

SATURDAY 16 SEPTEMBER 2023**SAT 00:00 BBC News (w172z2r0bsymx96)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 00:06 The Real Story (w3ct4q76)

Ukraine's offensive: Too slow to triumph?

America's top general has warned that Ukraine's counter offensive is running out of time. Speaking to the BBC, Mark Milley admitted the offensive had gone more slowly than expected. With just one month of fighting before winter weather sets in, does the pace of the push back against Russian forces suggest that Nato needs to rethink?

The United States has been the largest provider of military assistance since the war began - more than 43 billion dollars worth, so far. With polls suggesting many Americans oppose any more, is the West in danger of willing the ends without delivering the means? If the will to resist Putin does begin to falter among his allies, President Zelensky says he is ready to make the case to Ukrainians for why a long war of attrition is preferable to negotiating with Russia. But with doubtful allies, might they soon not have much choice?

Shaun Ley is joined by Sir Laurie Bristow, UK's Ambassador to Russia 2016-2020, and Deputy Ambassador to Russia 2007-2010; Alissa de Carbonnel - deputy program director, Europe and Central Asia for the International Crisis Group; Daniel L. Davis, senior fellow for think tank Defense Priorities and a former lieutenant colonel in the US Army.

Also featuring: Paul Adams, BBC diplomatic correspondent in Kiev; Alexander Rodnyansky, Adviser to the Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy.

(Photo: Ukrainian soldiers place a Ukrainian flag at a building, during an operation that claims to liberate the first village amid a counter-offensive, in a location given as Blahodatne, Donetsk Region, Ukraine, 11 June, 2023. Credit: Reuters)

SAT 01:00 BBC News (w172z2r0bsyn11b)

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SAT 01:06 Business Matters (w172yqrqy3lykfn)

Biden calls for 'fair share' towards UAW strikers

US President Joe Biden says striking UAW workers deserve a 'fair share' of record profits made by automakers. The president said he hopes both sides can forge a "win-win" agreement. We'll be discussing the fall out of the first day of the car worker strikes in the US.

Disney boss Bob Iger recently hinted that it was going to sell off it's TV network, ABC. Media entrepreneur Byron Allen has put his name in the ring to buy the station. We find out if his 10 billion dollar bid is a decent valuation.

And some new research suggests that three in 10 people will quit their jobs after getting a promotion. Seems strange doesn't it - put all that work into getting a new job only to leave. We'll be hearing from the company behind the study.

(Picture: President Biden's Remarks on Contract Negotiations Between UAW and Big 3 Auto Makers, Washington, US. Credit: EPA-EFE/REX/Shutterstock)

SAT 02:00 BBC News (w172z2r0bsyn4sg)

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SAT 02:06 The Newsroom (w172z2tj41y6gfn)

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SAT 02:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rtsjkbj1v)

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SAT 02:32 Stumped (w3ct4tkv)

Laura Wolvaardt: Touring Pakistan for the first time

In a month where South Africa's women's team toured Pakistan for the first time, we speak to interim captain Laura Wolvaardt about how she is adjusting to the role after a difficult period for South Africa with a number of retirements, including Lizelle Lee and Dane Van Niekerk. She also gave her reaction to the fact that international match fees for women will match men for the first time in South Africa.

Virat Kohli looked back to his very best as he hit an unbeaten century to guide India to their biggest win over Pakistan in one-day internationals. Alison Mitchell, Brett Sprigg and Sunil Gupta all reflect on the Asia Cup clash and the surprise decision to add a reserve day.

Photo: Laura Wolvaardt of the Strikers bats during the Women's Big Bash League match between the Sydney Thunder and the Adelaide Strikers at North Sydney Oval, on November 20, 2022, in Sydney, Australia. (CREDIT: Mark Evans/Getty Images)

SAT 03:00 BBC News (w172z2r0bsyn8jl)

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SAT 03:06 The Fifth Floor (w3ct4v0g)

Mahsa Amini: The woman behind the icon

As the world marks the first anniversary of Mahsa Amini's death, we hear from journalist Farzad Seifikaran, who gained an exclusive interview with her mother, Mojgan Eftekhari, for BBC Persian. Farzad, who is from Mahsa's home town in Kurdistan, tells us what he learned from Mojgan about the young woman whose death led to protests that shook Iran.

Job-hunting in Africa and "full-time children"

A growing number of young people in China, especially recent college graduates, are struggling to find jobs. There is fierce competition in the domestic market, and many of those who succeed in finding work get disillusioned with the long hours and constant pressure. Sylvia Chang from BBC Chinese has been talking to some who have opted for different solutions.

Vast destruction and vast need: Libya and Morocco
Rescue teams in Morocco are still struggling to get help to some of the areas worst affected by last week's earthquake in the Atlas Mountains. Meanwhile more details are emerging of devastation caused by flooding in the Libyan city of Derna. BBC Arabic's Saida Badri tells us about the challenges of these stories for the news team, and reflects on the aftermath of the Moroccan earthquake. Her own town was affected, and she shares the same Amazigh heritage as the people of the Atlas Mountains.

Kim Jong Un's famous train

Earlier this week, the North Korean leader Kim Jong Un travelled on his private train to the Vostochny space centre in Russia's Far East for talks with President Vladimir Putin. BBC Korean's Yuna Ku tells us that the old Soviet-style green train has been the subject of much intrigue over the years, and we also hear from Suping from BBC Monitoring about the late Mao Zedong's passion for train travel.

(Photo: Protest sign showing Mahsa Amini at the Iranian consulate, 24 October, 2022 in Istanbul, Turkey. Credit: Ozan Gülzelce/Getty Images)

SAT 03:50 Witness History (w3ct4x7v)

The Ramallah concert

In August 2005, an unusual orchestra performed an extraordinary concert in the city of Ramallah.

The West-Eastern Divan orchestra was founded in 1999 by Israeli conductor, Daniel Barenboim and Palestinian literary critic and philosopher, Edward Said.

Their belief was that music has the power to bring people together.

Violinists, Tyme Khelefi and Daniel Cohen tell their stories to Gill Kearsley.

(Photo: The West-Eastern Divan Orchestra perform in the West Bank city of Ramallah. Credit: Abbas Momani/AFP via Getty Images)

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SAT 05:32 The Lazarus Heist (w3ct5m32)

\$2.11 Big Spenders

Investigators say money from the Lazarus Group's hacks is

flowing into Kim Jong-un's nuclear weapons programme. International sanctions are supposed to stop North Korea from spending this money on the materials and weapons components it needs. But the regime is known to be creative and agile - and it seems they've found a workaround. #LazarusHeist

Listen online at bbcworldservice.com/lazarusheist

SAT 05:50 More or Less (w3ct5b6w)

How to approach the world through numbers

How can we navigate our lives in a more efficient and satisfactory way? It's a question Professor David Sumpter is looking to answer in his new book, Four Ways of Thinking. He talks to Tim Harford about four different approaches to our day to day challenges.

Presenter: Tim Harford
Producer: Jon Bithrey
Sound Engineer: Andy Fell
Editor: Richard Vadon

(Picture: Conceptual illustration of mathematics
Credit: Science Photo Library / Getty)

SAT 06:00 BBC News (w172z2r0bsynmrz)

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SAT 06:06 Weekend (w172z37dycpqw0l)

Libya floods: little sign of international help

Aid workers say damaged roads have made it difficult to access worst hit areas.

Also on the programme: tightened security in Iran as people mark the anniversary of Mahsa Amini's death that led to widespread protests over headscarves rule. And the state funeral of the controversial South African politician, Mangosuthu Buthelezi.

Host Audrey Brown is joined by British politician Baroness Arminka Helic, and the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation's foreign correspondent, Chris Brown.

(Picture: Rescue members work in the aftermath of a powerful storm and heavy rainfall in the Libyan city of Derna. Credit: REUTERS)

SAT 07:00 BBC News (w172z2r0bsynrj3)

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SAT 07:06 Weekend (w172z37dycpqzrq)

Mahsa Amini death anniversary

Iran has tightened security to prevent protests to mark the first anniversary of the death in custody of Mahsa Amini. She was arrested for failing to adhere to the Islamic Republic's strict headscarf rules.

Also on the programme: Aid workers struggle to access flood devastated areas in Libya; and we look at the art scene in Taiwan.

Host Audrey Brown is joined by British politician Baroness Arminka Helic, and the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation's foreign correspondent, Chris Brown.

(File Photo: Mahsa Amini. Credit: Reuters)

SAT 08:00 BBC News (w172z2r0bsynw87)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 08:06 Weekend (w172z37dycpr3hv)

Libya aid hampered by lack of electricity

There have been calls for the complete evacuation of residents from the flood devastated city of Derna. We will hear from our correspondent who just visited the eastern city.

Also on the programme: Anti-corruption warriors in Ukraine; and remembering the 1995 massacre in Srebrenica.

Host Audrey Brown is joined by British politician Baroness Arminka Helic, and the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation's foreign correspondent, Chris Brown.

(Picture: An aerial view of the destruction in Derna, Libya. Credit: REUTERS/Ayman Al-sahili)

SAT 09:00 BBC News (w172z2r0bsyp00c)

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SAT 09:06 BBC OS Conversations (w3ct5b29)

The earthquake in Morocco

The earthquake struck in a region of the High Atlas Mountains. Its force destroyed entire villages and could be felt across the country, and even in neighbouring Algeria.

Around 3,000 people lost their lives and thousands were injured. It's described as the worst earthquake in the country in 60 years.

We reflect on the events of the past few days and share the experiences of those dealing with the aftermath including survivors, volunteers and rescue workers.

Tour guide Mohamed and Majda, an architect, tell host James Reynolds what it was like when the earthquake struck their hometown of Marrakesh. Mohamed describes how he ran from his house in his bare feet. We also bring together two young volunteers, Amine and Amina, part of a grassroots effort to get supplies to those most in need in the mountains.

There has been some criticism of the initial response of the Moroccan authorities; and, in particular, their decision to only allowing international support from four countries. They said they wanted to ensure the rescue and aid effort was controllable and effective. We speak to Paul Philipp, a rescue volunteer in Germany and Ayça Aydın, a Turkish rescue worker, from the organisation Global Empowerment Mission. She visited some of the worst affected areas to care for survivors. "I just hug them, and we just hug each other and cry with each other," Ayça tells us.

A Boffin Media production in partnership with the OS team.

(Photo: Morocco earthquake death toll surpasses 2,900, Amizmiz, 14 Sept, 2023. Credit: Mohamed Messara/EPA)

SAT 09:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rtsjkcc8r)

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SAT 09:32 Pick of the World (w3ct5b94)

Why does the world love crosswords?

Crossword puzzle fans and makers share their top tips. Plus, after all this evolving, why are people still so bad at dealing with stress?

SAT 09:50 Over to You (w3ct4rps)

How the BBC investigated disturbing AI videos

In a special edition, we examine what is perhaps one of the WS's most disturbing and upsetting programmes of late. Trending Extreme investigated videos in which AI-generated versions of real-life child murder victims tell the stories of how they were killed. We hear your feedback - including if the episode should have been broadcast at all - and we're joined by the show's presenter and producer, Ed Main.

Presenter: Rajan Datar

Producer: Howard Shannon.

A Whistledown production for BBC World Service

SAT 10:00 BBC News (w172z2r0bsyp3rh)

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SAT 10:06 Sportshour (w3ct4s9k)

Soften Up Hard Lad

England played Scotland this week to celebrate the 150th anniversary of football's oldest international fixture. As is tradition when England play away, sections of Hampden Park in Glasgow were adorned with the flag of St George. For the diehard fans they're a display of patriotism, but for artist Corbin Shaw they're the basis of his work. Instead of displaying the names of English football teams, Corbin's flags have phrases like "Soften up, hard lad" as he aims to challenge the sports aggressively macho culture. He's been telling us about how his families life-long love of Sheffield United has inspired his work

Peter Gould, a businessman from England went on holiday to Jamaica and fell in love with the island and it's people. So Peter moved there and invested his time and money into creating the Mount Pleasant football academy. The senior first team won the Jamaican top flight title and recently sold Trivante Stewart to Salemitana this becoming the first Jamaican to play in Serie A.

What if exercise could lead to reductions in carbon emissions? Sounds impossible? Well the The EcoAthletes Cup did just that at college campuses across the United States. Every step, stroke or lap completed by students was converted into "environmental currency" and invested in projects to remove carbon from the atmosphere. Clemson University in South Carolina were the

overall winners, their captain was rower Anna Klenke

With the Rugby World Cup in full flow you might have had your interest in the game piqued... And like many, you may be unfamiliar with some of the terminology used in the game. Or indeed wondering where they come from?! Well Sportshour's very own Caroline Barker has been speaking to Simon Horobin, Professor of English at Oxford University about flankers and scrums

(Image: "Soften Up Hard Lad" by artist Corbyn Shaw)

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SAT 11:06 The Newsroom (w172z2tj41y7k4t)

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SAT 11:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rtsjkcls0)

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SAT 11:32 The Documentary (w3ct677w)

Remembering Buthelezi

The BBC's Audrey Brown looks back at the life of South Africa's Zulu leader Mangosuthu Buthelezi, who died earlier in September aged 95. He played a vital - and controversial - role in the country's history during both the Apartheid era and the transition to multiracial democracy.

(Photo: Mangosuthu Buthelezi, pictured in 2008. Credit: Michelly Rall/Getty Images)

SAT 12:00 BBC News (w172z2r0bsypc7r)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 12:06 World Questions (w3ct59t5)

Georgia

World Questions is in the Georgian capital of Tbilisi. Leading politicians and academics take questions from a public audience. Membership of the European Union, relations with neighbouring Russia and the environment are all up for discussion in a unique debate chaired by Anu Anand.

The panel:

Mariam Lashkhi: MP for the governing party, Georgian Dream Party and Deputy chair of the Foreign Affairs select committee
Tina Bokuchava: MP for the opposition party, United National Movement (UNM)

Kornely Kakachia: Professor of Political Science at Tbilisi State University
Levan Ghambashidze: Philosopher

Producer: Helen Towner

Photo: Panoramic view of Tbilisi. Credit: vvvtia via Getty Images)

SAT 13:00 BBC News (w172z2r0bsypgzw)

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SAT 13:06 Newshour (w172z09lw44i479)

Libya flooding: Government asking for national unity

The authorities in eastern Libya are sealing off the flood-hit city of Derna to allow search teams better access, as rescue efforts are scaled up. The government in the west says the disaster demonstrates the need for national unity.

The Oslo Accords: 30 years of lost Palestinian hopes.

And the mother of the Kurdish Iranian woman, Mahsa Amini, has on the first anniversary of her death in custody, thanked those who've kept her memory alive.

(Photo: Rescuers search for dead bodies at a beach, in the aftermath of the floods in Derna, Libya September 16, 2023. REUTERS)

SAT 14:00 BBC News (w172z2r0bsyplr0)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 14:06 Sportsworld (w172z1kx180pxq7)

Live Sporting Action

Lee James presents live Premier League action as West Ham United play Manchester City at the London Stadium.

There will also be updates from Saturday's other Premier League fixtures as the English top-flight returns following the international break including Manchester United against Brighton and Tottenham Hotspur versus Sheffield United.

Plus, Sportsworld will bring you reaction from Molineux as Wolves host Liverpool in the day's early kick-off, and we'll be at St James' Park to preview Brentford's visit to Newcastle.

Elsewhere, there will be the latest from around the sporting world including the second weekend of the Rugby World Cup, the penultimate stage of cycling's Vuelta a España, qualifying for F1's Singapore Grand Prix and an athletics preview ahead of the Diamond League Final in Eugene.

Image: Lukasz Fabianski, Goalkeeper of West Ham United and Erling Haaland of Manchester City in action during the Premier League match between Manchester City and West Ham United at Etihad Stadium on May 03, 2023 in Manchester, United Kingdom. (Photo by Richard Sellers/Sportsphoto/Allstar via Getty Images)

SAT 18:00 BBC News (w172z2r0bsyq2qj)

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SAT 18:06 The Newsroom (w172z2tj41y8dcq)

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SAT 18:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rtsjkdfzx)

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SAT 18:32 The Lazarus Heist (w3ct5m32)

[Repeat of broadcast at 05:32 today]

SAT 18:50 Sporting Witness (w3ct4s4jb)

Chuck Wepner: The real-life Rocky who floored Ali

When part-time fighter Chuck Wepner is given a shot to fight heavyweight champion Muhammad Ali in 1975, no one gives him a chance.

But his heroism in the ring knocked down all expectations, including those of the champ, and inspired a cinematic saga in the process.

He speaks to Ben Wyatt about the build up and the big fight itself.

This is a Comunique production for the BBC World Service.

(Photo: Chuck Wepner takes a swing at Muhammad Ali in the second round of their heavyweight title bout in March 1975. Credit: Getty Images)

SAT 19:00 BBC News (w172z2r0bsyq6gn)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 19:06 The Documentary (w3ct5n1f)

AI: Who cares?

Global News Podcast presenter Nick Miles will be joined by the BBC's technology editor Zoe Kleinman and a panel of experts to discuss how AI fits into health, the environment, justice and the workplace. We take questions from people all over the world as well as from our live audience.

Recorded at the Science Gallery, London.

(Photo: Bellabot delivers food to diners at a Sushi restaurant in Salou, Spain)

SAT 20:00 BBC News (w172z2r0bsyqb6s)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 20:06 The Arts Hour (w3ct4vlj)

On Tour in Taiwan

Nikki Bedi is in Taipei to investigate how Taiwan's reputation as one of the most progressive, inclusive places in Asia, is reflected in its arts scene and to explore the role the arts play in maintaining Taiwan's unique cultural identity.

She is joined live on stage at The Red House in the Ximin (Shee MIN) district by award-winning film director Fiona Roan, revered dancer, choreographer and founder of the Cloud Gate Dance Theatre Lin Hwai-Min, a stand-up set from comedy pioneer Brian Tseng and writer, activist, and DJ Brian Hioe. And there's live music from the Indigenous singer and pop musician Abao and from jazz-pop singer-songwriter 9M88

SAT 21:00 BBC News (w172z2r0bsyqfyx)

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SAT 21:06 Newshour (w172z09lw44m36b)

Devastation in Derna a week after the Libyan floods

Nearly a week after a torrent of water ploughed through the centre of the the Libyan city of Derna, officials from the Eastern Libyan government felt for themselves the wave of public anger... when they visited Derna today.

More than 11,000 people are known to have died in the catastrophic flooding that followed the collapse of two dams last weekend. Thousands more are still missing in the port city where bodies are still being washed back from the sea.

In a country divided between rival governments - we hear a call for unity in Tripoli.

Also in the programme: On an Italian island, residents say they can't cope with the surging number of migrants; and we'll savour a last curry at London's first refuge for Indian food fans.

(Photo shows a car submerged in water following floods in Derna, Libya, September 16, 2023. Credit: Amr Alfiky/Reuters)

SAT 22:00 BBC News (w172z2r0bsyqk1)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 22:06 Music Life (w3ct4mg9)

Natural storytellers with Lea Salonga, Claude-Michel Schönberg, Gerard Salonga and Daniel Edmonds

Lea Salonga, Claude-Michel Schönberg, Gerard Salonga and Daniel Edmonds discuss the process of working through a piece that isn't going well, what drives them when starting a new project, and the most important things they look for in a performer of musical theatre.

Lea Salonga has done everything from playing Kim in the original production of Miss Saigon, to playing Fantine and Éponine in Les Misérables. She has also released 12 of her own albums.

Claude-Michel Schönberg is a French record producer, actor, singer and musical theatre composer with a prolific career in music. He is best known for his collaborations with lyricist Alain Boublil and has scored some of the biggest works in musical theatre including Les Misérables, La Révolution Française and Miss Saigon.

Gerard Salonga is a Filipino conductor, composer and arranger who is currently the resident conductor of the Malaysian Philharmonic Orchestra in Kuala Lumpur. He started playing piano at the age of five and sang duets with Lea, his sister, for her first album, Small Voice, before going on to study at Berklee College of Music. He's conducted orchestras across the Philippines and has worked with distinguished conductors and composers across the world.

Musical director, composer and arranger Daniel Edmonds has written music for both screen and stage. He was the musical director of the musicals King Kong, Strictly Ballroom and Dream Lover, as well as the award-winning show Beautiful: The Carole King Musical. He's also worked closely with Lea on various projects, such as writing the music for her 2020 single Dream Again, which was released to raise funds for Covid-19 charities.

SAT 23:00 BBC News (w172z2r0bsyqpg5)

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SAT 23:06 The Newsroom (w172z2spbb1pp2)

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SAT 23:20 Sports News (w172z1k34j1qw6)

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

SAT 23:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rtsj1kf1qk)

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SAT 23:32 Tech Life (w3ct4tqc)

The health tech changing lives in Africa

There's a new testing kit for life-threatening diseases in sub-Saharan Africa. We hear about the technology from the project leader and some of those involved in Uganda and Kenya. Also in Tech Life, we report on lab grown diamonds in India. And posting photos of flooding on social media could help experts predict where it might happen next.

(Photo: Composite image with a globe and medical staff looking at a tablet. Credit: Getty Images)

SUNDAY 17 SEPTEMBER 2023

SUN 00:00 BBC News (w172z2r0bsyqt69)

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SUN 00:06 BBC OS Conversations (w3ct5b29)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:06 on Saturday]

SUN 00:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rtsj1kf5gp)

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SUN 00:32 The Lazarus Heist (w3ct5m32)

[Repeat of broadcast at 05:32 on Saturday]

SUN 00:50 Sporting Witness (w3ct4s1b)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:50 on Saturday]

SUN 01:00 BBC News (w172z2r0bsyqxyf)

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SUN 01:06 Unexpected Elements (w3ct4wjz)

Forgetful fish, telescopic worms and bad air days

In a week where global heat records have melted, we find out how that can make fish life-threateningly stupid. We also dive a little deeper to find the part of the ocean where a little heat proves life-enhancing.

And we bring you boring science... no, not in that way. Find out what tree rings can tell us about ancient civilizations and past climates. Also, a new Japanese mission aims to park nice and neatly on the moon – how different is that from the famous first effort from the Apollo 11 team?

We hear about an unwelcome Delhi resident that's taking years off locals lives – air pollution. And what is a "supervolcano" and how likely is it that one ruins our run as dominant species on this planet?

Presented by Marnie Chesterton
With Chhavi Sachdev and Tristan Ahtone

Producers: Alex Mansfield, Ben Motley, Sophie Ormiston,
Emily Bird and Patrick Hughes

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SUN 02:32 Health Check (w3ct4pdg)

Do men have a friendship problem?

The author Max Dickens was preparing to propose to his girlfriend when he came to a realisation: he didn't have anyone he felt he could ask to be his best man. It prompted him to write the book 'Billy No-Mates', looking at why he didn't have any close male friends any more, and asking if men, in general, have a friendship problem.

In a special discussion in front of a live audience at the Cheltenham Science Festival in England, Claudia Hammond speaks to Max about his journey.

They're also joined by Robin Dunbar, a Professor of Evolutionary Psychology at Oxford University who's spent decades researching friendships in humans and other primates, and Radha Modgil, a practicing GP and wellbeing expert whose book 'Know Your Own Power' looks at what advice there is for people facing difficulties as they go through life.

The panel look at what psychology can teach us about friendships between men, the difference these relationships can make to our mental health, and the best way of both maintaining the friendships we have and finding ways to make new friends.

Produced in partnership with the Open University.
Presenter: Claudia Hammond
Producer: Dan Welsh

SUN 03:00 BBC News (w172z2r0bsyr5fp)

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SUN 03:06 World Questions (w3ct59t5)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 on Saturday]

SUN 04:00 BBC News (w172z2r0bsyr95t)

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SUN 04:06 From Our Own Correspondent (w3ct4ntd)

Gabon: meet the new boss

Pascale Harter introduces insight, wit and analysis from BBC correspondents, journalists and writers around the world.

Members of the Bongo family have occupied Gabon's presidency for more than 50 years - but their rule is now over following an army takeover at the end of August. Catherine Norris Trent describes the new mood in Libreville as the country meets its new rulers.

From the high Atlas mountains, James Copnall reports from Azmiz Miz - one of many communities left shattered by the recent devastating earthquake in Morocco.

You might expect some human tensions along Norway's frontier with Russia, inside the Arctic Circle: this is a boundary where a NATO member state directly abuts a member of the Russian Federation. But John Murphy recently found a more unexpected source of contention - the rapid breeding of invasive, Pacific salmon - which Norway argues are edging out the region's native Atlantic salmon species.

And in Paraguay, Grace Livingstone talks to some of the most passionate defenders and promoters of the Guarani language. Spoken by over 70% of the population - even including some people who have no Guarani heritage - its story of survival and endurance is almost unique among indigenous languages worldwide.

Producer: Polly Hope
Editor: Bridget Harney

(Image: General Brice Clotaire Oligui Nguema salutes as he is inaugurated as Gabon's interim President, in Libreville on 04 September 2023. Credit: AFP via Getty Images)

SUN 04:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rtsj1kfn6)

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SUN 04:32 Trending (w3ct5d95)

How to exit the manosphere

You may have heard about how young men are being drawn into the so-called 'manosphere' but how can they escape? Can subreddits such as #IncelExit help men who are involuntarily celibate to put their disturbing views to one side and foster more healthy perspectives about women and dating?

We hear from former manosphere subscribers around the world who have found comfort in opening up and addressing their issues in relatively empathetic Reddit forums. Academic Josh Thorburn from Monash University in Melbourne welcomes the deradicalisation that can occur in these online spaces and says subreddits are able to reach communities internationally that professionals often can't.

However #IncelExit and #ExRedPill are not a silver bullet for deradicalising young men. Many Redditors experience a non-linear journey and don't get rid of all of their misogynistic baggage overnight. And not everyone is a "decent dude" looking for a way out.

Presenter: Jonathan Griffin
Producer: Loonie Park
Editor: Flora Carmichael

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SUN 05:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rtsj1kfs6b)

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SUN 05:32 The Documentary (w3ct5j23)

Izabela in the forest

Hear the marvellous sounds of Europe's last primeval forest, Białowieża, in an immersive experience rich with all kinds of bird song and animal sounds, including that of the rare European bison. They're recorded by Polish field recordist Izabela Dłużyk.

Izabela is unusual as a young woman recordist, in a profession dominated by men - all the more so because has been blind from birth. She developed a special sensitivity to birdsong ever since her family gave her a tape recorder at the age of 12, and she at once turned its microphone towards the sky. She identifies species entirely through her ears, with an extraordinarily detailed depth of field.

Hearing the forest through Izabela's acute ears, we venture into her world as well as that of the wilderness she loves. Recorded on location in Białowieża, we also hear night and dawn recordings that bring all sorts of surprises to the microphone.

Produced by Monica Whitlock. Mixed by Neil Churchill

Image: Izabela Dłużyk in the Białowieża forest (Credit: Dovana Films)

SUN 06:00 BBC News (w172z2r0bsyrjp2)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 06:06 Weekend (w172z37dycptrxp)

Libya floods: search and rescue efforts continue

The United Nations says the number of people known to have been killed in last week's floods in north-eastern Libya has reached about 11,300. It says another 10,100 people are still missing in the city of Derna alone.

Also in the programme: the President of the European Commission, Ursula Von Der Leyen, will visit the Italian island of Lampedusa today as unprecedented numbers of people have been arriving; and EuroPride, the international festival highlighting issues affecting LGBTQ+ communities, ends today in Malta.

Joining host Audrey Brown to discuss this and more are Taran Khan, an Indian journalist and writer and Marcus Chown, British science journalist and writer.

(Picture: Rescuers search for possible survivors and bodies of victims under a collapsed building. Credit: EPA-EFE/REX/Shutterstock)

SUN 07:00 BBC News (w172z2r0bsyrnf6)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 07:06 Weekend (w172z37dycptwnt)

Libya floods: death toll continues to rise

The United Nations says the number of people known to have been killed in last week's floods in north-eastern Libya has reached about 11,300. It says another 10,100 people are still missing in the city of Derna alone.

Also in the programme: the Italian city of Venice introduces a daily tax for tourists to try to ease crowding on the busiest days of the year; and Europe is currently facing a potentially deadly invasion of red fire ants.

Joining host Audrey Brown to discuss this and more are Taran Khan, an Indian journalist and writer, and Marcus Chown, British science journalist and writer.

(Picture: Rescue personnel work following floods in the Libyan city of Derna. Credit: Amr Alfiky/Reuters)

SUN 08:00 BBC News (w172z2r0bsyrs5b)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 08:06 Weekend (w172z37dycp0dy)

European Commission president to visit Lampedusa

The President of the European Commission, Ursula Von Der Leyen, will visit the Italian island of Lampedusa on Sunday. She is there to discuss the unprecedented number of migrants who arrived last week.

Also in the programme: the number of deaths from Libya's catastrophic flooding continues to rise; and we delve deep into an album that's been recorded in a US prison.

Joining host Audrey Brown to discuss this and more are Taran Khan, an Indian journalist and writer, and Marcus Chown,

British science journalist and writer.

(Picture: Migrants are seen inside a processing centre on the Italian island of Lampedusa. Credit: Yara Nardi/Reuters)

SUN 09:00 BBC News (w172z2r0bsyrwxg)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 09:06 From Our Own Correspondent (w3ct4ntd)

[Repeat of broadcast at 04:06 today]

SUN 09:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rtsjkg85v)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 09:32 Outlook (w3ct4rbh)

The troubled life of an ice hockey hero

In 1989, Canadian ice hockey goaltender Clint Malarchuk was playing for top National Hockey League team the Buffalo Sabres, when he suffered a horrific injury to his neck. Knowing his mother was watching the NHL match on live TV, he staggered off the ice. Luckily Clint survived and within ten days he was back playing for his team - everyone called him a hero. What many didn't see was the impact the incident had on his mental health. In the following years, the repercussions of that day would take him to one of the darkest moments of his life. (This interview was first broadcast in April 2021.)

If you've been affected by anything you heard in Clint's interview, support is available through the BBC Action Line website or via Befrienders Worldwide.

TV commentary of Buffalo Sabres vs St Louis, 22 March 1989: courtesy of Buffalo Sabres.

Presenter: Emily Webb

Producer: Patrick Kiteley / Andrea Rangelcroft

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(Photo: Clint Malarchuk of the Buffalo Sabres defends the net during an NHL game in November, 1990. Credit: Getty Images)

SUN 10:00 BBC News (w172z2r0bsys0nl)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 10:06 Music Life (w3ct4mg9)

[Repeat of broadcast at 22:06 on Saturday]

SUN 11:00 BBC News (w172z2r0bsys4dq)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 11:06 The Newsroom (w172z2tj41ybg1x)

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SUN 11:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rtsjkgph3)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 11:32 Trending (w3ct5d95)

[Repeat of broadcast at 04:32 today]

SUN 11:50 More or Less (w3ct5b6w)

[Repeat of broadcast at 05:50 on Saturday]

SUN 12:00 BBC News (w172z2r0bsys84v)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 12:06 The Documentary (w3ct5n1f)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:06 on Saturday]

SUN 13:00 BBC News (w172z2r0bsyscwz)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 13:06 Newshour (w172z09lw44p14d)

EU chief visits Lampedusa after migrant numbers soar

Italy's prime minister Georgia Meloni has warned that uncontrolled migration is putting the future of Europe at risk. She was speaking alongside Ursula Von der Leyen on a visit to the island of Lampedusa, which has seen thousands of arrivals in recent days. The European Commission President offered help with the crisis.

The Libyan government says a quarter of the buildings in the city of Derna have been destroyed or damaged by last week's flooding.

And we hear the prison songs compiled by a Grammy award winning producer.

(Photo credit: Reuters)

SUN 14:00 BBC News (w172z2r0bsyshn3)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 14:06 Music Life (w3ct4mg9)

[Repeat of broadcast at 22:06 on Saturday]

SUN 15:00 BBC News (w172z2r0bsysmd7)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 15:06 Sportsworld (w172z1kx180sycg)

Live Sporting Action

Delyth Lloyd presents live full match commentary of Everton against Arsenal in the Premier League, plus updates and reaction from Bournemouth versus Chelsea.

Sunday Sportsworld will also bring you up to date with the latest football stories around the world and the latest from a busy day at the Rugby World Cup with South Africa, Australia and England all in action.

Plus, there will be reaction from Formula One's Singapore Grand Prix, the climax of cycling's Vuelta a España and tennis' Davis Cup.

Image: Bukayo Saka of Arsenal wins the ball from Idrissa Gana Gueye of Everton during the Premier League match between Arsenal FC and Everton FC at Emirates Stadium on March 01, 2023 in London, England. (Photo by David Price/Arsenal FC via Getty Images)

SUN 19:00 BBC News (w172z2r0bsyt3cr)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 19:06 The Newsroom (w172z2tj41ycf0y)

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SUN 19:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rtsjkhgn4)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 19:32 The Documentary (w3ct677w)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:32 on Saturday]

SUN 20:00 BBC News (w172z2r0bsyt73w)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 20:06 Unexpected Elements (w3ct4wjz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 01:06 today]

SUN 21:00 BBC News (w172z2r0bsytbw0)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 21:06 Newshour (w172z09lw44q03f)

International aid starts to arrive in Libya after the floods

International aid has started to arrive in Libya after the devastating floods hit the city of Derna last week.

But the UN has warned that politics is blocking international aid getting to those who survived the floods and need the aid.

Also in the programme: The European Commission president has visited a migrant reception centre on the Italian island of Lampedusa as it struggles to deal with small boat arrivals; and we'll hear from an architect involved in building a landmark skyscraper in Sudan which has become the latest casualty of the conflict in the country.

(Photo shows people queuing in line to receive food aid in Derna, Libya on 15 September 2023. Credit: Esam Omran Al-Fetori/Reuters)

SUN 22:00 BBC News (w172z2r0bsytmn4)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 22:06 The Climate Question (w3ct5bkj)

What should I eat to help fight Climate Change?

The Climate Question receives lots of emails from listeners asking about the impact that the food and drink we consume on a daily basis has on the environment and climate: which foods are most associated with greenhouse gas emissions? Which fruits and vegetables are the most sustainable choices at the supermarket? How would a tax on carbon-intensive imported produce, like beef, work?

In this programme, a panel of experts answer your questions to help you see past the product packaging, wherever you are in the world.

Presenter Graihagh Jackson is joined by:

Dan Saladino, food journalist, author and presenter;

Franziska Funke, Associate Doctoral Researcher in environmental economics at the Technical University of Berlin;

Dr Ximena Schmidt, sustainability expert at Brunel University, London;

If you have a question about climate change that you'd like us to answer, or a comment – please email them to theclimatequestion@bbc.com

Producer: Ben Cooper
Researcher: Octavia Woodward
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Editor: China Collins
Sound Engineer: Tom Brignell
Production Coordinators: Debbie Richford, Sophie Hill and Sabine Schreck

SUN 22:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rtsjkhtw)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 22:32 Pick of the World (w3ct5b94)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:32 on Saturday]

SUN 22:50 Over to You (w3ct4rps)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:50 on Saturday]

SUN 23:00 BBC News (w172z2r0bsytic8)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 23:06 The Newsroom (w172z2sppbbpl5)
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SUN 23:20 Sports News (w172z1k34jf4ms9)
BBC Sport brings you all the latest stories and results from around the world.

SUN 23:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rtsjkhymin)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 23:32 Outlook (w3ct4rbh)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:32 today]

MONDAY 18 SEPTEMBER 2023

MON 00:00 BBC News (w172z2r0bsytq3d)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 00:06 From Our Own Correspondent (w3ct4ntd)
[Repeat of broadcast at 04:06 on Sunday]

MON 00:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rtsjkj2cs)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 00:32 Trending (w3ct5d95)
[Repeat of broadcast at 04:32 on Sunday]

MON 00:50 More or Less (w3ct5b6w)
[Repeat of broadcast at 05:50 on Saturday]

MON 01:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q27yp3p)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 01:06 The Newsroom (w172z2tjhb7hzrw)

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MON 01:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rv4svn1d2)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 01:32 Happy News (w3ct5hv1)
Superhero dog saves family from fire

Our weekly collection of the happiest stories in the world. This week, the superhero hero dog who saved a family from a fire finds a forever home, the international effort to rescue a man from a cave in Turkey. And the electronic bra that can spot signs of breast cancer.

Presenter Andrew Peach. Music produced by Iona Hampson.

MON 02:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q27ysvt)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 02:06 The Newsroom (w172z2tjhb7j3j0)
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MON 02:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rv4svn546)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 02:32 CrowdScience (w3ct4y4k)
Why am I scared of bridges?

Everyone has fears – but what makes a fear become a phobia? Why are some people scared of spiders (arachnophobia), buttons (koumpounophobia), or the colour yellow (xanthophobia)? Or why are others scared of situations, like small spaces (claustrophobia), empty rooms (kenophobia) or heights (acrophobia)?

This is a question which has been bothering Crowdscience listener Scott, who has a phobia of bridges. He gets anxious and panicky when driving over bridges and is scared he'll lose control of the car. It's also a question that struck a chord with presenter Caroline Steel. She is claustrophobic, particularly in lifts, steering clear of them at all costs and even once climbing nine flights of stairs in crutches to avoid using the lift.

But where do these phobias come from and why do some people have them and not others? To investigate, Caroline speaks to experts to discover where phobias come from, why we have them and how they develop. And she visits a psychologist to learn about different types of treatment for phobias, and to receive treatment herself in the hope that one day, maybe she'll be able to take the lift instead of the stairs.

Contributors:

Professor Paul Salkovskis, Director, Oxford Centre for Psychological Health, UK
Professor Ekaterina Likhtik, Associate Professor in Biological Sciences at Hunter College, CUNY, USA
Dr Andras Zsido, Assistant Professor at the University of Pécs, Hungary

Presenter: Caroline Steel
Producer: Hannah Fisher
Editor: Richard Collings
Production Co-ordinator: Jonathan Harris

(Image: Person sitting on high up bridge. Credit: Ijubaphoto / Getty Images)

MON 03:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q27yxly)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 03:06 People Fixing The World (w3ct4y01)
Genetic problem-solving

From crops that grow faster to rice that could stop children going blind - the world is full of genetically modified products waiting to come onto market.

Genetic modification techniques in plants have huge problem-solving potential, but are often clouded in controversy. Most scientists say GM food is safe, yet some consumers and environmental campaigners remain unconvinced.

This week we look at the potential, and the controversy, in this futuristic field.

Presenter: Myra Anubi
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Image: Illustration of a strand of DNA (Getty Images)

MON 03:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rv4svn8wb)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 03:32 Pick of the World (w3ct5b94)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:32 on Saturday]

MON 03:50 Over to You (w3ct4rps)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:50 on Saturday]

MON 04:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q27z1c2)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 04:06 The Newsroom (w172z2tjhb7jc08)
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MON 04:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rv4svndmg)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 04:32 The Conversation (w3ct4tvx)
The secrets of being a successful music manager

Kim Chakanetsa talks to two female music managers who have made a significant impact in an often male-dominated field.

Kei Henderson was the personal manager of rapper 21 Savage for several years. She is the CEO and founder of Third and Hayden, a management company that supports musical ad executive talent. She's currently managing Rico Nasty and emerging talents such as Annahstasia, Ben Reilly, Jordan Hawkins and Kenneth Whalum.

Amy Morgan worked across the whole spectrum of the music industry. She started out at Island Records, then moved to the independent label Beggars Music Group, where she became the creative director. Amy has managed the British indie rock band Glass Animals, whose recent hit Heat Waves led them to become the first British band to have a number one in the Global Spotify charts.

Produced by Beatriz De La Pava.

(Image: (L) Kei Henderson. (R) Amy Morgan.)

MON 05:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q27z536)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 05:06 Newsday (w172z074x6msx1r)
Libya floods: Doctors struggling to identify the victims

As the number of the dead continues to rise in Libya's flood-hit Derna, doctors say they are struggling to identify the victims. The UN says the death toll is at least 11,300.

Five Americans jailed for years in Iran are expected to finally fly home today as part of a deal mediated by the Gulf state of Qatar.

More than 8,000 migrants have arrived in Lampedusa over the past week - that's more than the island's population. The Italian Prime Minister says her country is being placed under "unsustainable pressure".

MON 06:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q27z8vb)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 06:06 Newsday (w172z074x6mt0sw)
Libya floods: Rescue workers continue to recover dead bodies

The death toll in flood-hit Libyan city of Derna has risen to at least 11,300. Rescue workers are continuing to recover dead bodies from the sea and ruined buildings. Many thousands are still missing.

The Italian prime minister has called for the European Union to help with small boat arrivals. More than eight thousand migrants arrived in the last week on the island of Lampedusa.

And dozens of runners were hospitalised in Sydney after an unseasonably hot weather.

MON 07:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q27zdlg)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 07:06 Newsday (w172z074x6mt4k0)

Libya flood deaths: Rescue workers continue to recover dead bodies

Search goes on for bodies as the number of dead and those displaced by the burst of dams in Derna, Libya, rises by the hour. UN says death toll at least 11,300.

Thousands of people have arrived in small boats from North Africa in Italy in the last few days. The Italian prime minister asks for help.

And five Americans jailed for years in Iran are expected to finally fly home today as part of a deal mediated by the Gulf state of Qatar.

MON 08:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q27zjbl)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 08:06 HARDtalk (w3ct4p3g)

Yuval Noah Harari: Are humans losing the ability to trust and co-operate?

Stephen Sackur speaks to the acclaimed Israeli historian and author Yuval Noah Harari. Having given us an explanation of the success of humankind in his book *Sapiens*, he's now in darker territory. From Israel to the United States, he says democracy is in danger. Are humans losing the ability to trust and co-operate?

MON 08:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rv4svnlwz)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 08:32 Business Daily (w3ct4mv2)

The cost of migration: The journey

In the first of three programmes, the BBC's Frey Lindsay accompanies the charity rescue vessel the Ocean Viking to explore the myriad costs involved in irregular migration across the Mediterranean.

Each year hundreds of thousands of people attempt the extremely dangerous crossing from Libya to Italy, paying smugglers thousands of dollars. We meet some of those people and find out how and why they're making the journey.

Presenter/producer: Frey Lindsay

(Picture: Rescuers huddle onboard the SOS Méditerranée rescue ship The Ocean Viking. Credit: BBC)

MON 08:50 Witness History (w3ct4xb4)

Nazi eugenics

In July 1933, the new German Chancellor, Adolf Hitler, passed 'The Law for the Prevention of Offspring with Hereditary Diseases'.

It required the sterilisation of Germans with physical and mental disabilities. Helga Gross was one of those sterilised.

Ben Henderson uncovers archive interviews from the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, recorded in 2003.

(Photo: Helga Gross as a child. Credit: United States Holocaust Memorial Museum)

MON 09:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q27zn2q)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 09:06 The Newsroom (w172z2tjhb7jyqs)

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MON 09:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rv4svp0c3)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 09:32 CrowdScience (w3ct4y4k)

[Repeat of broadcast at 02:32 today]

MON 10:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q27zrtv)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 10:06 The History Hour (w3ct4w5l)

Israeli and Palestinian history

Max Pearson presents a collection of this week's Witness History episodes from the BBC World Service.

It's thirty years since the Oslo Accords were signed. This agreement in 1993 aimed to bring about peace between the Israelis and Palestinians. So this week, we're bringing you stories from Israeli and Palestinian history.

We hear about attempts at peace - the secret talks behind the Oslo Accords, and President Bill Clinton's failed attempt to end the conflict at Camp David.

Plus, one of the most dramatic sieges of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict that took place in a church.

We also hear from a Palestinian and an Israeli who were there when rioting broke out in 2000, after the Israeli opposition leader, Ariel Sharon, made a visit to the al-Aqsa Mosque compound.

And finally a hope of peace with the orchestra, made up of young people from both sides of the conflict, which performed a concert in the Palestinian city of Ramallah.

Contributors:

Mona Juul – Norwegian diplomat who was part of the team that planned and orchestrated the meetings which resulted in the signing of the Oslo Accords.

Yolande Knell - Middle East Correspondent for BBC News.

Gamal Helal - American diplomatic interpreter and policy adviser.

Khaled Zeghari - Palestinian cameraman.

Zalman Shoval - former Israeli ambassador to Washington.

Carolyn Cole - photojournalist.

Father Amjad Sabbara - Franciscan friar.

Tyme Khelefi - former violinist with the West-Eastern Divan orchestra.

Daniel Cohen - former violinist with the West-Eastern Divan orchestra.

(Photo: Israeli soldiers run towards the Church of the Nativity. Credit: Musa Al-Shaer/AFP via Getty Images)

MON 11:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q27zwkz)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 11:06 The Newsroom (w172z2tjhb7k675)

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MON 11:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rv4svp7vc)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 11:32 The Conversation (w3ct4tvx)

[Repeat of broadcast at 04:32 today]

MON 12:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q2800b3)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 12:06 Outlook (w3ct4qgf)

Jail to gym: The prison workout that saved my life

Facing seven years in jail for drug dealing, Coss Marte is told he might die within five. Overweight with high cholesterol, he designs an intense workout regimen inside his cell, losing around 30 kilos in six months. As a free, healthy man in New York City, Coss becomes a fitness instructor teaching his prison bootcamp and hires other former prisoners. But as an ex-convict, it took years to find acceptance in the business world.

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(Photo: Coss Marte. Credit: ConBody)

MON 12:50 Witness History (w3ct4xb4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 today]

MON 13:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q280427)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 13:06 The Newsroom (w172z2tjhb7kfql)

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MON 13:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rv4svphbm)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 13:32 CrowdScience (w3ct4y4k)

[Repeat of broadcast at 02:32 today]

MON 14:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q2807tc)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 14:06 Newshour (w172z09m7dfwx1s)

Five American nationals are due to be freed by Iran

Access to six billion dollars of frozen Iranian oil revenues is part of the deal. Leading US Republicans and Iranian activists have warned the deal will only encourage more hostage taking. They will first land in Qatar before flying to the US.

Also on the programme, in South Africa, Operation Dudula, a notorious anti-migrant campaign group, has registered as a political party ahead of next year's general election. We hear from the leader. And Ukraine's new minister of defence, who has only been in the job for two weeks, has sacked six deputy ministers.

(Picture: Journalists at Doha airport await the soon to be freed prisoners. Credit: BBC)

MON 15:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q280ckh)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 15:06 HARDtalk (w3ct4p3g)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:06 today]

MON 15:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rv4svpgtw)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 15:32 World Business Report (w3ct4zdr)

UAW and automakers try to reach a final deal

The car workers strike in the US enters day 4 today with the president of the United Auto Workers union, Shawn Fain preparing to meet again with bosses at General Motors, Ford and Stellantis. The workers want a 40% pay increase - the same rate their CEOs' pay grew in recent years.

The price of oil is reaching 95 dollars a barrel for the first time since November last year. Growing supply tightness and dwindling stockpiles have led into the increase in prices which in turn will start to affect how much you pay at the pump.

Water suppliers in Johannesburg, South Africa, have asked residents of the city and its suburbs to use less water because of a water shortage that they warn could "result in the collapse of the system".

(Picture: GM workers with the UAW Local 2250 Union strike outside the General Motors Wentzville Assembly Plant on September 15, 2023 in Wentzville, Missouri. Photo credit: Getty Images)

MON 16:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q280h9m)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 16:06 BBC OS (w172z0w085xyjz7)

US-Iran prisoner swap deal

Five American prisoners who were detained in Iran are released as part of a complex exchange deal. Five Iranians imprisoned in US jails will also be freed at the same time, in a deal mediated by Qatar. The exchange includes the release of \$6 billion in frozen Iranian oil revenues. We speak to our correspondent in Doha whose following the story.

We talk about the sex allegations in the UK and US against TV personality and comedian Russell Brand, and the investigations that have been announced to find out the truth. He's denied the allegations. We also hear from one woman who alleges she was assaulted by him when she was 16 years old.

As we continue to report on the Libya floods disaster, we hear a conversation with Libyans who grew up outside their homeland and hear about the emotional toll it is taking on them and their relatives.

Presenter: James Reynolds

(Photo: Siamak Namazi, an American-Iranian who was imprisoned in Iran. On 12 September 2023, the US issued a sanctions waiver for banks to transfer \$6bn of frozen Iranian funds from South Korea to Qatar, paving the way for the release of five Americans held by Iran, Namazi among them. Credit: Undated handout photo from "Free the Namazis")

MON 17:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q280m1r)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 17:06 BBC OS (w172z0w085xynqc)
Ukraine's counter-offensive against Russia

Ukraine's generals say they have "broken through" Russia's first line of defence in the south. Our security correspondent explains what this means in practical terms and describes how much progress has really been made on the frontlines.

BBC Africa Eye gains rare access to Operation Dudula, South Africa's most notorious anti-migrant group, as they take to the streets and fight for political power. Their critics accuse them of being violent vigilantes who target some of the country's most vulnerable people. We talk to the Africa Eye reporter and hear what they witnessed.

Five American prisoners who were detained in Iran are released as part of a complex exchange deal, with five Iranians imprisoned in US jails also freed at the same time. The Qatar mediated swap deal took months of negotiations. We talk to the lawyer of one of the US prisoners whose now been released.

And the Australian soap, Neighbours, makes long awaited return with a huge wedding twist in the first episode. We hear from fans of the original series, and what they are hoping for with the return.

Presenter: James Reynolds

(Photo: A Ukrainian serviceman inspects a turret of a destroyed Russian BMP-3 infantry fighting vehicle in the recently liberated village of Novodavirvka, amid Russia's attack on Ukraine, in Zaporizhzhia region, Ukraine July 21, 2023. Credit: Reuters)

MON 18:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q280qsw)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 18:06 Outlook (w3ct4qgf)
[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 today]

MON 18:50 Witness History (w3ct4xb4)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 today]

MON 19:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q280vk0)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 19:06 The Newsroom (w172z2tjhb71566)
The world's Newsroom brings you global events as they happen

MON 19:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rv4svq6td)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 19:32 Sport Today (w3ct4std)
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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 (w172z2r0q280z94)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 20:06 From Our Own Correspondent (w3ct4ntd)
[Repeat of broadcast at 04:06 on Sunday]

MON 20:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rv4svqbkj)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 20:32 Discovery (w3ct4nnx)
Metamorphosis: Blowflies and dazzling disguise

Blowflies may be some of the most reviled insects on the planet, but as Erica McAlister discovers, they are central to the surprisingly long tradition of forensic entomology and how there's more than meets the eye in the distinctive structural colour of the morpho butterfly wing, whose dazzling sheen is a key for camouflage and commerce.

(Photo: A fly on a leaf. Credit: Christina Bollen/Getty Images)

MON 21:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q281318)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 21:06 Newshour (w172z09m7dfxr8p)
Iran prisoner swap: US citizens freed in \$6bn deal

Five Americans jailed for years in Iran are flying back to the United States, after being freed in a controversial prisoner swap. The former captives stopped briefly in Qatar before getting on a plane home. The US is releasing five Iranian prisoners in return, and has allowed the transfer of six billion dollars of frozen Iranian funds.

Also in the programme: Canada has announced it's funding a British-led air defence partnership for Ukraine.; and the US military has appealed to the public for help to find an advanced fighter jet that went missing over South Carolina.

(Picture: Siamak Namazi, Morad Tahbaz and Emad Shargi, who were released during a prisoner swap deal between U.S. and Iran, arrive at Doha International Airport. Credit: Mohammed Dabbous/Reuters)

MON 22:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q2816sd)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 22:06 HARDtalk (w3ct4p3g)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:06 today]

MON 22:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rv4svq1ls)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 22:32 The Conversation (w3ct4tvx)
[Repeat of broadcast at 04:32 today]

MON 23:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q281bjj)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 23:06 The Newsroom (w172z2sq1lmxbnf)
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MON 23:20 Sports News (w172z1k3hsqccyk)
BBC Sport brings you all the latest stories and results from around the world.

MON 23:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rv4svqpsx)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 23:32 World Business Report (w3ct4zh0)
UAW strike enters fourth day

Union negotiators continued talks with representatives from General Motors, Ford and the Jeep-maker Stellantis today, as a historic strike by workers at America's top three car manufacturers entered the fourth day.

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(Picture: United Auto Workers Hold Limited Strikes As Contract Negotiations Expire. Picture credit: Getty Images)

TUESDAY 19 SEPTEMBER 2023

TUE 00:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q281g8n)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 00:06 The History Hour (w3ct4w5l)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:06 on Monday]

TUE 01:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q281l0s)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 01:06 Business Matters (w172yzrr6cxc3f3)
UAW strikes: How will it end?

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TUE 02:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q281prx)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 02:06 The Newsroom (w172z2tjhb7m0f3)
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TUE 02:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rv4svr219)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

TUE 02:32 The Documentary (w3ct5r7w)
Cricket and the maidens

In March 2023, the first season of the Women's India Premier League, the world's second most valuable cricketing league, behind only the men's IPL, was played. Five teams battled it out to claim the crown, comprised of international teams of women cricketers at the top of their game who earned ten times more than they can elsewhere.

While Indian players dominated, there was another factor that marked them out - many Indian women cricketers are single. Yet India as a country still values the institution of marriage very highly, and single women often face challenges and discrimination in housing and the workplace.

As Indian women's cricket has shot to the top of the global stage, how does this rapid change reflect broader changes in Indian society? Emma John, a cricket journalist and single woman herself, asks a range of single women in India about their experiences, and discovers how they think things are changing, for better and for worse.

With contributions from Dr Ketaki Chowkhani, professor of single studies at Manipal Centre for Humanities, Sreemoyee Kundu, author and founder of Status Single, representatives from the Rajasthan branch of the Association of Strong Women Alone, and cricket journalists Annesha Ghosh and Sharda Ugra.

Presenter: Emma John
Producer: Leonie Thomas
Executive producer: Steven Rajam
An Overcoat Media production for BBC World Service

(Photo: India's Mithali Raj, England v India, Women's Cricket World Cup, The 3aaa County Ground, Derby, Britain, 24 June, 2017. Credit: Jason Cairnduff/Reuters)

TUE 03:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q281tj1)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 03:06 Outlook (w3ct4qgf)
[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 on Monday]

TUE 03:50 Witness History (w3ct4xb4)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 on Monday]

TUE 04:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q281y85)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 04:06 The Newsroom (w172z2tjhb7m7xc)
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TUE 04:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rv4svr9jk)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

TUE 04:32 In the Studio (w3ct4yfm)
Vhils: Crafting a mural for Unesco headquarters

Alexandre Farto aka Vhils is a Portuguese artist, known for his striking huge murals that have appeared on city walls from Brazil and the US, to Senegal and Vietnam. He uses a bas-relief carving technique, which involves using chisels and even hammer drills to scrape away at the fabric of the wall, revealing the history in the layers below the surface.

Abi McNeil talks to Vhils as he works on his latest project – a 31 metre long mural for the Paris headquarters of Unesco, featuring centre stage, the portrait of the British politician and reformer Ellen Wilkinson, who presided over the Organization's inaugural Conference. The mural also showcases the diversity of world heritage that Unesco protects, with depictions including the pyramids of Egypt and Mexico, Timbuktu in Mali and the cathedral of Brasilia.

Presenter: Abi McNeil
Producer: Andrea Kidd

(Photo: Alexandre Farto aka Vhils. Credit: Abi McNeil)

TUE 05:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q282209)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 05:06 Newsday (w172z074x6mwsyv)

Canada accuses India of shooting a Sikh leader on its soil

Coming up, the Canadian prime minister Justin Trudeau says that there is credible evidence that India was involved in the killing of a Sikh activist in Canada.

Also ahead, American citizens have been freed from Iranian jails in a US\$6 billion deal prisoner swap mediated by Qatar.

And we get the latest from Ukraine as its forces progress towards the captured eastern city of Bakhmut.

TUE 06:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q2825rf)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 06:06 Newsday (w172z074x6mwxpz)

India refutes allegation of carrying out extra-judicial killing in Canada

Canada's Prime Minister Justin Trudeau says the Indian government could be behind the fatal shooting of Canadian Sikh leader Hardeep Singh Nijjar - we get reaction from the community in Canada.

A former member of Belarus's security services will go on trial in Switzerland today, charged with the enforced disappearance - our guest tells us why this is important.

Rescue workers are still pulling bodies from the sea and ruined buildings in Libya - we get the latest from the United Nations children's agency, Unicef.

TUE 07:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q2829hk)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 07:06 Newsday (w172z074x6mx1g3)

India and Canada have carried out tit-for-tat diplomatic expulsions

The Canadian prime minister says that there are credible allegations that India was involved in the killing of a Sikh activist.

Rescue workers are still pulling bodies from the sea and ruined buildings in Libya following the devastating floods a week ago - we go live to our correspondent there as protests hit the port city of Derna.

And a trial is due to begin in Switzerland of a former Belarussian commando accused of taking part in the forced disappearance of opposition activists two decades ago.

TUE 08:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q282f7p)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 08:06 People Fixing The World (w3ct4y02)

Shockwaves for the heart

Heart disease and other cardiovascular diseases are the biggest killer in the world, causing 18 million deaths globally every year.

Cardiologists and heart surgeons try to manage heart disease with stents, surgery and drugs, but the organ itself does not heal. Finding a way to regenerate heart tissue has become a holy grail for medicine.

Now there is new hope from a strange and pioneering technique from Austria. Doctors there believe that applying shockwaves directly to the heart after surgery dramatically improves patient outcomes.

The shockwaves – which are sonic pressure waves, rather than electric shocks – lead to new growth of blood vessels and trick the body's immune system into action.

The BBC's global health correspondent Naomi Grimley travels to Innsbruck to see the treatment in action.

Presenter: Myra Anubi
Producer: William Kremer
Series producer: Tom Colls
Sound mix: Hal Haines and Gareth Jones
Editor: Penny Murphy

Email: peoplefixingtheworld@bbc.co.uk

Image: Heart surgery

TUE 08:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rv4svrsj2)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

TUE 08:32 Business Daily (w3ct4n43)

The cost of migration: The rescue boats

In the second of three programmes, we'll hear about the increasing running costs facing charities involved in rescue search-and-rescue operations in the Mediterranean Sea.

Inflated fuel prices, cost of living crises and political interference are all driving the costs of the operation up. So can the boats continue to operate?

Presenter: Frey Lindsay

(Photo: Search and rescue crew onboard the SOS Méditerranée rescue ship The Ocean Viking)

TUE 08:50 Witness History (w3ct4xgjp)

Fighting for legal abortion in Italy

In 1978, campaigners won their long fight to legalise abortion in Italy. Emma Bonino and other members of the Radical Party went on hunger strike and were even jailed, after helping women access illegal abortions across the country.

But they faced fierce opposition in the Catholic country, as the church was heavily integrated into Italian politics.

Emma Bonino was so passionate about the cause that it led her to become a politician. She speaks to Reena Stanton-Sharma about her role in the campaign.

(Photo: Emma Bonino in 1976. Credit: Vittoriano Rastelli/CORBIS/Corbis via Getty Images)

TUE 09:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q282jzt)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 09:06 The Newsroom (w172z2tjhb7mvn0)

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TUE 09:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rv4svrx86)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

TUE 09:32 The Documentary (w3ct5r7w)

[Repeat of broadcast at 02:32 today]

TUE 10:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q282nqy)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 10:06 The Arts Hour (w3ct4v1j)

[Repeat of broadcast at 20:06 on Saturday]

TUE 11:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q282sh2)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 11:06 The Newsroom (w172z2tjhb7n348)

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TUE 11:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rv4svs4rg)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

TUE 11:32 In the Studio (w3ct4yfm)

[Repeat of broadcast at 04:32 today]

TUE 12:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q282x76)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 12:06 Outlook (w3ct4qzw)

Songwriting, banjos and the bohemian city that cradled me

Music has always been a transformative power in the life of Canadian singer-songwriter Allison Russell. Allison had a traumatic childhood which she escaped by running away from home at the age of 15, finding refuge in the cemeteries and cafes of Montreal. Banjo became her main songwriting tool and put her at the heart of the iconic black women's banjo collective Our Native Daughters, but it was her solo album which earned her three Grammy nominations.

If you need support relating to any of the issues raised in this interview, you can find more information at <https://www.bbc.co.uk/actionline/> or at [Befrienders.org](https://www.befrienders.org)

Saul "Cassandro" Armendáriz is one of the biggest stars of Mexican Lucha Libre wrestling. He's known as an exotico, which means he dresses in drag, wearing glamorous make up and sequin-covered costumes. A film about his life called Cassandro is out this month starring actor Gael Garcia Bernal. This interview was first broadcast in July 2017.

Get in touch: outlook@bbc.com or WhatsApp +44 330 678 2707

(Photo: Singer-songwriter Allison Russell. Credit: Getty Images - Rob Kim/Stringer)

TUE 12:50 Witness History (w3ct4xgjp)

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TUE 13:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q2830zb)

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TUE 13:06 The Newsroom (w172z2tjhb7nbnj)

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TUE 13:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rv4svsd7q)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

TUE 13:32 Discovery (w3ct4nnx)

[Repeat of broadcast at 20:32 on Monday]

TUE 14:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q2834qg)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 14:06 Newshour (w172z09m7dfzsyw)

Canada-India row

India denies involvement in the murder of a Canadian Sikh activist, however Canada's prime minister says there are credible allegations to investigate. We hear from both countries and get an assessment of the Sikh separatist 'Khalistani movement.'

Also on the programme, heavy shelling has been heard in the disputed region of Nagorno Karabakh where Azerbaijan says it has begun an anti-terrorist operation. Plus, what is the new dress code at the US senate?

(Photo : Hardeep Singh Nijjar was shot dead outside a temple in British Columbia in June. Credit : Sikh PA)

TUE 15:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q2838gl)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 15:06 People Fixing The World (w3ct4y02)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:06 today]

TUE 15:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rv4svsmqz)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

TUE 15:32 World Business Report (w3ct4zps)

Oil price hits 10-month high

Global oil prices have reached their highest level in more than ten months. Brent crude rose above ninety-five dollars a barrel on Tuesday. The increase is being driven by production cuts by two of the world's largest oil exporters, Saudi Arabia and Russia. The International Energy Agency has warned of a significant supply shortfall by the end of the year. Oil prices surged to more than a-hundred-and-twenty dollars a barrel after Russia invaded Ukraine last year, but fell back to seventy dollars in May.

Sam Fenwick hears about how the oil price hike is affecting taxi drivers and airlines.

(Picture: A customer fills his car with diesel at a BP garage in London, United Kingdom. Photo credit: Getty Images)

TUE 16:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q283d6q)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 16:06 BBC OS (w172z0w085y1fwb)

Protests after Libya floods

Hundreds of protesters in Derna are demanding answers after last week's flooding. They gathered on Monday evening at the city's landmark Sahaba Mosque, some crying and chanting for top officials in Libya's eastern government to be sacked. More

than 10,000 people are officially missing after two old and dilapidated dams burst, flooding the city. At least 4,000 people have died. We get the latest from our correspondent and speak to people who survived the disaster.

Elon Musk has suggested that all users of X, formerly called Twitter, may have to pay for access to the platform. We hear from Twitter users about whether they'd be prepared to pay a small monthly fee to use the social network.

And we speak to the teenager who has set a new Guinness World Record for the longest hair on a male teenager. Sidakdeep Singh Chahal's hair measures 146 centimetres long.

Presenter: James Reynolds

(Photo: People who survived the deadly storm that hit Libya, protest outside the Al Sahaba mosque against the government in Derna, Libya September 18, 2023. Credit: Reuters)

TUE 17:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q283hyv)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 17:06 BBC OS (w172z0w085y1kmg)
World leaders meet at UN Summit

We're hearing from world leaders at the annual UN General Assembly in New York. The war in Ukraine, climate change and sustainable development are high on the agenda as representatives of 193 countries come together.

We get the latest on Cristiano Ronaldo's visit to Iran. Crowds of Iranian football supporters have flocked to welcome the Portuguese superstar to Tehran - even chasing his team's bus. The 38-year-old forward is there with Saudi club Al Nassr, who are taking on Persepolis on Tuesday evening.

Presenter: James Reynolds

(Photo: Ukraine's President Volodymyr Zelenskyy attends the 78th session of the United Nations General Assembly at the United Nations Headquarters in New York, New York, USA, 19 September 2023. Credit: Shutterstock)

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TUE 18:06 Outlook (w3ct4q wz)
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TUE 18:50 Witness History (w3ct4xgp)
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TUE 19:06 The Newsroom (w172z2tjhb7p239)
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TUE 20:06 The Documentary (w3ct5r7w)
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TUE 20:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rv4svt7gm)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

TUE 20:32 Tech Life (w3ct4tqd)
The world focusses on facial recognition

Simon Gordon, founder of Facewatch, a British facial recognition company and Fraser Sampson, the UK's Biometrics and Surveillance Commissioner discuss the growing use of facial recognition tech. Dr. Cosmas Zavazava, Director of the ITU's Telecommunication Development Bureau, tells us about

how much of the world remains offline. And Tom Singleton reports on how a digital payment scheme, set up by the UNCDF, is proving to be a lifeline for people exposed to extreme weather in the Pacific Islands.

(PHOTO CREDIT: A young man captured by a facial recognition system. Credit: Izusek. Copyright: Getty Images)

TUE 21:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q283zyc)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 21:06 Newshour (w172z09m7dg0n5s)
Azerbaijan begins military offensive in Nagorno-Karabakh

Gunfire could be heard in the disputed territory of Nagorno-Karabakh today, after the Azerbaijani government launched a military offensive in the majority-Armenian territory. The Azerbaijani government called it an 'anti-terrorist operation', after eleven Azerbaijani civilians were killed by landmines, but officials in Nagorno-Karabakh say the offensive is an attempt to drive Armenians out of the territory.

Also in the programme, journalists in Libya have been asked to leave the devastated city of Derna and we hear from survivors of the Westgate shopping centre shooting in Kenya ten years after the tragedy.

(Picture: An offensive by Azerbaijan military caused damage to residential buildings and vehicles in Stepankert, the capital of the disputed territory of Nagorno-Karabakh. Credit: OC Media)

TUE 22:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q2843ph)
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TUE 22:06 People Fixing The World (w3ct4y02)
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TUE 23:32 World Business Report (w3ct4zsl)
FTX sues founder's parents over missing millions

The parents of FTX founder Sam Bankman-Fried are being sued for money they allegedly received from the crypto firm ahead of its collapse.

Also, why retailers including H&M are clamping down on customer returns.

(Picture: Bail Hearing Held For FTX Founder Sam Bankman-Fried. Picture credit: Getty Images)

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Also, why retailers including H&M are clamping down on customer returns.

(Picture: Former FTX CEO Sam Bankman-Fried Attends Hearing To Determine Bail Revocation. Picture credit: Getty Images)

WED 02:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q284lp0)
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WED 02:06 The Newsroom (w172z2tjhb7pxb6)
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WED 02:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rv4svtyyd)
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WED 02:32 The Climate Question (w3ct5bkj)
[Repeat of broadcast at 22:06 on Sunday]

WED 03:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q284qf4)
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WED 04:06 The Newsroom (w172z2tjhb7q4tg)
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WED 04:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rv4svv6fn)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

WED 04:32 Kalki Presents: My Indian Life (w3ct622m)
Savita

"I'm in love with the mountains." Savita was an inspirational climber, who had scaled Mount Everest. At the age of 26, she was tragically killed in an avalanche in the Himalayas. She was interviewed by Kalki Koechlin before she died. This special episode tells Savita Kanswal's story – of the girl who had to hike to and from school, who realised her dream of climbing the world's highest mountain.
#MyIndianLife

WED 05:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q284yxd)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 05:06 Newsday (w172z074x6mzpv y)
Azerbaijan launches offensive against Armenian separatists

Coming up this morning: Azerbaijan targets Nagorno-Karabakh and says it will not stop until ethnic-Armenian separatists there surrender - we hear from a journalist in the area.

British Prime Minister Rishi Sunak is considering weakening some of the government's key green commitments in a major policy shift.

And how do Canada and India restore normal relations after Prime Minister Trudeau accused Delhi of potential involvement in the assassination of an Indian dissident?

WED 06:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q2852nj)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 06:06 Newsday (w172z074x6mztm2)
US and Russia call on Azeris to end military action

Azerbaijan launches operation on the disputed territory of against Nagorno-Karabakh and demands surrender from ethnic Armenian separatists - we hear from a former State Minister.

Internet and telephone access have been shut down in the Libyan eastern city of Derna as journalists are ordered to leave in a media crackdown - why now and what's the situation like

on the ground?

And in football news - reports in Spain say most women footballers have re-joined the squad for international duty after a boycott following the fallout of the kissing scandal at the Women's World Cup last month.

WED 07:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q2856dn)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 07:06 Newsday (w172z074x6mzyc6)

Russia tries to avert a return to war over disputed Nagorno-Karabakh region

Coming up this morning - Azerbaijan targets Nagorno-Karabakh and calls for surrender by ethnic-Armenian separatists; we hear from a journalist in the area.

We've learned that the British prime minister Rishi Sunak is considering weakening some of his government's key green commitments in a major policy shift.

And we go to Libya as journalists are told to leave the city of Derna which was devastated by floods - we speak to our correspondent who was told to leave amidst a media crackdown.

WED 08:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q285b4s)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 08:06 HARDtalk (w3ct4p7z)

Caroline Lucas: Parliamentary politics or direct action?

Stephen Sackur speaks to Green Party of England and Wales politician Caroline Lucas. She's the party's only Westminster MP, but she's decided to quit. Is that because putting the planet first is never going to be a pathway to power?

WED 08:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rv4svvpf5)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

WED 08:32 Business Daily (w3ct4n8m)

The cost of migration: Europe's response

In the third and final programme of this series on the economics of irregular migration across the Mediterranean, the BBC's Frey Lindsay sits down with two spokespeople from the European Commission to discuss how irregular crossings across the Mediterranean affect European States, and how the bloc is using its resources to attempt to stop them.

Presenter: Frey Lindsay

(Image: Italian coast guard vessels patrol alongside the SOS Méditerranée rescue ship The Ocean Viking, near the Italian port of Ravenna. Image credit: BBC)

WED 08:50 Witness History (w3ct4xjy)

The first person inside the 'Gates of Hell'

In November 2013 George Kourounis arrived in the Turkmenistan desert.

He was determined to become the first person to enter the Darvaza Crater.

The crater is a burning natural gas field that has been on fire for at least 50 years and has become known as the 'Gates of Hell.'

On 6 November, George put on a giant silver aluminium suit and began his descent into the crater.

He says he felt like a giant baked potato!

George shares memories of the adventure with Anoushka Mutanda-Dougherty.

(Photo: George Kourounis in the Darvaza Crater. Credit: George Kourounis)

WED 09:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q285fwx)

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WED 09:06 The Newsroom (w172z2tjhb7qrk3)

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WED 12:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q285t49)

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WED 12:06 Outlook (w3ct4r3r)

The only fan: A football fairy tale from Brazil

In 2012 Tiago Rech was the only Santa Cruz FC fan at a big away game for his team. When they scored, his timid, lone celebration was caught by TV cameras and went viral. All this attention earned him a role with the club, where full of ideas and enthusiasm, he made his way to the very top - to his dream job of football club president. But there would be a sting in this fairy tale.

Producer/presenter: Andrea Kennedy

Clips courtesy of Federação Gaúcha de Futebol and Canal Duda Garbi.

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(Photo: Tiago Rech alone in the stands. Credit: RBS TV)

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WED 13:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rv4svw94t)

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WED 13:32 Tech Life (w3ct4tqd)

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WED 14:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q2861mk)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 14:06 Newshour (w172z09m7dg2pvz)

Azerbaijan halts offensive

Azerbaijan says it's halting its military offensive in the breakaway region of Nagorno-Karabakh after Armenian separatists there agree to disarm. We hear from a resident inside the enclave, also from both sides in the conflict.

Also on the programme, the British prime minister Rishi Sunak appears ready to dilute key climate change commitments; and who'd name their kid "Methamphetamine Rules"? We hear from the mother.

(Photo: Russian peacekeepers evacuate civilians in Nagorno-Karabakh; Credit: Reuters)

WED 15:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q2865cp)

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WED 15:06 HARDtalk (w3ct4p7z)

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WED 15:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rv4svwjn2)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

WED 15:32 World Business Report (w3ct4zv9)

US Fed to decide on interest rates

US Federal Reserve officials are expected to keep rates on hold for now. They currently sit in a range of 5.25 to 5.5 percent - the highest they've been for 22 years. But one consequence is that this is gumming up the US housing market because people are reluctant to move and face higher monthly mortgage payments.

Sam Fenwick hears from a US homeowner who is reluctant to downsize or scaleup mortgage payments because of the high interest rates.

(Picture: Federal Reserve Chairman, Jerome Powell pictured at the House Financial Services Committee in Rayburn Building on June 21, 2023. Photo credit: Getty Images)

WED 16:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q28693t)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 16:06 BBC OS (w172z0w085y4bsf)

Karabakh Armenians agree to ceasefire

Azerbaijan has halted its military operation in the breakaway Nagorno-Karabakh region after separatists agreed to lay down their weapons. We explain the territorial dispute and hear from some of the people in the region.

We bring the latest from the UN Security Council and bring the speech by Ukraine's president.

Parliament in Iran has passed a law that could see women jailed for up to ten years for failing to adhere to Islamic dress rules. We speak to our colleague from BBC Persian.

Members of the Spanish women's football team have agreed to end their match boycott, after they were promised substantial reforms to the way the sport is governed. We get reaction from Spanish football fans

More than a week after the devastating floods in Libya, we speak to people from the city of Derna where thousands of people were killed.

Presenter: James Reynolds.

(Photo: Protest in Yerevan following Azerbaijani military operation launch in Nagorno-Karabakh. Credit: Irakli Gedenidze/Reuters)

WED 17:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q286dvy)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 17:06 BBC OS (w172z0w085y4gjk)

UK 'taking new approach to climate change'

The British Prime Minister Rishi Sunak has delivered a speech to set out widespread changes to the UK's environmental policies. The alterations included the ban on the sale of new petrol and diesel cars being moved from 2030 to 2035. Mr Sunak said he still committed to reaching net zero by 2050 but in a "more proportionate way". We speak to our political correspondent.

Ukraine's president, Volodymyr Zelensky, has addressed the UN Security Council. He urged the United Nations to strip Russia of its veto at the Security Council. We bring the key points from the speech.

We talk about America's fentanyl problem, following the death of a child at a New York nursery where one kilo of fentanyl was discovered underneath a mat where the children had been sleeping.

Presenter: James Reynolds.

(Photo: Britain's Prime Minister Rishi Sunak delivers a speech during a press conference on the net zero target, at the Downing Street Briefing Room, in central London, on September 20, 2023. Credit: JUSTIN TALLIS/Pool via REUTERS)

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WED 19:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rv4svx0ml)

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WED 19:32 Sport Today (w3ct4t15)

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

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WED 20:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rv4svx4cq)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

WED 20:32 Health Check (w3ct4pdh)

Could global Aids program be cut?

The PEPFAR scheme was launched by George W Bush in 2003 to provide HIV and Aids relief around the world. Officials say it has since saved more than 25 million lives in 55 different countries.

Now, though, its future could be under threat.

With its funding due to expire at the end of September, some US Republicans are pushing for it not to be renewed because of alleged links to services providing abortions.

Claudia Hammond is joined by professor of epidemiology at Boston University, Matt Fox, to look at what the outcome could mean for global Aids provision.

We also hear from scientists in Nigeria and the US about the groundbreaking discovery of a gene variant in people of African ancestry that increases the risk of Parkinson's Disease.

Claudia and Matt also look at a new study suggesting a minority of people who are sceptical of vaccines are less likely to get their dogs inoculated.

We hear from researchers in Germany looking at whether getting people to exercise while undergoing chemotherapy could improve their outcomes.

And just how good is turmeric at treating indigestion? Claudia looks at a new study into the spice from Thailand.

Presenter: Claudia Hammond

Producer: Dan Welsh

WED 21:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q286wvg)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 21:06 Newshour (w172z09m7dg3k2w)

Azerbaijan: full sovereignty restored in Nagorno Karabakh

Azerbaijan's president Ilham Aliyev says he has restored full sovereignty over Nagorno Karabakh, after ethnic Armenian separatists in the enclave said they'd give up their weapons and agree to peace talks. We speak to Azerbaijan's Ambassador to the United Kingdom and Armenia's Deputy Foreign Minister.

Also in the programme: women and girls in Iran face up to ten years in jail if they break new laws on covering their hair; and we hear from the mother who named their kid "Methamphetamine Rules".

(Picture: Azerbaijan's president Ilham Aliyev addressed his country this evening following a ceasefire in Nagorno Karabakh. Credit: Roman Ismayilov/EPA-EFE/REX/Shutterstock)

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WED 23:06 The Newsroom (w172z2sq1ln34km)

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WED 23:20 Sports News (w172z1k3hsqk5rr)

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

WED 23:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rv4svxhm3)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

WED 23:32 World Business Report (w3ct4zxx)

Brakes on Net Zero?

The UK Prime Minister, Rishi Sunak has announced an overhaul of the government's green commitments. He says it will still meet net zero targets by 2050.

Rishi Sunak, described the changes as a new, realistic approach to achieving net-zero carbon use, which would help hard-pressed families.

(Picture: Rishi Sunak Holds Press Conference On Net Zero Policy Change. Picture credit: Getty Images)

THURSDAY 21 SEPTEMBER 2023**THU 00:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q28782v)**

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THU 00:06 World Questions (w3ct59t5)

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THU 01:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q287ctz)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 01:06 Business Matters (w172yzzr6cxjx79)

US Federal Reserve held off from interest rate rise

The US Federal Reserve held interest rates unchanged but projected a further rise by the end of the year. The Fed is keeping monetary policy significantly tighter than previously expected in 2024.

(Picture: Federal Reserve Chair Powell Holds A News Conference Following The Federal Open Market Committee Meeting. Picture credit: Getty Images)

THU 02:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q287hl3)

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THU 02:06 The Newsroom (w172z2tjhb7st79)

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THU 02:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rv4svxvvh)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 02:32 Assignment (w3ct4m7k)

How a war has changed a Norwegian town

Kirkenes, in the far north-east of Norway, once thrived on its close ties with neighbouring Russia. All that changed after the invasion of Ukraine. Now it's become home to Ukrainian refugees and a safe haven for some Russian journalists escaping President Putin's media clampdown.

For decades this area popularised the phrase "High North, Low Tension." Close economic and cultural ties developed with brisk

cross-border trade. Hundreds of Russians settled in the town. But now new cross-border restrictions have been imposed and co-operation has ended. The local economy has taken a significant hit and cross-border cultural groups no longer meet. However, despite this being a NATO member, the Norwegian government is keeping the border open. Russian fishing vessels still unload their catch in Kirkenes but are no longer allowed to undergo repairs. The Norwegians have stepped up checks on these Russian boats amid concern of a rise in Russian spying and potential sabotage.

For Assignment, John Murphy travels to Norway's Arctic to see how war has changed the town and to ask what's next for this unique community.

Presenter: John Murphy
Producer: Alex Last
Production co-ordinator: Gemma Ashman
Series editor: Penny Murphy

(Image: Kirkenes, in the far north-east of Norway. Credit: BBC)

THU 03:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q287mb7)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 03:06 Outlook (w3ct4r3r)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 on Wednesday]

THU 03:50 Witness History (w3ct4xjy)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 on Wednesday]

THU 04:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q287r2c)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 04:06 The Newsroom (w172z2tjhb7t1qk)

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THU 04:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rv4svy3br)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 04:32 The Food Chain (w3ct4v78)

What's in a national dish?

Many dishes have become famous national symbols both at home and abroad, for example Italian pizza, or British fish and chips.

Whilst such dishes can create a sense of unity and identity, they can also be used to fuel nationalism, or to push a political agenda.

In this edition of The Food Chain, Izzy Greenfield hears the stories behind some of the most famous national foods, some based more on myth or marketing than historical fact.

She speaks to Anya Von Bremzen, author of 'National Dish', in which Anya investigates the origins of foods such as Italian pizza, Japanese noodles, Spanish tapas and Mexican tortillas. The Secretary of the Convention for the Safeguarding of Intangible Cultural Heritage at UNESCO, Tim Curtis, explains why some dishes are recognised for the community practices that surround them. Andrew Crook, President of the National Federation of Fish Fryers in the UK, and food historian Professor Panikos Panayi from DeMontfort University in Leicester, England, explain the complex history behind fish and chips.

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

Presented by Izzy Greenfield.
Produced by Beatrice Pickup.

(Image: takeaway fish and chips with a union jack flag on a cocktail stick. Credit: BBC)

THU 05:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q287vth)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 05:06 Newsday (w172z074x6n2ls1)

Azerbaijan declares the country's sovereignty has been restored

Azerbaijan says it has restored full sovereignty over Nagorno-Karabakh following clashes - we speak to a presidential advisor.

Poland has prided itself on its support for Ukraine against Russia's invasion; now the Polish prime minister says his country will no longer send weapons to Kyiv - so what's going on?

And we speak to a South Sudanese refugee, Nhial Deng, who has won a prestigious Global Student prize.

THU 06:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q287zkm)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 06:06 Newsday (w172z074x6n2qj5)

Azerbaijani forces end military action in Nagorno-Karabakh

Coming up, we hear from the special representative of Azerbaijan's President to talk about the offensive and ceasefire on the ethnic-Armenians of the Nagorno-Karabakh enclave. Why is Poland refusing to supply weapons to its eastern neighbour Ukraine in its war against Russia. Archaeologists unearth a half-million-year-old wooden structure in Zambia - we speak to one of them to find out what clues it gives about ancient human life.

THU 07:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q28839r)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 07:06 Newsday (w172z074x6n2v89)

Poland to stop supplying weapons to Ukraine to help it fight Russian forces

One of Ukraine's closest allies says it will no longer supply weapons to Ukraine as tensions between the two nations rise over the supply of grain, meanwhile our correspondent reports from Kyiv on how Ukrainians who lost limbs in the battlefield are adapting to civilian life.

Azerbaijan stops its offensive against ethnic Armenian forces in Nagorno Karabakh - we speak to Armenia's ambassador to the UK.

And we hear the experience of a South Sudanese refugee, Nhial Deng, who has won a prestigious Global Student prize.

THU 08:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q28871w)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 08:06 The Inquiry (w3ct4wdf)

Why is life expectancy falling in America?

The life expectancy of Americans has fallen in recent years after a long period when it had been increasing. There are a number of factors which contribute to the fall. The Covid pandemic, with over 1m deaths, made a significant impact on lowering the average life expectancy. In comparison with other peer countries, the USA also did not return to pre-Covid levels at the same rate. However there are also other important factors driving this, namely gun deaths and drug deaths as a result of opioid overdoses. And another major contributor to lower life expectancy in the States is inequality in the US healthcare system.

In this edition of The Inquiry Tanya Beckett explores why US life expectancy is falling.

She hears from Jeremy Ney an adjunct professor at Presidio Graduate School in San Francisco and author of American Inequality, a data project that highlights US inequality and regional divides.

Dr. Mark Rosenberg helped set up the Centre for Disease Control's National Centre for Injury Prevention and Control (NCIPC) and is a key proponent of research that examines how to reduce gun violence. He explains how gun deaths among young people have a big influence on the average life expectancy numbers.

Dr. Judith Feinberg, is a professor at West Virginia University School of Medicine - her experience of working with communities with high levels of opioid problems makes her an authority on the extent to which drug overdose deaths impact average life expectancy.

Ellen Marra is a professor of health economics at Harvard University - she says that diseases such as cancer and cardio deaths are big factors in lower life expectancy, compared with the number of gun and opioid deaths.

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Image: USA Birthday Cake, Credit: Getty Images

THU 08:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rv4svylb8)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 08:32 Business Daily (w3ct4mzl)

Is India ready for Tesla?

It's been a long wait for tech billionaire Elon Musk to push into India's EV market.

High import duties have kept Tesla out of India so far. Mr Musk has repeatedly sought to lower those duties, but the government wants the company to manufacture cars locally before considering tax breaks.

Now there seems to be an agreement on the horizon.

But is India's EV ecosystem ready for it?

Presenter/producer: Devina Gupta

THU 08:50 Witness History (w3ct4xdf)

Kenya: Nairobi shopping mall attack

In 2013, gunmen from a Somali Islamist group known as Al-Shabab attacked a shopping centre in Kenya's capital Nairobi.

They took hundreds of people hostage during the siege which lasted four days. More than 60 people were killed, with many more injured.

In 2021, Rebecca Kesby spoke to Daniel Ouma who was a paramedic on duty at the time.

(Photo: A Kenyan police officer deployed near the Westgate mall. Credit: Uriel Sinai/Getty Images)

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THU 10:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q288gk4)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 10:06 Unexpected Elements (w3ct4wk0)

Can technology read our mind?

How does our brain process language? We speak to an expert who is using technology to turn narrative thoughts into text. Also on the show, what is happening in our brains when we switch languages? And what are the positives and perils of technology and translation?

Also on the show, we look at internet connectivity in incredibly remote areas, whether carbon capture is realistic, and we continue to explore different foods from around the world.

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The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 12:06 Outlook (w3ct4qp6)

Chess saved me, now I use it to help others

Tunde Onakoya's childhood was one where little was within his control. Growing up in Lagos in a slum on the water meant not knowing whether he'd have a meal to eat that day, go to school, or avoid being caught up in gang activity. Whilst Tunde's parents did everything they could to keep him safe, secure and in education, some days their fight was just for survival. But one day, someone in a barbershop introduced Tunde to sanctuary and stability in an unexpected form, giving him the

tools to change the lives of thousands of vulnerable children growing up just like him.

Presenter: Nastaran Tavakoli-Far
Producer: Eva Krysiak

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(Photo: Tunde Onakoya. Credit: Tolani Alli.)

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THU 14:06 Newshour (w172z09m7dg5ls2)

British PM defends changes and delays to key climate policies

For some years, British governments have proclaimed themselves leaders in the global fight against climate change. The UK's recent de-carbonisation progress has been faster than most. But critics of the current Prime Minister Rishi Sunak, now claim he risks losing the high ground. Mr Sunak today used a BBC interview to defend delays to a number of his climate pledges.

Also in the programme: The Polish decision to pause arms supplies to its ally, Ukraine; and we look at TikTok 'frenzies' and the behaviour they inspire.

(Photo: The UK Prime Minister Rishi Sunak speaks at a news conference in Downing Street, London, 20 September 2023. Mr Sunak was told weeks before deciding to roll back his green policies, that he risked jeopardizing Britain's place as global leader on climate as well as his legally binding net zero goal. Credit: Chris J Ratcliffe/POOL/EPA-EFE/REX/Shutterstock)

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THU 15:32 World Business Report (w3ct4zk8)

Rupert Murdoch steps down from running media empire

Rupert Murdoch has announced that he's stepping down from running one of the world's most powerful media empires. The ninety-two year-old says he's transitioning from his roles as Chair of Fox Corporation and Executive Chairman of News Corporation to the position of emeritus chairman.

The European Union has temporarily suspended funding for the World Food Programme in Somalia. This comes after a UN investigation found what it says is evidence of widespread theft and alleged misuse of aid meant to prevent famine. The European Commission gave more than 7 million dollars in aid to the World Programme's operations in Somalia last year.

One of Japan's most well-known corporations, Toshiba, has been sold to a private consortium -- which will end its seventy-four years as a listed company.

(Picture: Rupert Murdoch arriving at News International in London Bridge on June 29, 2023 in London, England. Photo Credit: Neil Mockford/GC Images).

THU 16:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q28960x)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 16:06 BBC OS (w172z0w085y77pj)
Poland to stop weapon supplies to Ukraine

Poland says it is no longer transferring weapons to Ukraine to help it fight against Russian forces, and is focusing on building up its own defences. We explain the diplomatic dispute over grain between the two countries and get views from Poles and Ukrainians.

Media mogul Rupert Murdoch says he is stepping down as chairman of Fox and News Corp, with his son Lachlan to head both companies.

Authorities in Venezuela have regained control of a notorious prison which for years has been run by a powerful criminal gang. Our regional editor explains.

Peace talks have begun between ethnic Armenian separatists and the government of Azerbaijan, a day after Baku said it had regained full control of the breakaway region of Nagorno-Karabakh. We find out more from our correspondent in the region.

Parents in the US can now claim Fornite refunds for purchases their kids bought without their permission. Our tech reporter has the details.

Presenter: James Reynolds.

(Photo: Poland's President Andrzej Duda sits next to Ukraine's Ambassador to the United Nations Sergiy Kyslytsya during a ministerial level meeting of the U.N. Security Council on the crisis in Ukraine at U.N. headquarters in New York. Credit: Mike Segar/Reuters)

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THU 17:06 BBC OS (w172z0w085y7cfn)
Rupert Murdoch to step down

We speak to journalists in America about the news that Rupert Murdoch is stepping down. His son Lachlan will become the sole chairman of News Corp and continue on as the CEO of Fox.

As Ukraine's counter-offensive grinds on - with limited gains and no decisive breakthrough - the number of amputees in the country is soaring. We speak to our Senior International Correspondent Orla Guerin, who has met some of the amputees and their family members.

We explain the diplomatic row between Canada and India following Canada's accusation that Indian state actors may have been responsible for the killing of a Sikh separatist leader in Canada.

A candlelight service and tribute concert will be held later in Nigeria for fans of the Afrobeats star MohBad. The 27-year-old singer, whose real name was Ilerioluwa Aloba, died in a Lagos hospital. The exact circumstances of his death have not been made public. A special investigative team has been set up to find out what happened to the singer. We speak to our reporter in Lagos.

Presenter: James Reynolds.

(Photo: L. File photo dated 22/06/23 of Rupert Murdoch at his annual party at Spencer House, St James' Place in London. Issue date: Thursday September 21, 2023. Credit: Victoria Jones/PA Wire)

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THU 20:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rv4sw018t)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 20:32 Science In Action (w3ct4scv)
More likely, more intense

Storm Daniel devastated the city of Derna in Libya after heavy rainfall broke a dam, causing extreme flooding downstream. The World Weather Attribution (WWA) reports that severe flooding in Libya and across the Mediterranean has been made more likely and more intense due to human induced climate change. WWA scientist Friederike Otto gets into the report.

Back in 2020, NASA's OSIRIS-REx scooped up rock and dust samples from asteroid Bennu and on Sunday September 24th, 2023 the sample capsule will finally be released 100,000 kilometres above Earth, delivering it to the Great Salk Lake Desert. OSIRIS REX engineer Anjani Polit tells us about the nail-biting return.

Also this week, Dr Peter Hotez warns us about the dangerous and rapid rise of anti-science sentiment in the United States. It's all in his new book "The Deadly Rise of Anti-Science".

And the remnants of what is thought to be the oldest wooden structure have been found in Zambia. Professor of Archaeology Lawrence Barham talks about the simple structure made by our ancestors almost 500,000 years ago.

Presenter: Roland Pease
Producer: Ella Hubber
Editor: Martin Smith
Production Co-ordinator: Jana Bennett-Holesworth

(Image: Building collapsed and surrounded by rubble following floods in Derna. Credit: RICARDO GARCIA VILANOVA / Getty Images)

THU 21:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q289srk)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 21:06 Newshour (w172z09m7dg6fzz)
Rupert Murdoch steps down from media empire

Media mogul Rupert Murdoch says he is stepping down as chairman of Fox and News Corp, with his son Lachlan to head both companies.

In a memo to employees, Murdoch said "the time is right" for him to take on "different roles". Murdoch said he will transition to the role of Chairman Emeritus of both firms in mid-November. Murdoch, 92, launched Fox News in 1996. It is now the most watched TV news channel in the US.

We'll discuss his legacy and the succession, and look back at his love affair with news - particularly newspapers.

Also in the programme: How Ukrainian soldiers who have lost limbs in the war are facing life as amputees; and we'll hear about life inside the notorious Venezuelan jail, run by its inmates complete with swimming pool and a zoo, and which has now been taken back by the military.

(Photo shows Rupert Murdoch in London on 22 June 2023. Credit: Victoria Jones/PA Wire)

THU 22:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q289xhp)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 22:06 The Inquiry (w3ct4wdf)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:06 today]

THU 22:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rv4sw08s2)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 22:32 The Food Chain (w3ct4v78)
[Repeat of broadcast at 04:32 today]

THU 23:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q28b17t)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 23:06 The Newsroom (w172z2sq1ln6lqg)
The world's Newsroom brings you global events as they happen

THU 23:20 Sports News (w172z1k3hsqn2nv)
BBC Sport brings you all the latest stories and results from around the world.

THU 23:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rv4sw0dj6)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 23:32 World Business Report (w3ct4zmj)
Rupert Murdoch's resignation: What next for Fox and News Corp?

The 92-year-old will become chairman emeritus of the two corporations. His son, Lachlan Murdoch, has been named his successor. We look at what the future might hold for family-run media empire.

The cost of oranges has gone up this year as crop sizes have gone down across the world due to weather events. We hear more from a farmer and a trading association in Florida.

(Picture: Rupert Murdoch. Picture credit: PA)

FRIDAY 22 SEPTEMBER 2023

FRI 00:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q28b4zy)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 00:06 Unexpected Elements (w3ct4wk0)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:06 on Thursday]

FRI 01:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q28b8r2)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 01:06 Business Matters (w172zyrr6cxmt4d)
Rupert Murdoch steps down as chair of Fox and News Corp

The 92-year-old will become chairman emeritus of the two corporations. His son, Lachlan Murdoch, has been named his successor. We look at what the future might hold for family-run media empire.

The cost of oranges has gone up this year as crop sizes have gone down across the world due to weather events. We hear more from a farmer and a trading association in Florida.

And Russia bans the export of diesel and petrol. We look at the reasons and the impact this can have on global fuel prices.

Roger Hearing discusses these and more business news with two guests on opposite sides of the world: Simon Littlewood, President of ACG Global in Singapore, and Sarah Kunst, managing director of Cleo Capital in San Francisco.

(Picture: Rupert Murdoch. Picture credit: Reuters)

FRI 02:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q28bdh6)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 02:06 The Newsroom (w172z2tjhb7wq4d)
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FRI 02:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rv4sw0rrl)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 02:32 Tech Life (w3ct4tqd)
[Repeat of broadcast at 20:32 on Tuesday]

FRI 03:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q28bj7b)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 03:06 Outlook (w3ct4qp6)
[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 on Thursday]

FRI 03:50 Witness History (w3ct4xdf)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 on Thursday]

FRI 04:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q28bmzg)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 04:06 The Newsroom (w172z2tjhb7wymn)

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FRI 04:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rv4sw107v)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 04:32 Heart and Soul (w3ct4pk0)

Poland's nuns lifting the veil

What happens when a Catholic nun in Poland chooses to leave her religious community? How does she re-enter society? Nuns are rejecting their orders after experiencing what they now regard as abuse. Some say they have even been sexually abused by priests.

Izabela Moscicka recently made this journey. She stopped being a nun and is now living independently in Krakow. She knows how hard it can be, so she is setting up an aid centre for nuns and former nuns, who are looking for assistance and refuge.

For the first time, Izabela shares her life story, the realities of the life of Polish nuns on a day to day basis, and the difficulties they have if they decide to leave the church. We also hear from one of the former nuns she is trying to help. She recently left her religious community after she reported historical sexual abuse by a priest. She says her order did nothing and told her to leave.

The Catholic Church in Poland is aware of these accusations. Father Piotr Studnicki is the episcopal delegate for child sex abuse on the Polish Bishop's conference. He has set up an official Catholic church phone line for nuns who need help. But with a culture of silence in Polish society around nuns leaving their orders and the abuses they endure whilst in their communities, how can these women get the help they need to start new lives? Orla O'Brien travels to Poland to find out.

FRI 05:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q28brq1)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 05:06 Newsday (w172z074x6n5hp4)

Biden announces new military aid during meeting with Zelensky

President Biden has approved a new military aid package during a meeting with his Ukrainian counterpart President Zelensky. It includes upgrades to air defences, but not the long-range missiles that Ukraine has been requesting.

Ukraine's trade representative outlines his view on the US aid and Poland's apparent decision to stop weapons supplies to Kyiv.

What does the Premier of the British Virgin Islands living on the frontlines of global warming make of Britain's U-turn on key climate change measures?

A resident of Nagorno-Karabakh explains her concerns after Azerbaijan forced separatists there to surrender.

And why one of the world's most powerful media moguls - Rupert Murdoch - is stepping down.

FRI 06:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q28bwgq)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 06:06 Newsday (w172z074x6n5mf8)

Biden announces new military aid during meeting with Zelensky

The US president promises more weapons and money for Ukraine. With some doubts emerging about Biden's multi-billion dollar plan, will the US Congress support it?

Confusion in Poland after the Prime minister announced a ban on weapons deliveries to Ukraine: his words were taken the wrong way says the President.

Media mogul Rupert Murdoch retires at the age of 92 and hands the reigns of power to his son Lachlan. What next for the business empire?

A resident of Nagorno-Karabakh explains her concerns after Azerbaijan forced separatists there to surrender.

FRI 07:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q28c06v)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 07:06 Newsday (w172z074x6n5r5d)

Poland seeks to mend Ukraine rift with arms supplies U-turn

The Polish government says it is still carrying out previously agreed deliveries of weapons and ammunition to Ukraine. The statement was issued a day after the Polish prime minister, Mateusz Morawiecki, said his country was no longer supplying arms to its neighbour.

Media mogul Rupert Murdoch announces he's stepping down. He's been described as the man who 'controls the news' and much has been said about his influence to make or break political leaders, so what can we expect from his succession?

Fancy studying 'Swiftonomics'? the effect the singer Taylor Swift has on ticket prices and the economies of cities she tours in? A 'Swiftposium' in Australia will be doing just that.

The warring generals in Sudan both make addresses to the United Nations, but only one was invited.

FRI 08:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q28c3yz)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 08:06 HARDtalk (w3ct4nyy)

Shaharzar Akbar: How should the world respond to Afghanistan's crisis?

Stephen Sackur speaks to exiled Afghan human rights campaigner Shaharzar Akbar. She is focused on the fight to end what she calls the Taliban's gender apartheid. Given the scale of poverty and repression in Afghanistan, what is the right international response?

(Photo: Shaharzar Akbar in the Hardtalk Studio)

FRI 08:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rv4sw1h7c)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 08:32 Business Daily (w3ct4mpk)

Business Daily meets the Queen of Biscuits

How do you make an artisan product at scale?

We head to the UK factory of Biscuiteers, where millions of biscuits are hand-iced every year, from treats shaped like designer bags to edible versions of favourite cartoon characters.

Harriet Hastings is the co-founder of the company - in this episode, she shares her business advice, explains why marketing is key and talks about running a business with her husband.

Producer / presenter: Sam Everett

(Image: A ballerina biscuit being iced. Credit: BBC)

FRI 08:50 Witness History (w3ct4x7w)

The year of the vuvuzela

The vuvuzela was notorious during the 2010 football World Cup.

It became the subject of debate when it was labelled as 'the world's most annoying instrument'.

Freddie 'Saddam' Maake claims to have invented the horn.

He became known as 'Mr Vuvuzela'.

He tells Gill Kearsley his story.

(Photo: Football fans play vuvuzelas during a World Cup match in 2010. Credit: Jung Yeon-Je/AFP via Getty Images)

FRI 09:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q28c7q3)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 09:06 The Newsroom (w172z2tjhb7xkc9)

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FRI 09:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rv4sw1lzh)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 09:32 Science In Action (w3ct4scv)

[Repeat of broadcast at 20:32 on Thursday]

FRI 10:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q28cgg7)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 10:06 The Real Story (w3ct4q77)

Is Biden too old to run in 2024?

The top brass of the Democrat party in the US have all rallied behind Joe Biden with their eyes on the 2024 presidential election. But they have a problem. Repeated polls suggest support for the incumbent president is stagnant at best. Dangerously low at worst. A repeated concern among doubting voters is his age and health. If Biden wins a second term next year, and completes four years in power, he will be 86 when he steps down. Much of the electorate simply don't think he has it in him.

Republican front runner Donald Trump has long dubbed the president as Sleepy Joe. It's a taunt that increasingly rattles the nerves of the Democratic Party faithful. As the president's voice noticeably weakens and his gait stiffens there is a fear he just sounds and looks too old for the job. But is his physical and mental capacity being distorted by his adversaries to undermine his achievements? His team point to major policies he's passed including his infrastructure bill, the Inflation Reduction Act, and his chips and science act. He's also recently returned from the G20 summit in India and before that he travelled by planes, trains and car into war-torn Ukraine.

And Joe Biden is not alone in the very upper echelons of American politics. Donald Trump is 77 years old, the oldest senator is 90 years old and the Republican senate minority leader is 81 years old and ailing.

Does America have a problem with the gerontocracy not making way for new blood and what does it mean for the coming 2024 election?

Shaun Ley is joined by:

Christy Setzer - a Democrat strategist who was spokesperson for vice president Al Gore's presidential campaign.

Scott Jennings - a Republican strategist who was special assistant to President George W. Bush from 2005 to 2008

James Politi - Washington bureau chief for the Financial Times

Also in the programme:

Jay Olshansky - Professor of Public Health at the University of Illinois, Chicago.

Amanda Litman - co-founder and co-executive director of the organisation 'Run For Something', which recruits and supports young progressives trying to win office.

Produced by Ellen Otzen and Zak Brophy

Image: US President Joe Biden addresses the United Nations General Assembly Leader's Reception at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City on September 19, 2023.Credit: Jim Watson/AFP via Getty Images)

FRI 11:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q28cb6c)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 11:06 The Newsroom (w172z2tjhb7xsvk)

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FRI 11:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rv4sw1vgr)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 11:32 Heart and Soul (w3ct4pk0)

[Repeat of broadcast at 04:32 today]

FRI 12:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q28clyh)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 12:06 The Fifth Floor (w3ct4v0h)

Helping Libya's flood survivors

In the aftermath of the devastating floods in Derna, following the collapse of two dams, we hear from Sara Alhoumi, outreach officer for BBC Media Action's platform for Libyan audiences, about their response to the catastrophe and how they are providing lifesaving information for those affected.

India or Bharat?

Could India be officially renamed "Bharat"? The idea was reported in the press this week after invitations to G20 summit members asked them to join the "President of Bharat", not India, for dinner. So what is Bharat and why might it replace India? Zubair Ahmed of BBC Delhi explains.

Indigenous protests in Argentina

Large protests have been taking place in the northern province of Jujuy as indigenous groups oppose lithium mining there. For the BBC Berta Reventós spent a week with protesters in the village of Purmamarca, high up in the Andes mountains, to find

out more.

Africa Eye: Operation Dudula vigilantes in South Africa
South African anti-migrant group, Operation Dudula, has become notorious for targeting people they suspect are foreign nationals, forcing their businesses to close, and evicting tenants from their homes. Ayanda Charlie for BBC Africa Eye gained rare access to members of the country's most-prominent anti-migrant street movement.

(Photo: Arabic poster saying "do not go to Derna without coordination" from BBC Media Action. Credit: BBC Media Action for Libya)

FRI 12:50 Witness History (w3ct4x7w)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 today]

FRI 13:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q28cqpmm)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 13:06 The Newsroom (w172z2tjhb7y1bt)
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FRI 13:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rv4sw22z0)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 13:32 Science In Action (w3ct4scv)
[Repeat of broadcast at 20:32 on Thursday]

FRI 14:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q28cvfr)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 14:06 Newshour (w172z09m7dg8hp5)
9/11 defendant unfit to stand, US judge rules

A military judge at Guantanamo Bay has ruled that a Yemeni man charged over the 9/11 attacks is mentally unfit to stand trial. His lawyer has long claimed his client was "tortured by the CIA". Also on the programme, anti- government protests are again taking place in the Armenian capital Yerevan, amid anger over Azerbaijan's defeat earlier this week of ethnic- Armenian separatists in the disputed enclave of Nagorno- Karabakh; and Nasa's Osiris-Rex capsule will come screaming into Earth's atmosphere on Sunday at more than 15 times the speed of a rifle bullet.

(File Photo: In this image reviewed by the US military, members of a legal defence team walk at a US military war crimes court at Guantanamo Bay in Cuba June 5, 2008. REUTERS/Brennan Linsley/Pool/File Photo)

FRI 15:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q28cz5w)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 15:06 HARDtalk (w3ct4nyy)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:06 today]

FRI 15:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rv4sw2bg8)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 15:32 World Business Report (w3ct4z87)
UAW strike may spread to more US states

General Motors, Ford Motor and Stellantis are bracing themselves for more walkouts as the carmakers struggle to get a deal with the United Auto Workers union on key issues like job security and pay parity for temporary workers.

The Polish president on Friday tried to ease tensions with its neighbour Ukraine over the import of grain. The argument started earlier in the year when the EU agreed to place restrictions on Ukrainian grain imports to Bulgaria, Hungary, Poland, Romania and Slovakia, as part of efforts to protect local farmers who blamed cheaper Ukrainian imports for a slump in prices in local markets.

(Picture: Auto Workers members taking part in the strikes outside a Jeep Plant on September 18, 2023 in Toledo, Ohio. Photo credit: Getty Images).

FRI 16:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q28d2y0)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 16:06 BBC OS (w172z0w085yb4lm)
Attack on Russia's Black Sea naval fleet

Russia says the headquarters of its Black Sea naval fleet in Crimea has been hit in a Ukrainian missile attack. Smoke was seen rising from the building. We get more details from our correspondent monitoring the developments.

Gunmen in north-west Nigeria have abducted a number of female university students in Zamfara state. We speak to our correspondent in the country.

According to a new study, most non-fungible tokens or NFTs are now worthless. We explain why and speak to people who have invested in NFTs.

We bring together three Libyans to discuss the aftermath of the devastating floods that killed thousands of people 12 days ago.

(Photo - View of a damaged Russian ship following a Ukrainian missile attack on Sevastopol, Crimea September 13, 2023 in this social media image obtained by REUTERS)

Presenter: James Reynolds.

FRI 17:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q28d6p4)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 17:06 BBC OS (w172z0w085yb8br)
Nigeria student abductions

Gunmen in Nigeria have kidnapped a number of students and workers from a university in northwest Zamfara state the first such major abduction involving students this year. We hear messages from students, eyewitnesses and a local journalist.

Two weeks ago a powerful earthquake devastated southern Morocco. We return to hear again from English tacher Abdelali who gave a powerful account of his survival from the quake at the time, to find out how things have changed. The BBC's Sally Nabil, who has recently returned from Morocco has more updates.

We bring together three Libyans to discuss the aftermath of the devastating floods that killed thousands of people 12 days ago.

We hear messages from India after the Indian prime minister has hailed the passing of a bill that will reserve a third of seats in parliament and state assemblies for women.

(Photo: Weapons brandished Credit: GETTY)

Presenter: James Reynolds

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The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

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FRI 18:50 Witness History (w3ct4x7w)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 today]

FRI 19:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q28dg5d)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 19:06 The Newsroom (w172z2tjhb7yrtl)
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FRI 19:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rv4sw2tfs)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 19:32 Sport Today (w3ct4sr4)
2023/09/22 GMT

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 (w172z2r0q28dkxj)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 20:06 BBC OS Conversations (w3ct5b2b)
The floods in Libya

Storm Daniel delivered 300 times more rain than expected onto the north-east coast of Libya, causing two dams to burst and water up to 30 meters high to tear through the coastal city of Derna. The immense power of the flood smashed everything in its path, claiming thousands of lives and leaving shattered buildings, bridges and mountains of mud.

Since the disaster, we have been hearing from people in the city, who have been sharing their thoughts and experiences. Amna was trapped inside her home in a building block as the water rose. "We went on the roof and as we were able to see the rain, the thunder, the lightning," she tells us. "We felt an earthquake, but it wasn't an earthquake, it was actually the buildings next to us collapsing."

It is estimated that some 40,000 people have been forced to leave their homes, and that tens of millions of dollars are urgently needed to provide aid and help on the ground. Host James Reynolds also speaks to Khalil and Mohammed, who were among the first to reach Derna to offer help.

We also bring together Nafisa and Sarah in the United States who have friends and family in the region. Nafisa speaks of her anger about the floods. People say there were insufficient warnings ahead of the disaster and there are questions around how the dams were able to collapse.

A co-production between the BBC OS team and Boffin Media.

(Photo: A girl, who survived the deadly storm that hit Libya, looks out the window from a classroom at the Um almunanen school, where her family take shelter in Derna, Libya September 20, 2023. Credit: Zohra Bensemra/Reuters)

FRI 20:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rv4sw2y5x)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 20:32 CrowdScience (w3ct4y4l)
Can we grow a conscious brain?

Philosophers have long pondered the concept of a brain in a jar, hooked up to a simulated world. Though this has largely remained a thought experiment, CrowdScience listener JP wants to know if it might become reality in the not-too-distant future, with advances in stem cell research.

In the two decades since stem cell research began, scientists have learned how to use these cells to create the myriad of cell types in our bodies, including those in our brains, offering researchers ways to study neurological injuries and neurodegenerative disorders. Some labs have actually started 3D printing stem cells into sections of brain tissue in order to study specific interactions in the brain. Human brain organoids offer another way to study brain development and diseases from autism to the Zika virus.

So, might stem cell research one day lead to a fully-grown human brain, or is that resolutely in the realm of science fiction? If something resembling our brains is on the horizon, is there any chance that it could actually become conscious? And how would we even know if it was?

Host Marnie Chesterton takes a peek inside the human brain and speaks with leading scientists in the field, including a philosopher and ethicist who talks about the benefits – and potential pitfalls – of growing human brain models. Along the way, we'll pull apart the science from what still remains (at least for now) fiction.

Presenter: Marnie Chesterton
Producer: Sam Baker
Assistant Producer: Jonathan Blackwell
Editor: Richard Collings
Production Coordinator: Jonathan Harris
Studio Manager: Jackie Margerum

(Image: Brain in a jar. Credit: Mike Kemp / Getty Images)

FRI 21:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q28dpnn)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 21:06 Newshour (w172z09m7dg9bx2)
Interviews, news and analysis of the day's global events.

FRI 22:00 BBC News (w172z2r0q28dtds)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 22:06 HARDtalk (w3ct4nyy)
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FRI 23:20 Sports News (w172z1k3hsqzky)

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FRI 23:30 BBC News Summary (w172z2rv4sw39f9)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 23:32 World Business Report (w3ct4zbh)

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