pandemic and lockdowns on women in Latin America. Many are living with their aggressors and are unable to escape to a safe place.

Many countries are now dealing with a new rise in coronavirus cases. Host Nuala McGovern hears from medical professionals from Madrid, Paris and New York as they share how the stress of dealing with patients is taking its toll on the mental health of doctors, nurses and paramedics.

Sweden's approach to the pandemic continues to provoke debate. Care homes were badly hit at the start of the pandemic but most of its schools, restaurants and businesses remained open. Two Swedes offer different views on how the outbreak has been handled in their country.

(Photo: Arlete Mendes from Sao Paulo, Brazil. Credit: Arlete Mendes)

SAT 09:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pzm57pxn)

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SAT 09:32 Girl Taken (w3ct0xwb)

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 (w3cszf58)

How the BBC's anti-disinformation team fights back

With the recent US election in mind, we ask what does disinformation mean to you? Are listeners worried they might fall victim to a falsehood without realising it? We speak to the BBC team set up to try and stop this happening. Plus - it's just not cricket! A listener feels there is just not enough coverage of the sport on the BBC World Service.

Presenter: Rajan Datar

Producer: Howard Shannon

SAT 10:00 BBC News (w172x5p563kkgdd)

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SAT 10:06 Sportshour (w172x3c4172863)

The man behind the hat: Meet Cam Newton's headwear designer

New England Patriots quarterback Cam Newton is known for his love of fashion and Alberto Hernandez is the man responsible for making his hats. Hernandez makes Newton a new fedora or Fez every week and tells us they began collaborating after Pharrell Williams recommended him to Newton. He breaks away from making Newton's hat for Sunday's game against the Houston Texans to tell us how his grandfather taught him to make hats back in Mexico, the inspiration behind his designs and why you can't buy copies of any of Newton's hats. He also gives us an exclusive ahead of this week's hat being revealed.

Dee Caffari is the first woman to have sailed single-handed and non-stop around the world in both directions. She tells us how people can use what she learned at sea to help themselves deal with feelings of isolation and loneliness during the covid-19 pandemic.

The president of Netball South Africa – Cecilia Molokwane – joins us ahead of the three-test series against Malawi. Molokwane tells us how the covid-19 pandemic has affected netball in South Africa, where they are in their preparations for hosting the 2023 World Cup and how she feels lucky to be alive after contracting coronavirus earlier this year.

Magnus Carlsen is the highest ranked chess player of all time. Ahead of playing in the new 1.5 million dollar Champions Chess Tour, he speaks to us about how long he'll continue in chess and how he hopes the Netflix show "The Queen's Gambit" will inspire more people to play chess.

Staying with chess and in Sporting Witness - we go back to 2002 when the Hungarian prodigy Judit Polgar finally defeated World Champion Gary Kasparov at a major tournament in Spain. Kasparov had previously incensed Polgar by ridiculing the idea of women chess champions and it took her several attempts to finally beat him.

And - the BBC's tennis correspondent Russell Fuller joins us ahead of semi-finals day at the season ending ATP Finals in London and we're at St James Park, with the BBC's Vicki Sparks ahead of Newcastle playing Chelsea in the Premier League.

Image: Quarterback Cam Newton then of the Carolina Panthers wears a hat with "One Love" stitched on the side during a press conference after the game against the Tampa Bay Buccaneers (Getty Images)

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SAT 11:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bj60q4bkn)

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SAT 11:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pzm57ydx)

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SAT 11:32 The Documentary (w3ct1ck0)

Obesity crisis in Thai temples

Very early every morning, Thai Buddhist monks leave their monasteries to seek alms. They have been doing this since the

time of the Buddha who stated that monks cannot cook for themselves. They can only eat food that has been given to them.

By giving alms, people are making merit for themselves and their ancestors and so, whilst the food takes care of the monks' physical health, the monks can concentrate on the spiritual wellbeing of the nation by offering blessings in return for food and spending many hours each day in prayer and meditation.

Obesity is a growing problem in Thailand. As the country becomes more affluent, its citizens are working more and cooking less which means that they are buying more convenience foods containing high levels of fat and sugar.

In the Thai population at large, one in three men is obese but the numbers are worse in Thai temples where one in two Buddhist monks is obese. They eat the same food as the Thai population and they only eat in the mornings so what is the problem?

Sucheera Maguire has been to Bangkok to talk to those who give and receive alms and she takes a look at some of the ingenious solutions that Thai nutritionists have come up with to combat the obesity crisis in Thai temples.

(Photo: Thai monk giving blessings to a street food trader. Credit: Helen Lee)

SAT 12:00 BBC News (w172x5p563kkpwn)

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SAT 12:06 Music Life (w3csz6tt)

The politics of pleasure with Thurston Moore and Sunn O)))'s Stephen O'Malley

Sonic Youth founder Thurston Moore is joined by Brix Smith, Stephen O'Malley of Sunn O))) and Rachel Aggs to discuss staying creative in lockdown, connecting to their audiences, and the link between politics and their work.

Thurston Moore is a songwriter, guitarist, vocalist, and founded the band Sonic Youth. Joining him is Stephen O'Malley, a guitarist, producer, composer, label boss, and visual artist from Seattle, Washington, best known for his work in the doom metal group Sunn O))). The band has been described as creating "titanic drone metal" and their latest release was last year's Pyroclasts. Brix Smith is a songwriter and guitarist best known for her work with post-punk band The Fall. She went on to form Adult Net and more recently Brix & The Extricated; she's now recording her first solo album. And Rachel Aggs is a multi-instrumentalist originally from London and based in Glasgow. She sings, plays the guitar and is best known for her distinctive guitar work in Sacred Paws, Shopping, and Trash Kit. She's also recently released her first solo album, Visitations 0202.

SAT 13:00 BBC News (w172x5p563kkttms)

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SAT 13:06 Newshour (w172x2z1nn2808c)

Deadly rocket attack on Kabul

There's been a deadly rocket attack on the Afghan capital Kabul ahead of scheduled talks between the US secretary of state Mike Pompeo and the Taliban in Qatar.

Also in the programme: World leaders are beginning an online G20 summit hosted by Saudi Arabia with the coronavirus pandemic set to dominate proceedings. And we have a rare interview with the composer John Williams whose film scores include ET, Star Wars and Jaws.

(Photo: Rockets hit Kabul. Credit: Getty Images)

SAT 14:00 BBC News (w172x5p563kkycx)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 14:06 Sportsworld (w172x3j0sn8h17)

Live Sporting Action

Lee James presents live commentary on Aston Villa against Brighton from the English Premier League. Plus highlights of Newcastle v Chelsea and a look ahead to Tottenham versus Manchester City and Manchester United against West Brom. Today in the Premier League will have reaction from the day's top stories at 1630 GMT

On this Sportsworld Team this week as we build up to kick-off we're joined by the former Arsenal and England international Rachel, the former West Bromwich Albion and Nigerian striker Peter Odemwingie and Spurs and Dutch goalkeeper Michel Vorm.

Also this week, the latest from the ATP Finals, Rugby

Championship. Women's Big Bash and the final of the International Swimming League.

Photo: Jack Grealish of Aston Villa during the Premier League match between Arsenal and Aston Villa at Emirates Stadium (Credit: James Williamson - AMA/Getty Images)

SAT 18:00 BBC News (w172x5p563klf)
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SAT 18:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bj60q55sk)
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SAT 18:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pzm58smt)
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SAT 18:32 Trending (w3cszvsq)
The roots of Donald Trump's 'voter fraud' strategy

A Facebook group named Stop the Steal sprung up in the hours after the US presidential election. Within hours it had gained hundreds of thousands of followers. Members alleged the election had been "rigged", despite a lack of evidence.

But this claim came from the very top. Months before, President Trump was planting seeds of doubt over the vote – mentioning "voter fraud" and similar phrases more than 70 times on Twitter.

BBC Trending looks into some of the most viral specific allegations – and we find out how "Stop the Steal" members kept pushing rumours built on disinformation.

Presenters: Marianna Spring and Mike Wendling

Picture: Protesters hold signs with the "Stop the Steal" slogan at a pro-Trump rally
Credit: Getty Images

SAT 18:50 More or Less (w3ct0py9)
Inviting Covid for Dinner

If you go to a gathering of 25 or more people, what are the chances one of you has coronavirus?

Imagine that you're planning to hold some sort of gathering or dinner at your home. Take your pick of big festivities - it's Thanksgiving in the US, we've just had Diwali and Christmas is on the horizon. In some places such a gathering is simply illegal anyway. But if it IS legal, is it wise?

Professor Joshua Weitz and his team at Georgia Tech in the US have created a tool which allows people in the US and some European countries to select the county they live in, and the size of gathering they are intending on having, and then it calculates the chances that someone at that party, has Covid 19.

Presenter: Tim Harford
Producer: Charlotte McDonald

Image: A family gathers for dinner (Credit: Getty Images)

SAT 19:00 BBC News (w172x5p563klk3k)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 19:06 The History Hour (w3cszpkv)
The world's first woman premier

Sirimavo Bandaranaike was elected prime minister of Sri Lanka, or Ceylon as it was known then, in 1960 following the assassination of her husband, Solomon Bandaranaike and became the first female prime minister in the world. We hear from Dr Asanga Welikala about her legacy. Plus the first Arab leader to visit Israel, the former hostage taken captive by Somali pirates in 2008 who came to sympathise with their plight and the Jewish refugees given sanctuary by America during WW2. Also the revolutionary and graphic book for women published in 1973 which helped us understand women's bodies and is now published in 33 different languages.

Photo: Sirimavo Bandaranaike the Prime Minister of Ceylon (later Sri Lanka), 1960. Credit Keystone/Hulton Archive/Getty Images

SAT 20:00 BBC News (w172x5p563klnvp)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 20:06 The Arts Hour (w3cszk3s)
Actor Tilda Swinton

Oscar-winning British actor Tilda Swinton tells us why she wanted to work with Pedro Almodóvar on his film *The Human Voice*

Pop princess Kylie Minogue on bringing 'the disco' to 2020 with her latest album

Irish crime fiction author Tana French explains why she needed an American lead character for her novel *The Searcher*

South African cellist Abel Selaocoe on bringing together Western classical and African traditional music

Film producer Cathy Schulman tells us how Hollywood is dealing with the pandemic

And veteran Polish film composer Zbigniew Preisner describes how he got around the communist censors

Joining Nikki Bedi in the studio is critic Leila Latif and on the line from Brooklyn is Rumaan Alam, who'll also be telling us about his latest book, *Leave the World Behind*, which has had film companies clamouring to adapt it.

(Photo: Tilda Swinton. Credit: Dominique Charriau/Getty Images)

SAT 21:00 BBC News (w172x5p563klst)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 21:06 Newshour (w172x2z1nn28z7d)
Islamic State claims responsibility for deadly attack in Kabul

The Islamic State group has said it carried out a rocket attack on a residential area of the Afghan capital Kabul. At least eight people were killed with more than thirty injured. The Taliban denied any involvement in the attack, which took place just as the US Secretary of State Mike Pompeo was due to meet the group's negotiators in Qatar.

Also in the programme: 25 years on from the Dayton Accords that brought peace to Bosnia, can they be judged a success? And the new satellite that can measure sea levels to within a few centimetres and help track climate change.

(Picture: An injured person is carried to a hospital after rockets hit residential areas in Kabul. Credit: Reuters Wires)

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SAT 22:06 The Newsroom (w172x79pr93hcb)
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SAT 22:20 Sports News (w172x3flf15n9m)
BBC Sport brings you all the latest stories and results from around the world.

SAT 22:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pzm598mb)
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SAT 22:32 Heart and Soul (w3ct1cgg)
Converts amongst the conflict in Belarus

Protests against the Belarus President Alexander Lukashenko have carried on for months. 80% of the country calls themselves Orthodox Christian. The church has stood squarely behind their President but not all of the faithful agree with them. Alina Isachenka is from Belarus and speaks to some of the Orthodox worshippers who have converted and become Catholic. The church has become a symbol of resistance and a haven for reformers. Why have these converts stepped away from the official church and how big a decision was it to leave the church that's been in their blood for generations?

Alina meets the converts and clergy who have switched their allegiance to a church they once saw as an enemy. The Catholic Church has become the conscience of the anti-Lukashenko movement; Alina speaks to the symbolic head of the churches resistance, now exiled in Poland, Archbishop Tadeusz Kondrusevich about how Catholic churches have opened their doors, literally in many cases, to Orthodox church goers.

Presenter Alina Isachenka

(Photo: Women form a human chain outside the Catholic Church of Saints Simon and Helena to protest against police violence during opposition rallies against the 2020 presidential election results. Credit: Sergei Gapon/AFP)

SAT 23:00 BBC News (w172x5p563km132)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 23:06 Business Weekly (w3ct0spj)
The UK ban on new petrol and diesel cars

In this edition of Business Weekly, we look at Britain's drive to go green and how effective the proposed ban on sales of new petrol and diesel cars might be. The Chief Operating Officer of the electric vehicle maker Polestar tells us what help the automotive industry needs from the government to persuade people to buy electric. Plus, we meet the first British Royal Air Force officer to openly transition from male to female and chat to her about transgender rights in the workplace. We also delve into the digital afterlife and hear from some of the companies promising to manage our online affairs once we've passed away. And we discuss why the British Royal Family are still seen as fashion icons. Business Weekly is presented by Lucy Burton and produced by Matthew Davies.

(Image: Woman charging electric car, Getty Images)

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[Repeat of broadcast at 09:50 on Saturday]

SUN 01:00 BBC News (w172x5p563km8lb)
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SUN 01:06 The Science Hour (w3cszxxm)
Covid-19 – Good news on immunity

Tests on patients for up to 8 months following their infection with SARS-CoV-2 suggests an immune response can persist. Alessandro Sette and Daniela Weiskopf at the La Jolla Institute in California are optimistic this could mean vaccines would also confer long lasting immunity.

An analysis of samples from Kenya's blood banks by Sophie Uyoga at the KEMRI-Wellcome Research Programme reveals far more people in Kenya contracted the virus than was previously known. The figures mean Kenya has similar levels of infection to many European countries.

And a study of mosquitoes by Louis Lambrechts of the Pasteur Institute in Paris reveals why Zika, a virus originating in Africa is much more prevalent in other parts of the world.

We also look at the future of the Nile. Ethiopia is building a massive Dam which will have consequences for Sudan and Egypt who are reliant on the Nile's waters says hydrologist Hisham Eldardiry from the University of Washington, Seattle.

Every year, Western Afghanistan is hit with a fierce 120-day wind, and listener Hamid wants to know what causes this phenomenon? He's from the city of Herat, where what starts as a gentle breeze in the morning can pick up to become a dangerous gale just a few hours later, devastating buildings and causing power outages.

The BBC's Abdullah Elham in Kabul tells us the country has plenty of other 'friendly' wind but this one is considered 'fierce'. CrowdScience talks to Professor Amir Aghakouchak to discover more about the phenomenon, and learns about the pollution problems Herat's summer storm causes in neighbouring Iran. But it's not all bad news. Professor Lorraine Remer explains how NASA used satellites to map how wind transport Saharan sand almost half way round the world, fertilising the Amazon rainforest.

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SUN 02:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pzm59rlv)

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SUN 03:00 BBC News (w172x5p563kmj2l)

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SUN 03:06 The Documentary (w3ct1crz)

100 Women: Rebel girls soundtrack

Music has been a perennially powerful tool when it comes to protest. Beatriz De La Pava researches the ways in which pivotal real-life events are reflected in the lyrics of popular songs, and shows how music paints a vivid picture of the social, political, economic and cultural landscape.

From the right to being able to plan a family, reflected in The Pill by Loretta Lynn, to the fight against gender discrimination, portrayed by Aretha Franklin, and the struggle to end violence against women with the worldwide movements MeToo and Ni Una Menos immortalised by artists like Miss Bolivia (Argentina) or Ana Tijoux (Chile).

Beatriz explores the relevance of the sexual revolution, as comedian Rusty Warren and singers like Joan Jett reflected it, and navigates matters from abortion to the difficulties of being an outspoken feminist in a Muslim community. Music as the alternative, visceral and captivating historical source, that resonates with listeners from across the generations.

Image: Cyndi Lauper (Credit: BBC), Aretha Franklin (Credit: BBC), Beyoncé (Credit: Getty Images), Cyndi Lauper (Credit: BBC), Miley Cyrus (Credit: BBC)

SUN 04:00 BBC News (w172x5p563kmmqt)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 04:06 From Our Own Correspondent (w3csz9qg)

A State of Limbo

It's not just the citizens of the USA who are watching closely for signs of where a Joe Biden presidency might go or what it might mean. The rest of the world - and the Washington press pack - are also still in suspense, waiting to see what happens next. Anthony Zurcher followed the campaign trail, and he's still camped outside the Biden HQ trying to learn more.

Pascale Harter introduces this and other stories and insights from BBC correspondents and writers from around the world.

Brazil's President Jair Bolsonaro is often mentioned in the same breath as Donald Trump - their rhetoric and their policies have much in common. Bolsonaro, too, has been criticised for his response to the coronavirus pandemic in Brazil. But on a recent visit to the country's northeast, traditionally a political heartland for the left and the Workers' Party, Katy Watson found that the current government's 'coronabonus' programme has bought considerable new support.

This week President Vladimir Putin of Russia told a meeting of regional governors that while the pandemic is 'challenging but controllable', they shouldn't try to sugar-coat the situation. There have been growing numbers of reports of dire shortages in the country's health system, especially outside Moscow. Sarah Rainsford went north to hear directly from nurses, paramedics, doctors and ambulance drivers about the conditions they're working in.

And Michelle Jana Chan takes us on a gruelling but exhilarating trek through the Makay region of central-western Madagascar. Like much of this huge island, it's teeming with plant and animal life - plenty of it absolutely unique, irreplaceable and threatened with extinction. How can it balance local people's needs with the survival of other species?

(Image: US President-elect Joe Biden arrives to receive a virtual briefing on the economy with advisers in Wilmington, Delaware, US. Credit: Reuters/Kevin Lamarque)

SUN 04:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pzm5b033)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 04:32 Girl Taken (w3ct0xwb)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:32 on Saturday]

SUN 04:50 The Big Idea (w3ct0xj6)

The science of sleep

We spend around a third of our lives asleep, but the reason we sleep is still something of a mystery. Could it be the biggest mistake the evolutionary process has ever made? What does sleep actually do for us?

David Edmonds meets Matthew Walker, one of the world's leading sleep scientists, to discuss some of his findings. We'll hear about how the clocks going back has an effect on heart attack rates, and consider why, if you're struggling to sleep, the worst thing you could do would be to stay in bed.

Presented by David Edmonds. Produced by Robbie Wojciechowski for the BBC World Service.

Image: A man falling asleep on a train (Credit: Getty Images)

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SUN 06:00 BBC News (w172x5p563kmw9z)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 06:06 Weekend (w172x7d52gxl7p)

Twist In Trump's Legal Challenge

President Trump's campaign team is pursuing a range of increasingly desperate challenges as it seeks to overturn Joe Biden's victory in the US presidential election. We hear about a court decision in Pennsylvania and complaints from election officials in Wisconsin.

Also on the programme, With thanksgiving holidays approaching in the US - there's a warning from the pandemic frontline; And why African Union envoys will not be allowed into the Tigray region of Ethiopia to broker peace.

To discuss all this and more we are joined by Georgina Godwin, a Zimbabwean broadcast journalist living here in the UK and by a former UK ambassador to Afghanistan, Dominic Jermy, who is now the Director-General of the Zoological Society of London, which runs London Zoo.

(Photo: Trump voters in Pennsylvania; Credit: REUTERS/Leah Millis)

SUN 07:00 BBC News (w172x5p563kn023)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 07:06 Weekend (w172x7d52gxlcbt)

Afghan Talks Stalled

What chance for peace in Afghanistan as talks between the government and the Taliban stall and the US announces troop withdrawals? We'll take the temperature in Kabul.

Also on the programme, A controversial host from the Indian TV channel, Republic, is released on bail over a death in 2018 - it's a case that's put the spotlight on fake news in the country; And Covid in children - we'll look at the risks, and how different countries are handling them.

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(Photo: US Secretary Mike Pompeo with Taliban Chief Negotiator Mullah Abdul Ghani Baradar; Credit: Patrick Semansky/Pool via REUTERS)

SUN 08:00 BBC News (w172x5p563kn3t7)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 08:06 Weekend (w172x7d52gxlh2y)

G20 Vaccine Plea

The G20 summit hosted by Saudi Arabia has heard calls for a coronavirus vaccine to be made available to poorer countries - we'll find out if rich nations are listening.

Also on the programme, As president Trump refuses to concede the US presidential election to president-elect Joe Biden, his fans in swing states continue to voice their support; And as Hurricane Iota leaves a trail of destruction in Nicaragua we'll find out how climate change is making big storms even bigger.

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(Photo: Saudi King Salman gives virtual opening speech at G20; Credit: Royal Court/Handout via REUTERS)

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SUN 08:32 CrowdScience (w3cszvf6n)

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(Photo: Tree in wind in desert. Credit: Getty Images)

SUN 09:00 BBC News (w172x5p563kn7kc)

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SUN 09:06 From Our Own Correspondent (w3csz9qg)

[Repeat of broadcast at 04:06 today]

SUN 09:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pzm5bltr)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 09:32 Outlook (w3cszf0r)

The IS orphans rescued by their grandpa

Patricio Galvez is a Chilean musician who has lived in Sweden for the last 30 years. In 2014 his daughter Amanda travelled to Syria with her children and joined the Islamic State group. When she was killed last year he battled governments, crossed borders and entered a war zone to try and rescue her seven young children. This episode was first broadcast on 13th July 2019.

Presenter: Andrea Kennedy
Producer: Tom Harding-Assinder

Photo courtesy of Patricio Galvez

SUN 10:00 BBC News (w172x5p563kne9h)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 10:06 WorklifeIndia (w3ct1c15)

How is Covid impacting the future of work?

Since the beginning of this year, Covid-19 has upended everyone's lives. While lockdowns brought the whole world to a stop, hundreds of millions of people abruptly moved to working remotely, while many people lost their jobs.

But as companies and employees begin to consider their best ways forward, what are the greatest unknowns we face? How will we work, live and thrive in a post-pandemic future? Is Covid reshaping our workspace - potentially forever? Will a hybrid and virtual way of working redefine how we search and

apply for jobs? And what types of new skills and roles will gain significance?

In this edition of WorklifeIndia, we look at the future of work.

Presenter: Devina Gupta

Contributors: Ritesh Agarwal, founder and group CEO, OYO Hotels and Homes; Sachita Salwan, co-founder, LBB; Ashish Chanchlani, YouTuber, influencer

SUN 10:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pzm5bqkw)

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SUN 10:32 Heart and Soul (w3ct1cgg)

[Repeat of broadcast at 22:32 on Saturday]

SUN 11:00 BBC News (w172x5p563knh1m)

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SUN 11:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bj60q77gr)

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SUN 11:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pzm5bvb0)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 11:32 The Compass (w3ct1cgn)

Can Germany Save the World?

Can Germany Save the World?: Building a post-Covid society

As governments around the world rethink their economies and societies after Covid, addressing the environment, towns and cities and the way we live, is it possible that Germany is closer to finding the answers?

In this programme, John Kampfner looks at where they're getting it right, and where they are going wrong. The contradictions are many. Why is a country with one of the most powerful and longest-established green parties struggling to meet its climate emissions targets? Given their strength in engineering and science, why have they fallen behind on some of the basics of tech? And in spite of the emphasis on social responsibility, why have there been so many high-profile corporate scandals?

There's another curiosity. It's sometimes called 'entschleunigung' - work-life balance. But it's more than that. Germans have generally shunned what they see as the sharp-elbowed culture of the Anglo-Saxon world. Where else would the disused Tempelhof airport in the centre of Berlin be kept for the enjoyment of local roller-bladers, cyclists and walkers rather than be developed into real estate? And what other capital city is toying with the possibility of giant property companies being forced to hand back private apartments to the state? Could this more eccentric form of communal capitalism present a model for the future?

SUN 12:00 BBC News (w172x5p563knlr)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 12:06 The Inquiry (w3csz14d)

What will Donald Trump do next?

After four years in office, Donald Trump is about to become an ex-president.

Charmaine Cozier looks at how the coming months and years might play out for Donald Trump, including a rocky handover to Joe Biden, the potential legal and financial jeopardy that might await him as a citizen, and even the prospect that he might run for president again in 2024.

SUN 12:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pzm5bz24)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 12:32 The Documentary (w3ct1cyy)

Barack Obama talks to David Olusoga

Ahead of the release of his memoirs, the former President talks to David Olusoga

SUN 13:00 BBC News (w172x5p563knjw)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 13:06 Newshour (w172x2z1nn2bx5g)

Judge dismisses Trump lawsuit in Pennsylvania

Donald Trump's legal team has said it will appeal after a judge in Pennsylvania threw out a lawsuit seeking to invalidate millions of votes in the presidential election.

Also in the programme: The Ethiopian military has threatened to encircle the capital of the Tigray region with tanks, and has warned residents to expect artillery fire as the conflict there escalates. And we speak to a doctor suffering from Long-Covid the debilitating after effects of the virus.

(Photo: President Donald Trump. Credit: Getty Images)

SUN 14:00 BBC News (w172x5p563knv90)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 14:06 The Documentary (w3ct1crz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 03:06 today]

SUN 15:00 BBC News (w172x5p563knz14)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 15:06 The Forum (w3cszjwc)

First impressions: The printing press

When the fifteenth century German entrepreneur Johannes Gutenberg pioneered the printing press, he made an indelible mark on the history of communication. Here was a way to print pages in high quality and high quantities, using methods more efficient than had ever been seen before.

Rajan Datar and guests explore the story of how the printing press was born, and how it changed our world - from the birth of the modern book to the rise of the information society, and the transformation of fields including scholarship and religion.

Rajan is joined by art historian Hala Auji, publisher Michael Bhaskar, scholar Cristina Dondi and the writer John Man.

[Image: A bas-relief of Johannes Gutenberg checking his work while his assistant turns the press, c.1450. Credit: by Hulton Archive/Getty Images]

SUN 15:50 The Big Idea (w3ct0xj6)

[Repeat of broadcast at 04:50 today]

SUN 16:00 BBC News (w172x5p563kp2s8)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 16:06 Sportsworld (w172x3j10sncmf)

Live Sporting Action

Sportsworld brings you live Premier League commentary as Leeds United take on Arsenal at Elland Road (1630 kick off GMT). We'll also have reaction to the day's early games between Fulham and Everton and Sheffield United vs. West Ham.

We'll also look ahead to the conclusion of the ATP Finals and the LPGA Tour Championship.

We'll have reaction to the men's Nations Cup rugby union match between Scotland and France, plus the grand finale of the International Swimming League in Budapest.

Photo: Pierre-Emerick Aubameyang of Arsenal during the Premier League match between Arsenal and Aston Villa (Credit: Visionhaus)

SUN 19:00 BBC News (w172x5p563kpg0n)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 19:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bj60q86fs)

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SUN 19:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pzm5ct91)

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SUN 19:32 When Katty Met Carlos (w3ct1c4v)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:32 on Saturday]

SUN 20:00 BBC News (w172x5p563kpkrs)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 20:06 Music Life (w3csz6tt)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 on Saturday]

SUN 21:00 BBC News (w172x5p563kpphx)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 21:06 Newshour (w172x2z1nn2cw4h)

US Covid-19 vaccinations could start in December

The head of the US government's coronavirus vaccine programme, Dr Moncef Slaoui, says the first Covid-19 immunisations could start as early as 11th December. We speak to Dr Slaoui, who says about 20 million people are likely to be vaccinated by the end of December.

Also in the programme: the Ethiopian prime minister has given forces loyal to the regional government in Tigray three days to surrender. We speak to one of his ministers; and protesters set fire to Congress in Guatemala.

(Picture: Vials with a sticker reading COVID-19/Coronavirus vaccine/Injection only. Credit: Reuters/Dado Ruvic/Illustration.)

SUN 22:00 BBC News (w172x5p563kpt81)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 22:06 The Newsroom (w172x79pr9387w)

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SUN 22:20 Sports News (w172x3flc18k6q)

BBC Sport brings you all the latest stories and results from around the world.

SUN 22:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pzm5d5jf)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 22:32 The Documentary (w3ct1cyy)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:32 today]

SUN 23:00 BBC News (w172x5p563kpy05)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 23:06 From Our Own Correspondent (w3csz9qg)

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SUN 23:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5pzm5d98k)

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MON 00:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcvtx0g)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 00:06 BBC OS Conversations (w3ct19yw)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:06 on Saturday]

MON 00:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5q003gj88v)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 00:32 Discovery (w3csz9ff)

Broad spectrum

Autism is a lifelong condition, often seen as particularly 'male'. Yet a growing number of women, and those assigned female at birth, are being diagnosed as autistic in their 30s, 40s, 50s, and beyond. Writer and performer Helen Keen is one of them, and she's found this diagnosis has helped her make sense of many aspects of her life, from growing up with selective mutism, to struggling to fit in as a young adult. In this programme Helen asks why she, like a growing number of others, had to wait till she was well into adulthood before finding her place on the autistic spectrum. She discovers that for many years psychologists believed that autism was rarely seen in women and non-binary people. Now it is accepted that people often display autistic traits in different way - for example, they may learn to 'camouflage' and behave in a neurotypical way - but at what cost? Helen talks to others like her who have had late diagnoses, and finds out if knowing they are on the autistic spectrum has given them insight into how they can navigate the

pressures on them from contemporary society. She also explores how we can value and celebrate neurodiversity.

Helen also talks to psychologists Professor Francesca Happé, of the Institute of Psychiatry, Psychology and Neuroscience in London, and Dr Steven Stagg of Anglia Ruskin University about their research into autism.

Picture: Geometric camouflage pattern. Credit: Yuri Parmenov/Getty Images

MON 01:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcvv0rl)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 01:06 World Business Report (w172x57ykvvd3b)

The latest on the coronavirus vaccines

As we focus on coronavirus vaccines, we ask what sort of an economic recovery will we see if they're effective? We talk about work at home trends with Professor Jonathan Haskel, a member of the Bank of England's monetary policy committee... and how would you like to work from the beach? We ask Chloe Cavey from the Waverider Surf School on Fuerteventura about her surf/work set-up. Plus as Thanksgiving approaches in the US, Ben Wright, our correspondent in the Big Apple, finds out about New York's state of mind. (Picture of vaccine via Getty Images).

MON 01:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5q003gjd0z)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 01:32 Heart and Soul (w3ct1cgq)

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MON 02:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcvv4hq)

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MON 02:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bjk90dwxv)

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MON 02:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5q003gjh3)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 02:32 The Climate Question (w3ct0xb0)

The war on trees and what it means for disease

Many people have worried that the Covid-19 pandemic meant the harm of climate change was being ignored. But could the opposite be true? Neal Razzell and Graihagh Jackson look at the links between both emerging pandemics and deforestation. We'll be on the ground in Nigeria, with BBC reporter Nkechi Ogbonna showing us the reality of farming and land use change in the tropics. While in the bush, she meets an illegal logger to find out their take on climate change and pandemics.

Professor Thomas Gillespie studies emerging infectious diseases, the types we don't even have a name for yet. His work has shown the problems of land use change for mining and agriculture and the emergence of diseases that jump from animals to humans, like Covid-19. The more we cut down, the closer we get to diseases we'd never encountered before. We also hear about global solutions from World Service environment correspondent Navin Singh Kadhka, and how we can help in the fight to save the rainforests.

MON 03:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcvv87v)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 03:06 The Forum (w3cszjwc)

[Repeat of broadcast at 15:06 on Sunday]

MON 03:50 Sporting Witness (w3cszh5v)

Judit Polgar - the chess champion who defied stereotypes

In 1991, the Hungarian chess prodigy, Judit Polgar, became the youngest Grandmaster ever at the age of 15. She speaks to Robert Nicholson about her unconventional childhood and how her extraordinary career defied expectations for female players. This programme was first broadcast in 2015.

PHOTO: Judit Polgar (EPA)

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MON 05:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcvvhr3)

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MON 05:06 Newsday (w172x2wlpqkgs2t)

Joshua Wong pleads guilty in Hong Kong trial

The prominent Hong Kong democracy activist Joshua Wong has said that he and two fellow campaigners will plead guilty to charges related to last year's siege of the police headquarters, and they expect to go to jail; Donald Trump is facing pressure from some senior Republicans to drop his attempts to overturn Joe Biden's victory in the US presidential election; air travel is resuming on one of the World's busiest routes between Sydney and Melbourne in Australia, after being suspended for months during the pandemic.

MON 06:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcvvmh7)

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MON 06:06 Newsday (w172x2wlpqkgwtv)

Hong Kong activist Joshua Wong pleads guilty to illegal assembly

The prominent Hong Kong, pro-democracy activist, Joshua Wong has announced he will plead guilty at the opening of a trial over his involvement in last year's siege of the territory's police headquarters; Donald Trump is beginning to face pressure from some senior Republicans to drop his attempts to overturn Joe Biden's victory in the US presidential election; ministers from around seventy countries and representatives of aid agencies are taking part in a donor conference on Afghanistan later today where they will decide on how much assistance to offer the country over the coming years.

MON 07:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcvvr7c)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 07:06 Newsday (w172x2wlpqkh012)

Hong Kong's Joshua Wong pleads guilty to protest charges

Hong Kong democracy activist Joshua Wong and two fellow campaigners are facing the prospect of prison after pleading guilty to unlawful assembly during last year's mass protests; air travel is resuming on one of the world's busiest routes between Sydney and Melbourne in Australia, after being suspended for months during the pandemic; a home-testing kit for breast cancer has won a top international science prize.

MON 08:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcvvzlh)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 08:06 HARDtalk (w3cszc2t)

David Nabarro: How can countries minimise Covid damage?

This is a bittersweet moment in the global fight against the Covid pandemic. Joy that at least two vaccine trials have produced extremely promising results is tempered by the continued spread of the disease across much of the world. To put it bluntly, the global containment effort has had limited success. Stephen Sackur speaks to Dr David Nabarro, the World Health Organisation's special envoy for Covid-19. Are countries doing enough to minimise the damage done before mass vaccination changes the game?

MON 08:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5q003gk77w)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 08:32 Business Daily (w3csz7k9)

What children owe their parents

Is it up to children to support their parents financially? Manuela Saragosa hears from Lamees Wajahat in Canada, who has been supporting her parents to pay the bills since she had her first part-time job. But is it the duty of the family, or the state to provide? Manuela speaks to Professor Sarah Harper of Oxford University, who argues that opportunities for younger generations are better than ever before, and that family obligations have always been a part of life. (Pic of piggy bank via Getty Images).

MON 08:50 Witness History (w3cszmkw)

Helen Keller

Helen Keller was born in Alabama in the USA in 1880. A childhood illness left her deaf and blind, but she still learned to speak and read and write. She wrote several books, graduated from college, and met 12 US presidents. By the end of her life she was famous around the world. Lucy Burns spoke to her great-niece, Adair Faust for Witness History.

This programme is a rebroadcast.

(Photo: Helen Adams Keller (1880-1968). Credit: Hulton Archive)

MON 09:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcvvzqm)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 09:06 The Climate Question (w3ct0xb0)

[Repeat of broadcast at 02:32 today]

MON 09:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5q003gk00)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 09:32 The Conversation (w3cszj47)

Young and widowed

Who do you picture when you hear the word 'widow'? The stereotype is probably an elderly woman. But what if your spouse dies unexpectedly young? Two women share their experiences of grief, stigma, and finding the strength to live their lives to the full.

Roseline Orwa is a Kenyan campaigner lobbying for cultural change around widows and the stigma towards them in Kenya and other African countries. She was widowed aged 32, when her husband was killed in post-election violence. Like many women, she had to face 'sexual cleansing' in order to be able to return to day-to-day life. She started the Rona Foundation, supporting and championing the rights of widows across the country.

Anjali Pinto is an American photographer and writer who lost her husband suddenly on New Year's Eve 2016. She was only 26 and they had been married just over a year. Using social media to chronicle her life without her husband and break down taboos around grief, she unintentionally created a community of young widows on Instagram.

Presenter: Kim Chakanetsa

Producers: Rosie Stopher, Alice Gioia

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L: Roseline Orwa – credit Atlantic Fellows for Social and Economic Equity

R: Anjali Pinto – credit Julie Dietz

MON 10:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcvw3gr)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 10:06 The Cultural Frontline (w3cszj97)

[Repeat of broadcast at 05:32 on Saturday]

MON 10:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5q003gkgr4)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 10:32 Trending (w3cszvsq)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:32 on Saturday]

MON 10:50 More or Less (w3ct0py9)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:50 on Saturday]

MON 11:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcvw76w)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 11:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bjk90fzn0)

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MON 11:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5q003gkjh8)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 11:32 CrowdScience (w3cszv6n)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:32 on Sunday]

MON 12:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcvwbz0)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 12:06 Outlook (w3cszd41)

Separated from my kids at the US-Mexico border

Rosayra Pablo Cruz tells how she fled Guatemala in April 2018 with two of her children after an attempt on her life and death threats against her eldest son. Hoping to be granted asylum in the United States, she says she didn't realise that a new "zero-tolerance" policy had just been introduced there which meant that any adults trying to cross the border illegally would be placed in custody and face prosecution - and if they were travelling with children, they would be separated from them. Rosy's two sons were sent to live with a foster mum in New York, but thanks to a group of volunteers, she was reunited with them a few months later.

One of those volunteers was Julie Schwieter Collazo. Julie heard about the plight of the mums separated from their children on the radio and made it her mission to help them. Rosy has now been granted asylum in the US. Rosy and Julie have written a book about their experience called The Book of Rosy.

The interpreter was Laura Plitt.

Image: Rosayra Pablo Cruz

Credit: J Pablo

MON 12:50 Witness History (w3cszmkw)

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MON 13:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcvwgq4)

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MON 13:32 The Conversation (w3cszj47)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:32 today]

MON 14:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcvwlg8)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 14:06 Newshour (w172x2z20xcks2v)

Covid-19: Oxford University vaccine is highly effective

Oxford University and the drugs firm, AstraZeneca, say large-scale trials of their coronavirus vaccine have shown that it's highly effective at preventing Covid-nineteen. The jab is also cheaper and easier to store and transport than two other vaccines, developed by Pfizer and Moderna.

Reports from Israel say the prime minister, Benjamin Netanyahu, has made an unprecedented visit to Saudi Arabia for secret talks, although the Saudis have denied it.

And reports from the United States say that Joe Biden is expected to nominate Antony Blinken as his secretary of state. Earlier this year Mr Blinken said that problems such as climate change, the coronavirus and the spread of lethal weapons could not be solved by the United States alone.

(Photo: The Oxford/AstraZeneca vaccine is currently in the final stages of testing. Credit: OXFORD UNIVERSITY/JOHN CAIRNS)

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(Picture: Vials waiting to be filled with Oxford vaccine. Picture credit: Getty Images.)

MON 16:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcvwtj)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 16:06 BBC OS (w172x2t4cjrjg60c)

Coronavirus conversations: Another effective vaccine

A large trial has shown the coronavirus vaccine developed by the University of Oxford is highly effective at stopping people developing Covid-19 symptoms. Researchers say interim data suggests 70% effectiveness, but a certain dose could protect up to 90% of people. We'll get your questions answered by one of our BBC health team and our regular coronavirus expert, Dr Eleanor Murray.

Meanwhile, we hear a conversation between two Lebanese doctors. Recent reports suggest many are leaving Lebanon, with the strain of an economic and political crisis on top of the coronavirus pandemic and the recent explosion in Beirut. We'll hear the experience of one who recently left for the United States and another who has recently started her career in Lebanon.

As the Ethiopian government gives another ultimatum to fighters from the region of Tigray, we'll speak to our BBC language service that broadcasts in the Tigrinya language to find out how they are covering the story.

Picture: A vial of the AstraZeneca and Oxford University vaccine (John Cairns/University of Oxford Handout)

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MON 17:06 BBC OS (w172x2t4cjrjg9rh)

OS conversations: Lebanese doctors

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And every weekday we are connecting to frontline health workers around the world. Today a doctor in Mumbai, India, tells us how the coronavirus pandemic is affecting his country.

(Photo: Dr Stephanie Yacoub. Credit: Dr Stephanie Yacoub)

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MON 19:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5q003glkg9)

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MON 19:32 Sport Today (w172x3jwhlr75my)

2020/11/23 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 (w172x5p5kcvx9y1)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 20:06 The Climate Question (w3ct0xb0)

[Repeat of broadcast at 02:32 today]

MON 20:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5q003glp6f)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 20:32 Discovery (w3ct1cx5)

The Curious Cases of Rutherford and Fry

The end of everything

Everyone knows about the Big Bang being the beginning of the universe and time - but when and how is it going to end? ask brothers Raffie and Xe from Rome. For this series, with lockdown learning in mind, Drs Rutherford and Fry are investigating scientific mysteries for students of all ages. The doctors sift science from philosophy to find out.

Cosmologist Jo Dunkley studies the origins and evolution of the universe. She explains how astrophysical ideas and techniques have evolved to tell us what we now know about our galaxy and far beyond, from the elegant parallax technique to standard candles. This particular distance measure, which uses stars of a known brightness to work out how far away other objects in the universe are, was discovered by American astronomer Henrietta Swan Leavitt in 1912, who worked at the Harvard University as one of several "computers" - women who processed and calculated data and made significant contributions to astronomy.

Curious Cases' universal guru Andrew Pontzen puts this into context. Because the universe is so enormous, it turns out that these measurements are just the first steps on the cosmic distance ladder - a suite of tools that astrophysicists use to determine distances to celestial objects. Scientists know that objects are moving away from us because the wavelengths of light from them get stretched and appear redder in our telescopes - the so-called red shift effect. But having a handle on the distances to and between those objects allows cosmologists to monitor what's happening to them over time. And it turns out that not only are they getting further apart, indicating that the universe is expanding, but that this process is accelerating.

So what might happen in the end? Expansion and then collapse - a big crunch? Expansion into the void - a big freeze, or a big rip? Or what if there is more than one universe - might a new one bubble up with totally different laws of physics that would cause our own to cease existing? It turns out that when dealing with predictions for something involving infinite space and time, the possibilities are largely limited by human imagination alone. Ideas are where science starts, but experiments are required to build evidence confirming or rejecting them as fact. The doctors discuss how gravitational wave detectors and quantum computers might one day provide this.

Presenters: Hannah Fry & Adam Rutherford

Producer: Jen Whyntie

MON 21:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcvxfp5)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 21:06 Newshour (w172x2z20xclm9r)

Light at end of tunnel "growing brighter": WHO

The head of the World Health Organisation, Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, has welcomed the promising trial results of a new coronavirus vaccine, but says the poor must not be trampled in the stampede for protection. We'll hear from the director of the Africa Centres for Disease Control and Prevention.

Also in the programme: Joe Biden has chosen a veteran US foreign policy official with internationalist views, Antony Blinken, to be his Secretary of State; and did the Israeli Prime Minister, Benjamin Netanyahu, fly to Saudi Arabia to meet Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman?

(Picture: A researcher at the University of Oxford's Jenner Institute working on the coronavirus vaccine developed by AstraZeneca and Oxford University. Credit: John Cairns/University of Oxford/PA Wire)

MON 22:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcvxkf9)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 22:06 The Newsroom (w172x79q3kdt0f4)

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MON 22:20 Sports News (w172x3flqpbh9cz)

BBC Sport brings you all the latest stories and results from around the world.

MON 22:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5q003glxpp)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 22:32 World Business Report (w172x58s09gm8vm)

Trial shows Oxford Covid vaccine highly effective

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(Picture: Vials waiting to be filled with Oxford vaccine. Picture credit: Getty Images.)

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The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 00:06 The History Hour (w3cszpkv)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:06 on Saturday]

TUE 01:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcvxxnp)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 01:06 Business Matters (w172x193hc6q4rl)

Trump authorizes transition to Biden presidency

US President Donald Trump accepts that the formal transition to Joe Biden's White House can finally begin and it's reported that Mr Biden will nominate Janet Yellen, a former head of the Federal Reserve, as his Treasury secretary - we hear from Samira Hussain, our American Business Correspondent. There's more good news on the coronavirus vaccines front as it's announced that the AstraZeneca/Oxford trials could be almost as effective as two other vaccines already shown to work. There's growing evidence that later lockdowns, designed to combat a second wave of the virus, aren't having the same positive environmental impact as the initial lockdowns, as Mike Johnson has been hearing from Simon Birkitt, founder of the campaign group Clean Air in London. It will take "substantial last minute efforts" in order to strike a Brexit deal - that's according to the EU Trade Commissioner, Valdis Dombrovskis, who's been speaking to our Global Trade Correspondent Dharshini David. And are you looking for something to buy your loved-ones for Christmas? How about some surplus crockery from the BA first class cabin? We hear more from Rhys Jones of the frequent flyer website www.headforpoints.com. Plus, we're joined throughout the programme by Jeanette Rodriguez from Bloomberg who is in Mumbai and Peter Morici, Professor Emeritus at the University

of Maryland.

(Picture of US President Donald Trump, by Tasos Katopodis for Getty Images).

TUE 02:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcvy1dt)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 02:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bjk90hsty)

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TUE 02:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5q003gmdp6)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

TUE 02:32 The Documentary (w3ct1cs1)

100 Women: The mushroom woman

This is the story of Chido Govera aka The Mushroom Woman. It is a story about her home, Zimbabwe. And it is also a story about mushrooms.

It never should have happened. Chido, an orphan, became the provider in her family aged seven. At 10 she was destined to marry a man 30 years older than her. But a chance encounter led her to discover the almost magical science of mushroom cultivation at a local university, and set her life on a very different course.

Cultivating mushrooms is unlike growing any other vegetable. Micro-organisms in organic matter provide fuel for air-bound silvery thread-like 'mycelium'. These anchor in damp soil and then quickly, tiny mushroom pins appear. Chido was enthralled by the way mushrooms emerge from next to nothing and colonise plant material. It reminded her of her Grandmother, who took Chido foraging for mushrooms in the forest as a child. From humble beginnings, mushrooms grow.

Chido realised she could grow these curious fungi in maize waste. She could feed herself and her family, and make a little money. What if she could teach other orphans to grow and sell edible mushrooms to provide an income? So that is what Chido did.

Today Chido runs a foundation training 1000s of other growers, mainly women and orphans, in Zimbabwe, and across Africa and the world. We hear their stories and discover the mysterious world of fungi.

Presenter: Chido Govera

(Photo: Chido Govera (Centre) Credit: The Future of Hope Foundation)

TUE 03:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcvy54y)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 03:06 Outlook (w3cszd41)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 on Monday]

TUE 03:50 Witness History (w3cszmkw)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 on Monday]

TUE 04:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcvy8x2)

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TUE 04:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bjk90j1b6)

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TUE 04:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5q003gmn5g)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

TUE 04:32 Discovery (w3ct1cx5)

[Repeat of broadcast at 20:32 on Monday]

TUE 05:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcvydn6)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 05:06 Newsday (w172x2wlpqkknz)

Trump accepts transition to Biden must begin

President Donald Trump says he has given the go-ahead to begin a transition with President-elect Joe Biden's Administration despite plans to continue his legal challenges to the election result; China has launched a mission to try to retrieve rock samples from the Moon; and the UN Security Council meets later today to discuss the conflict in Ethiopia's Tigray province.

TUE 06:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcvy1db)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 06:06 Newsday (w172x2wlpqkksr1)

President Trump has accepted the transition of power to Joe Biden can begin

Donald Trump has accepted a formal US transition should begin for President-elect Joe Biden to take office; China has launched a mission to try to retrieve rock samples from the Moon; and we'll talk about the challenges of ensuring that everybody has access to the new coronavirus vaccines.

TUE 07:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcvyn4g)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 07:06 Newsday (w172x2wlpqkxh5)

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President Donald Trump says he has given the go-ahead to begin a transition with President-elect Joe Biden's Administration despite plans to continue his legal challenges to the election result; the UN Security Council is expected to hold its first meeting to discuss the conflict in Ethiopia's northern Tigray province later today; and does gender make a difference to government? We'll hear from Finland where most of the country's leading politicians are women.

TUE 08:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcvyrwl)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 08:06 People Fixing the World (w3cszv23)

Riding the solar railway

Can you make the railways greener by powering trains with energy from the sun? We hear about the pioneering train in Australia that's run entirely on solar power. Plus we visit the solar farm that's plugged directly into a railway in Britain and hear about Indian Railways' big plan for converting to renewable power.

Produced and presented by Richard Kenny

TUE 08:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5q003gn44z)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

TUE 08:32 Business Daily (w3csz8bb)

Rich countries line up for Covid-19 vaccine

After Pfizer and Moderna vaccines earlier in the month, a third arrives from the University of Oxford. The question now becomes when the vaccines will be distributed and to whom. We'll hear from Bruce Y Lee, professor at CUNY Graduate School of Public Health, about just how daunting a task a global inoculation programme will be. Meanwhile, Alex de Jonquieres, the head of the Vaccine Alliance Gavi, explains how they're trying to make sure every country can afford enough of the vaccine to protect their country. But Kate Elder, senior vaccine policy advisor at Doctors without Borders, says there's nothing to stop richer countries jumping to the front of the queue.

Producer: Frey Lindsay.

(Image credit: Getty Creative)

TUE 08:50 Witness History (w3cszmqd)

Britain's little blue disability car

For decades disabled people in the UK were offered tiny, three-wheeled, turquoise cars as their main form of transport. They were known as Invacars and they were provided, free of charge, to people who couldn't use ordinary vehicles. They were phased out in the 1970s because they were accident-prone and people were given grants to adapt conventional cars instead. Daniel Gordon has been hearing from Colin Powell, who was issued with his first Invacar at the age of 16.

Photo: an Invacar. Credit: BBC

TUE 09:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcvywmq)

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TUE 09:06 The Documentary (w3ct1cs1)

[Repeat of broadcast at 02:32 today]

TUE 09:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5q003gn7x3)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

TUE 09:32 In the Studio (w3cszvc6)

Daniel Lee: Revitalising a fashion house

The young British-born designer Daniel Lee was appointed Creative Director of the classic Italian fashion house, Bottega Veneta, in 2018 with the task of reinventing the brand. Since then he's picked up numerous awards and several of his designs have already become "cult" items.

John Wilson joins the VIP audience – along with music stars Stormzy and Kanye West – to watch the launch of Daniel Lee's latest Bottega Veneta collection held in London this Autumn. The designer discusses the brand's trademark of woven leather handbags and shoes, what it takes to create some of the world's most sought after garments and accessories, and the challenges of putting on a show in the midst of a global pandemic.

Presented and Produced by John Wilson for the BBC World Service

Photo of Daniel Lee by: Tyrone Lebon

TUE 10:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcvz0cv)

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TUE 10:06 The Arts Hour (w3cszk3s)

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TUE 12:06 Outlook (w3cszdkl)

A spy in the family

Peter Keup's family was shaped by the division of West and East Germany after the Second World War. He grew up in the East, cut off from relatives across the border. But when Peter's parents applied for a visa to move West, they were condemned as traitors - he was kicked out of high school and banned from his sports clubs. He found a new passion in ballroom dancing, but when the state tried to stop this too he made the dangerous decision to escape East Germany illegally. He was caught and put in solitary confinement. It was only decades later that he discovered a betrayal at the heart of his family.

Picture: Peter Keup (right) and his brother as children
Credit: Photo courtesy of Peter Keup

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The handover from Donald Trump to Joe Biden has officially begun, three weeks after the US presidential election. In a tweet referring to the best interest of the country, Mr Trump

acknowledged that the transition had started. But he again argued, without providing evidence, that the poll was marred by fraud. Mr Biden's team will now have access to federal funds and officials.

A special report from Afghanistan, on the new drug of choice for this addict and many others - crystal meth.

And Cambridge University Library has announced that two notebooks written by Charles Darwin, worth many millions of pounds, have been missing for 20 years.

(Photo: Joe Biden has been elected America's 46th president.
Credit: Getty Images)

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TUE 15:32 World Business Report (w172xlvttmb12cs)

Janet Yellen: Biden to pick 'first female treasury secretary'

US media reports president-elect Joe Biden is to pick Janet Yellen as treasury secretary. Ms Yellen was previously chair of the US central bank the Federal Reserve, and we get perspectives on what her appointment would mean for the US economy from Alicia Munnell, professor of management sciences at Boston College's Carroll School of Management, and Kenneth Rogoff, professor of economics at Harvard University, both of whom know Janet Yellen well. Also in the programme, Spain's government has approved a vaccine strategy that would see a substantial part of the population covered within six months of a programme expected to start in January. Inigo Fernandez de Mesa is a former deputy finance minister in Spain, and vice-president of the country's main business association CEOE, and discusses how his members are feeling about the future. And professor Nuria Mas is a health economist at the IESE Business School in Barcelona, and member of the Spanish central bank's governing council, who gives us her thoughts on the country's biggest challenge. Our regular workplace commentator, Stephanie Hare, offers tips for people who are losing their job during the pandemic. Plus, as the winners of this year's gaming industry Oscars, the Golden Joystick Awards, are unveiled, we hear what impact it has on the industry from Daniel Dawkins, who is one of the event's organisers.

(Picture: Janet Yellen. Picture credit: Reuters.)

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TUE 16:06 BBC OS (w172x2t4cjrj2xg)

Coronavirus conversations: Gaza

Rising numbers of coronavirus cases threaten to overwhelm the healthcare system in the Palestinian territory of Gaza. We'll speak to people who live there about their experience of the pandemic, as well as getting context from a BBC journalist.

We continue to get questions from around the world on Covid-19 vaccines, after Monday's announcement of successful results in trials by the University of Oxford. We'll have one of our regular coronavirus experts, Dr Isaac Bogoch, on hand to answer them.

And we'll explain the situation of the thousands of Ethiopians who have crossed the border into Sudan to escape conflict in Tigray. They're fleeing a region where the UN now says emergency relief supplies are running out.

Picture: People wear wear protective face masks at Shifa hospital in Gaza City (REUTERS/Mohammed Salem)

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As we continue to catch up with front line medics treating

coronavirus patients around the world, we speak to a doctor in New York who, when we spoke to her at the height of the pandemic, compared her experience to working as a war medic in Mosul, Iraq.

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Picture: People wear wear protective face masks at Shifa hospital in Gaza City (REUTERS/Mohammed Salem)

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TUE 20:32 Digital Planet (w3csz98y)

Increase in stalkerware installations

New data shows an increase in stalkerware use. This is software that grants a remote user the ability to monitor the activity on another user's device without their consent, and can be preloaded in technology given as gifts. It's an increasing problem around the world according to the cybersecurity firm Kaspersky. Tara Hairston from Kaspersky and Sachiko Hasumi, Manager of Information Security & Compliance at UN Women highlight the growing problem as part of the UN's International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women this week.

Robots are not immune to bias and injustice
An editorial in Science Robotics is calling on roboticists and AI developers to consider racial biases and inequalities when developing new technology. Professor Ayanna Howard who co-leads the organisation "Black in Robotics" wants the robotics community to welcome and employ a more racially diverse workforce as current developers do not reflect the global population and both robotics and AI are therefore being developed without many people in mind.

Military tech adapted to find the blue whales of South Georgia
Scientists who have discovered the return of critically endangered Antarctic blue whales to the sub-Antarctic island of South Georgia - 50 years after whaling all but wiped them out - used military sonobuoys to track the animals. This tech is usually deployed from aircraft into the sea to track submarines. The team looked at 30 years of data - reports of sightings, photographs and underwater sea recordings - to track the world's largest mammal back to these waters. The new study follows recent research that humpback whales are also returning to the region. Lead author of the study, Susannah Calderan of the Scottish Association for Marine Science explains how they are using sonobuoys to track blue whales hundreds of miles away.

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

(Image: Getty Images)

Studio manager: John Boland
Producer: Ania Lichtarowicz

TUE 21:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kew0b18)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 21:06 Newshour (w172x2z20xcpj6v)

Tigrayan youth group accused of massacre in Ethiopia

The Ethiopian Human Rights Commission says the group stabbed, bludgeoned and burned to death non-Tigrayan residents of the town of Mai Kadra two weeks ago, with the collusion of local forces. We'll hear from the head of the Commission.

Also in the programme: The formal handover of power from President Trump to the President-elect, Joe Biden, has begun and the pandemic is the priority; and a new report warns that Afghanistan is becoming a significant producer of the dangerously addictive and illegal drug, meth-amphetamine.

(Photo: An Ethiopian woman who fled the ongoing fighting in Tigray region carries her child near Sudan-Ethiopia border. Credit: Reuters).

TUE 22:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kew0gbd)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 22:06 The Newsroom (w172x79q3kdwxb7)

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

TUE 22:20 Sports News (w172x3flqplb692)

BBC Sport brings you all the latest stories and results from around the world.

TUE 22:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5q003gptls)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

TUE 22:32 World Business Report (w172x58s09gq5rq)

President-elect Biden makes first choices for new cabinet

President-elect Joe Biden has introduced the first people he has chosen for his cabinet. The announcements follow US media reports Janet Yellen will be selected as treasury secretary. Ms Yellen was previously chair of the US central bank the Federal Reserve, and we get perspectives on what her appointment would mean for the US economy from Alicia Munnell, professor of management sciences at Boston College's Carroll School of Management. Also in the programme, Spain's government has approved a vaccine strategy that would see a substantial part of the population immunised by June next year. Inigo Fernandez de Mesa is a former deputy finance minister in Spain, and vice-president of the country's main business association CEOE, and discusses how his members are feeling about the future. And professor Nuria Mas is a health economist at the IESE Business School in Barcelona, and member of the Spanish central bank's governing council, who gives us her thoughts on the country's biggest challenge. Our regular workplace commentator, Stephanie Hare, offers tips for people who are losing their job during the pandemic. And we hear how many musicians are receiving no income from streaming services, as guitarist Tom Gray, founder of the Broken Record campaign, explains.

(Picture: Joe Biden. Picture credit: Getty Images.)

TUE 23:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kew012j)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 23:06 People Fixing the World (w3cszv23)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:06 today]

TUE 23:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5q003gpybx)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

TUE 23:32 In the Studio (w3cszvc6)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:32 today]

WEDNESDAY 25 NOVEMBER 2020

WED 00:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kew0ptn)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 00:06 The Arts Hour (w3cszk3s)

[Repeat of broadcast at 20:06 on Saturday]

WED 01:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kew0tks)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 01:06 Business Matters (w172x193hc6f1np)

President-elect Biden makes first choices for new cabinet

President-elect Joe Biden has introduced the first people he has chosen for his cabinet, among them the first female director of national intelligence and the first Latino head of homeland security. We discuss how the appointments, if confirmed, are likely to be received, and what significance they hold for Biden's administration.

The Dow Jones market index reached a record-breaking 30,000 points today. But how significant is that? We speak to Joe Saluzzi of Themis Trading in New Jersey.

Our regular workplace commentator, Stephanie Hare, offers tips for people who are losing their job during the pandemic. Also in the programme, we hear how many musicians are receiving no income from streaming services, as guitarist Tom Gray, founder of the Broken Record campaign, explains.

Sasha Twining is joined throughout the programme by Nicole Childers, executive producer of Marketplace on American public radio, who's in LA and by Mehmal Sarfraz, co-founder of The Current PK and writer for The Hindu newspaper, from Lahore.

(Picture: Joe Biden. Credit: Getty Images)

WED 02:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kew0y9x)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 02:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bjk90lpr1)

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

WED 02:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5q003gq919)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

WED 02:32 The Compass (w3ct1cgp)

Can Germany Save the World?

Can Germany Save the World?: Stepping up on the world stage

Because of its war history, Germany remains frightened of being assertive on its own. Yet it holds the key to enabling Europe to become the third global pole to China and America. This programme looks at Germany's current place in the world: the facts, the psychology and the consequences. John Kampfner visits Duisburg in the gritty Ruhr area with its ambition to become "China City". He goes to the former East, where businesses are desperate for closer ties with their former ally, Russia. He discusses the dilemmas Germany faces in its dealings with Russia: tensions over the poisoning of the opposition leader Alexei Navalny, and questions over the completion of the Nordstream 2 gas pipeline from Russia to Germany. He looks at the pressure Germany is under to increase defence spending, and asks whether the country is ready to be more assertive and to take its place on the world stage.

And then there is the question of what Germany represents. Today, one quarter of those living there have a non-German ethnic background. It used to be the crossroads between East and West. Now it's a magnet for the global south. Germany looks and feels different. This final programme assesses whether, through its foreign policy and increasingly diverse population, Germany could become the standard bearer for liberal democracy in a more uncertain and often authoritarian world. How confident is the country as it looks ahead to a time without Angela Merkel at the helm?

Produced by Caroline Bayley

WED 03:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kew1221)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 03:06 Outlook (w3cszdkl)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 on Tuesday]

WED 03:50 Witness History (w3cszmqd)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 on Tuesday]

WED 04:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kew15t5)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 04:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bjk90ly79)

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WED 04:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5q003gqk2k)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

WED 04:32 Digital Planet (w3csz98y)

[Repeat of broadcast at 20:32 on Tuesday]

WED 05:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kew19k9)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 05:06 Newsday (w172x2wlpqknkx0)

'America is back', says Biden as he unveils team

US President-elect Joe Biden has unveiled officials for six important posts, as he prepares to take office; we'll be asking why citizens of some fifteen African countries now have to post bonds of up to \$15,000 just to visit the US; and Beyoncé, Taylor Swift and Dua Lipa lead the nominations for the 2021 Grammy Awards.

WED 06:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kew1f9f)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 06:06 Newsday (w172x2wlpqknpn4)

Biden transition moves ahead

US President-elect Joe Biden has unveiled officials for six important posts, as he prepares to take office; we'll hear why diabetes may be set to have a devastating effect on India's cities; and Beyoncé, Taylor Swift and Dua Lipa lead the nominations for the 2021 Grammy Awards.

WED 07:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kew1k1k)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 07:06 Newsday (w172x2wlpqkntd8)

Biden says White House co-operation 'sincere'

The US President-elect, Joe Biden, says his transition team is getting good cooperation across the board from the Trump administration -- following its belated decision to recognise his election victory; we'll be asking why citizens of some fifteen African countries now have to post bonds of up to \$15,000 just to visit the US; and a deadline set by the Ethiopian government for fighters in the northern region of Tigray to surrender is due to expire today.

WED 08:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kew1nsp)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 08:06 HARDtalk (w3cszc7b)

Jeremy Hunt: Britain's battle with Covid-19

The UK has the highest Covid-19 death toll in Europe and one of the steepest declines in economic output. Opinion polls suggest Prime Minister Boris Johnson's claims of a world-beating governmental response cut little ice with the public. Stephen Sackur speaks to Jeremy Hunt, former Health Secretary, Foreign Secretary and Mr Johnson's rival for leadership of the Conservative party. Has the pandemic exposed weaknesses in the country and its leader?

WED 08:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5q003gr122)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

WED 08:32 Business Daily (w3csz8nm)

What it takes to vaccinate the world

With Covid-19 vaccinations preparing to roll out, how do we make sure everyone gets it? John Johnson, a vaccine programme co-ordinator for Doctors without Borders, outlines just how much is involved in getting vaccines, by truck, motorbike and even foot, to every town and village in the developing world. The Covid-19 vaccine, like others, needs to be transported below a certain temperature, adding an extra layer of complexity, as Toby Peters from the University of Birmingham explains. But David Elliot, of Dulas Solar, says technology like their solar-powered refrigerators can help solve the problem in sub-Saharan Africa. Rebecca Weintraub, Faculty Director of the Global Health Delivery Project at Harvard University, is enthusiastic that the world's institutions can come together to co-ordinate the task.

Producers: Frey Lindsay and Joshua Thorpe.

(Picture: A Malaria vaccine implementation pilot programme in Malawi, April 2019. Image credit: AFP via Getty Images)

WED 08:50 Witness History (w3cszmsn)

India's campaign for disability rights

In December 1995, the first disability rights legislation was passed by India's parliament. An estimated 60 million people, almost six percent of India's population, are affected by physical or mental disabilities. Farhana Haider spoke to Javed Abidi who led the campaign to change the law.

Photo: Disability rights campaigners protest in Delhi, December 19th 1995. (Credit: Javed Abidi)

WED 09:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcw1sji)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 09:06 The Compass (w3ct1cgp)

[Repeat of broadcast at 02:32 today]

WED 09:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5q003gr4t6)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

WED 09:32 The Documentary (w3ct1cs6)

Don't Log Off: Resilience

Throughout the pandemic Alan Dein has been hearing inspiring and moving accounts of how people's lives have been transformed by the pandemic. Today, Alan connects with Sakie in Myanmar, who tells of a heroic 24-hour journey from his remote village in order to save his mother's life.

He also catches up with Maria Ester in Ecuador, who he first spoke to six months ago when it looked as if her family business was on the verge of collapse.

Alan also connects with Mursalina in Afghanistan, Mohammed in Gaza and wildlife photographer Jahawi who describes the wonders of the underwater world.

Producers: Sarah Shebbear & Laurence Grissell

WED 10:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcw1x8y)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 10:06 The Documentary (w3ct1crz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 03:06 on Sunday]

WED 11:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcw2112)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 11:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bjk90msg6)

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WED 11:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5q003grd9g)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

WED 11:32 Digital Planet (w3csz98y)

[Repeat of broadcast at 20:32 on Tuesday]

WED 12:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcw24s6)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 12:06 Outlook (w3cszdc)

The firefighting vets of Brazil

After wildfires broke out on an ecologically-rich Brazilian wetland area called the Pantanal, firefighting vet Carla Sassi and her team flew in to rescue wounded and trapped animals. She spoke to Outlook's Emily Webb.

Liz Player is the founder of the Harlem Chamber Players in New York. She'd turned to classical music as a child after the death of her brother, but when she went professional she realised she was one of very few people of colour in the classical world. So she set up a chamber music group in a Harlem church to bring her favourite music to everyone.

Picture: Carla Sassi and her team
Credit: GRAD

WED 12:50 Witness History (w3cszmsn)

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WED 13:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcw28jb)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 13:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bjk90n0yg)

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WED 13:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5q003grmsq)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

WED 13:32 The Documentary (w3ct1cs6)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:32 today]

WED 14:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcw2d8g)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 14:06 Newshour (w172x2z20cxrkx1)

Ethiopian PM's deadline for Tigrayan troop surrender arrives

Abiy Ahmed appears poised to send forces into the regional capital, Mekelle, as international calls for a peaceful resolution to the civil conflict seem to fall on deaf ears.

Also in the programme: Hong Kong chief executive Carrie Lam has delivered her annual address to a legislature emptied of opposition members; the trial of a well-known women's rights activist resumes in Saudi Arabia; and a coronavirus outbreak in the Gaza Strip threatens to overwhelm the Palestinian territory's fragile health care system.

(Photo: An Ethiopian refugee, fleeing from the ongoing fighting in Tigray region, walks past a World Food Programme tent at the Um-Rakoba camp, on the Sudan-Ethiopia border, on Monday. Credit: Reuters)

WED 15:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcw2j0l)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 15:06 HARDtalk (w3cszc7b)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:06 today]

WED 15:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5q003grw8z)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

WED 15:32 World Business Report (w172x1xn8bxt8q5)

Retailers gear up for Black Friday

Retailers around the world are preparing for one of the biggest shopping days each year. The BBC's Michelle Fleury in New York reports on how the pandemic is impacting plans for Black Friday in 2020. And we get further analysis from Ivan Mazour, who is a retail consultant and chief executive of Ometria, which works with 175 retailers from offices in New York and London. Also in the programme, the French government is hoping to bolster its budget in the year ahead with proceeds of a tax levied on the profits mainly of Silicon Valley giants like Facebook and Amazon. Victor Mallett, Paris bureau chief for the Financial Times, tells us French tax authorities are now demanding millions of euros in payment for this year, after talks on an alternative framework stalled. Plus, with three new coronavirus vaccines that are now known to work, the BBC's Ed Butler has been finding out about the immense challenge of delivering the vaccines where needed, especially in the developing world.

(Picture: A Black Friday window display. Picture credit: Getty Images.)

WED 16:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcw2mrq)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 16:06 BBC OS (w172x2t4cjrmtz)

Talking about miscarriage

Meghan Markle, the Duchess of Sussex, has revealed she lost a child to miscarriage in July this year. In an article written for the New York Times, she describes "an almost unbearable grief". We'll bring together others who have been through the same experience.

We'll explain the latest on the conflict in Ethiopia, with Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed urging other countries not to interfere. We'll focus on the people displaced by fighting and find out the latest on the flow of people into Sudan.

And we'll hear the experience of one family preparing for a Thanksgiving like no other in the United States, with warnings not to travel to limit the spread of coronavirus. Our regular expert will also talk us through the latest news on the pandemic.

(Photo: Duchess of Sussex speaks during a school assembly as part of a visit to Robert Clack School in Essex, Britain March 6, 2020 Credit: Ben Stansall/Pool via REUTERS)

WED 17:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcw2rhv)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 17:06 BBC OS (w172x2t4cjrnk3p)

Football legend Diego Maradona dies

One of the most famous footballers of the past 50 years, Diego Maradona, has died. The Argentine player was 60 and reports say he suffered a heart attack. We go to Argentina for reaction and hear from football fans all over the world.

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(Photo: Argentine star Diego Maradona holds up the World Cup trophy as he is carried off the field after Argentina defeated West Germany 3-2 to win the World Cup soccer championship in Mexico City June 29, 1986 Credit: Gary Hershorn/File Photo/File Photo/Reuters)

WED 18:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcw2w7z)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 18:06 Outlook (w3cszdc)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 today]

WED 18:50 Witness History (w3cszmsn)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 today]

WED 19:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcw3003)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 19:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bjk90nrf7)

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WED 19:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5q003gsc8h)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

WED 19:32 Sport Today (w172x3jwhlrdzg4)

2020/11/25 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 (w172x5p5kcw33r7)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 20:06 The Compass (w3ct1cgp)

[Repeat of broadcast at 02:32 today]

WED 20:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5q003gsh0m)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

WED 20:32 Health Check (w3cszcvc)

Another week, another Covid-19 vaccine success

Oxford University and Astrazeneca announced interim results from the phase 3 trial of their coronavirus vaccine. The results are promising with efficacy scores ranging from 70% to possibly 90%, depending on the dose of the first of the two inoculations. This vaccine also remains viable when stored at refrigerator temperatures – a logistical advantage compared to the Pfizer and Moderna vaccines. Claudia consults Charlie Wheeler, head of vaccines at the Wellcome Trust, about how this vaccine may advance the ambition of protecting the world from Covid-19.

The pandemic has disrupted routine health services in many countries. Maternity services for pregnant women and women in labour have not escaped restrictions. In the UK this has included banning partners from clinics and wards, often for most of labour. Dr Samar Linton reports.

High levels of lead exposure in childhood result in smaller, less robust-looking brains in middle age. This is the conclusion of a long-running study of hundreds of people who grew up in the town of Dunedin in New Zealand. They have been followed since their childhoods in the early 1970s, during the era of leaded petrol. At the age of 45, more than 550 of them have had MRI brain scans. This part of the research has been led by Aaron Reuben and Maxwell Elliot at Duke University in the United States. Although leaded petrol is banned in all but one country today, hundreds of millions of children are still exposed to environmental lead levels well above what's regarded as safe.

Epidemiologist Matthew Fox of Boston University also joins Claudia to talk about the disappointing covid antiviral drug remdesivir, coronavirus rapid tests and a flu vaccine grown in plants.

Presenter: Claudia Hammond
Producer: Producer: Andrew Luck-Baker

(Picture: Laboratory technicians in Italy handle capped vials as part of filling and packaging tests for the large-scale production and supply of the University of Oxford's Covid-19 vaccine. Photo credit: Vincenzo Pinto/AFP/Getty Images.)

WED 21:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kwcw37hc)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 21:06 Newshour (w172x2z20xcsf3y)
Argentina football legend Maradona dies aged 60

Football legend Diego Maradona, one of the greatest players of all time, has died at the age of 60. The former Argentina attacking midfielder suffered a heart attack at his Buenos Aires home.

Also in the programme: A deadline for Tigrayan forces to surrender in northern Ethiopia has expired, with federal and other troops poised to attack the regional capital Mekelle; and we hear from a defender of Thailand's strict laws against criticising the royal family.

(Photo: File photo. Argentina's Maradona lifts the World Cup after match against West Germany in Mexico in 1986. Credit: Reuters)

WED 22:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kwcw3c7h)
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WED 23:06 HARDtalk (w3cszc7b)
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WED 23:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5q003gsv80)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

WED 23:32 The Documentary (w3ct1cs6)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:32 today]

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THU 00:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kwcw3lqr)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 00:06 The Documentary (w3ct1crz)
[Repeat of broadcast at 03:06 on Sunday]

THU 01:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kwcw3qgw)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 01:06 Business Matters (w172x193hc6wys)
Biden delivers Thanksgiving speech to America

President-elect Biden has delivered his first address to the American people. In his Thanksgiving speech, he urged the nation to recommit to the fight against Coronavirus. The holiday marks the start of the festive shopping season with Black Friday kicking everything off. The BBC's Michelle Fleury in New York reports on how the pandemic is impacting plans for Black Friday in 2020. Also in the programme, the French government is hoping to bolster its budget in the year ahead with proceeds of a tax levied on the profits mainly of Silicon Valley giants like Facebook and Amazon. Victor Mallett, Paris bureau chief for the Financial Times, tells us French tax authorities are now demanding millions of euros in payment for this year, after talks on an alternative framework stalled. Plus, with three new coronavirus vaccines that are now known to work, the BBC's Ed Butler has been finding out about the immense challenge of delivering the vaccines where needed, especially in the developing world. And, football legend Diego Maradona, one of the greatest players of all time, has died at the age of 60. We hear from Jimmy Burns the author of Hand of God, the footballer's biography.

(Image credit: Mark Makela / Getty)

THU 02:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kwcw3v70)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 02:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bjk90pln4)
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THU 02:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5q003gt6hd)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 02:32 Assignment (w3csz6m2)
The Mapuche: Fighting for their right to heal

The Mapuche are Chile's largest indigenous group – a population of more than 2 million people. And, they are fighting for their right to heal. They want Chileans to value their unique approach to healthcare and give them control of land and their own destiny. But, it's a tough sell when there's so much distrust and violence between the two communities. Jane Chambers travels to their homeland in the Araucania region in the south of Chile, where she's given rare access to traditional healers and political leaders.

Presenter / producer: Jane Chambers
Producer in London: Linda Pressly

(Image: Machi Juana at her home by her sacred altar. Credit: Jane Chambers/BBC)

THU 03:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kwcw3yz4)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 03:06 Outlook (w3cszds)
[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 on Wednesday]

THU 03:50 Witness History (w3cszmsn)
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THU 04:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kwcw42g8)
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THU 04:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5q003gtfzn)
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THU 04:32 Health Check (w3cszcvc)
[Repeat of broadcast at 20:32 on Wednesday]

THU 05:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kwcw46gd)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 05:06 Newsday (w172x2wlpqkrgt3)
Tributes pour in for football great, Maradona

Crowds have taken to the streets in Argentina to mourn the death of Diego Maradona, the football star whose sublime skills - and personal struggles - captivated the world.

President Trump has pardoned his former National Security Adviser Michael Flynn, who was convicted of lying to the FBI during the Russia investigation.

Pakistan has shut down all its schools and universities from today because of concerns about a rise in Covid-19 infections.

THU 06:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kwcw46bj)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 06:06 Newsday (w172x2wlpqkrlk7)
Diego Maradona - a footballing genius dies at 60

Fans have gathered around the world to pay tribute to Diego Maradona - the Argentinian footballing legend who famously used 'the hand of God' to help defeat England in the World Cup in 1986 before leading Argentina to lift the trophy.

There are fears for the safety of migrants trying to enter Europe via Greece with allegations that European Coast Guards are pushing them back into Turkish waters.

With more than 2,000 dying of Covid-19 in one day this week, US health officials are warning Americans not to travel home to see their families over the Thanksgiving holiday period.

THU 07:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kwcw4fyn)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 07:06 Newsday (w172x2wlpqkrg9c)
Maradona dies: Argentine icon mourned by football fans worldwide

Diego Maradona dies: Argentina has announced three days of mourning and in Naples, where he's considered one of the greatest symbols of the city, fans took to the streets to light candles and show their respect.

Germany's leader, Chancellor Angela Merkel, will today outline further restrictions to combat Covid-19 as the virus peaks there.

A study concludes the coronavirus pandemic has set back progress made by women in the home and workplace by 25 years.

THU 08:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kwcw4kps)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 08:06 The Inquiry (w3csz4f)
Do we have a vaccine to end the pandemic?

Test results from coronavirus vaccines are fast emerging, fuelling hopes that the end of the pandemic is in sight. But are countries ready to share the vaccine fairly? Global efforts to coordinate are already gaining ground - but some are concerned the battle for who gets what will mean some lower income countries could get left behind.

THU 08:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5q003gtxz5)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 08:32 Business Daily (w3csz7y3)
The fight for compensation

Are NFL players being denied compensation because of racial-norming? Thousands of former American footballers claim they suffered brain injury as players, but are being denied compensation on racial grounds. Ed Butler speaks to Roxanne Gordon, the wife of Amon Gordon, once of the Cleveland Browns, who is one of hundreds of ex-players now claiming compensation from the NFL for brain injury sustained on the field of play. She says that race-norming was used in the testing

of his concussion settlement. New York Times journalist, Ken Belson, who's pioneered a lot of the reporting on this story, told him what race-norming is. And Cathy O'Neill, author of a book, Weapons of Math Destruction, who also runs Orca, a software auditing company, says race-norming applies in lots of areas of modern life particularly with the increased use of algorithms that can easily dominate and distort the way companies market to consumers, frequently on racial grounds. The NFL says it "remains fully committed to paying all legitimate claims and providing the important benefits that our retired players and their families deserve."

(Picture: Dalvin Cook of the Minnesota Vikings runs the ball as Adrian Amos of the Green Bay Packers tackles on November 01, 2020 in Green Bay, Wisconsin. Credit: Getty Images.)

THU 08:50 Witness History (w3cszmn4)

Rwanda at the Paralympics

In 2012, the Rwandan sitting volleyball team became the first Paralympians from their country. The sport began in Rwanda after thousands of people were mutilated during the genocide of 1994, and there were emotional scenes in London when the Rwandan side eventually won a match. Bob Nicholson talks to Rwanda's captain, Emile Vuningabo, and the side's Dutch coach, Peter Karreman. The programme is a Whistledown Production.

PHOTO: The Rwandan team blocking a shot at the 2012 Paralympics (Getty Images)

THU 09:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcw4pfx)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 09:06 Assignment (w3csz6m2)

[Repeat of broadcast at 02:32 today]

THU 09:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5q003gv1q9)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 09:32 The Food Chain (w3cszjqw)

Why the whale hunt continues

Only three countries still hunt whales commercially. They do it despite little demand for whale meat and sometimes fierce international condemnation. So why do they continue?

Emily Thomas finds out why Norway, Japan and Iceland still kill whales for their meat and discovers that tradition, culture and a strong sense of national identity can outweigh all of these factors.

She hears why aggressive international pressure, particularly from environmental or animal welfare NGOs, can backfire, and speaks to the man behind a campaign that may have helped end commercial whaling in one of these countries for good.

Producers: Simon Tulett and Sarah Stolarz

(Picture: A captured minke whale is lifted by a crane at a port in Kushiro, Japan, in July 2019. Credit: Kazuhiro Nogi/AFP/BBC)

Contributors:

JohnJo Devlin, BBC reporter;
Odd Emil Ingebrigtsen, Norway's Minister of Fisheries and Seafood;
Michal Kolmaš, assistant professor of Asian studies and international relations at the Metropolitan University in Prague;
Sigursteinn Mátsson, journalist and anti-whaling campaigner

THU 10:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcw4t61)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 10:06 The Forum (w3cszjwd)

Unlocking the mysteries of cuneiform tablets

Cuneiform is an ancient writing system distinguished by wedge-shaped marks made into clay. It developed over 5,000 years ago in Ancient Mesopotamia. At its height it was used to write languages across the ancient Middle East, from Iran to Syria to Anatolia in Turkey. But cuneiform writing fell out of use about 2,000 years ago in favour of alphabetic scripts. When scholars in the 19th century finally managed to decipher it, they discovered fascinating insights into the culture and rituals of people living in the ancient Middle East, unlocking texts that have changed our understanding of history, including The Epic of Gilgamesh, the Code of Hammurabi and The Amarna Letters of Ancient Egypt. And cuneiform has even seen something of a revival in modern-day Iraqi visual culture.

Joining Rajan Datar to discuss cuneiform script are Professor Eleanor Robson of University College London, Dr Mark Weeden of SOAS, University of London and Ahmed Najji, author of 'Under The Palm Trees: Modern Iraqi Art with Mohamed Makiya and Jewad Selim'.

Image: Cuneiform writing of the ancient Sumerian or Assyrian civilisation in Iraq

Image credit: Getty Images

THU 10:50 Sporting Witness (w3cszh5w)

Maradona and the "Hand of God" goal

To mark the death of legendary Argentine striker, Diego Maradona, we revisit the 1986 World Cup and two goals which he famously scored against England in the quarter-final. The first is now known as the "Hand of God" and the second as the "Goal of the Century". England forward Gary Lineker watched both goals go in and in 2012 he shared his memories with Fred Dove. The programme is a Whistledown Production.

PHOTO: The "Hand of God" goal (Allsport/Getty Images)

THU 11:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcw4xy5)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 11:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bjk90qpc9)

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THU 11:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5q003gv96k)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 11:32 Health Check (w3cszccv)

[Repeat of broadcast at 20:32 on Wednesday]

THU 12:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcw51p9)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 12:06 Outlook (w3cszdbt)

Zero-gravity highs and history-making lows

As a child Kathy Sullivan always dreamed of adventure, little did she know she would grow up to make history both in the depths of the ocean and in space. Kathy was one of Nasa's class of 1978, the first recruitment drive that brought women into its astronaut ranks. In 1984 she became the first US woman to complete a spacewalk and went on to take part in two more missions, including the 1990 launch of the Hubble Space Telescope. After leaving Nasa in 1993, she went on to serve as chief scientist at the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and later as its administrator. Last year - working with US adventurer Victor Vescovo - she made history once again, this time becoming the first woman to reach the lowest known point in the ocean.

Jenny Schauerer is a champion downhill skateboarder, she lives off adrenaline. Her skateboard has given her some of the best moments of her life and also helped her through some of the worst. Jenny was at the top of her game when her father died suddenly in 2017, she then lost her job and her flat, and was living in her van - for weeks she couldn't even get out of bed. But she has some brilliant skating friends, she calls them her 'Woolf Women', they helped her get back on her feet and on the road again. Last year they completed a 10,000 km journey across Europe skating down spectacular mountain roads, around hair pin bends, sometimes reaching speeds of up to 50 miles per hour. A film has been made about their adventure, it's called 'Woolf Women' and was made by 2Dare2 Productions.

If you have been affected by Jenny's story you can find advice on the BBC Action line: bbc.co.uk/actionline

Picture: Kathy Sullivan's spacewalk

Credit: NASA

THU 12:50 Witness History (w3cszmn4)

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THU 13:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcw55ff)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 13:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bjk90qxvk)

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THU 13:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5q003gvjpt)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 13:32 The Food Chain (w3cszjqw)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:32 today]

THU 14:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcw595k)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 14:06 Newshour (w172x2z20xcvgt4)

Ethiopian army ordered to attack Tigray capital

Ethiopia's PM Abiy Ahmed has ordered the federal army to begin an offensive against the capital of Tigray province. We hear from Mekelle, and also speak to the UN's High Commissioner for Human Rights Michelle Bachelet, who demands protection for civilians and access for humanitarian agencies.

Also in the programme: hundreds of people convicted of taking part in an attempted coup in Turkey in 2016 have been sentenced to life in prison; and why Neapolitans are mourning Diego Maradona.

(Picture: Mekelle, Ethiopia / Credit: BBC News Stills)

THU 15:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcw5dpx)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 15:06 The Inquiry (w3cszlf4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:06 today]

THU 15:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5q003gvs62)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 15:32 World Business Report (w172x1w0cwqjkrp)

UK MPs target Amazon and Apple over e-waste

The UK Parliament's Environmental Audit Committee wants electronics firms to help recycle. Philip Dunne chairs the committee, and tells us why its report on Electronic Waste and the Circular Economy focuses on encouraging manufacturers to tackle e-waste rather than consumers. And Janet Gunter, co-founder of the Restart Project, which helps people to repair broken consumer electronics, discusses why the practice has gone out of fashion. Also in the programme, we find out why German authorities are seeking a European Union deal to close ski resorts this winter amid coronavirus fears. The BBC's Tamasin Ford reports on why Africa seems to be outperforming other parts of the world economically in the wake of the pandemic. Plus, we hear from JP Teti, founder of Passyunk Avenue restaurant in London, about how the firm is helping Americans in the city enjoy Thanksgiving under lockdown.

(Picture: A bucket of waste electronics. Picture credit: Getty Images.)

THU 16:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcw5jnt)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 16:06 BBC OS (w172x2t4cjrqrwn)

Coronavirus conversations: Thanksgiving

We hear about the impact the coronavirus pandemic is having on this year's Thanksgiving celebrations in the US. We hear from one family in Indiana who are not seeing their extended family but instead having a small gathering. And we hear why two women will be spending Thanksgiving alone this year.

Also, we return to our medical expert answering questions about the coronavirus pandemic.

And we head to Buenos Aires, where fans have been filing past the coffin of Diego Maradona at the presidential palace, as three days of mourning take place in Argentina. We'll hear from some fans.

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THU 18:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcw5s52)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 18:06 Outlook (w3cszdbt)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 today]

THU 18:50 Witness History (w3cszmn4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 today]

THU 19:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcw5wx6)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 19:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bjk90rnb)

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THU 19:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5q003gw85l)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 19:32 Sport Today (w172x3jwhlhrhc7)

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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 (w172x5p5kcw60nb)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 20:06 Assignment (w3csz6m2)

[Repeat of broadcast at 02:32 today]

THU 20:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5q003gwxq)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 20:32 Science in Action (w3cszh1c)

Vaccines – the Covid confusion

While developing new treatments drug companies usually release little useful information on how the clinical trials are progressing. However with the world's attention on potential vaccines against Covid -19, the usually dull data on the progression of each trial step is subject to huge scrutiny. It doesn't help to clarify things says epidemiologist Nicole Basta when that data raises questions about the rigour of the trial itself. This seems to be what happened with the latest Astra Zeneca, and Oxford University trial – where the best results were reportedly due to a mistake.

The link between locust plagues and extreme weather was demonstrated once again when cyclone Gati hit Somalia – dumping 2 years worth of rain in just a few days. This creates a perfect environment for locusts to breed to plague proportions. And this will be the third time in as many years that cyclones will trigger such an effect says Keith Cressman from the UNFAO. However thanks to the previous recent locust plagues in East Africa the countries most in line for this returning locust storm are better prepared this time.

A study of tree rings from Greater Mongolia suggests the region is now drying out rapidly, the past 20 years have been drier than the past thousand says climate scientist Hans Linderholm. This points to potential desertification in coming years.

And the death of a scientific icon. The Arecibo observatory, featured in the films 'Goldeneye' and 'Contact', and responsible for the Nobel Prize winning detection of gravitational waves is facing demolition. Sitting in a crater in the jungles of Puerto Rico this 57 year old radio telescope dish has suffered severe storm damage and is in danger of collapse. Astronomer Anne Virkki, who works at the telescope and science writer Shannon Strome explain its significance.

(Image: Credit: Getty Images)

Presenter: Roland Pease

Producer: Julian Siddle

THU 21:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcw64dg)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 21:06 Newshour (w172x2z20xcwb11)

Argentina mourns Diego Maradona

Three days of national mourning have started in Argentina after Maradona died on Wednesday at the age of 60. We discuss why he was so loved in Argentina. Also in the programme: A court in Turkey has given life sentences to more than 300 hundred linked to the 2016 coup attempt, and two museums in London, Ontario and London, England are collaborating on a project to capture our coronavirus dreams.

(Photo: Argentina's Vice President Cristina Fernandez de Kirchner touches the casket of soccer legend Diego Maradona at the presidential palace Casa Rosada in Buenos Aires. Credit: Reuters)

THU 22:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcw684l)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 22:06 The Newsroom (w172x79q3kf2q4f)

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

THU 22:20 Sports News (w172x3flqpb038)

BBC Sport brings you all the latest stories and results from around the world.

THU 22:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5q003gwmzd)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 22:32 World Business Report (w172x58s09gwzxx)

Confusion around AstraZeneca vaccine data

On Monday, the world heard how the UK's Covid vaccine - from AstraZeneca and Oxford University - was highly effective in advanced trials. But on Thursday, multiple news outlets in the UK and US reported that there were questions over the data. The FT's Donato Paolo Mancini explains the concerns. Also in the programme, the price of the digital currency Bitcoin slumped today after rallying through the year. Billy Bambrough, who writes about Bitcoin and other cryptocurrencies for Forbes, explains why the currency can be so volatile. We'll also find out why German authorities are seeking a European Union deal to close ski resorts this winter amid coronavirus fears. The BBC's Tamasin Ford reports on why Africa seems to be outperforming other parts of the world economically in the wake of the pandemic. Plus, we hear from JP Teti, founder of Passyunk Avenue restaurant in London, about how the firm is helping Americans in the city enjoy Thanksgiving under lockdown.

(Picture credit: Getty Images.)

THU 23:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcw66wq)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 23:06 The Inquiry (w3csz4f)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:06 today]

THU 23:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5q003gwr53)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 23:32 The Food Chain (w3cszjqw)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:32 today]

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FRI 00:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcw6hmv)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 00:06 The Forum (w3cszjwd)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:06 on Thursday]

FRI 00:50 Sporting Witness (w3cszh5w)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:50 on Thursday]

FRI 01:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcw6mzc)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 01:06 Business Matters (w172x193hc6zvgw)

Confusion around AstraZeneca vaccine data

Questions have arisen over the efficacy levels of the Coronavirus vaccine from AstraZeneca and the University of Oxford. The FT's Donato Paolo Mancini explains the concerns. Also in the programme, the price of the digital currency Bitcoin slumped after rallying through the year. Billy Bambrough, who writes for Forbes, explains why the currency can be so volatile. Plus, we hear from a restaurant in London helping Americans in the city enjoy Thanksgiving. And the BBC's Ed Butler looks into whether NFL players are being denied compensation because of the controversial practice of racial-norming.

All through the show we'll be joined by Jasper Kim, Director of the Centre for Conflict Management at Ewha University in Seoul, and Stephanie Hare, a researcher of technology and political risk.

(Image credit: Getty Images)

FRI 02:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcw6r43)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 02:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bjk90shk7)

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FRI 02:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5q003gx3dh)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 02:32 World Football (w3cszth1)

El Diego: A tribute

We pay tribute to Diego Armando Maradona. We hear from Claudio Marangoni, who played against him in his early years in the Argentinean league. He describes Maradona as being like a hurricane. Antonio Nunez, who signed him as the unlikely coach of a Mexican second division team remembers how playful Maradona was. And we also recall Maradona's demons and his shock expulsion from the 1994 World Cup for doping.

Picture: Diego Maradona of Napoli celebrates during a Serie A match between Napoli and Fiorentina (Etsuo Hara/Getty Images).

FRI 03:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcw6vw7)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 03:06 Outlook (w3cszdbt)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 on Thursday]

FRI 03:50 Witness History (w3cszmn4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 on Thursday]

FRI 04:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcw6zmc)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 04:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bjk90sr1h)

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FRI 04:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5q003gxbwr)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 04:32 Science in Action (w3cszh1c)

[Repeat of broadcast at 20:32 on Thursday]

FRI 05:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcw73ch)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 05:06 Newsday (w172x2wlpqkvcq6)

Tigray: new deadline to surrender lapses on Friday

What can be done to end the conflict in Tigray as fighting continues in the Ethiopian region?

Diego Armando Maradona has been laid to rest after chaotic scenes at Argentina's presidential palace.

And a BBC investigation has revealed that there are clinics in the UK carrying out virginity tests - despite the fact they can't prove whether someone is a virgin and are often a form of abuse in themselves.

FRI 06:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcw773m)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 06:06 Newsday (w172x2wlpqkvghb)

Ethiopia risks war crimes charges over Mekelle

Could an attack by Ethiopia's government on the Tigrayan capital, Mekelle constitute a war crime if civilians are bombed?

How the culling of COVID infected mink is now causing health and environmental concerns in Denmark as the carcasses surface from the shallow graves

South African railways have had to switch from electric trains to diesel trains due to theft, which President Ramaphosa says has to stop.

FRI 07:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcw7bvr)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 07:06 Newsday (w172x2wlpqkvkm6g)

Ethiopian army continues action in Tigray

Ethiopian government troops continue to fight forces from Tigray in the north of the country, and there are no signs of a peaceful solution.

Thousands of farmers are descending on the Indian capital Delhi to protest about agricultural reforms.

How understanding the genetic make up of the locust could help areas blighted by the insect.

FRI 08:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcw7glw)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 08:06 HARDtalk (w3cszby9)

Gedion Timothewos: Is Ethiopia sliding into civil war?

Stephen Sackur speaks to Ethiopia's Attorney General, Gedion Timothewos. Ethiopia's federal armed forces have launched the final phase of their assault on Tigrayan rebels in the north of the country. International observers have voiced deep concern about possibly devastating humanitarian consequences. This after many hundreds have already been killed, and tens of thousands have been forced to flee three weeks of fighting. Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed pledged to bring the country together - why has it gone so horribly wrong?

(Photo: Gedion Timothewos appears via videolink on Hardtalk)

FRI 08:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5q003gxtw8)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 08:32 Business Daily (w3csz799)

Preppers: Apocalypse, now

How prepping or survivalism has gone mainstream, with Silicon Valley leading the way. Tech entrepreneur Julie Fredrickson tells Manuela Saragosa how she became a prepper after the electricity went out for days in New York after hurricane Sandy hit back in 2012. She also speaks to serial entrepreneur John Ramey, founder of an online community called The Prepared who told her it's the failure of our institutions that has led so many more people to become preppers. And to Bradley Garratt, a social geographer based at University College Dublin in Ireland. He's just published a book about prepping called Bunker: Building for the end of times. He told her that preppers are everywhere from the US to Germany to Thailand. (Picture: Emergency preparation, natural disaster supplies. Picture credit: Getty Images)

FRI 08:50 Witness History (w3cszmvx)

The fight for disabled rights in the UK

The UK government passed the landmark Disability Discrimination Act in November 1995. The legislation made it illegal for employers or service providers to discriminate against disabled people. Campaigners brought London to a standstill in the run up to the passing of the Act. Baroness Jane Campbell was at the forefront of that fight for equality and remembers the time when disabled people seized control of their destiny.

Photo: A disabled woman on her mobility scooter is carried away by four policemen after obstructing the traffic outside the Houses of Parliament. Credit: PA Archive/PA Images

FRI 09:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcw7lc0)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 09:06 Tech Tent (w3cszhp)

Tesla's \$500bn valuation

Does the electric car pioneer's technology justify its stock value exceeding that of the major traditional carmakers combined? Plus, will Apple's new M1 silicon chips end the decades-long dominance of Intel and Microsoft in computing? And have you received an Amazon delivery you didn't order? We find out what's going on. Presented by Rory Cellan-Jones with BBC tech reporter Zoe Kleinman. Produced by Jat Gill.

(Image: Tesla Model 3 cars at the company's Shanghai factory. Credit: REUTERS/ Aly Song/ File Photo).

FRI 09:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5q003gxymd)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 09:32 World Football (w3cszth1)

[Repeat of broadcast at 02:32 today]

FRI 10:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcw7q34)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 10:06 The Real Story (w3cszcnx)

Covid vaccines: An opportunity for science?

The rapid development of coronavirus vaccines has heightened the hope for a world free of Covid-19. Governments have ordered millions of doses, health care systems are prioritising recipients, and businesses are drawing up post-pandemic plans. But despite these positive signs, many people still feel a sense of unease. One poll suggests nearly a quarter of the world's population is unwilling to get a coronavirus jab. How much of the scepticism has to do with the record-breaking speed at which the vaccines have been developed? How much can be attributed to a wider 'anti-vax' movement that relies on emotion more than it does on facts? What can those promoting the vaccines do to alleviate the fears of those willing to be convinced, but who 'aren't there yet'? And what opportunities do coronavirus vaccination programmes present when it comes to improving society's trust in science? Join Ritual Shah and guests as they discuss what's behind the hesitancy of some to accept a Covid-19 vaccination, and what can be done about it.

FRI 11:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcw7tv8)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 11:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bjk90t18d)

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FRI 11:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5q003gy63n)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 11:32 Science in Action (w3csz1c)

[Repeat of broadcast at 20:32 on Thursday]

FRI 12:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcw7yld)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 12:06 The Fifth Floor (w3cszjj1)

The self-styled prophet of Siberia

In September FSB soldiers descended in helicopters on a remote Siberian village to arrest a religious leader, Vissarion. They arrived with guns, but were welcomed by his followers, who don't believe in conflict. BBC Russian journalist Nataliya Zotova travelled to deep into the forests of Krasnoyarsk Territory to meet followers of the Church of the Last Testament and find out more.

Thailand's "CIA" food hawkers

Thailand's pro-democracy protests have sprung up all over Bangkok, but in every location it seems the food hawkers were already set up and ready for business. BBC Thai's Chaiyot Yongchareonchai set out to crack the mystery of the self-styled "CIA" food hawkers.

'They messed with the wrong generation'

Peru has been in the headlines for having three presidents in a week. It's a story of corruption allegations, impeachment and mass protests, with young people saying their generation has had enough of the broken system which their parents put up with. Ana Maria Roura has been making sense of events for BBC Mundo.

Lahore's toxic smog

It's the time of year when many Pakistani rice farmers set fire to their fields to burn stubble. The result is serious air pollution and a public health problem for the authorities. Umer Draz Nangiana of BBC Urdu has been finding out why so many farmers continue to burn their fields.

Image: Vissarion meets with his followers

Credit: Alexander Nemenov/AFP via Getty Images

FRI 12:50 Witness History (w3cszmvx)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 today]

FRI 13:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcw82bj)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 13:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bjk90ttrn)

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FRI 13:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5q003gyflx)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 13:32 Heart and Soul (w3ct1ck2)

The Canadian Uighurs

Experts say China has detained as many as one million Uighurs and Muslims in "re-education" camps in Xinjiang province. Survivors have shared stories of countless alleged abuses including mass surveillance, forced labour and forced sterilization.

Uighur activist Rukiye Turdush said she feels helpless in Canada knowing Uighurs back home are being forced to learn Chinese, renounce their faith and abandon their culture.

"We said never again after World War Two, but it's happening again in the 21st century in China."

In this programme, reporter Idil Mussa meets Canadian Uighurs, like Turdush, to hear their stories. She learns that the Chinese state has tried to stop all contact with their families, how the Canadian Uighur community suffers from a collective guilt knowing their loved ones are suffering and how Toronto has become a hive of activism to raise awareness of their plight.

(Picture: Rukiye Turdush. Credit: Idil Mussa/BBC)

FRI 14:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcw862n)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 14:06 Newshour (w172x2z20xcycq7)

Ethiopian PM meets AU envoys

Ethiopia's prime minister has met three African Union envoys who are visiting the country to try to bring an end to the conflict in Tigray. Abiy Ahmed has rejected all international invention, and will not allow the envoys to travel to Tigray. We hear from the Sudanese border, where around 50,000 refugees have already fled the conflict, and from Laetitia Bader of Human Rights Watch on what needs to happen now.

Also in the programme: the National Health Service in England is piloting a new blood test which it's claimed can detect more than fifty types of cancer at an early stage; and Belarus' President Lukashenko tells our correspondent Sarah Rainsford he may be ready to stand down

(Picture: Ethiopian Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed meets with AU envoys in Addis Ababa / Credit: Reuters Wires)

FRI 15:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcw89ts)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 15:06 HARDtalk (w3cszby9)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:06 today]

FRI 15:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5q003gyp35)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 15:32 World Business Report (w172xltchfj7vt6)

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(Picture: Australian wine on Chinese shop shelves. Picture credit: Getty Images.)

FRI 16:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcw8fkx)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 16:06 BBC OS (w172x214jrtsmr)

Ethiopia conflict: PM declares assault on Tigray's capital

Ethiopian Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed says he is launching the "final phase" of the army's operation in the northern region of Tigray after weeks of fighting. He said the military would try not to harm civilians in the regional capital Mekelle - a city of 500,000 people - and urged residents to stay at home. We'll speak to people who have family inside the city, and to our correspondent in neighbouring Sudan where thousands of Ethiopians have fled.

Also, in football the final of the African Champions League is happening in Egypt. The match is between two teams both from the Egyptian capital Cairo, Al Ahly and Zamalek. This will be the first final between two teams from the same country. Coronavirus restrictions mean that fans are not allowed to watch the match in the stadium, so we'll hear from supporters in Cairo about where they will watch the game.

And every day we invite a medical expert to help us understand the latest news about coronavirus and to answer listener questions. Today, we will be joined by Dr Megan Murray, professor of Global Health and Social Medicine at Harvard University.

(Photo: Ethiopian refugees fleeing from the ongoing fighting in Tigray region, queue for water, at the Fashaga camp, on the Sudan-Ethiopia border, in Kassala state, Sudan November 24, 2020. Credit: Reuters/Mohamed Nureldin Abdallah.)

FRI 17:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcw8kb1)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 17:06 BBC OS (w172x214jrtxcw)

Iran's top nuclear scientist assassinated

Iran's most senior nuclear scientist Mohsen Fakhrizadeh has been assassinated near the capital Tehran, the country's defence ministry has confirmed. Western intelligence agencies view Fakhrizadeh as being behind Iran's covert nuclear weapons programme. We'll bring you the latest on the story.

Also, we'll discuss what it's like to be a Muslim woman working in the fashion industry. This is because a young American model - Halima Aden - recently announced that she's quitting her job as a model because it compromised her religious beliefs. We'll speak to two Muslim women working in the industry to hear their experiences and reaction.

And we are returning to frontline health workers around the world to hear how they have been coping throughout the pandemic. Today we go to the US, which has seen over 13 million cases and 260,000 deaths, with hospitalisations also reaching record numbers. We'll speak to Dr Hana Akselrod, an infectious disease physician at George Washington University in Washington DC.

(Photo: A view shows the scene of the attack that killed prominent Iranian scientist Mohsen Fakhrizadeh, outside Tehran 27/11/2020. Credit: Reuters)

FRI 18:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcw8p25)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 18:06 The Fifth Floor (w3cszjj1)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 today]

FRI 18:50 Witness History (w3cszmvx)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 today]

FRI 19:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcw8st9)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 19:06 The Newsroom (w172x7bjk90vk7f)

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

FRI 19:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5q003gz52p)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 19:32 Sport Today (w172x3jwhrls8b)

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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 (w172x5p5kcw8xkf)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 20:06 Tech Tent (w3cszhpp)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:06 today]

FRI 20:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5q003gz8tt)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 20:32 CrowdScience (w3cszv6p)

Can we prevent wildfires?

This year, dramatic wildfires wreaked havoc across the globe from Australia to Siberia. CrowdScience listener Melissa wants to know the extent to which climate change is a factor in blazes that appear to be increasing in both frequency and intensity.

Presenter Anand Jagatia hears how scientists use alternative worlds in computer models, to understand the role that global warming plays. After Siberia's hottest ever year on record, he discovers the impact of increasing temperatures on boreal forests - and how they could help release huge stocks of carbon that has been stored in the soil. But is there anything we can do to prevent this happening? He visits the UK's Peak District region, where conservationists are re-wilding a massive area with a special species of moss, which may offer a solution to an increase in infernos.

Presented by Anand Jagatia and Produced by Melanie Brown for the BBC World Service.

[Image: Forest Fire. Credit: Getty Images]

FRI 21:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcw919k)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 21:06 Newshour (w172x2z20xcz6y4)

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

FRI 22:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcw951p)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 22:06 The Newsroom (w172x79q3kf5m1j)

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

FRI 22:20 Sports News (w172x3flqpbvx0c)

BBC Sport brings you all the latest stories and results from around the world.

FRI 22:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5q003gzjb2)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 22:32 World Business Report (w172x58s09gzwh0)

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FRI 23:00 BBC News (w172x5p5kcw98st)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 23:06 HARDtalk (w3cszby9)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:06 today]

FRI 23:30 BBC News Summary (w172x5q003gz26)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 23:32 World Football (w3cszth1)

[Repeat of broadcast at 02:32 today]