

SATURDAY 06 APRIL 2024**SAT 00:00 BBC News (w172zgf03f165dj)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 00:06 Unexpected Elements (w3ct5q1k)

Unexpected elections

In a year when billions of people have been to the ballot box, what do stickleback fish have to do with it? Alex Lathbridge, Tristan Ahtone and Candice Bailey discuss some unexpected elements of electoral studies.

Can ancient geology really map election outcomes? What has machine learning done for polling? Psychologist Sandra Obradović drops in to share some of her expertise in the psychology of voting with the team.

Plus, what does a solar eclipse have to do with dragons?

Presenter: Alex Lathbridge, with Tristan Ahtone and Candice Bailey
Producer: Katie Tomsett, with Harrison Lewis, Alex Mansfield and Phil Sansom

SAT 01:00 BBC News (w172zgf03f1694n)

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SAT 01:06 Business Matters (w172zbfcb0xjk9j)

Impact of a rare earthquake being assessed across NYC and US East Coast

A rare earthquake that struck New York City has swayed landmarks and cracked roads. Roger Hearing has been speaking to an NYC based stockbroker who describes the moment of impact plus we hear from the Co-Director of the Global Resilience Institute Dr Daniel Aldrich about whether New York is prepared to withstand a quake of a larger magnitude.

Also, on the program we find out about emerging economies joining U.S. and Europe in shielding domestic manufacturers from a rising tide of Chinese imports.

Plus, Argentina struggles to fight against its lethal dengue season as insect repellents run low.

Roger Hearing discusses these and more business stories with two guests from opposite sides of the world: Gabriella Castro Fontoura, Latin American business consultant and economist based in Uruguay, and Peter Ryan, ABC's senior business correspondent in Melbourne, Australia.

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SAT 02:00 BBC News (w172zgf03f16dws)

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SAT 02:06 The Newsroom (w172zbg60hjzm93)

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SAT 02:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgf03f16s55)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SAT 02:32 Stumped (w3ct5wgd)

David Wiese: Franchise cricket is nearing saturation point

Alison Mitchell, Jim Maxwell and Charu Sharma are joined by globetrotter and franchise cricket extraordinaire David Wiese. He has played in no fewer than ten different franchise cricket tournaments around the world and tells us how the different leagues compare. He also shares his thoughts on the future of leagues around the world and what it is really like playing in the Indian Premier League.

Plus Wiese speaks about playing cricket in America which prompts the team to look ahead to the T20 World Cup being hosted in the country and debate whether it will catapult the sport to new heights.

And we hear from a Stumped listener in Austria!

Photo: David Wiese of Saint Lucia Kings celebrates the dismissal of Jason Holder of Barbados Royals during the 2021 Hero Caribbean Premier League match 25 between Saint Lucia Kings and Barbados Royals at Warner Park Sporting Complex on September 11, 2021 in Basseterre, Saint Kitts and Nevis. (Credit: CPL T20/Getty Images)

SAT 03:00 BBC News (w172zgf03f16jmx)

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SAT 03:06 Outlook (w3ct698h)

Outlook Mixtape: Peace, love and iconic hair

The stories we love from Outlook this week.

At school and at work in Japan Akihiko Kondo was bullied, leaving him depressed and lonely. Seeking solace in the digital world he found an anime character called Hatsune Miku who inspired him to rediscover the things he loved. Until ultimately, he fell in love with her and faced another backlash.

From a young age British composer Errollyn Wallen was told she was nothing special. She had no idea of the scale of her musical talent – until, against the odds, she shared the sounds in her head with the wider world.

Leyner Palacios grew up in a remote forested area of Colombia surrounded by volatile armed groups. With 23 siblings Leyner showed a talent for negotiation and mediation. As the conflict heated up, and with his community under siege, these skills would become more useful than ever.

Suzi Ronson was desperate to leave her life in the London suburbs, dreaming of bigger and brighter things. And then one day David Bowie's wife walked in to her hair salon and asked Suzi to come to the house to do her hair. And so Ziggy Stardust's legendary hairstyle was born.

Presenter: Asya Fouks

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(Photo: Cassette tape. Credit: Getty images)

SAT 03:50 Witness History (w3ct5yd8)

Sweden's Cinnamon Bun Day

Sweden's most beloved pastry is the cinnamon bun and every year on 4 October, locals celebrate the sweet, spiced snacks.

The country's first official Cinnamon Bun Day (or Kanelbullens dag in Swedish) took place in 1999.

The woman behind the idea, Kaeth Gardstedt, tells Maddy Savage how the Swedish public embraced the event and turned it into a huge annual tradition.

A PodLit production for BBC World Service

(Photo: Traditional Swedish cinnamon buns. Credit: Natasha Breen/Getty Images)

SAT 04:00 BBC News (w172zgf03f16nd1)

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[Repeat of broadcast at 00:06 today]

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SAT 05:06 The Newsroom (w172zbg60hjzj9h)

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SAT 05:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgf03f16s4dk)

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SAT 05:32 Dear Daughter (w3ct6nwx)

The dating to-do list

Dating is nerve-racking for anyone, let alone a teenage girl who is thinking about it for the first time. Wen in Hong Kong tells Namulanta about the dating advice she wants to give her daughter – hug every day, dress in a way that pleases you and fart whenever and wherever.

But at the same time, she feels a bit like Grandma telling Little Red Riding Hood about the wolf; she wants her to meet good people, but be aware that there's danger out there too.

Also, why it's important go to your mum for advice about sex if you can – there's only so much you can learn from the biology section of the library.

Letter writer: Wen

Namulanta Kombo is creating a "handbook to life" for her daughter with letters of advice and stories to help her navigate her life ahead. If you've got something you'd like to share with your daughter or daughters everywhere, please send Namulanta your letter: email us at deardaughter@bbc.co.uk, send us a

Whatsapp on +44 800 030 4404, or go to www.bbcworldservice.com/deardaughter and click on "Send us your letters"

#DearDaughter

SAT 05:50 More or Less (w3ct5tpw)

Is loneliness as bad for you as smoking?

Is loneliness as bad for you as smoking 15 cigarettes per day? That's the claim circulating on social media.

We trace this stat back to its source and speak to the scientist behind the original research on which it is based, Professor Julianne Holt-Lunstad.

Presenter / series producer: Tom Colls
Reporter: Perisha Kudhail
Production co-ordinator: Brenda Brown
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Editor: Richard Vadon

SAT 06:00 BBC News (w172zgf03f16ww9)

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SAT 06:06 Weekend (w172zcwvyf664s4)

Close to 40 US Democrats call for Israeli weapons freeze

The influential US Democrat, Nancy Pelosi, and nearly forty of her colleagues in Congress have called for the White House to stop giving weapons to Israel.

Also on the programme, a pro-western diplomat and a politician accused of promoting Russia-friendly talking points will face off in a presidential runoff in Slovakia today; and, Surrogacy experts from 75 countries are meeting in Rome to discuss an international ban on the practice of letting women carry babies for others for money.

Joining presenter Audrey Brown are Samantha de Benden, an associate fellow at the Chatham House foreign relations think-tank, and Andrea Sella, professor of chemistry at University College London.

(Photo: U.S. House of Representatives Speaker Nancy Pelosi attends a news conference at the U.S. Embassy in Tokyo, Japan August 5, 2022. REUTERS/Issei Kato)

SAT 07:00 BBC News (w172zgf03f170mf)

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SAT 07:06 Weekend (w172zcwvyf668j8)

Israeli weapons transfers "unjustifiable", almost 40 Democrats say

The influential US Democrat, Nancy Pelosi, and nearly forty of her colleagues in Congress have signed a letter to the White House saying it "unjustifiable" to approve weapons transfers to Israel.

Also on the programme, Ukraine lowers the conscription age to 25; and, the US space agency, NASA, has unveiled plans to grow crops on the moon.

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(Photo: U.S. Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi (D-CA) holds a press conference at the U.S. Capitol in Washington, U.S., September 30, 2022. REUTERS/Kevin Lamarque/File Photo)

SAT 08:00 BBC News (w172zgf03f174ck)

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SAT 08:06 Weekend (w172zcwvyf66d8d)

Israeli arms transfers must stop, say 37 US Democrats

The influential US Democrat, Nancy Pelosi, and nearly forty of her colleagues in Congress have signed a letter to the White House saying it is "unjustifiable" to approve weapons transfers to Israel.

Also on the programme, why sanctions against Russia are not having the desired effect; and why there's a lack of enthusiasm for the Paris Olympics.

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(Photo: U.S. Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi (D-CA) holds a press conference at the U.S. Capitol in Washington, U.S., September 22, 2022. REUTERS/Kevin Lamarque/File Photo)

SAT 09:00 BBC News (w172zgf03f1783p)

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SAT 09:06 BBC OS Conversations (w3ct5rbb)

Living with cancer

The world was shocked to hear the news that the Princess of Wales is being treated for cancer. In her video message, Catherine encouraged everyone facing the disease not to lose hope.

In this edition, hosted by James Reynolds, young women around the world talk candidly about their diagnosis; how it has affected them, their families and their approach to the future, particularly when their news came as young adults. "They found a lump in my neck and they biopsied the lump and I had stage 2 Hodgkin's lymphoma," explained Michelle Fredman from Cape Town. "A huge shock, at any age but especially young; it's not in your periphery at all."

According to research from the World Health Organisation, one in five people will develop cancer in their lifetime. Catherine, who is 42, and has three children also spoke of the time it had taken to explain everything to her children so that they felt reassured.

This is something picked up in one of our conversations between two young mothers. Alejandra Solis, who's 43 and living with breast cancer, explained how her son was able to make sense of it: "After a few days his friend came over to have a play and I overheard him saying my mummy has a poisonous rock in her boobie so they took the boobie out but now it's bionic."

A Boffin Media production in partnership with the BBC OS team.

(Photo: Savannah Forell in the US. Credit: Savannah Forell)

SAT 09:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgf03f1783p)

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SAT 09:32 Pick of the World (w3ct5v07)

Why was Charlie Chaplin exiled from Hollywood?

Hollywood Exiles tells the story of why the FBI labelled Charlie Chaplin a threat to the US. Plus, the secret to happiness in The Conversation, how to run 560 miles in six days, via Sportshour, and The Forum asks what is considered rude where you live?

SAT 09:50 Over to You (w3ct5tsg)

Oona Chaplin reveals her grandfather's blacklist

Listeners react to Hollywood Exiles, a new podcast that explores how Charlie Chaplin became embroiled in what was known as the "Hollywood blacklist".

We speak to the show's producer about how the presenter, the star's granddaughter Oona Chaplin, became totally immersed in the production process.

Plus, we air more of your feedback responding to recent schedule changes.

Presenter: Rajan Datar

Producer: Howard Shannon

A Whistledown Production for BBC World Service

SAT 10:00 BBC News (w172zgf03f17cv7)

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SAT 10:06 Sportshour (w3ct5q9d)

Returning from the depths of despair

Please note: This episode contains discussions and references to mental health and drug abuse. If you are suffering distress or despair and need support, you could speak to a health professional, or an organisation that offers support. Details of help available in many countries can be found at Befrienders Worldwide: www.befrienders.org

For 10 years, quarterback Erik Kramer had it all - fame, fortune and the chance to land the NFL's biggest prize with the Detroit Lions and then the Chicago Bears. Despite the trappings that success brings, Kramer carried a burden - crushing depression that worsened following personal losses after retirement. He's been telling Sportshour's Caroline Barker about what led him to the depths of despair and redemption.

India's premier triathlete Pragnya Mohan is attempting to

qualify for Paris and become the first Indian triathlete to compete at an Olympic Games. If she does, she hopes it will produce the kind of media exposure which will encourage other girls to take up professional sport in her country, despite the challenges, something she had to overcome herself. As a young girl she repaired an old abandoned bike and set to work on her dream. Now she runs a project aimed at giving every girl in India access to a bicycle

We find out about the most dominant football team you have never heard of... The women who played for them and the woman who is trying to make sure the world knows their story... back in the 1960's women were banned from playing football in the UK, but that didn't stop some teams from trying... and one team showed the way. Manchester based Corinthians. In fact, they conquered the world! Now a film is being produced to share this forgotten piece of football history. We speak to a former player and the film's producer

Photo: Erik Kramer #12 of the Chicago Bears sets up to pass against the Minnesota Vikings during an NFL football game on September 3, 1995 at Soldier Field in Chicago, Illinois. Kramer played for the Bears from 1994-1998. (Credit: Focus on Sport/Getty Images)

SAT 11:00 BBC News (w172zgf03f17hly)

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SAT 11:06 The Newsroom (w172zbq60hk0q08)

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SAT 11:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgf03f17xvwb)

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SAT 11:32 Health Check (w3ct5t8b)

Puerto Rico declares dengue fever emergency

As the recent surge in cases of dengue fever continues across Latin America and the Caribbean, Puerto Rico declares a public health emergency.

Claudia Hammond is joined by Professor of Global Health and Epidemiology at Boston University, Matt Fox, to hear how warmer temperatures have led to outbreaks of the mosquito-borne disease around the world, with millions of cases reported so far this year.

We speak to the artist Jason Wilsher-Mills at his latest exhibition inspired by his childhood experiences of disability, and hear the role it played in his journey into the arts.

Claudia and Matt discuss the spread of mpox in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, with cases reported in all but 3 of the country's 26 provinces.

We hear from Uganda about the project hoping to help provide essential equipment for safe anaesthesia in children's surgery.

And the study that says just two nights of broken sleep are enough to make us feel years older.

Presenter: Claudia Hammond

Producer: Dan Welsh

SAT 12:00 BBC News (w172zgf03f17mc2)

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SAT 12:06 World Book Club (w3ct5r3m)

Charlotte Wood: The Weekend

Award-winning Australian novelist Charlotte Wood joins Harriett Gilbert to answer questions from readers around the world about her novel, The Weekend.

It's a story of grief and friendship; three women meet to clear their deceased friend's beach house and find themselves uncovering secrets and stirring up memories.

(Image: Charlotte Wood. Photo credit: Carly Earl.)

SAT 13:00 BBC News (w172zgf03f17r36)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 13:06 Newshour (w172zb8skp45l5)

Israeli army recovers body of hostage from Gaza

The Israeli army has recovered the body of a hostage held in Gaza, during an overnight operation in Khan Yunis. It accused

the Islamic Jihad group of murdering the man, who's been identified as Elad Katzir.

Also in the programme: Mexico severs ties with Ecuador after police storm the Mexican embassy in Quito to arrest former Ecuadorian Vice-President Jorge Glas; and we hear an impassioned case against women becoming surrogate mothers from an activist born of surrogacy.

(Photo: A man sits in a cage with portraits of Israeli hostage Elad Katzir, during a protest in Tel Aviv on March 26, 2024, organised by relatives and supporters of Israeli hostages held in Gaza since the October 7 attacks by Hamas militants. Credit: Jack Guez/AFP via Getty Images)

SAT 14:00 BBC News (w172zgf03f17vbb)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 14:06 Sportsworld (w172zbbmq9qz4ys)

Live Sporting Action

Lee James is joined by the former Fulham, Everton, Liverpool and England striker Natasha Dowie and the former Liverpool, Villa, Tottenham and United States goalkeeper Brad Friedel to discuss Saturday's seven Premier League games ahead of full live match commentary of Everton versus Burnley from Goodison Park at 1400 GMT.

We'll also reflect on the best of the action from Friday's Women's European Championship qualifiers with Natasha, including defending champions England taking on fellow World Cup semi-finalists Sweden at Wembley.

There will also be reaction from qualifying for Sunday's Japanese Grand Prix and we'll hear at length from one of the breakout sports stars of 2024, teenage darting sensation Luke Littler.

Image: Amadou Onana of Everton scores their team's first goal during the Premier League match between Burnley FC and Everton FC at Turf Moor on December 16, 2023 in Burnley, England. (Photo by Marc Atkins/Getty Images)

SAT 18:00 BBC News (w172zgf03f18btv)

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SAT 18:06 The Newsroom (w172zbq60hk1k75)

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SAT 18:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgf03f18yq37)

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SAT 18:32 Dear Daughter (w3ct6nwx)

[Repeat of broadcast at 05:32 today]

SAT 18:50 Sporting Witness (w3ct5wd4)

The man who swam the Amazon

In 2007, 52-year-old Slovenian endurance swimmer Martin Strel became the first person to swim the entire length of the Amazon River.

It took him 66 days to complete and, over the course of his journey, Strel faced threats such as pirates, sharks, and dengue fever. At 3,300 miles, it's the longest open swim in history.

He shares his experience of the swim with Hunter Charlton. It's an Ember Audio production for BBC World Service.

(Photo: Martin Strel pictured in London in 2009. Credit: Getty Images)

SAT 19:00 BBC News (w172zgf03f18gkz)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 19:06 The Documentary (w3ct6qt8)

Forward Thinking: Is it ethical to live longer?

Nobel Prize-winning scientist Venki Ramakrishnan considers both why we might live longer, and the dilemmas this raises.

In the last few years, medical advances have led to treatments that really do offer the potential to tackle life-threatening cancers and debilitating diseases such as Parkinson's and Alzheimer's.

In discussion with Nuala McGovern, Venki also explores the questions such treatments raise. Initially, they will be expensive, and we already have a global society in which there is a direct link between life expectancy and affluence; will access to these

treatments, or lack of it, increase that disparity?
And although your incurable disease may now be cured, what about the rest of your quality of life? Can the planet support an increasingly needy older and older generation? Does trying to live longer become a selfish act?

Nobel Prize-winning molecular biologist Venki Ramakrishnan heads a research group at the MRC Laboratory of Molecular Biology in Cambridge, England.

This is the first in a series of four programmes from the Oxford Literary Festival, presented by Nuala McGovern and produced by Julian Siddle.

Recorded in front of an audience at Worcester College, Oxford.

SAT 20:00 BBC News (w172zgf03f18b3)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 20:06 The Arts Hour (w3ct5qj5)
Jessica Hobbs on her new comedy *The Regime*

Nikki Bedi speaks with Emmy-winning New Zealand director Jessica Hobbs about *The Regime*, the new HBO comedy drama series starring Kate Winslet.

Also to Spanish filmmaker Pablo Berger talking about his Oscar-nominated animated film *Robot Dreams*.

As well as Singaporean director Anthony Chen about his film *Drift*.

Along with cultural critic, Karen Krizanovich, they'll discuss Oscar-winning Australian actor Cate Blanchett's latest film *The New Boy...*

And acclaimed and prolific British playwright James Graham on balancing his passion for writing with his diagnosis as a workaholic.

Presenter: Nikki Bedi
Producer: Oliver Jones

(Photo: Kate Winslet as Elena Vernham in *The Regime*. Credit: Sky/HBO)

SAT 21:00 BBC News (w172zgf03f18q27)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 21:06 Newshour (w172zb8skp46kk6)
Protests in Israel as hostage body recovered

The Israeli military has recovered the body of a hostage in Gaza. It accused the Islamic Jihad group of murdering Elad Katzir, who was snatched from a kibbutz in southern Israel during the Hamas attacks in October. His sister blamed the Israeli government for his death, saying it had failed to strike a second ceasefire deal to allow his release. There have also been protests in Israel demanding the release of all the remaining hostages in Gaza.

It's six months since the beginning of the war in Gaza – we speak to our chief international correspondent Lyse Doucet in Jerusalem.

Also on the programme: Ecuador sparks international outrage by storming the Mexican Embassy in Quito; and why boxing icon Muhammad Ali's shorts might sell at auction for six million dollars.

Picture: People attend protests against Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's government, calling for the release of the hostages in Gaza. Credit: Hannah McKay/Reuters)

SAT 22:00 BBC News (w172zgf03f18ttc)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 22:06 The Documentary (w3ct6qp9)
Azovstal: The 80 day siege

Imagine for a moment what it would be like to live in darkness underground for 80 days, while bombs and missile strikes rain down from above and rations are so tight you can only eat once a day. Next, imagine having to choose between feeding yourself and feeding your baby. This was the reality for those trapped in Azovstal steelworks in the Spring of 2022. Every day was a gamble with death. Senior journalist for the BBC's Ukraine Service, Diana Kuryshko, meets the Ukrainian citizens and soldiers who survived to tell the tale.

With special thanks to the Museum of Civilian Voices by the Rinat Akhmetov Foundation.

Presenter: Diana Kuryshko
Producer: Sarah Shebbeare

(Photo: Members of the Ukrainian armed forces seen inside the Azovstal Iron and Steel Works complex in Mariupol, 10 May, 2022. Credit: Dmytro Orest Kozatskyi/Azov regiment press service/Reuters)

SAT 22:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgf03f55z62r)
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SAT 22:32 This Is Africa (w3ct5y4n)
Rotimi

Rotimi is an American singer-songwriter and actor who is also proudly Nigerian. His hit songs include *Love Sombodi*, *Love Riddim* and *In My Bed*. His most recent single, *Sade*, features Mayorkun and South African rapper Nasty C. As an actor, Rotimi is probably best known for his role in the US crime drama *Power*.

As he tells DJ Edu in this episode, it was when he became comfortable with his identity as an African in America that Rotimi started to be able to create his hit songs. He also reveals that, because of his hectic acting schedule, he often had just two hours in studio to make those songs.

Rotimi's partner is Tanzanian artist Vanessa Mdee. He describes the love-at-first sight moment that led to him, a self-confessed player, hanging on the phone for hours not wanting to be the first to hang up. The couple now have two young children.

Image: Rotimi (Credit: Jade Kamchamnan)

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SAT 23:06 The Newsroom (w172zbq60hk24yt)
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SAT 23:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgf03f55z9tw)
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SAT 23:32 Assignment (w3ct5msg)
Secret sisters: Political prisoners in Belarus

Belarus has huge numbers of political prisoners - around three times as many as in Russia, in a far smaller country. Almost industrial scale arrests began after huge, peaceful pro-democracy demonstrations swept the country in 2020 after Alexander Lukashenko claimed a landslide victory in presidential elections. Mr Lukashenko has been in power for 30 years. Protesters said the result was a fraud, and that they had been cheated of their vote.

Almost four years on, the authorities are still making mass arrests. Many of those detained are women. The most prominent woman prisoner, Maria Kolesnikova, a professional flute player, has been incommunicado for over a year, with no word at all reaching her family or lawyers.

Political prisoners are made to wear a yellow patch on their clothes. The women say they are kept short of food and made to sew uniforms for the security forces, to clean the prison yard with rags and shovel snow. They speak of undergoing humiliating punishments such as standing in parade grounds under the sun for hours.

Yet they also tell us of camaraderie and warmth in their tiny cells as they try to keep one other going. And women on the outside continue to take personal risks to help the prisoners by sending in food, warm clothes and letters.

Presenter: Monica Whitlock
Producers: Monica Whitlock and Albina Kovalyova
Sound: Neil Churchill
Editor: Penny Murphy
Production co-ordinator: Gemma Ashman

(Photo: Belarussian girl at demonstration. Credit: Anna Konovalova)

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[Repeat of broadcast at 18:50 on Saturday]

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SUN 01:06 The Inquiry (w3ct5xh0)
Are we close to a breakthrough for Multiple Sclerosis?

Multiple Sclerosis (MS) is a neurological disease which can lead to loss of mobility and vision. Almost 3 million people worldwide are affected by it. There is no cure, but attempts are being made to accelerate the healing process with treatments to restore what the disease has damaged.

At the same time, scientists have recently discovered a link between MS and a common virus that the majority of us carry in our bodies. It had been known for years that there was a link between Multiple Sclerosis and Epstein-Barr virus (EBV). But then, a study finally proved the link.

Now, trials are underway on potential vaccines against EBV and scientists are hopeful that this could be a gateway to preventing MS.

This week on the Inquiry we are asking: Are we close to a breakthrough for Multiple Sclerosis?

Contributors:

Tim Coetzee, Chief Advocacy, Services & Science Officer for the National MS Society, US
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Image Credit: Shidlovski/Getty

SUN 01:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgf03f55zkb4)
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SUN 01:32 Hollywood Exiles (w3ct6d1j)
7. Are you now, or have you ever been

The House UnAmerican Activities Committee begins its hearings into alleged communist subversion in the movie business. The hearings cement a phrase in American history: "Are you now or have you ever been a member of the communist party?" Friendly witnesses, including actors Gary Cooper & Robert Taylor, are called to the stand, along with movie mogul Jack Warner of Warner Brothers. Walt Disney uses the opportunity to call out alleged communists among members of the striking animators' union. Dalton Trumbo and his allies challenge the legitimacy of HUAC and its hearings.

Archive:

Mission to Moscow, directed by Michael Curtiz for Warner Bros., 1943
Recordings of House UnAmerican Activities Committee by Paramount Newsreels

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SUN 04:06 From Our Own Correspondent (w3ct5shg)

Returning to Rwanda

Max Pearson introduces dispatches from Rwanda, Cambodia and Brazil.

Victoria Uwongkunda fled Rwanda in 1994, along with her family, to escape the unfolding genocide there. Thirty years on, she went back for the first time to hear the stories of survivors and perpetrators of the violence.

Sexual violence was another weapon used by the genocidaires to terrorise Rwanda's people. Hundreds of thousands of women were raped - and tens of thousands of children were born after these attacks. Emma Ailes met a mother and daughter trying to find peace with the past.

Sand might seem a cheap and almost inexhaustible resource - but far from it. With the world's industries using up more than 50 billion tonnes each year, reserves could soon run low. Robin Markwell reports from Cambodia on the illegal sand mining that's stripping the Mekong river.

And the BBC's new South America correspondent, Ione Wells, explores her new home: the industrial megacity of Sao Paulo. Some people call it 'Rio's ugly sister', but she's found much to appreciate amid its high-rise sprawl.

Producer: Polly Hope
Editor: Richard Fenton-Smith
Production Co-ordinator: Katie Morrison

Image: Camp Kigali Memorial, Kigali, Rwanda. (photo by: Godong/ Universal Images Group via Getty Images)

SUN 04:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgf03f15zjkj)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 04:32 The Global Jigsaw (w3ct6qpb)

Deconstructing Iran's 'Axis of Resistance': Part one

The origins of the Iran-cultivated alliance of like-minded states and groups taking aim at Israel and the US. The Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC), the Quds, or Jerusalem, force and the Basij militias regularly feature in the news; what are they, how do they operate and how have they become so influential? In this episode, we look at the branding and the ideological blueprint of the Tehran-led influence network that has been shaping events in the Middle East for decades.

Producer: Kriszta Satori
Presenter: Krassi Twigg

SUN 04:50 Sporting Witness (w3ct5wd4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:50 on Saturday]

SUN 05:00 BBC News (w172zgf03f19p18)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 05:06 The Newsroom (w172zbg60hk2wfl)

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SUN 05:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgf03f156019n)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 05:32 The Documentary (w3ct6qp9)

[Repeat of broadcast at 22:06 on Saturday]

SUN 06:00 BBC News (w172zgf03f19ssd)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 06:06 Weekend (w172zcwvyf691p7)

Israelis protest and demand the return of hostages

Israeli media say police in Tel Aviv have forcibly dispersed tens of thousands of anti-government protesters demanding a deal to free the remaining hostages seized by Hamas six months ago. Scuffles broke out and at least four people were arrested.

Also on the programme, Mexico has suspended diplomatic relations with Ecuador, after police in the Ecuadorian capital stormed the Mexican embassy - to seize a politician wanted for corruption; and, a look at a Copenhagen neighbourhood that's turned from counterculture to open air drug market.

Joining presenter Audrey Brown are Juliana Olyinka, the London Correspondent for Nigeria's Channels Television and a strategic comms advisor to the Nigerian finance minister, and Sergey Radchenko, a professor at the Kissinger Center, School of Advanced International Studies Johns Hopkins University.

(Photo: Photo by ABIR SULTAN/EPA-EFE/REX/Shutterstock (14422457v) People protest outside the Kirya military headquarters in Tel Aviv, Israel, 06 April 2024. Hundreds gathered to demand the government reaches a deal to release the Israeli hostages held by Hamas in Gaza six months on from the October 07 attack.)

SUN 07:00 BBC News (w172zgf03f19xjj)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 07:06 Weekend (w172zcwvyf695fc)

Six months since Hamas attack on Israel

Police in Tel Aviv forcibly dispersed tens of thousands of anti-government protesters who gathered on Saturday night to demand a deal to free the remaining hostages seized by Hamas six months ago.

Also on the programme, Rwanda is marking thirty years since the start of the genocide against ethnic Tutsis and moderate Hutus, when nearly a million people were killed in a hundred days; and, a new treaty has been signed between America and the UK to create joint benchmarks for the safety of AI models, setting the grounds for international standards.

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(Photo: People gather near a fire during a protest against Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's government and to call for the release of hostages kidnapped in the deadly October 7 attack on Israel by the Palestinian Islamist group Hamas from Gaza, in Tel Aviv, Israel, April 6, 2024. REUTERS/Hannah McKay)

SUN 08:00 BBC News (w172zgf03f1b18n)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 08:06 Weekend (w172zcwvyf6955h)

Ten of thousands protest in Tel Aviv

Large demonstrations took place across Israeli towns and cities on Saturday night, six months on from the start of the war in Gaza. Tens of thousands of people gathered in Tel Aviv, calling for the prime minister, Benjamin Netanyahu, to resign. Also on the programme, an ally of Slovakia's populist prime minister has been elected as the country's new president; and, what myths surround the solar eclipse?

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SUN 09:00 BBC News (w172zgf03f1b50s)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 09:06 From Our Own Correspondent (w3ct5shg)

[Repeat of broadcast at 04:06 today]

SUN 09:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgf03f1560j95)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 09:32 The Food Chain (w3ct5xmj)

How to run a restaurant

These are tough times for restaurants. If the pandemic's rolling lockdowns were not bad enough, independent eateries now find themselves caught on a conveyor belt of crises: inflation, labour shortages and high rents. That is without mentioning the post-Covid agoraphobic "hermit consumer", who prefers to hunker down indoors than splash the cash on going out.

If the stats are to be believed 60% of restaurants fail in the first year, 80% after five. And yet despite the long odds many are still seduced by TV dramas like *The Bear* into turning their passion for cooking into a business. We hear from some of the best in the business for a steer on how to keep this labour of love alive.

David Reid speaks to leading restaurant critic Jay Rayner, culinary specialist Ashley Godfrey, top chef Joseph Otway and restaurant operations manager, Sam Wheatley as they lift the lid on the trade secrets they have accumulated from years on the restaurant front-line. The programme also asks what a world without independent restaurants would be like and what we as strapped consumers can do to save the flagging middle of the restaurant market from going under.

Presenter/producer: David Reid

(Image: A waitress lays a table in a restaurant. Credit: Getty Images)

SUN 10:00 BBC News (w172zgf03f1b8rx)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 10:06 People Fixing The World (w3ct5tvq)

The power of music

We all know about the power of music to change our mood or to make us move. But an increasing body of evidence is showing that music has an amazing ability to help us heal. In this programme we are going to meet people working at the cutting edge of music therapy. We find out about the innovative system that uses music to help people with dementia live at home for longer. We will see how using songs and rhythms is helping people with Parkinson's move more freely. And in a refugee camp in Uganda we meet the teachers using music to bring people together and overcome trauma.

Presenter: Myra Anubi
Producer/Reporter: Richard Kenny
Series Producer: Jon Bithrey
Editor: Richard Vadon
Sound Mix: Frank McWeeny
Picture: Salam Music Program in Bidibidi, Uganda

SUN 10:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgf03f1560n19)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 10:32 The Fifth Floor (w3ct69h8)

My Ramadan

Ramadan is the ninth month of the Islamic calendar. It's a period of prayer, celebrations and community gatherings and Muslims worldwide observe it by fasting from dawn to sunset. As this year's Ramadan draws to a close, Farnak Amidi is joined by three BBC World Service colleagues who share their personal experiences and the stories that made headlines in their countries during this year's celebrations.

Asif Farooqi, Aalia Farzan and Deena Easa have been looking at how conflict, natural disasters and the cost-of-living crisis are impacting people in Pakistan, Afghanistan and Gaza. Plus... Ramadan cricket, why do people want to get married during the Holy Month, and the TV series that everyone's talking about.

Produced by Alice Gioia and Caroline Ferguson

(Image: Presenter Farnak Amidi. Credit: Tricia Yourkevich)

SUN 11:00 BBC News (w172zgf03f1bdj1)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 11:06 The Newsroom (w172zbg60hk3lxc)

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SUN 11:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgf03f1560rsf)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 11:32 The Global Jigsaw (w3ct6qpb)

[Repeat of broadcast at 04:32 today]

SUN 11:50 More or Less (w3ct5tpw)

[Repeat of broadcast at 05:50 on Saturday]

SUN 12:00 BBC News (w172zgf03flbj85)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 12:06 The Documentary (w3ct6qt8)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:06 on Saturday]

SUN 13:00 BBC News (w172zgf03flbn09)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 13:06 Newshour (w172zb8skp48hh8)

Israel-Gaza: Six months on

A new round of ceasefire talks between Israel and Hamas are due to begin today in Cairo, exactly six months after the Hamas attacks that triggered the current conflict. The Israeli military says it has withdrawn all ground troops on active operations from southern Gaza, after months of fighting in the Khan Younis area.

Thirty years after the killings began in Rwanda, President Paul Kagame has said the international community failed his country either through contempt or cowardice during the genocide which led to the deaths of eight-hundred-thousand people.

Also in the programme: we'll hear about the newly elected Ukraine-sceptic president of Slovakia; and a camera hidden in an Indonesian national park has captured footage of a very rare Javan rhinoceros calf - giving hope for one of the world's most endangered species.

(Photo: Memorabilia and pictures of the hostages kidnapped in the deadly October 7 attack. Credit: REUTERS/Hannah McKay)

SUN 14:00 BBC News (w172zgf03flbrff)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 14:06 The Climate Question (w3ct5wrf)

Why are electric scooters, mopeds and rickshaws booming?

Delhi's roads are being taken over by electric mopeds, scooters and rickshaws. More than fifty per cent of two- and three-wheelers are already electric, and the market is expected to continue growing. It's good news for the fight against climate change. Why has the transition to green vehicles been so swift in India and what can the rest of the world learn from it?

Graihagh Jackson speaks to reporter Sushmita Pathak, who's been chatting to those who've made the switch to electric as well as those who haven't. Akshima Ghate from the RMI Foundation and Louise Ribet of C40 cities explain why these small vehicles are so popular and what countries like India and others gain from encouraging electric uptake. From better air quality and healthier children to energy security and manufacturing expertise, there are many benefits beyond mitigating climate change.

Presenter: Graihagh Jackson
Producer: Ben Cooper
Researcher: Octavia Woodward
Editors: Sophie Eastaugh and Simon Watts
Sound Engineer: Tom Brignell
Production Co-Ordinator: Brenda Brown

Got a question you'd like us to answer? Send an email to: TheClimateQuestion@bbc.com

SUN 14:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgf03flb40t)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 14:32 Happy News (w3ct5sp8)

Reindeer herder rescued from frozen wilderness

This week, the remarkable rescue of a reindeer herder from Lapland's frozen wilderness. Also: how music is helping refugees heal from war in Uganda. And how a young sumo wrestler has earned a place in the history books.

SUN 15:00 BBC News (w172zgf03flbwhk)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 15:06 Sportsworld (w172zbmqp9r25m0)

Live Sporting Action

Sportsworld Sunday will be presented by Delyth Lloyd and we'll have commentary of Premier League leaders Liverpool as they visit Old Trafford to play Manchester United. Former Liverpool midfielder Stewart Downing will be joining Delyth to react to the biggest game of the weekend.

We'll also have updates from the late kick offs in the Premier League: Sheffield United v Chelsea and Tottenham Hotspur v Nottingham Forest.

Plus, we'll get the latest from the African Champions League and the Turkish Super League from our football reporter Mani Djazmi. There will be reaction to the Japanese Grand Prix, reaction to the Women's European Championship Qualifiers and Indian Premier League cricket.

Image: Mohamed Salah of Liverpool in action during the Emirates FA Cup Quarter Final at Old Trafford on March 17, 2024 in Manchester, England. (Photo by Nick Taylor/Liverpool FC/Liverpool FC via Getty Images)

SUN 19:00 BBC News (w172zgf03flech2)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 19:06 The Newsroom (w172zbq60hk4kwd)

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SUN 19:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgf03flcrg)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 19:32 In the Studio (w3ct5tkc)

Fashion designer Maria Grachvogel

Maria Grachvogel's design have been worn by many famous names including actors Emma Thompson and Angelina Jolie, as well as Spice Girl and now designer Victoria Beckham.

As she celebrates 30 years in the fashion business, the BBC's Rachel Royce follows Maria as she creates her new collection for her autumn-winter season 2024. From design sketches and colour palettes, to draping fabric over mannequins, Maria then always tries the garments on herself and her team before finalising every piece.

Maria knew she wanted to be a fashion designer from the age of eight and her own teenage insecurities about her body has influenced her desire to make fashion that enhances the female form.

Presenter/producer: Rachel Royce
Executive producer: Andrea Kidd

(Photo: Maria Grachvogel. Credit: BBC)

SUN 20:00 BBC News (w172zgf03flch76)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 20:06 Unexpected Elements (w3ct5q1k)

[Repeat of broadcast at 00:06 on Saturday]

SUN 21:00 BBC News (w172zgf03flclzb)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 21:06 Newshour (w172zb8skp49gg9)

Netanyahu: 'One step away from victory' in Gaza

Israel's prime minister, Benjamin Netanyahu, has insisted that it will complete the elimination of Hamas in Gaza, including in Rafah where 1.4 million Palestinians have sought refuge. He said Israel was 'one step away from victory'. We speak to former Israeli prime minister Ehud Olmert, a US congressman calling for arms sales to Israel to be halted, and a Palestinian lawyer involved in previous peace negotiations.

Also in the programme: We reflect on the genocide in Rwanda that began 20 years ago; and why a small town in Canada is gearing up for a big celebration for tomorrow's eclipse.

(Picture: People hold pictures of victims during a demonstration marking the six month anniversary of the attacks on Israel by Hamas near the United Nations Headquarters in New York. Credit: Kena Bentancur/EPA-EFE/REX/Shutterstock)

SUN 22:00 BBC News (w172zgf03flcqqg)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 22:06 The Climate Question (w3ct5wrf)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:06 today]

SUN 22:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgf03flc2zv)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 22:32 Pick of the World (w3ct5v07)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:32 on Saturday]

SUN 22:50 Over to You (w3ct5tsg)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:50 on Saturday]

SUN 23:00 BBC News (w172zgf03flcvgj)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 23:06 The Newsroom (w172zbq60hk51vx)

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SUN 23:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgf03flc2qz)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 23:32 The Fifth Floor (w3ct69h8)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:32 today]

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MON 00:00 BBC News (w172zgf03flc26q)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 00:06 From Our Own Correspondent (w3ct5shg)

[Repeat of broadcast at 04:06 on Sunday]

MON 00:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgf03flc2bh3)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 00:32 The Global Jigsaw (w3ct6qp)

[Repeat of broadcast at 04:32 on Sunday]

MON 00:50 More or Less (w3ct5tpw)

[Repeat of broadcast at 05:50 on Saturday]

MON 01:00 BBC News (w172zgf03flc2pwh70)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 01:06 The Newsroom (w172zbq6rcv94mb)

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MON 01:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgf03flc2pwh70)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 01:32 Discovery (w3ct5rnc)

Wild Inside: The Red Kangaroo

Wild Inside returns for a new series to take a look at some of our planet's most exceptional and unusual creatures from an entirely new perspective: the inside. Whilst we can learn a lot from observing the outside, the secrets to the success of any animal – whether they swim, fly, or hop – lies in their complex internal anatomy. How do these wild animals survive and thrive in harsh and changing environments? To truly understand we need to delve inside.

Professor Ben Garrod, evolutionary biologist from the University of East Anglia, and expert veterinary surgeon Dr Jess French, open up and investigate what makes each of these animals unique, in terms of their extraordinary anatomy, behaviour and their evolutionary history. Along the way, they reveal some unique adaptations which give each species a leg (or claw) up in surviving in the big, wild world.

The series begins with an icon of the outback – known best for its hopping, boxing, and cosy pouch – the red kangaroo. Despite the immense heat and lack of water, these marsupials dominate Australia, with their evolutionary history driving them to success. From the powerful legs which allow them to hop up to 40km an hour, to an unexpected reproductive system that keeps their populations plentiful, Ben, Jess and marsupial expert Dr Jack Ashby reveal a mammalian anatomy which holds many surprises.

MON 02:00 BBC News (w172zgf03flc2pwh70)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 02:06 The Newsroom (w172zbq6crv98cg)

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MON 02:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgfxfh6f7j)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 02:32 CrowdScience (w3ct5rgv)

How many people have ever existed?

Today there are over eight billion people on Earth. That's an awe-inspiring figure... but how does it compare to the vast numbers who came before us? Listener Alpha wants to know how many people have ever existed, so CrowdScience sets out to do a historical headcount.

The Population Reference Bureau in the USA estimated this number back in the 90s, and have been updating their calculations ever since. Demographer Toshiko Kaneda explains how their model works, the assumptions it makes – and the huge uncertainties around the number it comes out with.

We first need a date for when 'humans' first began, so Caroline travels to the Natural History Museum in London to meet human evolution expert Chris Stringer, and marvel at his collection of replica fossil skulls. Chris demonstrates how to distinguish our species, *Homo sapiens*, from other species like Neanderthals. When did these species first appear – and which of them count as human?

And once you know where to start the clock, how do you estimate the numbers of people alive at different points in history? For a population demographer like Walter Scheidel, it helps that some ancient civilisations kept detailed censuses, a few of which have survived to the present day. Caroline and Walter pour over one of these census fragments, and learn how to combine them with other archaeological clues to get some very rough numbers.

And finally: what does the future of our population look like? Poonam Muttreja from the Population Foundation of India discusses developments in the world's most populous country, as well as the big demographic trends ahead for humanity.

Presenter: Caroline Steel

Producer: Phil Sansom

Additional Recording: Umaru Fofana

Editor: Cathy Edwards

Production Co-ordinator: Connor Morgans

Studio Manager: Sue Maillot

Featuring:

Toshiko Kaneda, Technical Director of Demographic Research, Population Reference Bureau

Chris Stringer, Research Leader in Human Evolution, Natural History Museum London

Walter Scheidel, Professor of Classics and History, Stanford University

Poonam Muttreja, Executive Director, Population Foundation of India

MON 03:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpw5q8)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 03:06 People Fixing The World (w3ct5tvq)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:06 on Sunday]

MON 03:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgfxfh6jzn)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 03:32 Pick of the World (w3ct5v07)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:32 on Saturday]

MON 03:50 Over to You (w3ct5tsg)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:50 on Saturday]

MON 04:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpw9jd)

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MON 04:06 The Newsroom (w172zbq6crv9hvc)

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MON 04:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgfxfh6nqs)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 04:32 The Conversation (w3ct5wz7)

Women and the fight to end homelessness

What's women's experience of homelessness across Europe? In

Finland it's on the decrease, but in Portugal it's rising. Datshiane Navanayagam speaks to two women who are fighting to eradicate homelessness.

Saija Turunen is the head of research at Y-Foundation, the largest nationwide non-profit landlord in Finland. The organisation promotes social justice by providing affordable rental housing - they currently own over 19000 homes in nearly 60 locations.

Luísa Gomes moved to Portugal as a child from East Timor and was homeless for 15 years. She is the co-founder of SOMOS, an association created by and for women who have experienced or are currently facing homelessness.

Produced by Emily Naylor

(Image: (L) Luísa Gomes, courtesy of Luísa Gomes. (R) Saija Turunen, courtesy of Saija Turunen.)

MON 05:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpw9j6j)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 05:06 Newsday (w172zbjxg33bjw3)

Israel withdraws ground troops from southern Gaza

Six months after the 7th of October attacks, Israel has announced the withdrawal of some troops from Gaza. International leaders slam Ecuador after police break into the Mexican Embassy in Quito. And a total solar eclipse is set to span across North America.

MON 06:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpw9jym)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 06:06 Newsday (w172zbjxg33bnm7)

Israel reduces troop numbers in southern Gaza

Israel says that it is withdrawing some troops from Khan Younis in southern Gaza but that the war goes on and it still intends to launch military operations in Rafah. Following an attack on the Iranian embassy in Syria, which Tehran blames on Israel, an Iranian official says that Israeli embassies are "no longer safe". Two years ago Russian soldiers were driven out of the Ukrainian town of Bucha, after they murdered dozens of civilians - we hear from some residents of the town.

MON 07:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpw9jns)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 07:06 Newsday (w172zbjxg33bscc)

Palestinians return to destroyed Khan Younis homes

Sunday marked 6 months since the Hamas attack on Israel that triggered the war in Gaza, we look at the future direction of the conflict. A BBC investigation has discovered that the military in Myanmar have been forcibly conscripting some of the Rohingya people into the armed forces. Heavy rainfall in the Ural mountains has led to severe flooding in Russia and Kazakhstan; thousands of people have been evacuated from their homes. And online retailer eBay has dropped fees for selling pre-owned clothing; it says it wants to reduce the number of items being sent to landfill.

MON 08:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpw9jsfx)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 08:06 HARDtalk (w3ct5szb)

Humza Yousaf: Is the SNP's supremacy in Scotland under threat?

Stephen Sackur speaks to Scotland's First Minister Humza Yousaf. His first year in the top job has been tough. Is the Scottish National Party's supremacy in peril?

MON 08:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgfxfh74q9)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 08:32 Business Daily (w3ct5z65)

What's happening to the gaming business?

Tens of thousands of people in the video game industry have lost their jobs in the past year.

The industry itself is valued around 200 billion dollars - one of the biggest in the world. And last year saw some of the biggest releases so far. So with so much success, why are there so many struggles?

We speak to two workers who recently lost their jobs in the industry, and hear about the effect it's had on their lives.

Tech expert Matthew Ball tells us why there's a simultaneous battle between success and struggle, and whether it'll get any worse.

But it's not all bad news. There's a lot of opportunity out there for smaller gaming companies in some parts of the world. William Sampson of Roro Interactive tells us why he thinks the future is positive.

(Picture: A rear-view shot of a young woman sitting at a desk playing a video game, she is using a mouse and keyboard and wearing a headset. Credit: Getty Images)

Presented and produced by Izzy Greenfield

MON 08:50 Witness History (w3ct5ykg)

The 2010 Kampala bombings

In July 2010, two bombs went off at a rugby club in Uganda's capital Kampala. It was where hundreds had gathered to watch the football World Cup final.

The attack killed 74 people and injured 85 others.

The militant Islamist group al-Shabab staged the attack, as revenge for Uganda's efforts to fight it in Somalia.

Kuddzu Isaac, who witnessed the explosions, tells George Crafer the graphic details of what he saw.

(Photo: The moment after the blasts, survivors look on in shock. Credit: AFP/Getty Images)

MON 09:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpw9jx61)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 09:06 The Newsroom (w172zbq6crv3lc)

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MON 09:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgfxfh78gf)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 09:32 CrowdScience (w3ct5rgv)

[Repeat of broadcast at 02:32 today]

MON 10:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpw9ky5)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 10:06 The History Hour (w3ct5n1g)

Swedish History

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

It has been 50 years since Abba won the 1974 Eurovision Song Contest, so we're exploring Swedish history.

Also in 1974, Sweden became the first country in the world to offer paid parental leave that was gender neutral. One father who took the leave tells us about this pioneering policy.

We hear from one of the inventors of Bluetooth. The technology was named after Harald Bluetooth, a Viking king.

Our expert guest is Eva Krutmeijer, Swedish science writer and co-author of the book 'Innovation, the Swedish Way'.

Plus, the invention of the three-point safety belt for cars, that is estimated to have saved more than one million lives around the world, and the story behind Sweden's Cinnamon Bun Day.

Finally, 1974 was just the beginning for the Swedish quartet, Abba, who shared their name with a herring company. By the end of the decade, they were one of most recognisable music acts of the 20th century.

Contributors:

Per Edlund - one of the first fathers in his town to take split paid parental leave

Sven Mattison - one of the inventors of Bluetooth

Eva Krutmeijer - Swedish science writer and co-author of the book 'Innovation, the Swedish Way'

Gunnar Ormmark - stepson of Nils Bohlin who invented the three-point safety belt for cars

Kaeth Gardstedt - who came up with the idea of Sweden's Cinnamon Bun Day

Görel Hanser - manager of Abba

(Photo: Abba in 1974. Credit: Anwar Hussein/Getty Images)

MON 11:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwk4p9)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 11:06 The Newsroom (w172zbq6crvc2m)

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MON 11:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgf0gftxh7hyp)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 11:32 The Global Story (w3ct6dkz)

My return to Rwanda: 30 years after fleeing the genocide

It's 30 years since the genocide in Rwanda took the lives of an estimated 800,000 people. The anniversary also marks three decades since Victoria Uwonkunda fled the country with her family. Now a BBC journalist, she has returned for the first time to confront those awful days and see how the country has worked toward forgiveness, reconciliation and brighter future.

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This episode was made by Richard Moran. The technical producer was Mike Regaard. The assistant editor is Sergi Forcada Freixas and the senior news editor is Jonathan Aspinwall.

MON 12:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwk8ff)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 12:06 Outlook (w3ct5npt)

Helping the children of incarcerated parents get to college

When Yasmine Arrington was growing up in the US, her dad was in and out of prison. It was something she never spoke about. But as a teenager she decided to set up a scholarship fund for other children of incarcerated parents and spoke out about her own experience at last.

Juan Villalba-Macias has spent decades trying to protect wildlife. He's gone undercover to scupper million-dollar, animal-trafficking deals. He's also rescued two stolen parrots, the last of their kind born in the wild, in the midst of a dictatorship. Juan now lives on the nature reserve he created to try and bring native species back from the brink of extinction. This interview was first broadcast in 2023.

Film clip from Rio (Carlos Saldanha/ Blue Sky Studios & 20th Century Fox Animation)

Presenter: Seyi Rhodes

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(Photo: Yasmine Arrington. Credit Roy Cox photography)

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MON 13:32 The Conversation (w3ct5wz7)

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MON 14:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwkxhp)

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MON 14:06 Newshour (w172zb8sxyfhcdn)

Will Gazans return to Khan Younis as Israeli troops withdraw?

As Israeli troops pull out of Gaza's biggest city in the south, former residents of Khan Younis contemplate a return.

Also on the programme: Rescuers in Mozambique search for survivors from a ferry carrying passengers fleeing a cholera outbreak; and a total solar eclipse - where the Moon fully blocks the Sun - which will be seen across parts of North America.

(Photo: Palestinians walk past damaged buildings in Khan Yunis on April 8. Credit: AFP via Getty Images)

MON 15:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwkmnt)

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MON 15:06 HARDtalk (w3ct5szb)

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MON 15:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgf0gftxh7zy6)

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MON 15:32 World Business Report (w3ct5zxr)

Yellen's China visit comes to an end

As U.S. Treasury Secretary, Janet Yellen, wraps up her four-day visit to Beijing, Rahul Tandon looks at what the trip could mean for future relations between the U.S and China.

Tens of thousands of people in the gaming industry sector have lost their jobs in the last few months. Reporter Izzy Greenfield explains what's going on.

And as North America waits to watch a total solar eclipse we hear from the business community in Rochester, New York, how the event has delivered a 'tourism boom' for the local economy. (Picture credit: Getty Images.)

MON 16:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwkrdy)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 16:06 BBC OS (w172zbhyn4z6dh9)

Gaza: Palestinians return to Khan Younis

We hear from residents in Gaza, where people have returned to the wrecked city of Khan Younis. The Israeli prime minister is coming under pressure from his coalition colleagues not to abandon plans for an assault on Rafah in southern Gaza. Our correspondent in Jerusalem explains.

We find out why the Myanmar military is now trying to conscript Muslim Rohingyas who are subjected to a range of discriminatory restrictions in the country.

As millions of people in North America are gearing up for a total solar eclipse, we explain why this one is special and hear from people who have travelled to watch it.

J Cole has apologised for releasing a song aimed at fellow rapper Kendrick Lamar last week. We ask rappers why diss tracks are so prominent in hip hop.

Presenter: James Reynolds.

(Photo: Palestinians inspect destroyed residential buildings, after the Israeli military withdrew most of its ground troops from the southern Gaza Strip, amid the ongoing conflict between Israel and Hamas, in Khan Younis, in the southern Gaza Strip April 7, 2024. Credit: Ahmed Zakot/Reuters)

MON 17:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwkw52)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 17:06 BBC OS (w172zbhyn4z6j7f)

Stargazers gather for total eclipse

A total solar eclipse - where the Moon fully blocks the Sun - will be seen across parts of North America on Monday. The eclipse will then move on to the United States and finish in Canada. The moon will perfectly block the sun and the sky will go pitch dark for four minutes. We speak to our reporters and stargazers who will be in the path of the eclipse.

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Rescuers are searching for survivors after a ferry, carrying around 130 people, sank off the north coast of Mozambique. We get more details from our correspondent.

Presenter: James Reynolds.

(Photo: People gather to observe the sun at the Malecon, one day ahead of a total solar eclipse in Mazatlan, Mexico April 7, 2024. Credit: Henry Romero/Reuters)

MON 18:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwkkzx6)

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MON 19:06 The Newsroom (w172zbq6crvcbln)

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MON 19:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgf0gftxh8gqx)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 19:32 Sport Today (w3ct5w34)

2024/04/08 GMT

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

MON 20:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwl7dg)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 20:06 From Our Own Correspondent (w3ct5shg)

[Repeat of broadcast at 04:06 on Sunday]

MON 20:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgf0gftxh8lnv)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 20:32 Discovery (w3ct5rmd)

Wild Inside: The Bearded Vulture

Ominously called the lamb vulture, there are many myths and misconceptions surrounding the bearded vulture. Flying the mountainous ranges across central Asia and eastern Africa, with a wingspan of almost three meters, the bearded vulture is an impressive Old World vulture. Prof Ben Garrod and Dr Jess French are looking past the beautifully coloured plumage, and delving deep inside to learn what this bird of prey really eats and what keeps its great wings aloft.

MON 21:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwlc4l)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 21:06 Newshour (w172zb8sxyfj6mk)

Total solar eclipse across the Americas

Excitement spreads from the Pacific Islands across Mexico and the United States as the sun disappears behind the moon: we hear from some of those who have been watching. Meanwhile, residents of Khan Yunis in Gaza return to find utter devastation after the Israeli withdrawal. And what's happening with the talks between Israel and Hamas that have been taking place in Cairo? We also look at a report that has criticised the British foreign ministry for being 'elitist and rooted in the past'.

(Photo: The eclipse passes through totality at Sugarbush ski resort in Warren, Vermont, U.S. April 8, 2024. Credit: REUTERS/Lauren Owens Lambert)

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MON 23:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwllmv)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 23:06 The Newsroom (w172zbq6crvct15)

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MON 23:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgfxfh8yx7)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 23:32 World Business Report (w3ct6000)

TSMC expands US chip manufacturing in Arizona

The world's largest chip maker, TSMC - The Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company, has announced it will take advantage of generous US subsidies to build cutting-edge tech in Arizona. The Biden administration has committed more than six billion dollars in subsidies and five billion in possible loans to support the plan.

Also, in the programme, the presenter Sam Fenwick finds out what it's like to experiencing complete darkness a rare total solar eclipse.

(Picture: Logo of Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co (TSMC), in Hsinchu. Picture credit: Reuters)

TUESDAY 09 APRIL 2024**TUE 00:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwllqcz)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 00:06 The History Hour (w3ct5n1g)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:06 on Monday]

TUE 01:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwlv43)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 01:06 Business Matters (w172zbfcp96y38z)

Solar Eclipse lights up businesses in the US

More than thirty million people live along the path of the solar eclipse; many others have travelled to share the experience. NASA conducted experiments to study the Sun's atmosphere during the phenomenon. A quarter of Airbnb guests in the US with bookings for Sunday night were booked for a stay in the eclipse's path.

Also, in the programme, the presenter Sam Fenwick finds out why tens of thousands of people in the gaming industry sector have lost their jobs in the last few months and why Australian farmers relying on the weather broadcast.

(Picture: Solar Eclipse in Mexico, Mexico City - 08 Apr 2024. Picture credit: EPA-EFE/REX/Shutterstock)

TUE 02:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwlyw7)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 02:06 The Newsroom (w172zbq6crvd58k)

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TUE 02:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgfxfh9b4m)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

TUE 02:32 Assignment (w3ct5msh)

New Caledonia: New agreement needed

New Caledonia is an island archipelago in the south Pacific. It has an incredible diversity of birds and plants. Its history includes a period serving as a 19th century penal colony for the French colonisers and being an allied naval base during World War Two. An agreement signed 26 years ago about how the islands are run is expiring. But talks to make a new one are bogged down, as the opposing sides - French settlers and indigenous Kanak - both demand their rights. For Assignment, Peter Hadfield has been to New Caledonia to see if a new deal can be made.

Presenter: Peter Hadfield

Producer: Peter Hadfield and Caroline Bayley

Editor: Penny Murphy

Sound Engineer: Rod Farquhar

Production Coordinator: Gemma Ashman

(Image: President Emmanuel Macron on a visit to Noumea, the capital of the French territory New Caledonia. Credit: Ludovic Marin/AFP via Getty Images)

TUE 03:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwm2mc)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 03:06 Outlook (w3ct5npt)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 on Monday]

TUE 03:50 Witness History (w3ct5ykg)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 on Monday]

TUE 04:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwm6ch)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 04:06 The Newsroom (w172zbq6crvddrt)

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TUE 04:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgfxfh9kwm)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

TUE 04:32 In the Studio (w3ct5tkd)

Making a splash with Ellie Simmonds

Public swimming pools are more than just concrete and water. Often, they are the heart of a community, a place to exercise, to meet people and connect. Paralympic gold medalist Ellie Simmonds explores what it takes to design and build a swimming pool, and asks why they are so important in a post-pandemic era.

We join award-winning Dutch architects VenhoevenCS as they sign off their biggest project to date - the aquatic centre for Paris 2024 - and begin planning and designing a brand-new public pool. Their lead architects will talk us through their plans for the new pool, looking at sustainability, accessibility and safety. We'll visit the site of the build and the offices, to eavesdrop on their planning meetings.

We'll also hear from British architect, author and swimming advocate Chris Romer Lee about the importance of public pools, and why he thinks more of us should be getting into the water.

A Spiritland production

Image: Ellie Simmonds (Credit: Anthony Devlin/Getty Images for the National Lottery) and the Hofbad swimming pool in Den Haag, the Netherlands, designed by VenhoevenCS

TUE 05:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwmb3m)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 05:06 Newsday (w172zbjxg33ffs6)

Israel says the date is set for a ground invasion of Rafah

The Israeli Prime Minister says they have a date for ground offensive in the Gazan town of Rafah, but won't reveal it.

Donald Trump says US states should decide abortion laws, not the federal government we look at what this means for his Presidential campaign.

We look at the trial of alleged tax evaders uncovered in the Panama Papers leak, they go on trial today in Panama City.

And the car-maker Tesla has settled a lawsuit over a fatal car crash.

TUE 06:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwmfvr)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 06:06 Newsday (w172zbjxg33fkjb)

Israel says the date is set for a ground invasion of Rafah

Civilians in Gaza are returning to a devastated town of Khan Younis, but concerns are now turning to Rafah after the Israeli government announced it has set a date to launch its assault on the town.

The Ukrainian Foreign Minister Dmytro Kuleba is in Brussels, needing more weapons in the war against Russia, we'll hear

what is needed from the country's ambassador at large.

Climate change concerns as Europe reports the warmest March since records began.

And North America has been enjoying the spectacle of a total solar eclipse, we'll have a report on the celestial phenomena.

TUE 07:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwmklw)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 07:06 Newsday (w172zbjxg33fp8g)

Live news, business and sport from around the world.

TUE 08:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwmpc0)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 08:06 People Fixing The World (w3ct5tvr)

How literacy can change a life

Learning to read empowers people, reduces poverty and increases their job chances. Yet more than 700 million adults are illiterate, the majority of them women. We look at innovations to help adults learn how to read from flatpack classrooms in flood-prone regions of Bangladesh, to an app teaching tens of thousands in Somaliland. Plus how adults in the UK are improving their reading skills thanks to an army of volunteer teachers using a method developed in prison.

Presenter: Myra Anubi

Reporter/producer: Claire Bates

Series producer: Jon Bithrey

Editor: Tom Bigwood

Sound mix: Andrew Mills

(Image: Jahura Begum, Shabnur Akhter, Rashida Begum at Friendship class in Bangladesh, Friendship)

TUE 08:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgfxfhb1md)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

TUE 08:32 Business Daily (w3ct5zh6)

Video games in concert

The music composed for video games has come a long way. Once limited to simple tunes generated by early synthesizer chips, it now encompasses complex musical works composed for full orchestra.

Video game music is now also considered a key access point to orchestral music among young people, and concert venues around the world are seeing new and diverse audiences attend live performances of gaming soundtracks.

This could a development the classical music world is looking to embrace - although it wasn't loved at first. A study by League of of American Orchestras suggests audiences for concerts have dropped by 26% since 2020, with young people being the minority group of attendees.

In this episode, we'll hear about the origins of music written for video games; speaking to composers and orchestras who are embracing new audiences and exciting musical works. And we'll go backstage before opening night of a concert tour showcasing music from a major video game franchise.

(Image: Gaming Prom – From 8-Bit to Infinity, The Royal Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Robert Ames, in the Royal Albert Hall, on 1 August 2022, as part of the BBC Proms.)

Presented and produced by Sean Allsop

TUE 08:50 Witness History (w3ct5ym2)

How Lake Karla in Greece was drained

Lake Karla supported hundreds of families in Thessaly, providing fish for all of the region and beyond.

Christos and Ioanna Kotsikas grew up on the shores of the wetland and have mixed memories of the lake. They too lived off its fish, but they were also victims of its floods.

The lake was drained by the Greek Government in 1962, destroying a vital ecosystem.

In 2023, when torrential rain poured over Thessaly, the lake was restored – but the region was devastated.

Christos and Ioanna Kotsikas speak to Maria Margaronis.

(Photo: Lake Karla. Credit: Maria Margaronis)

Music: "Platani apo to Metsovo," used by permission of ERT, the Hellenic Broadcasting Corporation.

TUE 09:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwmt34)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 09:06 The Newsroom (w172zbq6crvf0bg)

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TUE 09:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgftxfhb5cj)

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TUE 09:32 Assignment (w3ct5msh)

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TUE 10:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwmxv8)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 10:06 The Arts Hour (w3ct5qj5)

[Repeat of broadcast at 20:06 on Saturday]

TUE 11:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwn1ld)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 11:06 The Newsroom (w172zbq6crvf7zq)

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TUE 11:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgftxfhbdivs)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

TUE 11:32 The Global Story (w3ct6f9k)

Ukraine's fight for justice in Bucha

It's two years since occupying Russian troops departed the Ukrainian town of Bucha. The trail of death and destruction they left behind has been widely condemned, with Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky among those who have alleged Russia committed war crimes there.

On today's episode Katya speaks with BBC Eastern Europe Correspondent Sarah Rainsford, who recently returned to Bucha to hear from survivors. They're also joined by the BBC's International Editor Jeremy Bowen, who was among the first journalists to arrive on the scene in Bucha in 2022. They consider whether international law is sufficiently equipped to prosecute allegations of war crimes, and if tangible justice is possible.

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The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 12:06 Outlook (w3ct5p4c)

A mother's quest to uncover why her neighbours kept dying

Sofia Gatica was crushed when she lost her baby to a mysterious illness – but she started to notice that she was not alone. Sofia went door to door in her neighbourhood of Ituzaingó Annex on the outskirts of Córdoba, Argentina, mapping out who was sick, and from what. She noticed a pattern and asked, was there a connection to the soybean fields next door? As Clayton Conn reports, Sofia formed a group called The Mothers of Ituzaingó who began a dangerous quest for answers, and took on the agro-chemical giant Monsanto.

Clips were from Radio Bemba / Because Music, La Voz and

The Goldman Environmental Prize
Sofia's words were voiced by Sara Doñate Lopata.

Presenter: Jo Fidgen
Reporter: Clayton Conn
Producer: Louise Morris

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(Photo: Sofia Gatica. Credit: Irene Barajas)

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TUE 13:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgftxfhbnc1)

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TUE 13:32 In the Studio (w3ct5tkd)

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TUE 14:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwn2ds)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 14:06 Newshour (w172zb8sxyf189r)

Senior women win landmark climate case at top European court

A group of elderly women from Switzerland, demanding that their government do more to tackle climate change, have won a landmark climate case at a top European court. We hear from a 76-year-old change-maker.

Also on the programme: Israel says that more than 400 aid trucks were allowed in on Monday; and Simon Harris becomes Ireland's youngest ever leader at the age of 37.

(Photo: Women from the group Senior Women for Climate Protection talk to journalists after the verdict. Credit: Reuters)

TUE 15:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwnjks)

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TUE 15:06 People Fixing The World (w3ct5tvr)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:06 today]

TUE 15:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgftxfhbvw9)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

TUE 15:32 World Business Report (w3ct606s)

March marks new global heat record

As the impact of climate change expands across the world, a top European court issues the first ruling against a country for climate inaction. We get the latest from our correspondent. And we go to Spain to hear why the government is scrapping its golden visa scheme.

(Picture: Activists of Climate Seniors from Switzerland wait in front of the European Court of Human Rights. Picture credit: RONALD WITTEK/EPA-EFE/REX/Shutterstock.)

TUE 16:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwnbn1)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 16:06 BBC OS (w172zbhyn4z99dd)

First ever climate victory in Europe court

The European Court of Human Rights has ruled that Switzerland violated the rights to health and life of a group of more than 2000 elderly women, by failing to properly fight climate change. It comes as scientists warn that the latest climate change figures could signal a new phase in global warming. The average temperature worldwide in March set a new record for the tenth month in a row. Our climate expert answers audience questions about today's headlines.

With nearly one year of war in Sudan, we bring together people who have had to flee the fighting.

We hear again from people in Gaza who have returned to the city of Khan Younis, after the Israeli withdrawal.

One of Germany's largest art museums has sacked a member of staff after he smuggled one of his own paintings in, and put it on display. Our Europe regional editor in the newsroom has the details.

Security is being stepped up at venues in Madrid, Paris and London, after European football's governing body, UEFA, said it had been made aware of threats against Champions League matches. Our correspondent in Madrid explains.

Presenter: James Reynolds.

(Photo: Rosmarie Wyder-Walti and Anne Mahrer, of the Swiss elderly women group Senior Women for Climate Protection, attend the hearing of the court for the ruling in the climate case Verein KlimaSeniorinnen Schweiz and Others v. Switzerland, at the European Court of Human Rights (ECHR) in Strasbourg., France April 9, 2024. CREDIT: Christian Hartmann/Reuters)

TUE 17:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwns25)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 17:06 BBC OS (w172zbhyn4z9f4j)

Floods in Russia and Kazakhstan

Thousands more people have been told to leave their homes in southern Russia and Kazakhstan as flood waters continue to rise. We hear from local people and speak to our correspondent from BBC Russian.

We speak to our BBC Middle East correspondent Lina Sinjab who left her home in the Syrian capital Damascus in 2013, soon after the start of the civil war. She talks to us about travelling back home for the first time in years and finding a country both very familiar and utterly changed.

With nearly one year of war in Sudan, we bring together people who have had to flee the fighting.

We go to Michigan where parents of a teenage boy who shot and killed four classmates in 2021 at a high school near Detroit, are scheduled to be sentenced for their separate manslaughter convictions.

Presenter: James Reynolds.

(Photo: Rescuers drive in a flooded residential area in the city of Orsk, Russia, April 6, 2024, in this still image taken from video. Credit: Russian Emergencies Ministry/Handout via REUTERS)

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TUE 20:06 Assignment (w3ct5msh)

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TUE 20:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgftxfhchky)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

TUE 20:32 Tech Life (w3ct5wly)

Space junk

This week on Tech Life we are looking at the problem of space junk, the man-made debris hurtling around our planet. Could it threaten some of the everyday tech we all rely on?

Also this week, don't you just hate it when stuff doesn't work? Are internet and social media outages becoming more frequent?

A doctor in Argentina has created a video game to help calm the nerves of children facing a hospital operation. And what weighs three tonnes and is the size of a mini-van? It's the world's largest digital camera.

Presenter: Chris Vallance

Producer: Tom Quinn

(Photo: A NASA illustration of space debris around Earth. Credit: Nasa/Getty)

TUE 21:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwp81p)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 21:06 Newshour (w172zb8sxyfm3jn)

Will Swiss climate ruling set a precedent?

A group of older Swiss women have won the first ever climate case victory in the European Court of Human Rights. The women, mostly in their 70s, said that their age and gender made them particularly vulnerable to the effects of heatwaves linked to climate change. But will it set a precedent? We'll hear a legal view.

Also in the programme: We ask Hamas if they can account for Israeli hostages held in Gaza; and the parents of a school gunman are sentenced for manslaughter, Newshour speaks to the father of one of the boys killed.

(Photo: Rosmarie Wyder-Walti and Anne Mahrer, of the Swiss womens group Senior Women for Climate Protection, attend the hearing of the court for the ruling in the climate case Verein KlimaSeniorinnen Schweiz and Others v. Switzerland, at the European Court of Human Rights (ECHR) in Strasbourg, France April 9, 2024. Credit: Reuters/Christian Hartmann)

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TUE 22:06 People Fixing The World (w3ct5tvr)

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TUE 22:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgf0gpfhcr26)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

TUE 22:32 In the Studio (w3ct5tkd)

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TUE 23:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwphjy)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 23:06 The Newsroom (w172zbq6crvgy8)

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TUE 23:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgf0gpfhvtb)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

TUE 23:32 World Business Report (w3ct6091)

How is the surging price of commodities affecting the global economy?

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WED 00:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwpm92)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 00:06 The Arts Hour (w3ct5qj5)

[Repeat of broadcast at 20:06 on Saturday]

WED 01:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwpr16)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 01:06 Business Matters (w172zbfcp971062)

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(Picture: Businessman using a mobile phone to check stock market data - stock photo. Picture credit: Getty Images)

WED 02:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwvpsb)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 02:06 The Newsroom (w172zbq6crvh25n)

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WED 02:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgf0gpfhd71q)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

WED 02:32 The Climate Question (w3ct5wrf)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:06 on Sunday]

WED 03:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwvzjg)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 03:06 Outlook (w3ct5p4c)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 on Tuesday]

WED 03:50 Witness History (w3ct5ym2)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 on Tuesday]

WED 04:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwq38l)

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WED 04:06 The Newsroom (w172zbq6crvh9nx)

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WED 04:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgf0gpfhdgjz)

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WED 04:32 Hollywood Exiles (w3ct6d1k)

8. The un-Americans

Hollywood producers gather at the Waldorf Hotel to plot strategy. They push back against allegations of "subversive" content. Motion Picture Association of America president Eric Johnston makes the case that movies are a force for moral good. He also calls for a headline: he pushes studios to purge communists and sympathizers from their payrolls. This marks the beginning of the so-called "blacklist" era in Hollywood. Screenwriter Norma Barzman recalls this as a repressive period, when creative people were self censoring their political beliefs

Archive:

Recordings of House Unamerican Activities Committee by Paramount Newsreels

The Hollywood Ten, directed by John Berry, 1950

Dalton Trumbo interviewed for Hollywood on Trial, directed by David Helfern, Corinth Films, 1976

WED 05:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwq70q)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 05:06 Newsday (w172zbjxg33jbp9)

The UN says people face famine in Gaza

The head of the United Nation's agency in Gaza says people there are facing famine. A former Israeli General and National Security Advisor tells us there are lessons to be learnt from the Israeli Defence Force campaign in the territory.

In the United States - the parents of a teenage murderer are sentenced to at least 10 years in prison, for involuntary manslaughter.

And why a new version of the game scrabble is being made less competitive and more collaborative for a new generation of players.

WED 06:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwqbrv)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 06:06 Newsday (w172zbjxg33jgff)

President Biden's strong criticism of Israel's Prime Minister

Israel says it has set a date to begin military operations in Rafah, but American President Joe Biden says there should be a ceasefire in Gaza. We'll hear from some who've been serving with the Israel Defence Forces in its operations against Hamas.

We have the latest on the floods affecting Russia and Kazakhstan, where almost a hundred-thousand people have been forced from their homes.

And the battle over reproductive rights continues in the US - Arizona has imposed a near total ban on abortion.

WED 07:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwqghz)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 07:06 Newsday (w172zbjxg33j5k)

United States criticises Israel over Gaza

The US President says Israel is making a mistake in the way it conducting the war in Gaza. We'll hear from aid agencies co-ordinating help for those there.

Activists take the battle for action on climate change to the European Court of Human Rights.

The US State of Arizona has revived a law from 1864 that could all but end Abortions in the state.

WED 08:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwql83)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 08:06 HARDtalk (w3ct5t3v)

Job Sikhala: Is change possible in Zimbabwe?

Stephen Sackur speaks to Zimbabwean opposition politician Job Sikhala. He was recently released after almost two years in jail. Now he's promising to build a grassroots movement to challenge the ruling Zanu-PF party. But amid economic crisis and political repression, is change possible?

WED 08:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgf0gpfhdyjh)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

WED 08:32 Business Daily (w3ct5zmq)

The business of streaming games

We explore the growing world of video game streaming.

Players connect their screens to platforms such as Twitch or YouTube so that fans can watch them play. And then build a business model by charging them subscriptions to watch.

We find out how it works, and where the industry could go next.

Presented and produced by Elizabeth Hotson

(Image: A gamer; Credit: Getty Images)

WED 08:50 Witness History (w3ct5yph)

The Scream: A stolen masterpiece

When Edvard Munch's painting The Scream was stolen in 1994, an undercover operation was launched to get it back.

Thirty years on from its recovery, hear from the art detective at the centre of the story.

In 2013, Charley Hill told Lucy Burns how his task saw him take on a fake identity, rub shoulders with criminals and

encounter the Thai kickboxing champion of Scandinavia.

(Photo: The Scream on display in Oslo in 2008, after being stolen for a second time. Credit: Scanpix Norway/AFP/Getty Images)

WED 09:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwq07)
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WED 09:06 The Newsroom (w172zbq6crvhxdk)
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WED 09:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgf0gpfhf28m)
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WED 09:32 The Climate Question (w3ct5wrf)
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WED 10:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwqtrc)
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WED 10:06 World Book Club (w3ct5r3m)
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WED 11:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwqyhb)
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WED 11:06 The Newsroom (w172zbq6crvj4wt)
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WED 11:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgf0gpfhf9rw)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

WED 11:32 The Global Story (w3ct6dqh)
Lina Khan: The woman taking on big tech billionaires

The US government is suing some of the biggest tech companies on the planet – Amazon, Apple, Google and Meta – in antitrust cases. The face of Washington's crackdown is Federal Trade Commission Chair Lina Khan, the youngest person ever to hold the post.

So, who is the woman taking on Silicon Valley? And can she succeed? To answer these questions, host Adam Fleming speaks the BBC's North America business correspondent Michelle Fleury and former North America tech reporter James Clayton.

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This episode was made by Peter Goffin, Alice Aylett Roberts and Beth Timmins. The technical producer was Matt Hewitt. The assistant editor is Sergi Forcada Freixas and the senior news editor is Sam Bonham.

WED 12:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwr27m)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 12:06 Outlook (w3ct5pc4)
The surfer who found the world's biggest wave

Garrett McNamara didn't have a conventional childhood. By the age of 11, he'd lived in communes and even a cult, but when the family settled in Hawaii – and he discovered surfing for the first time – he knew he'd found his home. As an adult, Garrett quickly became known as one of the best and most fearless big wave surfers, travelling the world in search of ever bigger waves. Three decades into that search, he arrived in Nazaré, a small fishing town in Portugal to find the biggest and most powerful wave in the world. And when he surfed it, he made history.

Cass Collier grew up surfing with his dad on the segregated beaches of apartheid South Africa. The rules were often brutally enforced, but Cass's dad Ahmed, a pioneering South

African surfer and member of the ANC, never backed down, teaching Cass that he had a right to surf at any beach he chose. Cass eventually became a world-class surfer and went on to win the International Surfing Association Big Wave championships in Mexico in 1999 becoming the first non-white surfer to hold the title. He spoke to Outlook's Anu Anand in 2021.

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Photo: Garrett McNamara surfing in Nazaré in 2013. Credit: Tó Mané courtesy of Garrett McNamara

WED 12:50 Witness History (w3ct5ypb)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 today]

WED 13:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwr5zr)
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WED 13:06 The Newsroom (w172zbq6crvjdd2)
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WED 13:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgf0gpfhf84)
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WED 13:32 Hollywood Exiles (w3ct6d1k)
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WED 14:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwr9qw)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 14:06 Newshour (w172zb8sxyfp56v)
Palestinians mark Eid amid destruction

Palestinians in Gaza are marking Eid-al-Fitr, the end of Ramadan, amid destruction. We speak to a freelance Palestinian journalist how she is marking the holiday.

Also on the programme: World Athletics has announced it will become the first international federation to award prize money at the Paris Olympic Games; and was an extinct fox once man's best friend?

(Photo: Palestinians hold Eid al-Fitr prayers in Gaza. Credit: Reuters)

WED 15:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwrhf0)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 15:06 HARDtalk (w3ct53tv)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:06 today]

WED 15:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgf0gpfhfsrd)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

WED 15:32 World Business Report (w3ct60c9)
EU court removes Russian oligarchs from sanctions list

Today the European Union Court took oligarchs Mikhail Fridman and Petr Aven off an EU sanction list. We hear more from The Financial Times' EU correspondent Javier Espinoza Switzerland's government publishes its 'Too Big to Fail' banking regulation
And World Athletics has introduced prize money for Olympic gold medallists during the 2024 Paris Games

WED 16:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwrk74)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 16:06 BBC OS (w172zbhyn4zd69h)
Eid in Gaza

As Muslims around the world celebrate Eid - we hear how the holiday is different this year for people across Gaza. We also hear from our Jerusalem correspondent who explains more about the changing relationship between the US and Israel.

The civil war in Sudan started almost one year ago. Since then at least 14,000 people have been killed and millions displaced. We hear from two aid workers, who themselves are displaced, about what it takes to provide aid and support in your own country.

In Jamaica, four employees of an American owned school for so called "troubled teenagers" have been arrested and charged with child abuse. There is an ongoing investigation into the

facility. We hear from a journalist who has been following the story.

Presenter: James Reynolds

(Photo: Palestinians visit the graves of people who were killed in the ongoing conflict. Credit: Reuters)

WED 17:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwrnz8)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 17:06 BBC OS (w172zbhyn4zdb1m)
Floods in Russia and Kazakhstan

The emergencies ministry in Kazakhstan says more than 96,000 people have now been evacuated from their homes due to flooding that's affected the northern part of the country. The rising waters have also submerged parts of Russian regions in the Urals and western Siberia. It has been caused by rapid snow-melt. We hear from our correspondent who has more on this.

The US Supreme Court in Arizona has ruled that the state can enforce a 160 year old abortion ban. Arizona joins more than a dozen other states where abortions have been largely outlawed since the federal right to get a termination was removed two years ago. We hear from our Washington correspondent on what this law means in practice.

Iceland is one of the many countries with presidential elections this year but one of the candidates running is a little out of the ordinary.

A glacier, called Snæfellsjökull, has entered the presidential race. We hear from Dr Angela Rawlings who founded the campaign and changed her middle name in order for the glacier to appear on the nomination list.

Presenter: James Reynolds

(Photo: Rescuers in Orsk. Credit: Reuters)

WED 18:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwrsgd)
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WED 18:06 Outlook (w3ct5pc4)
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WED 18:50 Witness History (w3ct5ypb)
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WED 19:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwrsgj)
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WED 19:06 The Newsroom (w172zbq6crvk3vv)
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WED 19:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgf0gpfhfg8x)
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WED 19:32 Sport Today (w3ct5w9x)
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BBC sports correspondents tell the story behind today's top sporting news, with interviews and reports from across the world.

WED 20:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpws16n)
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WED 20:06 The Climate Question (w3ct5wrf)
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WED 20:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgf0gpfhgdh1)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

WED 20:32 Health Check (w3ct5t8c)
How we hope

Claudia Hammond presents a special edition of Health Check from the Northern Ireland Science Festival, where she's joined by a panel of experts to discuss the psychology of hope.

With a live audience in Belfast's Metropolitan Arts Centre, Claudia speaks to Dr Karen Kirby, senior lecturer in psychology at the University of Ulster; Dr Kevin Mitchell, associate professor of genetics and neuroscience at Trinity College

Dublin; and author Sinéad Moriarty.

Topics include the role of hope in medical scenarios, if we can learn to be hopeful, and how we can hold onto hope in the modern world. We also hear questions from our audience, including whether or not we should all just lower our expectations.

Presenter: Claudia Hammond
Producer: Dan Welsh

WED 21:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpws4ys)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 21:06 Newshour (w172zb8sxyfq0fr)

'Worst floods in decades' hit Kazakhstan and Russia

Unseasonably warm temperatures in southern Russia and Kazakhstan have triggered fast-melting snow, causing unprecedented high rivers and flooding close to major cities. We speak to residents in Kazakhstan's badly affected areas.

Also in the programme: Arizona Supreme Court reinstates near-total abortion ban from 1864; and we hear about the contentious reform adopted by the EU parliament to adopt stricter migration rules and shared responsibility.

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WED 23:32 World Business Report (w3ct60fk)

Cost of living shock: US Inflation is up

Consumer prices in the US rose faster than expected last month. The CPI measure of inflation rose 3.5% over the 12 months to March, up from 3.2% in February, the US Labor Department said.

How will the new law restricting abortion in Arizona affect the state's clinics?

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(Picture: Wad of U.S. paper bills - stock photo. Picture credit: Getty Images)

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THU 02:06 The Newsroom (w172zbq6cervkz2r)

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THU 02:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgf0gfh3yt)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 02:32 The Documentary (w3ct6qpd)

El Salvador's missing children: Part one

During El Salvador's brutal civil war, hundreds of children were separated from their families. Some were seized by soldiers during military operations against left-wing rebels, and later found living with new families in Europe and North America. Others were given up for adoption by mothers forced into poverty or displaced by the conflict. Now, three decades on, some of those adopted are trying to piece together their lives and find their birth relatives.

Former BBC correspondent in Central America, Mike Lanchin, follows the dramatic stories of two women who were adopted from El Salvador as young children during the war, which ended in 1992. Mike meets Jazmin, raised in France, who wonders why her adoptive parents never explained the circumstances of her adoption. Jazmin asks: could she be one of the war-time missing children? With the help of Salvadoran investigators using DNA testing, Jazmin is hoping to find a living birth relative. But will she succeed?

Meanwhile in San Salvador, Mike speaks to two sisters who managed to locate the son of one of their younger siblings who was killed during the war. The son has been living in the US, totally unaware of his Salvadoran family's long search for him.

Producers: Mike Lanchin and Philippa Goodrich
Editor: Kristine Pommert
A CTVC production for BBC World Service

(Photo: Families of missing children hold up placards bearing their photos. Credit: Yuri Cortez/Getty Images)

THU 03:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwswfk)

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THU 03:06 Outlook (w3ct5pc4)

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THU 03:50 Witness History (w3ct5yph)

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THU 04:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwt05p)

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THU 04:06 The Newsroom (w172zbq6cervl6l0)

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THU 04:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgf0gfh3y2)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 04:32 The Food Chain (w3ct5xmk)

Food double-acts: TV chefs

What's the secret behind the on-screen chemistry shared by some TV chef duos?

The recent death of Dave Myers, one half of 'The Hairy Bikers' with Si King, has prompted this programme celebrating successful food friendships. Dave and Si made food shows and

cookbooks that took their fans all over the world, and off-screen they were close friends.

In this programme Ruth Alexander speaks to two chefs who have found success in food with a good friend.

Ruth Rogers, co-founder of The River Cafe restaurant in London, talks about her partnership with the late Rose Gray, who died in 2010. Together they presented 'The Italian Kitchen' for Channel 4 in the UK in 1998.

Italian chef Gennaro Contaldo talks about his long friendship and work with the late chef Antonio Carluccio, and the TV series they made together for the BBC, 'Two Greedy Italians' in 2011 and 2012. Gennaro also talks about his friendship with the chef Jamie Oliver to whom he's been a mentor.

Presented by Ruth Alexander.

Produced by Beatrice Pickup.

(Image: Ruth Rogers and Rose Gray plating dishes at The River Cafe restaurant in London. Credit: Maurice ROUGEMONT/Getty Images/ BBC)

THU 05:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwt3xt)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 05:06 Newsday (w172zbjxg33m7ld)

US says support for Israel 'ironclad'

The United States President Joe Biden says his support for Israel is 'ironclad' - as he warns that Iran might launch a "significant attack" against the country.

We'll hear why the German airline Lufthansa is suspending its flights to Iran

We go to one of the most holy places in Islam, the Al Aqsa mosque, to hear about an Eid festival which many found difficult to celebrate

And South Korea's President Yoon Suk Yeol promises to reform state affairs after his party was trounced by the opposition in a general election.

THU 06:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwt7ny)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 06:06 Newsday (w172zbjxg33mcbj)

US support for Israel is "ironclad"

President Joe Biden has vowed 'ironclad' support to Israel amid fears Iran could launch reprisals for an attack that killed senior Iranians in Syria. President's Biden comments come after Iran's Supreme Leader, said again Israel would be punished.

High level meeting at the international atomic watchdog - the IAEA - is taking place today following recent attacks on Ukraine's Zaporizhzhia power plant, currently under the control of Russia...

It's no secret carrying a child takes a toll on the body but now a new research suggests pregnancy could speed up the aging process too.

THU 07:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwtcf2)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 07:06 Newsday (w172zbjxg33mh2n)

Live news, business and sport from around the world.

THU 08:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwth56)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 08:06 The Inquiry (w3ct5xhl)

How secure is Benjamin Netanyahu's leadership?

Six months into Israel's war in Gaza and with no sign of a ceasefire or breakthrough in securing the release of the 130 hostages, as yet unaccounted for, pressure is mounting on Israel's Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu.

There have been widespread protests in Tel Aviv and across Israel. There have been calls both from home and abroad for an early election to be called. And Israel's greatest ally, the United States has sharpened its rhetoric in the past few weeks over Israel's conduct of the war, with President Biden now saying that he believes Benjamin Netanyahu is making 'a mistake' in his handling of it.

For his part, the Israeli Prime Minister looks set to continue with his military offensive and has shown no indication so far that he is willing to step down or call an early election.

So, on this week's Inquiry, we're asking 'How secure is Benjamin Netanyahu's leadership?'

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Technical Producer: Cameron Ward
Production Co-ordinator: Liam Morrey

Image credit: Reuters via BBC Images

THU 08:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgfxfhhvfl)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 08:32 Business Daily (w3ct5zbp)
Africa's video gaming boom

There are an estimated 200 million gamers on the African continent.

The industry is growing fast, and generating millions of dollars for gaming companies.

However, there's a problem - many gamers in Africa don't have access to the credit and debit cards needed for in app purchases.

We meet the fintech companies who think they've got a solution.

Produced and presented by Mo Allie

(Image: A woman gaming on her phone. Credit: Getty Images)

THU 08:50 Witness History (w3ct5yjt)
St Teresa of Avila's severed hand

After winning the Spanish Civil War in 1939, Franco's dictatorship began. During the war, he acquired St Teresa of Avila's severed hand and kept it for spiritual guidance, it was returned when he died in 1975.

The hand was initially stolen by General Franco's opposition from a convent in Ronda, but Franco's nationalist soldiers took it for themselves when they won the Battle of Malaga.

Sister Jenifer is the Mother Superior of the Church of Our Lady of Mercy, Ronda, where the hand is kept on display for people to see.

She tells Johnny l'Anson who St Teresa was, why her hand was cut off, and what made it special.

(Photo: Monument of Saint Teresa of Avila, Spain. Credit: digicomphoto/Getty Images)

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THU 09:32 The Documentary (w3ct6qpd)
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THU 10:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwtqng)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 10:06 The Explanation (w3ct6plb)
The Media Show: Building Trump's social media app

Donald Trump's social media platform, Truth Social, continues to make headlines with its public listing. Billy Boozer, its former Chief Product Officer, reveals what it was like setting

up the company with Trump. We're also joined by Prof Joshua Tucker and Prof Yini Zhang who has investigated how Trump has used Truth Social and X to drive news media attention.

The Executive Chairman of the Sky News Group, David Rhodes shares his plans for Sky News – and on his years as a senior TV news exec in New York.

Elon Musk has predicted that AI will surpass human intelligence within a year. OpenAI and Meta have also said that they're on the brink of releasing new AI models that will be capable of reason and planning. What will be the impact of these advanced AI models on the news media? We're joined by Madhumita Murgia, the AI Editor at the Financial Times, and author of a new book, Code Dependent, to discuss.

THU 10:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgfxfhj2xv)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 10:32 Happy News (w3ct5sp8)
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THU 11:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwvtdl)
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THU 11:06 The Newsroom (w172zbq6cervm1sx)
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THU 11:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgfxfhj6nz)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 11:32 The Global Story (w3ct6dsr)
Behind Baltimore's dangerous bridge recovery

There's no playbook for when a ship the size of the Eiffel Tower knocks over a bridge spanning more than two kilometres. The BBC's Bernd Debusmann Jr has been on the water with the divers picking through the wreckage of the Francis Scott Key Bridge. BBC News chief presenter Sumi Somaskanda has been talking to Maryland's key political players.

The two tell Adam Fleming about the jeopardy – for Baltimore and President Biden's leadership. The Global Story brings you trusted insights from BBC journalists worldwide. We're keen to hear from you, wherever you are in the world.

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This episode was made by Neal Razzell and Rachel Hagan. The technical producer was Michael Regaard. The assistant editor is Sergi Forcada Freixas and the senior news editor is Sam Bonham.

THU 12:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwtz4q)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 12:06 Outlook (w3ct5nxi)
The yellow house and the doctor who experimented on me

Evy Mages grew up in and out of foster care in 1970s and 80s Austria. But even when she started a new life in the US, she was haunted by traumatic memories of a strange yellow house high up in the Alps, where she had been placed as an eight-year-old. It took an idle internet search in her 50s to reveal that this was actually an institution called a 'Kinderbeobachtungsstation', or 'child-observation station', where vulnerable children were experimented on by a psychologist using shocking methods. She decided to step back into her past to uncover the full, disturbing truth of what happened there.

Evy's story first appeared in the New Yorker in 2023.

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(Photo: Evy Mages. Credit: Sammy Schwartzman)

THU 12:50 Witness History (w3ct5yjt)
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THU 13:32 The Food Chain (w3ct5xmk)
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THU 14:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwv6mz)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 14:06 Newshour (w172zb8sxyfs23y)
Myanmar military loses Thai border town

Ethnic Karen fighters in Myanmar say they've taken the town of Myawaddy, the latest rebel advance against the ruling military. Defeated troops are said to have fled across the border to Thailand.

Also in the programme: a billionaire property developer in Vietnam has been sentenced to death for corruption; and the new excavation at Pompeii that's uncovered some remarkable frescoes and mosaics from ancient Rome.

(File Photo: A Thai soldier sits in front of a road block to the Thailand-Myanmar border on December 19, 2021. Credit: Athit Perawongmetha/Reuters)

THU 15:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwvbd3)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 15:06 The Inquiry (w3ct5xh1)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:06 today]

THU 15:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgfxfhjpnh)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 15:32 World Business Report (w3ct6028)
Vietnamese billionaire sentenced to death for \$44bn fraud

Property tycoon Truong My Lan has been found guilty of embezzling from one of the country's largest banks for 11 years, and given a rare death sentence. We get the latest from our correspondent. And as the political crisis deepens in Myanmar, we hear the latest report from the United Nations which says the middle classes in the nation are at risk of being wiped out.

(Picture: Truong My Lan. Picture credit: STRINGER/EPA-EFE/REX/Shutterstock)

THU 16:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwvg47)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 16:06 BBC OS (w172zbhyn4zh36l)
Vietnamese billionaire sentenced to death

A property developer in Vietnam has been sentenced to death for her role in one of the biggest corruption cases in history. Truong My Lan was convicted of taking out \$44bn in loans from the Saigon Commercial Bank. We speak to our reporter from BBC Vietnamese who has been following the case.

The American football player OJ Simpson - who was acquitted of the murder his wife in one of the most high profile trials of the last century - has died. We look back at his life and the trial.

Portuguese bishops have set up a fund for financial compensation for the victims of sex abuse within the Roman Catholic Church. Our correspondent explains.

We speak to our reporter at the Bafta Games Awards about what's expected tonight.

As we continue to hear from the Sudanese who've fled the fighting, we bring together people in the UK, Egypt and Canada.

Presenter: Luke Jones.

(Photo: Vietnamese court sentences tycoon Truong My Lan to death, Ho Chi Minh, Vietnam, 11 Apr 2024. Credit: STRINGER/EPA-EFE/REX/Shutterstock)

THU 17:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gppwkwk)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 17:06 BBC OS (w172zbhyn4zh6yq)

OJ Simpson dies aged 76

Orenthal James Simpson rose to fame as a college footballer before playing in the NFL. In 1995, he was acquitted of the murder of his former wife Nicole Brown and a friend in a trial that gripped America. In 2008, he was sentenced to 33 years' imprisonment on charges of armed robbery. He was released in 2017. His family says he died of cancer. We look back at his life.

The Israeli military have said they're constructing a new direct land crossing into northern Gaza. Melanie Ward is CEO of Medical Aid for Palestinians. She's just back from Gaza and is live on OS from Cairo.

As we continue to hear from the Sudanese who've fled the fighting, we bring together people in the UK, Egypt and Canada.

Officials at a Canadian lab have admitted they knew its paternal tests were misidentifying babies' biological fathers. We find out what happened.

Ecuador was once known as an 'island of peace' for being a relatively safe, tourist paradise but is now one of the most violent countries in Latin America. We speak to our colleague Ana María Roura who has returned to her home country to see how it has changed.

Presenter: Luke Jones.

(Photo: OJ Simpson, arriving in London in 1996. Credit: Press Association)

THU 18:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gppwpmh)

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THU 19:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgf0gppw5n0)

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THU 19:32 Sport Today (w3ct5w5d)

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

THU 20:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gppwy3r)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 20:06 The Documentary (w3ct6ppd)

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THU 20:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgf0gppw9d4)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 20:32 Science In Action (w3ct5vck)

Bird flu in Antarctica

The highly pathogenic strain of bird flu, H5N1, has arrived on the continent. Australian bird specialist Megan Dewar, from the Federation University of Australia, has led a mission aboard the research ship the Australis.

Science in Action remembers physicist Peter Higgs 60 years after his Nobel prize winning theory of the Higgs particle.

The unfolding scandal of manipulated data behind claims of incredible room-temperature superconductivity. Science writer Dan Garisto has seen the details in a Rochester University internal investigation.

And the alga – single-celled seaweed – with superpowers. As well as capturing carbon from CO2 in the atmosphere, like other plants, this one can directly capture nitrogen too, essential for life, but which few organisms can do for themselves. We hear from the marine scientist who has revealed this evolutionary trick.

Presenter: Roland Pease
Producer: Jonathan Blackwell
Production Coordinator: Jana Bennett-Holesworth

(Image: KAPPA-FLU team selecting skua carcasses for post-mortem examination. Credit: Ben Wallis)

THU 21:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gppw1vw)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 21:06 Newshour (w172zb8sxyfsxbv)

OJ Simpson, who was cleared of murder, dies aged 76

Mr Simpson passed away at the age of 76. A sporting hero, film star and murder suspect, his fall from grace gripped and divided America. We speak to journalist Rolanda Watts, who covered his infamous trial.

Also on the programme: The US's top official for Haiti on charting a way out of the chaos; And the breathtaking new paintings found in the ancient city of Pompeii. (File Photo: O.J. Simpson, displaying gloves found by Los Angeles Police to the jury in 1995 during his murder trial, where he was acquitted. Credit: Reuters)

THU 22:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gppw5m0)

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THU 22:06 The Inquiry (w3ct5xh1)

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THU 22:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgf0gppw5m0)

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THU 22:32 The Food Chain (w3ct5xmk)

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THU 23:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gppw9c4)

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THU 23:06 The Newsroom (w172zbq6crvnhrq)

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THU 23:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgf0gppw9c4)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 23:32 World Business Report (w3ct604j)

European bank holds interest rates at 4%

As the European Central Bank holds interest rates steady at a record high of 4%, Vivienne Nunis asks whether the EU is ahead of the US in the race to reduce interest rates.

We examine the economic relationship between Japan and the United States - as the Japanese prime minister Fumio Kishida addresses the US Congress.

Plus in another Japan-US relationship issue, we talk about Shohei Ohtani, a baseball, a home run, and a woman who feels she's lost out on \$100,000 as a result.

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FRI 00:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gppw38)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 00:06 The Explanation (w3ct6plb)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:06 on Thursday]

FRI 00:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgf0gppw38)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 00:32 Happy News (w3ct5sp8)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:32 on Sunday]

FRI 01:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gppwjjvd)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 01:06 Business Matters (w172zbfc976t08)

South China Sea threat discussed as Biden hosts Kishida and Marcos

Joe Biden has pledged to protect the Philippines from any attack in the South China Sea. He made the comments at a White House summit with Philippine president Marcos and Japan's Prime Minister, Fumio Kishida. We look at the importance of the US economic relationship with Japan.

President Biden has also introduced new rules aimed at tightening gun control in America. We discuss the prospect of additional scrutiny on firearms sales in the US.

In Australia, demand for so-called granny flats is growing in Australia due to soaring rental costs. Nicole Gurran, Professor of Urban and Regional Planning in Sydney explains the current state of the housing market.

Vivienne Nunis is joined by Stefanie Yuen Thio, Joint Managing Partner of TSMF Law in Singapore. And Andy Uhler, Journalism Fellow at the University of Texas Energy Institute and Columbia University's Center on Global Energy Policy.

(Photo: President Biden Holds Trilateral Meeting With Japanese Prime Minister Fumio Kishida And Filipino President Ferdinand Marcos. Credit: Andrew Harnik/Getty Images)

FRI 02:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gppwvnlj)

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FRI 02:06 The Newsroom (w172zbq6crvnzv)

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FRI 02:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgf0gppwvnlj)

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FRI 02:32 Tech Life (w3ct5wly)

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FRI 03:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gppwvsn)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 03:06 Outlook (w3ct5nxl)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 on Thursday]

FRI 03:50 Witness History (w3ct5yjt)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 on Thursday]

FRI 04:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gppwv2s)

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FRI 04:06 The Newsroom (w172zbq6crvp3h3)

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FRI 04:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgf0gppwv2s)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 04:32 Heart and Soul (w3ct4pk4)

My journey beyond death

Following a dramatic train accident, David Ditchfield was dragged under a speeding train in Cambridgeshire and nearly lost his life. As he lay in hospital, just before being taken into surgery, he had an extraordinary spiritual experience characterised by overwhelming love, white light and spiritual beings. The experience awakened a previously hidden talent for painting and music. Despite his vision of angelic beings and a white tunnel of light, he doesn't view his life-changing spiritual awakening as a religious experience. He tells his remarkable story and meets the founder of Near Death Experience UK who too had a profound spiritual awakening while in a critical condition. Together, they share the astonishing changes they underwent and explore how their experiences relate to formal religion.

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Series Producer: Rajeev Gupta
Editor Helen Grady

Production Coordinator: Mica Nepomuceno

FRI 05:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwx0tx)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 05:06 Newsday (w172zbxjg33q4hh)

A year of war has had a devastating humanitarian impact across Darfur

The civil war in Sudan is nearly one year old - today we hear concerns that the hunger crisis across the country is much worse than feared

Japan, the Philippines and the United States say the are worried about what they call China's "dangerous and aggressive behaviour in the South China Sea"

OJ Simpson, the disgraced American idol whose murder trial was followed around the world, has died

And why a new fictional film about a civil war in America is touching a nerve

FRI 06:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwx411)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 06:06 Newsday (w172zbxjg33q87m)

War leaves many Sudanese in need of urgent assistance

The civil war in Sudan is nearly one year on -we hear concerns that the hunger crisis across the country is much worse than feared

Members of the UN Security Council fail to reach a consensus on a bid by Palestinians for a full UN membership

Another wave of Russian strikes against Ukraine's energy facilities destroys a large power plant near Kyiv-we hear from a Ukrainian politician

FRI 07:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwx8b5)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 07:06 Newsday (w172zbxjg33qczr)

One child dies every two hours in a displacement camp in Darfur

The civil war in Sudan is nearly one year old - today we hear how the hunger crisis across the country is much worse than feared

Ten years after nearly three hundred girls were abducted from Chibok, some are still missing. Our correspondent went to Chibok town to witness life there.

Concerns grow for a further escalation of situation in the Middle East after Iran threatened reprisals attacks on Israel

FRI 08:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwx29)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 08:06 HARDtalk (w3ct4p40)

Paul Caruana Galizia: Can his family get justice?

Stephen Sackur speaks to Paul Caruana Galizia, whose mother, Daphne, was a Maltese journalist who was assassinated for exposing endemic corruption and sleaze. Six years on, have her family won their fight for accountability and justice?

FRI 08:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgf0gpwx29)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 08:32 Business Daily (w3ct5z1n)

Business Daily meets: game designer Brenda Romero

Brenda Romero's breakthrough game Wizardry is legendary, and she's made and contributed to more than 50 titles since.

Now, with her own company in Ireland, what does she think is the key to a great game? And in a vulnerable time for the industry, what does she think its future holds?

(Picture: Brenda Romero. Credit: John Press photos)

Presenter: Steffan Powell
Producer: Izzy Greenfield

FRI 08:50 Witness History (w3ct5yd9)

Hiroo Onoda, Japan's last WW2 soldier to surrender

Hiroo Onoda was an Imperial Japanese Army intelligence officer who spent nearly 30 years in the Philippine jungle, believing World War Two was still going on.

Using his training in guerilla warfare, he attacked and killed people living on Lubang Island, mistakenly believing them to be enemy soldiers.

He was finally persuaded to surrender in 1974 when his former commander, Yoshimi Taniguchi, found him and gave him an order.

In a televised ceremony, Hiroo presented his sword to the then Philippine president Ferdinand Marcos.

President Marcos returned the sword and gave him a full presidential pardon and told him he admired his courage.

Hiroo died in January 2014 at the age of 91.

This programme was produced and presented by Vicky Farncombe, using BBC archive.

(Photo: Hiroo Onoda steps out of the jungle. Credit: Getty Images)

FRI 09:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwxhtf)

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FRI 09:06 The Newsroom (w172zbxq6crvpq6r)

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FRI 09:32 Science In Action (w3ct5vck)

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FRI 10:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwxmkk)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 10:06 Unexpected Elements (w3ct5q11)

Beyoncé, banjos and dancing chemistry

Beyoncé's new album tops the charts with a reappraisal of who can do country music and the Unexpected Elements team has a hoedown. Panellist Christine Yohannes unearths new research that changes our understanding of the origins of cowboys. Chhavi Sachdev has a thing or two to teach Beyoncé as she reveals why the banjo has it's characteristic twang and we meet a man with powerful chemistry - TikTok dance sensation Dr Andre Isaacs from the College of the Holy Cross in Massachusetts tells presenter Marnie Chesterton how dancing in his lab helps explain click chemistry.

We also hear how new species could be given names that refer to the locations they're found in, we discuss whether mining is causing the Earth to shrink and, of course, eclipses make an appearance. We shed some light on how an eclipse over 100 years ago helped prove Einstein's theory of relativity.

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FRI 11:32 The Global Story (w3ct6dw0)

What happened to Nigeria's kidnapped Chibok girls?

This weekend marks a decade since 276 schoolgirls were abducted by Boko Haram militants in Chibok, northern Nigeria. The world united in rage, with millions sharing the #bringbackourgirls campaign. Despite that, ten years later, many of the girls still haven't returned home. And Nigeria is reckoning with another wave of mass kidnappings.

Two BBC journalists - Yemisi Adegoke and Azeizat Olaoluwa - have recently visited Chibok, a town guarded on all sides by the military. They bring us the stories of the girls who escaped, the families still missing their daughters and the men repenting for their role in abduction.

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The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 12:06 Outlook (w3ct698j)

Outlook Mixtape: Big waves, blue birds and a band of mothers

The stories we love from Outlook this week.

For three decades, Hawaiian surfer Garrett McNamara travelled the world in search of ever bigger waves. Then he was invited to visit Nazaré, a small fishing town in Portugal, where he found the biggest and most powerful wave of them all. And when he surfed it, he made history.

Juan Villalba-Macías has spent decades trying to protect wildlife. He's gone undercover to scupper million-dollar, animal-trafficking deals. He's also rescued two stolen parrots, the last of their kind born in the wild, in the midst of a dictatorship. (Film clip from Rio/ Carlos Saldanha/ Blue Sky Studios & 20th Century Fox Animation)

Sofia Gatica was devastated when she lost her newborn baby to a mysterious illness, but she started to notice that she wasn't alone in her suffering. Sofia went door to door in her neighbourhood of Ituzaingó on the outskirts of Córdoba, Argentina, mapping out who was sick. She noticed a pattern and asked, was there a connection to the soybean fields next door? As Clayton Conn reports, Sofia formed a group called The Mothers of Ituzaingó who began a dangerous quest for answers.

Erika Cheung knew how to work hard, growing up in a one-bedroom trailer, she dreamed of pursuing her passion for science and helping others. So Erika was thrilled to land her first job out of university at a booming tech company promising a revolution in healthcare. Fronted by the glamorous and wealthy Elizabeth Holmes, Theranos claimed to have the technology to be able to tell from a few drops of blood whether someone had a range of diseases. That was not true. And it took Erika, one of their most junior employees, to blow the whistle – at great personal risk.

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FRI 14:06 Newshour (w172zbx8sxyfvz11)

Famine in Sudan "almost inevitable" warns aid agency

An aid agency working in Sudan has warned levels of hunger and malnutrition in Sudan after a year of civil war are much worse than previously thought. Médecins sans Frontières and other organisations say the breakdown of governance and

infrastructure mean a famine is now almost inevitable. The United Nations has said Sudan could become "the world's worst hunger crisis". We speak to an UN official in Darfur.

Also in the programme: fears are intensifying that Iran may be about to retaliate against Israel for the destruction of its consulate in Damascus in Syria last week; Researchers studying a dramatic supernova explosion say they're puzzled at how such a small star could have emitted the brightest burst of light ever recorded.

(Picture: A Sudanese baby whose refugee family comes from Darfur, receives treatment, at the hospital set up by the NGO Doctors Without Borders in Chad. Credit: EPA-EFE/REX/Shutterstock)

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FRI 15:32 World Business Report (w3ct5zs7)

The challenge to produce vaccines in Africa

Moderna has halted plans to build a Covid-19 plant in Kenya alleging the demand after the pandemic has fallen dramatically. Rahul Tandon explores the different challenges that keep Africa missing out on investments to develop vaccines and the consequence this has on the population.

Shareholders of United States Steel will vote on a planned takeover of the company by a Japanese firm. We hear why not everyone's happy with the deal.

(Picture: A doctor draws the Moderna coronavirus disease booster vaccine. Picture credit: REUTERS)

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FRI 16:06 BBC OS (w172zbhyn4zl03p)
Warning of food crisis in Sudan

Doctors Without Borders has warned levels of hunger and malnutrition in Sudan after a year of civil war are much worse than previously thought. MSF said one child was dying every two hours at a camp in North Darfur. We hear from people in the camp and speak to our correspondent.

We explain the diplomatic row between Ethiopia and Somalia and bring an audio journey with people across Somalia talking about their country.

We hear what happened when an Australian radio host let slip on air that his colleague was pregnant, the news that she had not yet announced. We speak to both of the presenters about the accidental announcement.

We have the latest on the rap beef between Drake, Kendrick Lamar and J Cole.

Presenter: Luke Jones.

(Photo: Sudan conflict fleeing refugees suffer from malnutrition and lack of water in Chad, Metche - 06 Apr 2024. Credit: STRINGER/EPA-EFE/REX/Shutterstock)

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FRI 17:06 BBC OS (w172zbhyn4zl3vt)
Fears of Iran attack on Israel grow

US officials told CBS news that Iran's attack could involve more than 100 drones and dozens of missiles, targeting Israeli military assets. Local media reports that Israel's prime minister is to meet top officials to prepare for a possible attack by Iran. We speak to our correspondent in Israel and to our reporter from BBC Persian.

The 20th anniversary of the BAFTA Game Awards, one of the biggest nights in the gaming calendar, took place on Thursday in London. Our reporter Laura Cress was there and brings the highlights.

We talk to music journalists about why the Coachella festival in the US has seen a slump in ticket sales.

We hear from a Paralympian who criticised Nike for using amputee mannequins to promote its products when it doesn't sell single trainers. We also get reaction from other amputees.

Presenter: Luke Jones.

(Photo: Israel's Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu is said to be meeting with top officials over a possible Iran attack. Credit: Reuters)

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FRI 19:32 Sport Today (w3ct5w0w)

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

FRI 20:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwyv0v)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 20:06 BBC OS Conversations (w3ct5rbc)

Sudan's war: One year on

Sudan has experienced a year of civil war. It's been described by the United Nations as "one of the worst humanitarian nightmares in recent history". Over the past 12 months, we've heard from people in Sudan living through the violence and destruction. More than 14,000 people have died and more than 8 million people have been driven from their homes.

In this edition, with Luke Jones and James Reynolds, we hear from Omnia, a recent college graduate, whose been separated from her family for a year. Her life stopped when the fighting began: "I have experienced displacement four times. I have experienced living in a war zone under bombings and shellings and mass shootings. Life has changed completely from what it was. But I would also say it's a year of resilience and strength that I did not know I had in me."

Another of our guests is Samreen. She is an aid worker in Sudan, herself displaced by the war. She describes how overwhelmed she can be by requests for help: "Knowing that you're an aid worker, they ask you for stuff, they ask you to flee the country, they ask you to get to other safer locations, they ask you to help them in asylum seeking and there's so little that we can do."

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FRI 20:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgf0gfhm697)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 20:32 CrowdScience (w3ct5rgw)

How do my ears sense direction?

How do we know where a sound is coming from?

Another chance to hear this ear-opening episode, exploring a question from CrowdScience listener Chiletso. One day, he heard his son bounce a ball and instantly knew the direction it was travelling. How?

Anand Jagatia sets out to discover what makes left, right, up and down sound so different.

First, he gets blindfolded, so Alan Archer-Boyd, former auditory scientist and lead engineer at BBC R&D, can put his

sound localisation skills to the test. It turns out that having two ears and pinnae, those flappy bits of cartilage on the side of your head, help a lot.

Professor Eric Knudsen shares how the barn owl's asymmetrical ears allow it to hunt mice, even in complete darkness.

And Anand uncovers how far he can push his own spatial hearing. Blind activist and researcher Thomas Tajo teaches him how to echolocate like a bat, and Dr Lore Thaler explains what is going on in the brain of experienced echolocators.

This programme was originally broadcast in March 2023.

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Image: Boy with hands at his ears
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FRI 21:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwyrrz)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 21:06 Newshour (w172zb8sxyfw17y)

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

FRI 22:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwz2j3)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 22:06 HARDtalk (w3ct4p40)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:06 today]

FRI 22:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgf0gfhmfsb)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 22:32 Heart and Soul (w3ct4pk4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 04:32 today]

FRI 23:00 BBC News (w172zgf0gpwz687)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 23:06 The Newsroom (w172zbq6crvrndk)

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

FRI 23:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgf0gfhmjm)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 23:32 World Business Report (w3ct5zvh)

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