SATURDAY 06 SEPTEMBER 2025

SAT 00:00 BBC News (w172zwwsmdvttwx)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 00:06 Unexpected Elements (w3ct72wh)

Punk rock science

A dinosaur with metre-long spikes has been discovered. The species, Spicomellus afer, is from the Jurassic Period and is the oldest example of a group of animals called ankylosaurs.

The scientists behind the research have dubbed the new dinosaur the 'punk rock dinosaur', which led the Unexpected Elements team to go out searching for the science on all things punk, rock, and heavy metal.

First up, we find out what other punks might be lurking in the fossil record. And meet a pair of unconventional molluscs.

Next up on the set list, we investigate the physics underpinning mosh pits and the implications this could have for crowd control.

We speak with Anirudh Patel, an astrophysicist from Columbia University, who is scouring deep space to find out more about the origins of heavy metals.

And we dig into the unexpected link between water pipes and IQ.

All that, plus many more Unexpected Elements.

Presenter: Marnie Chesterton, with Camilla Mota and Meral Jamal

Producers: Alice Lipscombe-Southwell, with Lucy Davies and Robbie Wojciechowski

SAT 01:00 BBC News (w172zwwsmdytyn1)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 01:06 Big Boss Interview (w172zrs7sx5v346)

US jobs market weakens further in August

We break down the latest US jobs report, which showed hiring in America stalled last month. We explain what that means for the Federal Reserve which has come under immense pressure from the White House to cut interest rates.

Plus: Russia's president Vladimir Putin says he wants to rekindle business relationships with the United States. But does the US president share that view? And will sanctions put a stop to that ambition before it even begins? We talk to a former US diplomat to Moscow for those answers.

We're on the ground in the US state of Georgia where immigration agents have arrested nearly 500 people during a raid on a Hyundai battery-production facility. It's the biggest workplace raid of President Donald Trump's second term.

Also, McDonald's is taking a stand on tipping. It says all restaurant workers should get a full minimum wage rather than relying on tips to boost a smaller amount of pay.

And we look at a growing list of senior executives who've hidden office romances and lost their jobs because of it.

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SAT 02:00 BBC News (w172zwwsmdvv2d5)

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SAT 02:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl7rm8tgdk)

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SAT 02:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxm24gjfnk)

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SAT 02:32 Stumped (w3ct6zjp)

From farm to fours: Meet South Africa's rising star Annerie Dercksen

Our Women's World Cup countdown continues, and this week we focus on South Africa. Alison Mitchell, Jim Maxwell and Charu Sharma are joined by all-rounder Annerie Dercksen who tells us about how she went from growing up on a farm and learning about cricket in the newspapers to being voted the ICC women's emerging cricketer of the year 2024. She also shares what it was like having Dane Van Niekerk as part of their training camp and how the team has been inspired by the Proteas winning the World Test Championship earlier this year.

We reflect on The Hundred final and debate whether Australian Adam Zampa should have made the 34,000 kilometre round trip to bowl 20 balls for the Oval Invincibles. Plus, with rumours and 'retirements' surrounding both the England and Australia teams ahead of the Ashes, we look at which team is faring better.

Photo: Annerie Dercksen of South Africa celebrates with teammate Anneke Bosch after Brooke Halliday of New Zealand (obscured) is caught out during the ICC Women's T20 World Cup Final 2024 match between South Africa and New Zealand at Dubai International Stadium on October 20, 2024 in Dubai, United Arab Emirates. (Photo by Francois Nel/Getty Images)

SAT 03:00 BBC News (w172zwwsmdyv649)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 03:06 Outlook (w3ct6wh9)

Outlook Mixtape: Wrestle-mania! A trilogy of takedowns

Today's Mixtape is all about the wild, outrageous world of wrestling and the people brave enough to take to the mat.

Mahavir Phogat has always been fanatical about wrestling. He did some amateur wrestling himself, but he did not reach the heights he had hoped to. So, dreaming of an Olympic gold medal, he decided to train his two daughters, Geeta and Babita, to be champion wrestlers.

Remedios La Misteriosa is a wrestler in the Bolivian city of El Alto. She is part of the indigenous Aymara people and when she wrestles she wears her traditional skirt. She started training to learn to defend herself, but has since become a star in the sport.

Former Harvard athlete Chris Nowinski found stardom after a reality TV show catapulted him into the world of pro wrestling. Performing as the obnoxious villain Chris Harvard, he worked alongside WWE superstars like Dwayne 'The Rock' Johnson and John Cena. Chris lived the dream, until one fateful match left him suffering from post-concussion syndrome. With his career seemingly at its end, Chris began researching sports-related head trauma and convincing athletes to donate their brains. His work helped shed new light on the dangers of impact sports.

Presenter: Asya Fouks

Producers: Marcia Veiga and Anna Lacey

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(Photo: Cassette tape. Credit: Getty Images)

SAT 03:50 Witness History (w3ct7448)

'How I sold my clothes and created \$5 billion Vinted empire'

In 2008, Lithuanian student Milda Mitkutė realised she had too many clothes when she was moving out.

She told her friend Justas Janauskas and together they came up with a website to sell them.

It later became Vinted, the online marketplace, which now has more than 500 million items listed for sale across 23 countries.

Milda speaks to Rachel Naylor and tells her that they originally forgot to add a 'buy' button.

Eye-witness accounts brought to life by archive. Witness History is for those fascinated by the past. We take you to the events that have shaped our world through the eyes of the people who were there.

For nine minutes every day, we take you back in time and all over the world, to examine wars, coups, scientific discoveries, cultural moments and much more.

Recent episodes explore everything from the death of Adolf Hitler, the first spacewalk and the making of the movie Jaws, to celebrity tortoise Lonesome George, the Kobe earthquake and the invention of superglue.

We look at the lives of some of the most famous leaders, artists, scientists and personalities in history, including: Eva Peron – Argentina's Evita; President Ronald Reagan and his famous 'tear down this wall' speech; Thomas Keneally on why he wrote Schindler's List; and Jacques Derrida, France's 'rock star' philosopher.

You can learn all about fascinating and surprising stories, such as the civil rights swimming protest; the disastrous D-Day rehearsal; and the death of one of the world's oldest languages.

(Photo: Milda Mitkutė. Credit: Vinted)

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SAT 05:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxm24gjswy)

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SAT 05:32 Trending (w3ct72tj)

Floods hit Texas, then came the cloud talk

On 4 July, just hours after flash floods hit the US state of Texas, killing more than 130 people, social media was inundated with unfounded theories about the causes of this tragedy.

The main allegation was that the extreme rainfall was somehow man-made, with many users blaming Rainmaker, a weather modification company based in California.

These baseless claims were quickly debunked by scientists.

And yet, online, calls for the company's CEO, Augustus Doricko, to be arrested, punished - or, more sinisterly, executed - continued to multiply.

Suggestions that sinister forces may be controlling the weather by spraying chemicals in the atmosphere may have once been the preserve of niche websites and forums. Not anymore.

As several US states consider banning weather modification and geoengineering, BBC Trending investigates how fringe conspiracy theories have gone mainstream.

Reporter: Marco Silva Editor: Flora Carmichael

SAT 05:50 More or Less (w3ct6vzb)

Do 11,000 sharks die every hour?

Hollywood has given sharks a terrible reputation. But in reality, the finned fish should be far more scared of us, than we of them.

Millions of sharks are killed in fishing nets and lines every year.

One statistical claim seems to sum up the scale of this slaughter – that 100 million sharks are killed every year, or roughly 11,000 per hour.

But how was this figure calculated, and what exactly does it mean?

We go straight to the source and speak to the researcher who worked it out, Dr Boris Worm, a professor in marine conservation at Dalhousie University in Canada.

Presenter: Lizzy McNeill Producer: Nicholas Barrett Series producer: Tom Colls Production coordinator: Brenda Brown Sound mix: Annie Gardiner Editor: Richard Vadon

SAT 06:00 BBC News (w172zwwsmdvvkcp)

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SAT 06:06 Weekend (w172zw882nj342n)

Trump rebrands Department of Defense as Department of War

US President Donald Trump has officially ordered that the Department of Defense be renamed the "Department of War. The move restores a name the agency last held in the 1940s.

Also in the programme: Celebrations to mark the 60th anniversary of The Sound of Music, widely regarded as one of the great popular classics of 20th century cinema, and; China's president Xi Jinping appeared alongside his Russian and North Korean counterparts, Vladimir Putin and Kim Jong-un. Olena Lennon, an expert on national security at the University of New Haven in Connecticut, joins us.

Presenter Julian Worricker is joined by Darya Dolzikova, a Senior Research Fellow at the Royal United Services Institute

defence think-tank in London specialising in nuclear proliferation and policy and Daniel Glaser, a neuroscientist and

(Photo: US President Trump press at the White House, Washington, USA - 05 Sep 2025. Francis Chung/EPA)

SAT 07:00 BBC News (w172zwwsmdvvp3t)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 07:06 Weekend (w172zw882ni37ts)

Trump renames defence ministry 'Department of War

The US President Donald Trump has signed an executive order changing the name of the Department of Defence to the Department of War. Dr. Kyle Longley, Executive Director of the Society for Military History at Chapman University in California, gives us the historical context.

Also in the programme: The Canadian province of Alberta has come under scrutiny around the world after a provincial government rule on banning books with 'explicit sexual material' has led to school districts banning such criticallyacclaimed novels as Margaret Atwood's The Handmaid's Tale: and the Venice Film Festival ends today. Long standing ovations have become a tradition at renowned international film festivals, but do they have any real significance and are they a guide to a film's quality?

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(Photo: Signage is replaced after Trump ordered return to the US 'War Department', in Washington. 6 September/ Reuters)

SAT 08:00 BBC News (w172zwwsmdvvsvv)

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SAT 08:06 Weekend (w172zw882nj3ckx)

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Also in the programme: The UK's deputy prime minister, Angela Rayner, has resigned from the government after admitting she should have paid more tax on a flat she bought earlier this year; and we discuss the inspiration behind brutalist architecture with Barnabas Calde, author of 'Raw Concrete: The Beauty of Brutalism'.

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(Photo:Signage is replaced after Trump ordered return to the US 'War Department' in Washington. Reuters, Jonathan Ernst)

SAT 09:00 BBC News (w172zwwsmdvvxm2)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 09:06 BBC OS Conversations (w3ct6rn0)

There's plenty of chat on social media about so-called 'grey divorce'. But are older people around the world really splitting up in record numbers?

The truth is, it's hard to be sure, because reliable figures on global divorce rates don't exist. Where research has been done most notably in the US - there's some evidence that rising numbers of people are deciding to go their separate ways later

We hear from three Americans, including 65 year-old Laura in Virginia. Her immediate feelings post break up - after almost 30 years of marriage - included loneliness and personal reappraisal.

"It was also a complete loss of my sense of identity," said Laura. "I had my ex husband's last name longer than I had my own name. I was a mother and my divorce coincided with my kids launching. So it was, okay, who am I now?

For 68 year-old Steven in North Carolina, who split from his husband eight years ago, new relationships also required

"It has taken time to rebuild that kind of trust on the emotional

level," he said, "and then taking your clothes off at 60 is different to taking your clothes off at 45!

Two women from Malaysia and South Africa also reveal what grey divorce is like from an adult child's point of view

Hosted by Rahul Tandon. Conversations by Luke Jones.

A Boffin Media production with producer Sue Nelson in partnership with the BBC OS team and producers Iqra Farooq and Laura Cress

(Photo: Divorcee and podcast host, Laura Stassi, Credit: Jenifer Morris Photography)

SAT 09:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxm24gk8wg)

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SAT 09:32 Pick of the World (w3ct7z57)

Have we gone cuckoo for bird impressions?

Contests in Hong Kong and New York to find the best bird impression, and the impression the pandemic had on birds themselves. Plus, the woman who fell in love with her sperm donor and the robots that explore the deep ocean.

SAT 09:50 Over to You (w3ct6xvr)

Covid and the story of a boat under lockdown

Lives Less Ordinary is the show that seeks out unusual stories from every corner of the globe. But what are the challenges of making an unprecedented eight-part series on one single story about a boat lockdown during Covid? We hear your views and we're joined by its series producer.

Plus it's a fond farewell to one of the BBC World Service's best known voices, Jackie Leonard.

Presenter Rajan Datar

Producer Howard Shannon.

A Whistledown production for the BBC World Service

SAT 10:00 BBC News (w172zwwsmdvw1c6)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 10:06 Not by the Playbook (w3ct8784) Man (still) in Motion

Every Hollywood box office success needs a great title track, and that's certainly true of hit 1980's coming of age film St Elmo's Fire, Demi Moore, Rob Lowe, Andie MacDowell and

the rest of the "Brat Pack" all gave suitably good performances, but the most memorable part of the film was undoubtably the title track. St Elmo's Fire (Man in Motion) It reached the top of the US billboard charts in September 1985 and represented singer songwriter John Parr's most successful track. Forty years later people are still singing the song, but most people don't know about the hidden and surprising inspiration behind the song. And it has nothing to do with the film!

We hear from both performer John Parr and the man who inspired the song, Canadian para athlete Rick Hansen

Plus other remarkable "Men in Motion" including Olympic medalist Matt Richardson who has just broken the record to become the fastest man on a bike.

Janet Guthrie became the first woman to qualify for the Indianapolis 500 - the biggest race in American motorsport. Guthrie, a former aerospace engineer, had faced opposition and scepticism from male drivers and some sections of the press

Photo: A view of the Original Motion Picture title track of Columbia Pictures movie "St. Elmo's Fire" in 1985. (Credit: Michael Ochs Archives/Getty Images)

SAT 11:00 BBC News (w172zwwsmdvw53b)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 11:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl7rm8vk3q)

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SAT 11:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxm24gkjcq)

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SAT 11:32 Good Bad Billionaire (w3ct7q8v)

Martha Stewart: The original lifestyle influencer

Martha Stewart revolutionised home entertaining with her recipes, home decor and TV shows, becoming one of the

world's most successful women in business. Known as the ultimate homemaker and the "original lifestyle influencer". she's also the USA's first ever self-made female billionaire. But while the entrepreneur made her fortune as a domestic goddess Martha Stewart is no trad wife. It took more than crafts and cookbooks to make her fortune. And then it all came crashing

BBC business editor Simon Jack and journalist Zing Tsjeng are back with a new season of Good Bad Billionaire. In this episode, they're exploring the life of Martha Stewart, charting the lifestyle mogul's career, from her influence over millions of American homes, to her time in prison, and her ultimate comeback - as a star of social media and the subject of a Netflix documentary, all with Snoop Dogg at her side. Then they decide if they think she's good, bad, or just another

Good Bad Billionaire is the podcast exploring the lives of the super-rich and famous, tracking their wealth, philanthropy business ethics and success. There are leaders who made their money in Silicon Valley, on Wall Street and in high street fashion. From iconic celebrities and CEOs to titans of technology, the podcast unravels tales of fortune, power, economics, ambition and moral responsibility before inviting you to make up your own mind: are they good, bad or just another billionaire?

SAT 12:00 BBC News (w172zwwsmdvw8vg)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 12:06 World Book Club (w3ct74s3)

Arthur Conan Dovle - The Hound of the Baskervilles

Join us for a special episode of World Book Club as we journey into the fog-shrouded moors of Devon to explore The Hound of the Baskervilles by Arthur Conan Doyle-arguably the most iconic and enduring novel in the Sherlock Holmes canon. First published in 1902, this gothic masterpiece has captivated readers for over a century and remains a cornerstone of detective fiction.

Harriett Gilbert is joined by internationally bestselling crime writer Denise Mina whose books include Three Fires, and The Good Liar and Dr Mark Jones, co-presenter of The Doings of Doyle podcast and editor of The Sherlock Holmes Journal. Together, they'll be answering your questions about The Hound of the Baskervilles and discussing Sherlock Holmes's lasting influence on crime and detective fiction.

Recorded in front of a live audience at Topping & Company Booksellers in Edinburgh during the Edinburgh Festival, this episode is a treat for mystery lovers everywhere. Expect lively debate as the panel considers whether all great fictional detectives need to be a little insufferable, whether the novel's gothic atmosphere has had more impact on the genre than Holmes's famed deductive reasoning—and why the spectral hound continues to haunt readers' imaginations more than a century after it first appeared.

SAT 13:00 BBC News (w172zwwsmdvwdll)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 13:06 Newshour (w172zss7tbd0k56)

Israel urges residents of Gaza City to evacuate

Israel's military has urged all residents of Gaza City to evacuate to what it calls a humanitarian zone in the south, as it expands its military operation in the territory. For a second day running it's struck and destroyed a high-rise block in the territory's largest urban area. Israel says the tower was being used by Hamas. The militants deny this

Also, totalitarianism in the age of Donald Trump, we hear more about the impact his policies are having on science.

And The Sound of Music at sixty!

(Photo: Smoke and dust fill the air following an Israeli airstrike on the Mushtaha Tower in the west of Gaza City, Gaza Strip, 05 September 2025. Credit: EPA)

SAT 14:00 BBC News (w172zwwsmdvwjbq)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 14:06 Sportsworld (w172ztqp3x4j4q5)

Live Sporting Action

Sportsworld will have live Women's Super League commentary of Arsenal against top-flight debutants London City Lionesse Lee James will be joined by former England and Liverpool striker Natasha Dowie to preview the WSL season. Hear from

Nigeria's Chiamaka Nnadozie after she made the move to the WSL by joining Brighton & Hove Albion.

Lee will be joined by her Nigeria teammate Ashleigh Plumptre and England's Esme Morgan to reflect on their Africa Cup of Nations and Euros wins

They'll also be discussion around the men's World Cup qualifiers with key games in Africa and South America. Away from football, it's the final of the women's US Open singles, the final group games of the Women's Rugby World Cup and the Italian Formula One Grand Prix.

With the start of the World Athletics Championships just a week away, there's a brand new episode of The Warm Up Track, as our team of Ed Harry and Ade Adedoyin chat to United States pole vaulter Sam Kendricks, who won silver behind Mondo Duplantis at the Paris Olympics

Image: Victoria Pelova and Chloe Kelly of Arsenal celebrate victory at full-time following the UEFA Women's Champions League final match between Arsenal WFC and FC Barcelona at Estadio Jose Alvalade on May 24, 2025 in Lisbon, Portugal. (Photo by David Ramos/Getty Images)

SAT 18:00 BBC News (w172zwwsmdvx0b7)

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SAT 18:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl7rm8wdbm)

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SAT 18:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxm24glclm)

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SAT 18:32 Trending (w3ct72tj)

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SAT 18:50 More or Less (w3ct6vzb)

[Repeat of broadcast at 05:50 today]

SAT 19:00 BBC News (w172zwwsmdvx42c)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 19:06 The Inquiry (w3ct7230)

How much of a threat is satellite warfare?

"There is no longer any debate that space is a war fighting

These were the words of Commander General Stephen Whiting from the US government's Space Command at a conference earlier this year

China, the US, India and Russia have tested anti-satellite weapons in space, and technology is blurring the lines between civilian and military satellites.

But will there be war in space?

Joining us to discuss the threat of satellite warfare are: Dr Raji Rajagopalan, a resident senior fellow with the Australian Strategic Policy Institute in Canberra; Juliana Suess, an associate with the German Institute for International and Security Affairs; Saadia Pekkanen, professor at the University of Washington in Seattle, USA and Dr Bleddyn Bowen is an associate professor of Astro politics with the Space Research Centre at Durham University in the UK.

Presenter: Charmaine Cozier Producer: Vicky Farncombe Researcher: Maeve Schaffer Technical producer: Nicky Edwards Production Coordinator: Tammy Snow Editor: Tara McDermott

Image: Getty Images

SAT 19:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxm24glhbr)

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SAT 19:32 The Documentary (w3ct87mw)

Xi, Kim and Putin: A new world alliance?

Celia Hatton explores the unprecedented show of unity from China, North Korea and Russia, Are the leaders of these nuclear nations just grandstanding or should the West be worried?

Image: North Korean leader Kim Jong Un and Russian President Vladimir Putin walk with Chinese President Xi Jinping as they attend a military parade marking the 80th anniversary of the end of World War Two, in Beijing, China, 3 September 2025 (Credit: KCNA via Reuters)

SAT 20:00 BBC News (w172zwwsmdyx7th)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 20:06 The Arts Hour (w3ct6ztq)

Writer and comedian Bill Posley

Nikki Bedi talks to US writer and comedian Bill Posley about his one-man show, The Day I Accidentally Went To War and is joined by cultural critic, Anil Sinanan.

Hollywood star Orlando Bloom reveals how he prepared for his latest role as a boxer in The Cut.

Brazilian performer Edgar Jacques talks about his immersive theatre show, Another Sight.

Grammy award-winning American singer Gregory Porter on how his mother influenced his music

Oscar winning British filmmaker Christopher Nolan reflects on why some of the best directors have an advertising background.

Canadian author Madeleine Thien talks about her latest novel, The Book of Records

And the multi-talented Australian star Tim Minchin on his new

Main image: Bill Posley Photo credit: Kaitlin Saltzman

SAT 21:00 BBC News (w172zwwsmdvxckm)

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SAT 21:06 Newshour (w172zss7tbd1i47)

Israel destroys another high rise building in Gaza

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Also in the programme: the Universal Postal Union says deliveries to the United States have plunged eighty percent in a week because of uncertainty over new tariff laws; Tesla offers Elon Musk a trillion-dollar pay package; and celebrating 60 years of the movie 'The Sound of Music'.

(Photo:The Sussi Tower is the second Gaza City high-rise to be destroyed in as many days. Credit: Getty Images)

SAT 22:00 BBC News (w172zwwsmdvxh9r)

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SAT 22:06 Not by the Playbook (w3ct8784)

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SAT 23:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl7rm8x028)

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SAT 23:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxm24glzb8)

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SAT 23:32 This Is Africa (w3ct72dc) Wally Seck

Wally Seck is one of Senegal's most popular musicians - his nickname is the People's Singer, because he has huge appeal with young audiences. He's also sometimes called the "prince of African pop", acknowledging that his countryman Youssou N'Dour is still the king.

His father was Thione Seck, a famous Senegalese musician. who performed with Orchestre Baobab, but later formed his own band, Raam Daan.

Wally is rooted in Senegal's Mbalax sound but mixes it with Afro-pop and has released intentionally international facing albums. He has collaborated with big names in Afrobeats including Wizkid from Nigeria and Eddy Kenzo from Uganda. He has also released songs with US artists Chris Brown and Jason Derulo.

Amongst Wally Seck's most recent hits is Confuse, which has racked up 48 million views on YouTube so far. Wally Seck's most recent album Entre Nous, which means Between Us, dropped in March 2025.

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SUN 00:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxm24gm32d)

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SUN 00:32 The Documentary (w3ct80jm)

Germany's timber detectives

On the outskirts of Hamburg, Dr Gerald Koch is surrounded by wooden objects - chairs, board games, paint brushes - ready for inspection. His team of scientists at the Thünen Institute of Wood Research are known as the timber detectives. They spend their days putting wood samples under the microscope to find out where they have come from, and if they are suspect.

Berlin-based environmental journalist Becca Warner explores the ongoing problem of illegal deforestation.

Why is it proving so hard to tackle, despite tightening EU regulations? What are the consequences for those living in Papua New Guinea, where much of this timber originates? And what makes this group of German scientists so important in the battle to protect the world's forests?

Presenter: Becca Warner Producer: Tom Pooley

A 4 Kicks production for BBC World Service

Image: Gerald Koch and Becca Warner inspect timber samples (Credit: Tom Pooley)

This programme has been edited for clarity.

SUN 01:00 BBC News (w172zwwsmdvxvk4)

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SUN 01:06 The Inquiry (w3ct7230)

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SUN 01:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxm24gm6tj)

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SUN 01:32 Trending (w3ct72ti)

[Repeat of broadcast at 05:32 on Saturday]

SUN 01:50 Sporting Witness (w3ct7zs2)

Oscar De La Hoya: 'I knocked him down, he knocked me down'

In 1999, reigning WBC welterweight champion Oscar De La Hoya - the "golden boy" of boxing - was facing criticism over the quality of the opponents he fought.

One match changed all that - a Las Vegas showdown with Ike Quartey, from Ghana. "My strategy was solely to make it a dogfight, to make it entertaining, to shut up the doubters all over the world," said La Hoya.

The Mexican American champ relives the bout with Mark Wilberforce

Eye-witness accounts brought to life by archive and testimony. Sporting Witness is for those fascinated by sporting history. We take you to the events that have shaped the sports world through the eyes of the people who were there. For nine minutes, you become a fan in the stands as we take you back in time to examine memorable victories and agonising defeats from all over the world. You'll hear from people who have achieved sporting immortality, or those who were there as incredible sporting moments unfolded.

Recent episodes explore the forgotten football Women's World Cup, the plasterer who fought a boxing legend, international football's biggest ever beating and the man who swam the Amazon river. We look at the lives of some of the most famous F1 drivers, tennis players and athletes as well as people who've had ground-breaking impact in their chosen sporting field, including: the most decorated Paralympian, the woman who was the number 1 squash player in the world for nine years, and the

first figure skater to wear a hijab. You can learn all about fascinating and surprising stories, such as the tennis player who escaped the Nazis, how a man finally beat a horse in a race, and how the FIFA computer game was created.

(Photo: Ike Quartey (right) throws a right puch at Oscar De La Hoya (left) in Las Vegas in 1999. Credit: Al Bello /Allsport via Getty Images.)

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SUN 02:32 Health Check (w3ct6vjs)

Have we found a better alternative to aspirin?

Millions of us take aspirin daily to ward off heart attack or stroke, but a new study has found an alternative blood thinner, clopidogrel, could be more effective. We find out how it compares.

An oral health check-up at least two weeks before surgery has shown to reduce the risk of post-operative infections such as pneumonia as well as reduce the length of a patients' hospital stay. Dr Kristina Wanyonyi-Kay Research Programme Leader at The Healthcare Improvement Studies Institute at the University of Cambridge assesses what this Japanese study tells is about the connection between oral health and the rest of our bodies.

The Africa CDC and WHO have just launched ambitious targets to cut Cholera by 90% across Africa. Global health journalist Andrew Green assesses if this target is likely to be met with the measures proposed.

We meet a Chilean football team who've all had organ transplants. They're trying to raise awareness and improve the number of donors in the country. Our reporter Jane Chambers went to Santiago to find out more.

Could music help or worsen travel sickness? A study in China found happy music improved symptoms whilst sad music made them worse

Presenter: Claudia Hammond

Producers: Katie Tomsett & Hannah Robins

SUN 03:00 BBC News (w172zwwsmdvy31d)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 03:06 World Book Club (w3ct74s3)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 on Saturday]

SUN~04:00~BBC~News~(w172zwwsmdvy6sj)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 04:06 From Our Own Correspondent (w3ct6trx) China's vision of a new world order

Pascale Harter introduces stories from China, Afghanistan, Chile and Spain.

In Beijing this week, Xi Jinping showed off the Chinese military's newest weaponry - and showcased his nation's growing diplomatic clout too. As he walked with Russia' President Putin and North Korea's Supreme Leader Kim Jong Un in Tiananmen Square, BBC China correspondent Laura Bicker was watching on.

Afghanistan's recent earthquake and aftershocks killed at least 1400 people. As homes, roads and wells crumbled to dust, help was slow to reach affected villages, and international aid isn't likely to arrive quickly - as donor nations are wary of handing money to its Taliban government. Yogita Limaye saw in Jalalabad how the Talibans' strict social rules were applied to female survivors of the disaster.

Copper mining is a mainstay of Chile's economy - and demand for the red metal will only rise as more and more of the world's energy usage goes electric. But getting it out of the ground is often a highly polluting process. Robin Markwell recently visited Chiquicamata, in the Atacama desert - a settlement of 25,000 people which went from boom town to ghost town after it was declared too toxic to live in.

This summer Spain has endured some of its worst wildfires in

recent years. Even in Galicia - a region sometimes nicknamed 'the Ireland of Spain' for its heavy rains and green fields - blazes have ripped across the landscape. This part of the country is also home to Europe's largest surviving herds of wild horses and it turns out they can help limit the spread of the fires. But for how long? John Murphy went to find out.

Producer: Polly Hope Editor: Richard Fenton-Smith Production Co-ordinator: Rosie Strawbridge

SUN 04:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxm24gml1x)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 04:32 Good Bad Billionaire (w3ct7q8v)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:32 on Saturday]

SUN 05:00 BBC News (w172zwwsmdvybjn)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 05:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl7rm8xqk1)

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SUN 05:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxm24gmpt1)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 05:32 The Documentary (w3ct80jm)

[Repeat of broadcast at 00:32 today]

SUN 06:00 BBC News (w172zwwsmdvyg8s)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 06:06 Weekend (w172zw882nj60zr)

Israel continues bombardment of Gaza

The Israeli army has destroyed another high-rise building in Gaza City. As local residents are urged to evacuate, we keep track of the movement of people with Tess Ingram of the aid agency UNICEF.

Also in the programme: a review of last week's strike by the US on a boat alleged to be trafficking drugs from Venezuela; and the American women honouring the legacy of the World War Two icon Rosie the Riveter.

Presenter Julian Worricker is joined by journalist and author Michela Wrong and Steffen Ludke, UK correspondent for the German magazine Der Speigel.

(Photos: Palestinians inspect the site of an Israeli air strike that destroyed a residential building in Gaza City on 6 September 2025. Credit: REUTERS/Dawoud Abu Alkas)

SUN 07:00 BBC News (w172zwwsmdvyl0x)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 07:06 Weekend (w172zw882nj64qw)

Israel destroys high-rise building in Gaza

Residents of Gaza City are urged to leave as the Israeli Defence Forces continue their attacks. We hear the latest on the movement of people from Tess Ingram, representative of the aid agency UNICEF.

Also in the programme: a look ahead to the confidence vote which the French prime minister will face on Monday; and attempts to repopulate the 'model socialist city' of Eisenhuttenstadt in East Germany.

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(Photo: Palestinians flee prior to Israeli air strike in Gaza City on 6 September 2025. Credit: MOHAMMED SABER/EPA/Shutterstock)

SUN 08:00 BBC News (w172zwwsmdvyps1)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 08:06 Weekend (w172zw882nj68h0)

Vatican to canonise first millennial sain

Carlo Acutis, an Italian who died of leukaemia at 15, will be canonised on Sunday. We hear from the guardian of his remains, Monsignor Anthony Figueiredo.

Also in the programme, Russia targets the Ukrainian capital Kyiv with a barrage of missiles; New York Times journalist David Phillips on what he's discovered about a secret mission US navy seals mounted in North Korea six years ago; and a new exhibition about the celebrated British spy novelist John le

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(Photo: A person holds a picture depicting Carlo Acutis, a British-born Italian boy who will become the first millennial to be made a Catholic saint in a ceremony led by Pope Leo XIV. Credit: REUTERS/Guglielmo Mangiapane)

SUN 09:00 BBC News (w172zwwsmdvytj5)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN **09:06 From Our Own Correspondent (w3ct6trx)** [Repeat of broadcast at 04:06 today]

SUN 09:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxm24gn5sk)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 09:32 The Food Chain (w3ct70yx) Should I eat breakfast?

High prices, busy lives and the rise of intermittent fasting mean more people are skipping breakfast. This week, Ruth Alexander speaks to three experts in nutrition about whether that matters. She finds out what it's best to eat for your first meal of the day and when is best to have it.

Experts Courtney Peterson, a researcher in intermittent fasting and associate professor at the Harvard TH Chan School of Public Health in the United States. Professor Alexandra Johnstone, a nutrition scientist based at The Rowett Institute at the University of Aberdeen in Scotland snd Marianella Herrera, an associate professor in public health nutrition at Central University of Venezuela and visiting lecturer at Framingham State University in the US, share their insights.

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

Producer: Izzy Greenfield

Image: A bowl full of cereal and a spoon (credit: Getty)

SUN 10:00 BBC News (w172zwwsmdvyy89)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 10:06 People Fixing The World (w3ct80hp) Flower power

In India, flower waste from temples poses a unique environmental problem - generating nearly a billion tonnes of organic garbage each year. These flowers end up in water bodies or landfills, affecting aquatic life and soil health. Chhavi Sachdev in India explores some innovative solutions that deal with this fragrant, sacred garbage.

A Just Radio production.

SUN 10:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxm24gn9jp)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 10:32 The Fifth Floor (w3ct70td)

Colombia's cocaine submarines

Deep inside the Colombian Amazon hi-tech submarines are being built. When it comes to making the cocaine trade more profitable, there's nothing narco-traffickers aren't willing to try. Some of the solutions they're reportedly employing sound like something out of the American TV series Breaking Bad: GPS-trackers, remotely operated submarines and recruiting highly specialised scientists. Reporter José Carlos Cueto of BBC Mundo has been investigating the new trends and technologies used by cartels in Colombia and abroad.

Labubu dolls, the elf-like plush toys from the Chinese toy maker Pop Mart, seem to have taken the world by storm. Singer Rihanna had one clipped to her bag, influencer Kim Kardashian shared her collection of 10 dolls on Instagram, and former England football captain Sir David Beckham also shared a photo of a Labubu, given to him by his daughter. So, what's behind this craze? Fan Wang reports from Singapore.

From the US to the Middle East, sand and dust storms have recently swept across many parts of the world, colouring the skies and leaving people with breathing problems. These storms

traditionally originate in vast deserts. However, scientists believe that climate change means more people could be affected - with desertification and melting glaciers, exposing more dust. Maria Zaccaro, a BBC journalist reporting for the Global Journalism Science and Climate team, finds out more.

Mumbai in India is one of the most densely populated cities in the world - and it's also the perfect habitat for leopards. BBC Marathi recently posted a video on their YouTube channel, showing these majestic wild cats strolling down residential streets and even entering people's homes. In the past, there were several reports of human-animal conflict, including some deadly attacks. But since 2022 there have been no accidents at all. So how did people and leopards manage to find a way to live together in harmony? Reporter Mayuresh Konnur has the

This episode of The Documentary comes to you from The Fifth Floor, the show at the heart of global storytelling, with BBC journalists from all around the world.

This is an EcoAudio certified production.

(Photo: Faranak Amidi. Credit: Tricia Yourkevich.)

SUN 11:00 BBC News (w172zwwsmdvz20f)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 11:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl7rm8yg0t)

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SUN 11:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxm24gnf8t)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 11:32 Trending (w3ct72tj)

[Repeat of broadcast at 05:32 on Saturday]

SUN 11:50 More or Less (w3ct6vzb)

[Repeat of broadcast at 05:50 on Saturday]

SUN 12:00 BBC News (w172zwwsmdyz5rk)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 12:06 BBC OS Conversations (w3ct6rn0)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:06 on Saturday]

SUN 12:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxm24gnk0y)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 12:32 The Documentary (w3ct87mw)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:32 on Saturday]

SUN 13:00 BBC News (w172zwwsmdvz9hp)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 13:06 Newshour (w172zss7tbd3g29)

Russia launches largest aerial bombardment of Ukraine

Russia has launched its largest aerial bombardment of Ukraine of the war, firing over 800 missiles and drones into the territory. The attack killed at least three people and has hit a government compound for the first time.

We get the latest from Kyiv and speak to a member of Ukraine's parliament.

Also in the programme: US President Trump threatens to send the national guard to Chicago, after deploying troops in two other major cities; and the Catholic Church's first saint from the Millennial generation.

(Photo: smoke billowing over the Ukrainian capital of Kyiv, after a Russian hit, Credit: Shutterstock / Dolzhenko)

SUN 14:00 BBC News (w172zwwsmdvzf7t)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 14:06 The Climate Ouestion (w3ct702b)

Will there be a solar power boom in Africa?

Africa gets a world beating amount of sunshine — but has just 1% of the world's solar panels.

Over half the continent still lives without electricity, stalling progress and holding back people's lives. But change may be coming — thanks to a surge in solar imports from China.

New data from energy think tank EMBER shows a 60% jump in solar panel shipments to Africa in the past year. If installed, they could generate 15 GW - nearly doubling Africa's current solar capacity.

It's not just the biggest energy users like South Africa, Nigeria, and Algeria. Countries like Liberia, DRC, Benin, Angola, and Ethiopia have tripled their imports.

So, is this the start of a solar-powered revolution on the

Hosts Graihagh Jackson and Jordan Dunbar speak to Dr Rose Mutiso, Science Advisor at the Energy for Growth Hub and Founder of the African Tech Futures Lab

Got a question? Email us: theclimatequestion@bbc.com

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SUN 14:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxm24gnsj6)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 14:32 Happy News (w3ct6tyq)

The Happy Pod: The 'game changing' test for ovarian cancer

A new blood test could dramatically improve survival rates for women with ovarian cancer by detecting it much sooner. The researchers tell us it's a game changer that could go on to save tens of thousands of lives around the world every year.

Also: we meet the female Muslim jockey breaking new ground and inspiring the next generation. Khadijah Mellah has just made her amateur debut.

Plus the woman who underwent a rare triple organ transplant talks about the joy of getting back to normal life; how a hand-cranked washing machine is saving thousands of people from hours of back breaking work; football's Homeless World Cup; and why a member of indie band Kasabian is opening a nev music venue in a tiny Welsh town.

Our weekly collection of inspiring, uplifting and happy news from around the world.

Presenter: Bernadette Kehoe, Music composed by Iona Hampson

Image credit: University of Manchester

SUN 15:00 BBC News (w172zwwsmdyzjzy)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 15:06 Sportsworld (w172ztap3x4m5cd)

Live Sporting Action

There's no live Premier League commentary on Sunday Sportsworld this week, but there's still plenty of football discussion and analysis, as we approach the business end of qualifying for next year's World Cup in the United States,

The Sportsworld team will also reflect on the day's action in the Women's Super League, and head to Egypt to assess the impact and legacy of Mohamed Salah in his home nation, tracing his roots from the village of Nagrig to a global icon with Liverpool.

There will also be a preview to the World Athletics Championships, which get underway in Tokyo next Saturday. and bring you the latest episode of The Warm Up Track, featuring Olympic pole vault bronze medallist Emmanouil Karalis and US sprint hurdler Cordell Tinch, who ran the joint fourth fastest men's 110m hurdles time in history earlier this

Plus, we'll discuss the opening weekend of the new NFL season, and head to New York to look ahead to the men's singles final at the US Open tennis.

Image: Armand Duplantis of Team Sweden competes in the Men's Pole Vault Qualification on day eight of the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games at Olympic Stadium on July 31, 2021 in Tokyo, Japan. (Photo by Patrick Smith/Getty Images)

SUN 19:00 BBC News (w172zwwsmdw00zg)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 19:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl7rm8zdzv)

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SUN 19:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxm24gpd7v)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service

SUN 19:32 The Documentary (w3ct80hy)

The second map

We remember the attack on Pearl Harbour and the atomic bombing of Japan during World War Two. Yet hundreds of thousands of British and Allied soldiers fought for years on the Asian and Pacific fronts against the Japanese in a brutal war so why don't we remember it better today? 'The Second Map' charts key moments in this other, lesser known war to mark the 80th anniversary of VJ day, through remarkable audio testimonies that have never been broadcast before, of soldiers and civilians - on all sides.

SUN 20:00 BBC News (w172zwwsmdw04ql)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 20:06 Unexpected Elements (w3ct72wh)

[Repeat of broadcast at 00:06 on Saturday]

SUN 21:00 BBC News (w172zwwsmdw08gq)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 21:06 Newshour (w172zss7tbd4f1b)

Russia hits main government building in Kyiv

Russia has fired more than 800 missiles and drones at Ukraine. hitting the main government building in Kyiv - the first time in the war that a Ukrainian government headquarters has been directly hit. We speak to a Ukrainian MP and get reaction from

Also on the programme: an Italian teenager has become the first millennial saint; and a total lunar eclipse has been taking place across the world, we'll hear from East Africa - one of the best

(Photo: Smoke rising over the buildings housing Ukraine's cabinet in central Kyiv. Credit: STATE EMERGENCY SERVICE OF LIKEAINE HANDOUT/EPA/Shutterstock)

SUN 22:00 BBC News (w172zwwsmdw0d6v)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 22:06 The Climate Question (w3ct702b)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:06 today]

SUN 22:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxm24gprh7)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service

SUN 22:32 Pick of the World (w3ct7z57)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:32 on Saturday]

SUN 22:50 Over to You (w3ct6xvr) [Repeat of broadcast at 09:50 on Saturday]

SUN 23:00 BBC News (w172zwwsmdw0hyz) The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 23:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl7rm8zwzc)

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SUN 23:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxm24gpw7c) The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 23:32 The Fifth Floor (w3ct70td) [Repeat of broadcast at 10:32 today]

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MON 00:00 BBC News (w172zwwsmdw0mq3)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 00:06 From Our Own Correspondent (w3ct6trx)

[Repeat of broadcast at 04:06 on Sunday]

MON 00:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxm24gpzzh)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service

MON 00:32 Science In Action (w3ct6vft)

Why is Afghanistan so vulnerable to earthquakes?

Despite the relatively low magnitude, earthquakes in Afghanistan this week have left more than 1000 dead. Afghan researcher Zakeria Shnizai from the University of Oxford unpicks some of the main causes of the country's vulnerability to earthquakes.

Also this week, we talk to the climate scientist who led a 400+ page rebuttal to the US Department of Energy's report on climate change.

We hear about research which has mapped the activity of over 600,000 neurons in 279 regions of the mouse brain to learn more about how decisions are made.

And we get the latest updates on 31/ATLAS, the latest interstellar comet streaking its way across our solar system, just before it disappears behind the sun.

Presenter: Roland Pease Producer: Ella Hubber

Production Coordinator: Jana Bennett-Holesworth

(Image: Magnitude 6.0 earthquake strikes eastern Afghanistan. Credit: Anadolu via Getty Images).

MON 01:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp54lqd)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 01:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl83wl3zqs)

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MON 01:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfdrtyzs)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 01:32 Discovery (w3ct6swd)

The Life Scientific: Sir Magdi Yacoub

What does it take to earn the nickname, 'The Leonardo da Vinci of heart surgery'?

That's the moniker given to today's guest - a man who pioneered high-profile and often controversial procedures, but also helped drive huge medical progress; carrying out around 2,000 heart transplants and 400 dual heart-lung transplants during his 60-year career

Sir Magdi Yacoub is Emeritus Professor of Cardiothoracic Surgery at Imperial College London, and Director of Research at Harefield Hospital's Magdi Yacoub Institute. Inspired by a surgeon father and impacted by the tragic early death of his aunt from a heart condition, his medical career includes various surgical firsts alongside numerous research projects, to further our understanding of and ability to treat heart disease. He headed up the teams that discovered it is possible to reverse heart failure, and that successfully grew part of a human heart valve from stem cells for the first time.

But it hasn't always been plain sailing. At times, his work – such as early, unsuccessful transplant attempts, or using a baboon as a life-support system for a baby – attracted serious public criticism.

Speaking to Professor Jim Al-Khalili, Sir Magdi reflects on the highs and lows of his cardio career, and offers his advice to the next generation of surgeons and researchers hoping to make their mark in heart medicine.

Presented by Jim Al-Khalili Produced by Lucy Taylor Reversion for World Service by Minnie Harrop

MON 02:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp54qgj)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

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MON 02:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfdrv2qx)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 02:32 CrowdScience (w3ct6st4)

Will drinking milk help me live longer?

Milk: drink a lot of it and we'll grow big and tall with strong bones. That's what many people are told as children, but just how true is this accepted wisdom? CrowdScience listener JJ in Singapore is sceptical. He wants to live a healthy life for as long as possible, and he's wondering whether drinking cow's milk

will help or hinder him on this mission

All mammals produce milk, and our mother's milk is our very first drink as babies. So what actually is the white stuff? Mary Fewtrell, professor of paediatric nutrition at UCL, gives presenter Chhavi Sachdev the lowdown on just how fundamental breastmilk is to us all.

But are we meant to continue drinking milk from other animals once we grow up? This behaviour of ours is rare among mammals... so Christina Warinner, professor of evolutionary biology at Harvard University, tells us when in our history cow's milk entered our diet, and how we even came to be able to digest it.

And is there any truth in the accepted wisdom that cow's milk will give us stronger bones? Karl Michaelsson, professor of medical epidemiology at Uppsala University, has researched just this – and the answer isn't what you'd expect. Karl helps Chhavi sift through the complex evidence to see whether milk is actually any good for us.

Presenter: Chhavi Sachdev Producer: Sophie Ormiston Editor: Ben Motley

(Photo:Lady milking cow, Nadiad, Gujarat, India)

MON 03:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp54v6n)

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MON 04:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl83wl4bz5)

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MON 04:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfdrvb75)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 04:32 The Conversation (w3ct7094)

Bringing movies back to life

Ella Al-Shamahi talks to women from Italy and US about the craft of film restoration and the importance of bringing movies, especially those by women, back to life.

Sandra Schulberg is the founder and president of IndieCollect – a nonprofit in the US that has restored more than 85 films since 2016 and rescued thousands of abandoned film negatives. She describes the independent movies they care for as 'orphans' and says it's vital to keep these films alive as they're not just cinematic heritage, they're cultural history.

Italian-born Elena Nepoti is the film conservation manager at the British Film Institute National Archive. She's particularly focussed on the restoration of films from the silent era and is currently managing an ongoing major project – restoring a series of Sherlock Holmes pictures from the 1920s which were given approval of Arthur Conan Doyle himself.

Produced by Hannah Dean and Jane Thurlow

(Image: (L) Elena Nepoti, courtesy Elena Nepoti. (R), Sandra Schulberg credit Barbara Katz.)

MON 05:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp552px)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 05:06 Newsday (w172zspsh4l3gqh)

Australia's mushroom killer jailed for life

Erin Patterson, the woman found guilty of murdering her relatives when she fed them food laced with toxic death cap mushrooms, has been sentenced in Australia.

There's a warning that famine is spreading in Gaza. We'll speak

to one aid agency attempting to feed people there.

The US has threatened to impose more sanctions on Russia, after the Kremlin unleashed its biggest-ever aerial barrage at Ukraine. We'll speak to a resident of the capital.

And in sport, Carlos Alcaraz reclaimed the world number one ranking in tennis, after beating Jannik Sinner at the US Open.

(Photo: Erin Patterso arrives at the Supreme Court in Melbourne, Australia, 8 September 2025; Credit: EPA/Shutterstock)

MON 06:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp556g1)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 06:06 Newsday (w172zspsh4l3lgm)

Australian triple-murderer sentenced to life in prison

It's a life sentence for an Australian woman convicted of killing three members of her estranged husband's family with toxic mushrooms. You can hear from a barrister who has been following the trial.

The French Prime Minister could be ousted today as he faces a no confidence vote less than a year since he was sworn in. What does it all mean for France?

After a similar fate already realised by Japan's Prime Minister, who's also not made it twelve months in the job, Katie Silver in our business news will asses the impact on the world's fourth largest economy.

And, a ceasefire that's holding but no resolution for the border dispute between Thailand and Cambodia. You can hear from our correspondent in the region.

(Photo: Erin Patterson arrives at the Supreme Court of Victoria in Melbourne, Australia, 25 August 2025; Credit: Reuters)

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Hamas says it's ready to negotiate Gaza ceasefire. We'll turn to our correspondent for more details.

We'll hear why the French parliament looks set to throw out yet another Prime Minister later today.

And, the board of Premier League club Tottenham Hotspur says it has rejected two expressions of interest in buying the club.

(Photo: Media surround a prison van carrying Erin Patterson, Melbourne, Australia; Credit:

MON 08:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp55fy9)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 08:06 The Interview (w3ct7x02)

Francis Fukuyama: America's Putin-esque direction

Paddy O'Connell speaks to Professor Francis Fukuyama about the threats to liberal democracies around the world.

The American political economist and international relations scholar, who is currently a senior fellow at Stanford University, has written widely on issues about development and international politics.

He is best-known for his 1992 book 'The End of History and the Last Man'. He argued that the end of the Cold War, marked by the fall of the Berlin Wall and the dissolution of the Soviet Union, represented the end point of mankind's ideological evolution, and the universalisation of Western liberal democracy as the final form of human government.

But three decades on, Western liberal democracy appears to be struggling to adapt to the many challenges of the 21st century. Amid geopolitical instability, its future does not appear as universal as Fukuyama once proposed, even in the US.

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(Image: Professor Francis Fukuyama. Photo by Thomas Trutschel/Photothek via Getty Images)

MON 08:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfdrvt6p)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 08:32 Business Daily (w3ct6ry2)

Trump card: what are golden visas?

As US President Donald Trump tries to lure wealthy foreigners with a \$5m Gold Card residency visa, we explore the growing global marketplace of so-called golden passports and visas.

Do the super-rich use them as a tax plan, an insurance plan, or something else? And should jet-setters with deep pockets be able to skip the queue?

If you'd like to get in touch with the programme, you can email us at businessdaily@bbc.co.uk

Presented and produced by Josh Martin

(Picture: US President Donald Trump holds the \$5 million dollar Gold Card as he speaks to reporters while in flight on board Air Force One, en route to Miami, Florida on the 3rd of April 2025. Credit: Getty Images)

MON 08:50 Witness History (w3ct746k)

Festac '77: Nigeria's largest festival of African arts and culture

In 1977, Nigeria hosted the largest festival of African arts and culture there had ever been. About half a million visitors attended, as well as 16,000 delegates including Stevie Wonder and Miriam Makeba.

Dozens of African nationalities, and people from the African diaspora were represented.

Headed by a military dictatorship, Nigeria spent hundreds of millions of dollars hosting nationwide events and building a new national theatre and festival village in Lagos.

Among those attending was Viola Burley Leak, an African American artist and designer exhibiting her artwork. She shares her experience of the spectacular opening ceremony and latenight revelry with Louis Harnet O'Meara.

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We look at the lives of some of the most famous leaders, artists, scientists and personalities in history, including: Eva Peron – Argentina's Evita; President Ronald Reagan and his famous 'tear down this wall' speech; Thomas Keneally on why he wrote Schindler's List; and Jacques Derrida, France's 'rock star' philosopher.

You can learn all about fascinating and surprising stories, such as the civil rights swimming protest; the disastrous D-Day rehearsal; and the death of one of the world's oldest languages.

(Photo: Festival welcoming sign. Credit: AP)

MON 09:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp55kpf)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 09:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl83wl4ypt)

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MON 09:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfdrvxyt)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 09:32 CrowdScience (w3ct6st4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 02:32 today]

MON 10:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp55pfk)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 10:06 The History Hour (w3ct71w7)

The Chindits and USAID

Max Pearson presents a collection of this week's episodes of Witness History.

The formation of an unconventional special force during the Second World War sparks a discussion about three others around the world with military historian Lucy Betteridge-Dyson.

Plus, the founding of the United States Agency for International Development, the discovery of the wreck of the Titanic 40 years ago and the first baby born after a womb transplant.

Finally, Mexican-American boxer Oscar De La Hoya's toughest test - a clash with Ghana's Ike 'Bazooka' Quartey and how the online marketplace started at a house party in Lithuania in the noughties.

The first item contains outdated and offensive language.

Contributors:

Major General Orde Wingate - leader of the Chindits.

Baroness Jackson - economist who influenced the founding of USAID.

Cathy Offinger and Jean Louis Michel - explorers who helped find the wreck of the Titanic.

Prof Pernilla Dahm-Kähler - gynaecologist who helped deliver the first baby after a womb transplant.

Oscar De La Hoya - boxer nicknamed 'the Golden Boy of Boxing'.

Milda Mitkutė - co-founder of Vinted.

This programme has been updated since the original broadcast to add additional context.

(Photo: Members of the Chindits in the jungle in Burma, now Myanmar. Credit: Hulton Archive / Getty Images)

MON 11:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp55t5p)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 11:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl83wl5662)

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MON 11:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfdrw5g2)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

$\it MON~11:32~The~Global~Story~(w3ct716w)$

Brazil's Jan 6: the 'Trump of the Tropics' on trial

In Brazil this week an alternate reality is unfolding: a former president, who allegedly tried to incite an insurrection to overturn an election, is on trial. A verdict is expected this week, and he may go to prison for the rest of his life.

On January 8th 2023, Jair Bolsonaro's supporters broke into government buildings, demanding to overturn the result of the election Bolsonaro had lost. In the aftermath of those events, Bolsonaro was accused of masterminding a plot for a military coup. He denies these claims and says the charges are politically motivated.

President Trump has called the trial a "witch hunt" and gone to extreme measures to try to influence its outcome. But have his attempts to influence the trial backfired?

We speak with Ione Wells, the BBC's South America correspondent, who has been reporting from inside the trial.

Producers: Viv Jones and Valerio Esposito Executive producer: Annie Brown Mix: Travis Evans Senior news editor: China Collins

Image: Former Brazilian President Jair Bolsonaro in Brasilia on July 17, 2025. Mateus Bonomi / AFP via Getty Images

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MON 12:06 Outlook (w3ct6wq3)

Hold Fast! 1. Signs from the Universe

15 people, 188 days at sea, one extraordinary ship: how the Avontuur was locked down at sea during the Covid-19 pandemic.

What would you do if your world shrunk to 300 square metres, and you had no say over who you shared it with? If you were on a ship, at sea, far from loved ones - and didn't know when you'd be able to set foot on land again, and get home?

Signs from the universe: When ship's cook Giulia Baccosi accepts a last-minute job aboard sailing cargo ship The Avontuur, she's looking for more than a job. She's seeking adventure and community, too. She tells the captain that she'll stay with the ship until it reaches Mexico, in about three months' time.

After saying goodbye to her partner, Giulia settles into life on board and the responsibilities of feeding the Avontuur's crew of fifteen.

But before Giulia and the crew know it, everything they're counting on will be thrown to the winds.

Narrated by Siobhán McSweeney
Produced by Christina Hardinge
Sound & Music by Noémie Ducimetière
Narration written by Laura Thomas
Sound mix by Jackie Margerum and Giles Aspen
For Lives Less Ordinary, the series producer is Laura Thomas
and the editor, Munazza Khan.

MON 12:50 Witness History (w3ct746k)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 today]

MON 13:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp561ny)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 13:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl83wl5fpb)

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MON 13:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfdrwdyb)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 13:32 CrowdScience (w3ct6st4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 02:32 today]

MON 14:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp565f2)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 14:06 Newshour (w172zss85lpb9zp)

Israel: Six killed in Jerusalem shooting attack

Gunmen have killed at least six people in Jerusalem, and seriously injured several others. Police said both attackers were shot dead after opening fire at a bus near a busy road junction.

Also in the programme: A rare report from inside Cambodia, after their recent conflict with Thailand; and the Booker-prizewinning author, Ian McEwan, on his new novel, which he calls science fiction without the science.

(Photo credit: Reuters)

MON 15:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp56956)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 15:06 The Interview (w3ct7x02)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:06 today]

MON 15:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfdrwnfl)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 15:32 World Business Report (w3ct76qz)

French PM François Bayrou on the brink in crucial vote

The French prime minister, François Bayrou, is expected to be ousted in a confidence vote on Monday afternoon - which could lead to the collapse of his government. The Eurozones' second biggest economy is mired in debt - 114% of its annual economic output - and the prime minister has introduced an austerity budget, aimed to slash government spending by €44bn. But he does not have the votes to get it through.

In Germany - the Munich car show is usually a glitzy and

glamorous display of the latest models by an industry that thrives on style and tech. But it's a more subdued affair this year as European carmakers face a series of problems: sinking sales in China and tariffs on sales in the US.

AI has been used in many aspects of film-making and now the company OpenAI is putting its muscle behind a full-length animated movie, Critterz, which could be screened at the Cannes Film Festival next year. Roger Hearing speaks to Dr Dominic Lees, lead writer on AI for the BFI's Sight & Sound magazine - and Associate Professor of Filmmaking at the University of Reading, about what this means for the creative side and business of filmmaking.

MON 16:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp56dxb)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 16:06 BBC OS (w173067vdpk8919)

Six killed by Palestinian gunmen in Jerusalem

Six people have been killed and eight others wounded by Palestinian gunmen in one of the deadliest shooting attacks in Jerusalem in the past few years. We speak to our correspondent in the city

We also hear about the situation in Gaza where Israel has intensified its operations

Police in Nepal say at least 19 people have been killed and dozens injured during protests against the government's decision to block a number of social media platforms. We hear from people in Nepal and speak to our newsroom reporter.

After President XI and President Putin were overheard last week discussing organ transplants as a means of prolonging life, we speak to three elderly people about longevity

A court in Australia has ruled that the woman who murdered three of her relatives with poisonous mushrooms should spend at least 30 years in prison. We speak to our correspondent about covering the case that has gripped Australia and the world.

Presenter: Rahul Tandon

({hoto: Several killed after shooting at Jerusalem junction - 08 Sep 2025. Credit: ABIR SULTAN/EPA/Shutterstock)

MON 17:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp56jng)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 17:06 BBC OS (w173067ydpk8dsf)

French government faces defeat in confidence vote

The French prime minister, Francois Bayrou, has addressed parliament ahead of a vote of confidence, which is likely to lead to the collapse of his government. The BBC's Mark Lowen speaks to guests in Paris about the developments and their expectations.

Police in Nepal say at least 19 people have been killed and dozens injured during protests against the government's decision to block a number of social media platforms.

The South Korean foreign minister is due to travel to the United States today to help secure the return of hundreds of Korean workers held after an immigration raid on a car battery plant in the state of Georgia. We speak to the BBC's US Verify correspondent.

After last night's MTV Video Music Awards, we bring together music video professionals to discuss the industry trends and

Presenter: Rahul Tandon in London and Mark Lowen in Paris.

(Photo: French Prime Minister Francois Bayrou delivers a general policy speech on the budget issue before a debate and a confidence vote during an extraordinary session at the National Assembly in Paris, France, September 8, 2025. Credit: Benoit Tessier/Reuters)

MON 18:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp56ndl)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 18:06 Outlook (w3ct6wq3)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 today]

MON 18:50 Witness History (w3ct746k)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 today]

MON 19:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp56s4a)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 19:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl83wl6553)

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MON 19:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfdrx4f3)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 19:32 Sport Today (w3ct6z5f)

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

MON 20:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp56wwv)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 20:06 From Our Own Correspondent (w3ct6trx) [Repeat of broadcast at 04:06 on Sunday]

MON 20:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfdrx857)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 20:32 Discovery (w3ct6swf)

The Life Scientific: Tori Herridge

Elephants are the largest living land mammal and today our planet is home to three species: the African bush elephant, the African forest elephant, and the Asian elephant.

But a hundred thousand years ago, in the chilly depths of the Ice Age, multiple species of elephant roamed the earth: from dogsized dwarf elephants to towering woolly mammoths.

These gentle giants' evolutionary story and its parallels with that of humankind has long fascinated Dr Tori Herridge, a senie lecturer in evolutionary biology at the University of Sheffield, where - as a seasoned science broadcaster - she's also responsible for their Masters course in Science Communication

Tori has spent much of her life studying fossil elephants and the sites where they were excavated; trying to establish facts behind relics that are far beyond the reach of Radio Carbon Dating. To date she's discovered dwarf mammoths on Mediterranean islands, retraced the groundbreaking Greek expedition of a female palaeontologist in the early 1900s, and even held an ancient woolly mammoth's liver. (Verdict: stinky.)

But as she tells Professor Jim Al-Khalili, this passion for fossilhunting is not just about understanding the past: this information is what will help us protect present-day elephants and the world around them for future generations.

Presented by Jim Al-Khalili Produced for BBC Studios by Lucy Taylor Reversion for World Service by Minnie Harrop

MON 21:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp570mz)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 21:06 Newshour (w172zss85lpc56l)

French PM resigns

The French PM resigned after his government lost a parliamentary vote of confidence he had called for: Also in the programme security fears in Israel after Jerusalem shootings; and Gen Z protests against a social media ban in Nepal turn deadly.

(Image: French protesters holding banner with 'bye Bayrou'.

MON 22:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp574d3)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 22:06 The Interview (w3ct7x02)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:06 today]

MON 22:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfdrxhnh)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 22:32 The Conversation (w3ct7094)

[Repeat of broadcast at 04:32 today]

MON 23:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp57847)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 23:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl83wl6n4m)

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MON 23:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfdrxmdm)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 23:32 World Business Report (w3ct76t7)

French MPs bid farewell to François Bayrou

France's political crisis has deepened with the government being toppled in the National Assembly through a no confidence vote. It forces prime minister François Bayrou to resign over plans to deal with the country's deficit by cutting public spending.

Andrew Peach examines the family settlement confirming the long battle for control of Rupert Murdoch's global conservative media empire has drawn to a close.

We are in Munich where the European auto industry is talking about threats from the US and China, while we find out the latest in the immigration raid on a huge Hyundai car plant in the US state of Georgia.

And we'll look at Donald Trump's plan to offer residency in the US for five million dollars.

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TUESDAY 09 SEPTEMBER 2025

TUE 00:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp57cwc)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 00:06 Assignment (w3ct6rbz)

Galicia's wild horses in peril

Europe's largest herd of wild horses, in north-west Spain, is under threat. Numbers have halved in the last fifty years. Now around ten thousand wild horses roam freely in the hills and mountains of Galicia. But they are facing a number of challenges, not least the loss of their habitat and the threat from their main predator, wolves. There are also legal demands imposed by the regional government which have placed added financial burdens on the local people who, in effect, "own" these horses. And yet Galicia's wild horses have been an integral part of the local culture for centuries, particularly during annual festivals known as "rapas das bestas," the shearing of the beasts. The horses are also known as engineers of the landscape, credited with boosting the local flora and fauna and with helping to control forest fires.

John Murphy travels to Galicia to hear what is happening to these extraordinary animals and why they are so important.

Producer and presenter: John Murphy Co-producer and translator: Esperanza Escribano Programme Mix: Eloise Whitmore Editor: Penny Murphy

(Image: Galicia's wild horses Credit: John Murphy/BBC)

TUE 00:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfdrxr4r)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

$\it TUE~00:32~The~Global~Story~(w3ct716w)$ [Repeat of broadcast at 11:32 on Monday]

TUE 01:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp57hmh) The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 01:06 Big Boss Interview (w172zrs855h7n3n)

Murdoch family seals US\$3.3bn succession deal

Rupert Murdoch has bought out three of his children to finally settle a long running family dispute over the future control of his global media business. The US\$3.3bn deal sees the media mogul essentially hand his empire to eldest son Lachlan

Andrew Peach is joined by Peter Morici in Maryland, USA, and Nassim Khadem in Melbourne, Australia, with the ramifications still being felt after French MPs ousted prime minister François Bayrou over plans to deal with the country's deficit by cutting public spending.

Elsewhere, we hear why Mexico is considering enacting new

tariffs on countries they don't have a trade agreement with, including China.

And Donald trump's controversial "gold card" visa, offering the super rich permanent residence in the USA for just US\$5m.

Global business news, with live guests and contributions from Asia and the USA.

TUE 02:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp57mcm)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 02:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl83wl70d0)

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TUE 02:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfdrxzn0)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

TUE 02:32 Assignment (w3ct6rc0)

Saving Gaza's past

The history of Gaza dates back more than 5000 years. In antiquity, it was a key port on the Mediterranean coast. Assyrians, Ancient Greeks, Romans, Byzantines and the Ottomans have all left their mark on this small territory. This rich history is seen by Palestinians as central to their identity. Amid the death and destruction of the war, the BBC's Middle East Correspondent Yolande Knell meets the Palestinians who've desperately tried to save what remains of Gaza's past.

Producer: Alex Last Sound mix: Neil Churchill Production Coordinator: Katie Morrison Series Editor: Penny Murphy

(Image: The ruins of the Great Omari mosque. It was the oldest and largest mosque in Gaza – dating back to the 7th century . It was largely destroyed by Israeli airstrikes in December 2023. Credit: BBC/August 2025)

TUE 03:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp57r3r)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 03:06 Outlook (w3ct6wq3)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 on Monday]

TUE 03:50 Witness History (w3ct746k)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 on Monday]

TUE 04:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp57vvw)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 04:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl83wl77w8)

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TUE 04:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfdry748)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

TUE 04:32 In the Studio (w3ct6vtv)

MAST: Architecture on water

Rising sea levels and a worldwide shortage of buildable land make the prospect of floating buildings and infrastructure more beneficial than ever. MAST is an architectural firm based in the southern harbour of Copenhagen in Denmark. Surrounded by shipbuilders and workshops, their studio devises and builds houses, community centres, saunas and whole neighbourhoods on water.

While many of their projects can be seen on the waters of Copenhagen, the team is inspired by the long tradition of waterborne dwellings across the world and are currently working on constructions in Thailand, the Maldives, the USA, India and Portugal.

Architecture critic and author Jonathan Glancey is invited to Copenhagen to see the studio in action, and to travel out by boat to look at some of the completed projects.

Presenter: Jonathan Glancey Producer: Susan Marling A Just Radio production

Image: MAST architects Marshall Blecher and Magnus Maarbjerg (Credit: Susan Marling)

TUE 05:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp57zm0)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 05:06 Newsday (w172zspsh4l6cml)

Ethiopia inaugurates Africa's largest hydropower dam

Africa's largest hydroelectric project is being inaugurated in Ethiopia today. The scheme has long been opposed by Egypt and Sudan, who say the dam threatens their water supplies. In Egypt, there have even been calls for war over the project. We'll speak to Ethiopia's ambassador to the United Nations.

A long-running dispute over who'll succeed Rupert Murdoch at the top of his media empire has been settled. You'll hear how the family row was resolved.

A 'birthday book' given to the late convicted sex offender Jeffrey Epstein, which includes a note allegedly signed by Donald Trump, has been released by politicians. The US President denies he wrote it.

And Nepal's government has been forced to end its ban on social media following deadly protests. We'll go live to our reporter in Kathmandu.

(Photo: The Grand Renaissance Dam, 26 September 2019; Credit: Reuters)

TUE 06:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp583c4)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 06:06 Newsday (w172zspsh4l6hcq)

Murdoch family reaches deal over media empire succession

A long succession battle within media mogul Rupert Murdoch's empire has finally ended with his son Lachlan set to control the news organisation.

What next for French politics? With the government effectively collapsed, President Emmanuel Macron now has very few options that he will like the look of as he faces the task of choosing a third prime minister in a year.

And, you can hear why some people in Gaza, even at a time of such destruction in their lives, are trying to protect and save what remains of their cultural heritage.

(Photo: Australian-American business magnate Rupert Murdoch, 3 February 2025; Credit: EPA-EFE/REX/Shutterstock)

$\it TUE~07:00~BBC~News~(w172zwwszp58738)$

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

$\it TUE~07:06~Newsday~(w172zspsh4l6m3v)$

Ethiopia launches Africa's biggest dam

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And with more people killed in the Middle East over the past 24 hours, we'll speak to the United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights.

(Photo: Ethiopia's Grand Renaissance Dam, 26 September 2019: Credit: Reuters)

TUE 08:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp58bvd)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 08:06 People Fixing The World (w3ct6xy1)

Digging deep to help farmers

A new farming method is having a dramatic effect on maize crops in Malawi. And assistance is coming from a solar-powered tractor. In the last of her visits to Malawi, Myra goes to a village where they are using a new method called Deep Bed Farming. It's more than doubled the yield of some of the farmers and improved their standards of living. The method involves digging deep into the hard earth. This can be tough work but a new solar-powered tractor designed in the UK called Aftrak is helping the farmers. Malawi has been hit hard by the changing climate and often struggles to feed its population. So making it more food secure could improve the lives of millions.

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Presenter: Myra Anubi Producer: Richard Kenny Malawi Producer: Marie Segula Editor: Jon Bithrey Senior News Editor: Lisa Baxter Sound Mix: Hal Haines

(Image: Malawian farmers with an Aftrak solar powered tractor, BBC)

TUE 08:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfdryq3s)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

TUE 08:32 Business Daily (w3ct6s73)

Why are millions of cars being recalled?

Transport regulators around the world are forcing the automotive industry to fix faults in their cars, even if they are discovered years after the model rolled off the assembly line.

It seems the drive to use more complex technology in vehicles is undermining reliability.

We find out how tighter global scrutiny by road safety watchdogs is making manufacturers recall cars to repair them, even if the process is expensive for the industry.

Produced and presented by Russell Padmore

(Image: In May 2024 Tesla announced that the recall of over 125,000 of their vehicles in the US due to a possible seat belt warning system malfunction that can increase the risk of injury in a collision. Credit: Getty Images)

TUE 08:50 Witness History (w3ct74n4)

The Enabling Act

On 23 March 1933, the Enabling Act was passed in Germany, handing Adolf Hitler unchecked power. It became the legal foundation of his dictatorship.

But in that moment, one voice spoke in defiance.

Otto Wels, chairman of the Social Democratic Party, stood alone in the Reichstag: "Freedom and life can be taken away from us, but not honour."

His words were the last to be spoken freely in the German parliament.

This is the story of the speeches that day, taken from recordings inside the Reichstag.

Produced and presented by Gill Kearsley.

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Recent episodes explore everything from the death of Adolf Hitler, the first spacewalk and the making of the movie Jaws, to celebrity tortoise Lonesome George, the Kobe earthquake and the invention of superglue.

We look at the lives of some of the most famous leaders, artists, scientists and personalities in history, including: Eva Peron – Argentina's Evita; President Ronald Reagan and his famous 'tear down this wall' speech; Thomas Keneally on why he wrote Schindler's List; and Jacques Derrida, France's 'rock star' philosopher.

You can learn all about fascinating and surprising stories, such as the civil rights swimming protest; the disastrous D-Day rehearsal; and the death of one of the world's oldest languages.

(Photo: The Reichstag on 23 March 1933. Credit: Getty Images)

TUE 09:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp58glj)

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TUE 09:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl83wl7vlx)

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TUE 09:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfdrytyx)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

TUE 09:32 Assignment (w3ct6rc0)

[Repeat of broadcast at 02:32 today]

TUE 10:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp58lbn)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 10:06 The Arts Hour (w3ct6ztq)

[Repeat of broadcast at 20:06 on Saturday]

TUE 11:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp58q2s)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 11:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl83wl8335)

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TUE 11:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfdrz2c5)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

TUE 11:32 The Global Story (w3ct71cd)

Why is the US government deporting people building factories?

Hundreds of workers, most of them South Korean nationals, were detained last week at a Hyundai plant in Georgia after the largest immigration raid of Trump's second term. The raid puts two of the administration's key priorities to the test - cracking down on illegal immigration and bringing manufacturing back to America - but has it exposed a conflict between the two policy goals?

We speak to BBC Verify US Correspondent Nick Beake who has been to the site, and to Jake Kwon from the BBC Seoul bureau, about whether this has jeopardised relations between the US and one of its major trading partners.

Producers: Sam Chantarasak and Xandra Ellin Executive producers: James Shield and Annie Brown Mix: Travis Evans

Senior news editor: China Collins

Image: US immigration raid at Hyundai-LG plant in Georgia. Shutterstock/EPA

TUE 12:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp58ttx)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 12:06 Outlook (w3ct6x4s)

Hold Fast! 2. The world as you know it no longer exists

In the middle of the Atlantic, the crew of the Avontuur receive a satellite email with news from land that throws everything they'd been counting on to the winds. Their mission and schedule are in disarray, but turning back isn't an option. So ship's cook Giulia and the rest of the crew find ways to cope with the uncertainty.

15 people, 188 days at sea, one extraordinary ship: how the Avontuur was locked down at sea during the Covid-19 pandemic.

Narrated by Siobhán McSweeney Produced by Christina Hardinge Sound & Music by Noémie Ducimetière Narration written by Laura Thomas Sound mix by Jackie Margerum and Giles Aspen For Lives Less Ordinary, the series producer is Laura Thomas and the editor, Munazza Khan,

TUE 12:50 Witness History (w3ct74n4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 today]

TUE 13:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp58vl1)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 13:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl83wl8blf)

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TUE 13:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfdrz9vf)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

TUE 13:32 Discovery (w3ct6swf)

[Repeat of broadcast at 20:32 on Monday]

TUE 14:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp592b5)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 14:06 Newshour (w172zss85lpf6ws)

Israel strikes senior Hamas leaders in Qatar

Israel has carried out a strike in the Qatari capital, Doha, targeting the senior leadership of Hamas. They are said to have been holding a meeting to discuss the latest Gaza ceasefire proposal. It's reported that Khalil al-Hayya, the lead negotiator for Hamas, was among those targeted.

Also in the programme: The Nepalese Prime Minister has resigned after public outrage over the killing of 19 anti-corruption protesters on Monday. Demonstrations have continued with reports of fires in the parliament building and

US lawmakers release a copy of a "birthday book" given to the late convicted paedophile financier Jeffrey Epstein in 2003, which includes a note allegedly signed by US President Donald

And we speak to Jung Chang- the Chinese author who wowed readers with her 1991 book Wild Swans.

(Photo: A building damaged by an Israeli attack on Hamas leaders in Doha, Qatar, September 9, 2025. Credit: Reuters/Ibraheem Abu Mustafa)

TUE 15:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp59629)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 15:06 People Fixing The World (w3ct6xv1)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:06 today]

TUE 15:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfdrzkbp)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

TUE 15:32 World Business Report (w3ct7674)

Africa's largest hydro-electric dam transforming the economy?

Ethiopia opens a power project it thinks could transform its conomy. We'll hear from the project manager at the Grand Ethiopian Renaissance Dam.

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TUE 16:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp599tf)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 16:06 BBC OS (w173067ydpkc5yd)

Israel attacks Hamas leaders in Oata

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Nepal's Prime Minister has resigned as anti-corruption protests escalate nationwide. At least two people died in today's unrest after 19 were killed on Monday. We are joined by our correspondent in Kathmandu and speak to young protesters.

Brazil's Supreme Court is voting in the final phase of the trial of former President Jair Bolsonaro. He's charged with plotting a coup to remain in power after he lost the 2022 election. Our reporter joins us with an update.

After President XI and President Putin were overheard last week discussing organ transplants as a means of prolonging life, we bring together bio hackers in conversation about health, tech and lifestyle changes that they're adopting to live longer.

Presenter: Rahul Tandon

(Photo: Smoke rises after several blasts were heard in Doha, Qatar, September 9, 2025. Credit: REUTERS/Ibraheem Abu Mustafa)

TUE 17:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp59fkk)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service

TUE 17:06 BBC OS (w173067vdpkc9pj)

Arab nations condemn Israeli strike on Qatari capital

Israeli strikes on senior Hamas officials in the Qatari capital, Doha, have been widely condemned by countries across the Middle East and by the UN Secretary General. Qatar, which has mediated indirect negotiations between Israel and Hamas, calls the attack a "blatant violation" of international law. We are joined by our reporter who's monitoring reaction in the region and our Middle East analyst.

Egypt has lodged a protest at the United Nations over Ethiopia's inauguration of Africa's largest hydro-electric dam, saying the move threatens its water security. Meanwhile the second Africa Climate Summit is underway in Ethiopia with a focus on how shortfalls in clean energy and the continent's high debt levels are holding back green growth on the continent. We bring together in conversation young climate activists attending the summit.

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TUE 18:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp59k9p)

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TUE 18:06 Outlook (w3ct6x4s)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 today]

TUE 18:50 Witness History (w3ct74n4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 today]

TUE 19:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp59p1t)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service

TUE 19:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl83wl9226)

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TUE 19:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfds01b6)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

TUE 19:32 Sport Today (w3ct6z9y) 2025/09/09 GMT

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

TUE 20:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp59ssv)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 20:06 Assignment (w3ct6rc0)

[Repeat of broadcast at 02:32 today]

TUE 20:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfds052b)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

TUE 20:32 Tech Life (w3ct6zp7)

Sailing into stormy seas

A fleet of small robotic sailboats, packed with sensors, are ready to sail into the path of storms, to gather data on developing hurricanes. We find out how they'll do it. The data will help experts predict where a hurricane might reach land, giving people time to prepare and evacuate

Also on Tech Life this week; we're at Europe's biggest tech show to find out what the next big thing might be. We speak to a Tech Life listener in Zambia who is teaching children about robotics and coding. And rented batteries, charged with solar energy, could offer a clean energy alternative in Africa.

Presenter: Shiona McCallum Producer: Tom Ouinn

(Image: A photo of a small robotic C-Star sailboat developed by British company Oshen. Credit: Oshen)

TUE 21:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp59xk2)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 21:06 Newshour (w172zss85lpg23p)

Qatar condemns Israel's attack in Doha targetting Hamas

Hamas claims its leadership team survived the strike, but it says six people were killed, including one member of the Qatari security forces. We'll hear reaction from Israel, Qatar and the

Also on the programme: There have been arson attacks and vandalism in several cities as protests escalate in Nepal despite the resignation of the prime minister; and we'll hear from Jung Chang, the author of the bestselling memoir 'Wild Swans', on the release of the sequel.

(Photo: Smoke rises after several blasts were heard in Doha, Qatar on September 9, 2025. Credit: REUTERS/Ibraheem Abu Mustafa)

TUE 22:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5b196)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 22:06 People Fixing The World (w3ct6xv1) [Repeat of broadcast at 08:06 today]

TUE 22:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfds0dkl)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

TUE 22:32 In the Studio (w3ct6vtv)

[Repeat of broadcast at 04:32 today]

TUE 23:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5b51b)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 23:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl83wl9k1q)

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TUE 23:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfds0j9q)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

TUE 23:32 World Business Report (w3ct76bi)

Is the US economy weaker than expected?

The number of jobs created in the United States has been revised down. Not as many people got jobs as expected during the last months of Joe Biden's presidency and the first months of Donald Trump's return to the White House

It suggests the world's largest economy is weaker than expected, but could it also mean that Donald Trump will get his way and the Federal Reserve will cut interest rates?

Roger Hearing speaks to two businesses in North Carolina and Ohio caught up in the tariff chaos.

Elsewhere, we hear about Apple's latest tech offering.

And, how a high murder rate is threatening tourism on a Caribbean island paradise.

The latest business and finance news from around the world, on the BBC

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WED 00:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5b8sg)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 00:06 The Arts Hour (w3ct6zta)

[Repeat of broadcast at 20:06 on Saturday]

WED 01:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5bdjl)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 01:06 Big Boss Interview (w172zrs855hbk0r)

Will the Federal Reserve cut US interest rates?

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also mean Donald Trump will get his way and the Federal Reserve cuts interest rates?

We're joined by the CBC's Takara Small in Toronto, Canada. and Stratagraph's Travis Paterson in Jakarta, Indonesia, to discuss how businesses have been impacted by the increasing use of tariffs by both the US and other governments.

Roger Hearing finds out about the impact on the Korean community in the US state of Georgia after the detained Hyundai workers are set to be flown home

Elsewhere, there's a new French prime minister, the fifth in two years, to try to pass a budget.

It was promised to be awe-dropping - but what has Apple unveiled at its latest event?

And how a high murder rate is threatening tourism on a Caribbean island paradise.

Global business news, with live guests and contributions from Asia and the USA.

WED 02:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5bj8q)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 02:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl83wl9x93)

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WED 02:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfds0wk3)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

WED 02:32 The Climate Ouestion (w3ct702b)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:06 on Sunday]

WED 03:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5bn0v)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 03:06 Outlook (w3ct6x4s)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 on Tuesday]

WED 03:50 Witness History (w3ct74n4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 on Tuesday]

WED 04:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5brrz)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 04:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl83wlb4sc)

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WED 04:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfds141c)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

WED 04:32 13 Minutes Presents: The Space Shuttle

The Space Shuttle

The Space Shuttle: 8. A major malfunction

The Challenger tragedy shocks a nation, as millions watch on

Something has gone catastrophically wrong with the launch of space shuttle mission STS-51L. As they watch a fireball engulf the spacecraft, nobody in mission control has any idea what went wrong. Could it have been prevented?

We turn back the clock to a meeting the day before the launch which might have changed everything.

This episode contains scenes some listeners may find upsetting.

Some scenes in this series use recreated sound effects.

13 Minutes Presents: The Space Shuttle is a BBC Audio Science Unit production for the BBC World Service.

Hosted by space scientist Maggie Aderin-Pocock.

Theme music by Hans Zimmer and Christian Lundberg, and produced by Russell Emanuel, for Bleeding Fingers Music.

Ronald Reagan announces Roger Commission inquiry, Reagan Library, 1986

Roger Boisjoly, Larry Mulloy and Dr James Fletcher, statements to the Rogers Commission, 1986

Mission audio and oral histories, Nasa History Office

WED 05:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5bwj3)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 05:06 Newsday (w172zspsh4l98jp)

Israeli strike on Qatar

The Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu has said the strike was 'fully justified' because it targeted senior Hamas leaders who organised the October 7th attack in Israel. The US President, Donald Trump has said he's 'not thrilled' about the Israeli air strike. The Qatari government has condemned the strike, calling it reckless and cowardly. We go live to Doha.

A new report by the United Nations Children's Charity, UNICEF says for the first time, there are more obese or overweight children in the world than underweight ones. We speak to the report's lead author

We go to Nepal where the Prime Minister, KP Sharma Oli, has resigned in the wake of public outrage over the killing of 22 people in police clashes. People have been protesting about wha they say is corruption in the country.

Presenters: James Copnall and Pria Rai.

(Photo: Aftermath of an Israeli attack on Hamas leaders, according to an Israeli official, in Doha. Credit: Ibraheem Abu Mustafa/Reuters)

WED 06:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5c087)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 06:06 Newsday (w172zspsh4l9d8t)

Poland says it's shot down Russian drones

Polish armed forces say Russian drones have been 'downed' the first time the Nato country has directly engaged Russian assets in it's airspace since the Ukraine war started in 2022.

Donald Trump has said he's very unhappy about every aspect of Israel's strike in Qatar against members of Hamas. He spoke briefly to reporters in Washington. Earlier, he'd insisted that Israel had not given him enough notice of its attack to warm Oatar before it was too late. Israel said the strike was justified. We go to Israel to find out why the action was deemed

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(Photo: Explosions are seen in the night sky as Ukrainian servicemen fire towards drones during a Russian drone strike, amid Russia's attack on Ukraine, in Kyiv, Ukraine. Credit: Gleb Garanich/Reuters)

WED 07:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5c40c)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 07:06 Newsday (w172zspsh4l9i0v)

Live news, business and sport from around the world.

WED 08:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5c7rh)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 08:06 The Interview (w3ct7x6v)

Cellist Sheku Kanneh-Mason: Obsession is a driver

John Wilson speaks to British cellist Sheku Kanneh-Mason about his obsession with music, adjusting to fame and how he's

While still a student, he performed to an audience of more than one billion people at the wedding of Prince Harry and Meghan Markle, instantly becoming one of the most recognisable classical performers in the world.

Now, still just 26 years old, he explains the unique joy of performing with his family. Kanneh-Mason is one of seven siblings, all are talented musicians and regularly play together.

Of Antiguan decent, he was the first black person to win BBC Young Musician of the Year. He's also used his profile to join calls for dropping 'Rule, Britannia!' from the Last Night of the Proms, explaining how difficult it is for someone whose

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ancestors were enslaved to hear imperial songs sung with such determination.

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Presenter: John Wilson

Producers: Alex Loftus, Ben Cooper and Edwina Pittman Editor: Nick Holland

Get in touch with us on email TheInterview@bbc.co.uk and use the hashtag #TheInterviewBBC on social media.

(Image: Sheku Kanneh-Mason. Photo by Ian West - WPA Pool/Getty Images)

WED 08:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfds1m0w)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

WED 08:32 Business Daily (w3ct6scm)

Has Gen Z lost the will to work?

It's the newest generation to enter the workforce, in their late teens and twenties, but many say they already feel burned out.

From fears about AI taking their jobs, to lower pay and clashing values with older colleagues, we hear what's driving Gen Z's discontent in the workplace, speak to the bosses trying a new approach, and get tips on how to recruit and keep them.

Produced by Sam Gruet Presented by Megan Lawton

(Image: A young person looking tired and stressed out. Credit: Getty Images)

WED 08:50 Witness History (w3ct74qd)

The story behind The Peter Principle book

In 1969, a satirical book, The Peter Principle, suggested promotion led to incompetence.

It was written by a Canadian Professor of Education, Dr Laurence J Peter and playwright Raymond Hull.

The book was a parody of management theory, but its core message struck a chord with many: "In a hierarchy, every employee tends to rise to his level of incompetence".

It became an instant classic, selling millions of copies around the world

In 2021, Alex Last told the story of how Dr Peter came up with his theory using an archive interview he gave to the BBC in 1974.

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For nine minutes every day, we take you back in time and all over the world, to examine wars, coups, scientific discoveries, cultural moments and much more.

Recent episodes explore everything from the death of Adolf Hitler, the first spacewalk and the making of the movie Jaws, to celebrity tortoise Lonesome George, the Kobe earthquake and the invention of superglue.

We look at the lives of some of the most famous leaders, artists, scientists and personalities in history, including: Eva Peron – Argentina's Evita; President Ronald Reagan and his famous 'tear down this wall' speech; Thomas Keneally on why he wrote Schindler's List; and Jacques Derrida, France's 'rock star' philosopher.

You can learn all about fascinating and surprising stories, such as the civil rights swimming protest; the disastrous D-Day rehearsal; and the death of one of the world's oldest languages.

(Photo: Dr Laurence J Peter. Credit: Getty Images)

WED 09:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5cchm)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 09:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl83wlbrj0)

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WED 09:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfds1qs0)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

WED 09:32 The Climate Question (w3ct702b)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:06 on Sunday]

WED 10:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5ch7r)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 10:06 World Book Club (w3ct74s3)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 on Saturday]

WED 11:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5clzw)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 11:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl83wlc008)

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WED 11:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfds1z88)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

WED 11:32 The Global Story (w3ct71fn)

Trump blindsided as Israel strikes Qatar

On Tuesday, Israel carried out a series of unexpected bombings, targeting senior Hamas leaders. The Israeli Defence Forces (IDF) said it was a "precise strike" on those responsible for the October 7 attacks, but the Qataris have called the strike a "blatant violation" of international law. Qatar has been mediating indirect negotiations between Israel and Hamas to end the conflict in Gaza.

In the US, White House press secretary Karoline Leavitt said Trump was notified about plans of the strike ahead of time, but said, "Unilaterally bombing inside Qatar, a sovereign nation and close ally of the United States [...] does not advance Israel or America's goals".

On today's Global Story, we talk to the BBC's Chief International Correspondent, Lyse Doucet, about the impact this could have on future peace talks.

Producers: Hannah Moore and Valerio Esposito

Executive producer: Annie Brown Mix: Travis Evans

Senior news editor: China Collins

Image: Israel's Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu on Sept 8

Menahem Kahana / AFP via Getty Images.

${\it WED~12:} 00~BBC~News~(w172zwwszp5cqr0)$

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 12:06 Outlook (w3ct6xcp)

Hold Fast! 3. No better mirror than the sea

Denied entry to a series of ports in the Caribbean, the crew of the Avontuur begin to wonder whether they will ever be able to get off the ship. They mend sails and find creative ways to entertain themselves until, one night, Giulia begins to feel unwell

15 people, 188 days at sea, one extraordinary ship: how the Avontuur was locked down at sea during the Covid-19 pandemic.

Narrated by Siobhán McSweeney Produced by Christina Hardinge Sound & Music by Noémie Ducimetière Narration written by Laura Thomas Sound mix by Jackie Margerum and Giles Aspen For Lives Less Ordinary, the series producer is Laura Thomas and the editor, Munazza Khan.

WED 12:50 Witness History (w3ct74qd)

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WED 13:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5cvh4)

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The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

WED 13:32 Tech Life (w3ct6zp7)

[Repeat of broadcast at 20:32 on Tuesday]

WED 14:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5cz78)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 14:06 Newshour (w172zss85lpj3sw)

Poland shoots down Russian drones

Poland has shot down Russian drones after dozens entered its airspace; the Polish Prime Minister says this is closest his country has come to conflict since World War Two. So is Russia testing NATO defences?

Also in the programme: Israeli media says defence officials now doubt the success of Tuesday's strike targeting Hamas leaders in Qatar; and a new vaccine to help beat chlamydia in koalas

(Photo: Donald Tusk addressing the Polish parliament. Credit: Shutterstock)

WED 15:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5d2zd)

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WED 15:06 The Interview (w3ct7x6v)

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WED 15:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfds2g7s)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

WED 15:32 World Business Report (w3ct76fy)

EU chief says Europe must fight for its future

In her annual State of the Union address, European Commission president Ursula von der Leyen has told the European Parliament it needs to regain its independence and bolster its defence capabilities in a 'hostile' world.

Also, Danish company Novo Nordisk, the maker of weight-loss drugs Wegovy and Ozempic, has announced plans to cut 9,000 jobs

And the British horse racing industry has gone on strike for the first time ever, in protest at proposed tax rises on bets placed on the sport

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WED 16:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5d6qj)

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WED 16:06 BBC OS (w173067ydpkg2vh)

Fallout from Israel's attack on Qatar

Reports in the Israeli media say that top Israeli defence officials are increasingly doubtful that Hamas leaders were killed in the strike targeting them in the Qatari capital, Doha, on Tuesday. Hamas itself has said that lower-level members were killed, but not the leadership. It's offered no proof of this so far. Our correspondent in Jerusalem answers audience questions and we get reaction from Oatar.

Russia's defence ministry says it did not plan to attack any targets in Poland, after Warsaw said Russian drones entered its airspace. We speak to people in Poland about their concerns.

The health ministry in Nepal says at least 30 people have died since Monday in anti-corruption protests across the country. We hear a conversation with two content creators in the capital Kathmandu who have been affected by the social media ban.

Presenter: Rahul Tandon.

(Photo: Aftermath of an Israeli attack on Hamas leaders, in Doha. Vehicles are parked in the area of Tuesday's Israeli attack on Hamas leaders, in Doha, Qatar, September 10, 2025. Credit: Ibraheem Abu Mustafa/Reuters)

WED 17:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5dbgn)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 17:06 BBC OS (w173067ydpkg6lm)

Russia says it had no plans to target Poland

Poland's Prime Minister Donald Tusk says up to four of 19 Russian drones were shot down by Polish and Nato aircraft. We speak to BBC Verify about what is known about the incider and hear about the reaction in the region.

Reports in the Israeli media say top defence officials are increasingly unsure whether Hamas leaders were killed in Tuesday's airstrike in Qatar. Hamas has said only lower-level members died in the Israeli attack. Our correspondent in Jerusalem explains

Meanwhile, Israel has continued its operation in Gaza; we hear from a young woman in Gaza City where leaflets have been dropped warning of an impending ground offensive.

The UN says the number of overweight and obese teenagers around the world has nearly tripled in the last two decades. We speak to experts about solutions to tackle the problem.

Presenter: Rahul Tandon.

(Photo: A destroyed roof of a house, after Russian drones violated Polish airspace during an attack on Ukraine, with some being shot down by Poland with the backing from its NATO allies, in Wyryki, Lublin Voivodeship, Poland, September 10, 2025. Credit: Kacper Pempel/Reuters)

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WED 19:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfds2y79)

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WED 19:32 Sport Today (w3ct6zd6) 2025/09/10 GMT

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WED 20:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfds31zf)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

WED 20:32 Health Check (w3ct6vjt)

The psychology of curiosity

Is curiosity good for us, or should we learn a lesson from what curiosity did to the cat? And why does curiosity drive some people to explore the ends of the earth and beyond, while others just really aren't very curious at all?

We invite a panel of people for whom curiosity is also at the centre of what they do to discuss the psychology of curiosity in front of an audience at the Cheltenham Science Festival in the UK.

They are...

Tim Peake - astronaut, test pilot and author. His lifelong curiosity took him to live for six months on the International Space station. While he was there he famously ran the London Marathon on a treadmill and he was the first British astronaut to walk in space.

Gosia Goclowska - a lecturer in the department of psychology at the University of Bath. She researches some of the more unusual emotions we experience such as curiosity, awe and

And Matthias Gruber - an associate professor of psychology at

the University of Cardiff. His research focuses on the neuroscience of curiosity and learning.

Presenter: Claudia Hammond Producer: Lorna Stewart

WED 21:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5dtg5)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 21:06 Newshour (w172zss85lpjz0s)

Poland at its closest to open conflict since World War Two, PM

Nineteen Russian drones entered Poland's airspace overnight, and some of them were shot down by Polish and Nato aircraft, Polish PM Donald Tusk has said. It marks the first time Russian drones have been downed over the territory of a Nato country. We'll speak to Ukraine's defence minister and a former U.S.

Also on the programme: The UN's children agency, UNICEF, has released a report today that says there are now more obese or overweight children globally than underweight ones; and a long-awaited inquiry into a programme carried out by Danish doctors to fit contraceptive coils for Inuit women and girls in Greenland has found the vast majority did not give their

(Photo: Prime Minister Donald Tusk speaks during an extraordinary government meeting at the Chancellery of the Prime Minister in Warsaw, Poland, 10 September 2025. Credit: Szymon Pulcyn/EPA/Shutterstock)

WED 22:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5dy69)

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WED 22:06 The Interview (w3ct7x6v)

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WED 23:32 World Business Report (w3ct76j6)

Larry Ellison is the world's richest person for brief period

US tech billionaire Larry Ellison briefly becomes the world's richest person after shares in his business Oracle, which he cofounded, soars in early trading on the New York Stock Exchange. We examine how he has overtaken Elon Musk with his fortune being valued at \$393bn.

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Presenter Roger Hearing examines these stories as well as hearing about some of the challenges facing Gen Z, those born in the late 1990's and early 2000s as they head into the world of work.

THURSDAY 11 SEPTEMBER 2025

THU 00:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5f5pk)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 00:06 World Book Club (w3ct74s3)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 on Saturday]

THU 01:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5f9fp)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 01:06 Big Boss Interview (w172zrs855hffxv)

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Presenter Roger Hearing talks to Washington based journalist Rema Rahman from the website The Hill, and Rintaro Nishimura Associate at the Asia Group in Tokyo about these and some of the other major business stories from around the

THU 02:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5ff5t)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 02:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl83wldt66)

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THU 02:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfds3sg6)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 02:32 The Documentary (w3ct81mp)

Tequila with the bat man

Rodrigo Medellin loves bats. The Mexican conservationist has been obsessed with the often maligned creatures for over six decades. As a child, he kept blood in ice cube trays in his parents' freezer, to feed to his pet vampire bats. He went on to create Mexico City's first ever bat festival, and to work with governments, universities, NGOs and researchers all over the

Like many Mexicans, he is also fiercely proud of the country's native spirits: tequila and mezcal. The agave spirits are hugely important for Mexico's economy, especially in the states of Jalisco and Oaxaca. Exports of the drinks are worth billions. Tequila and mezcal have become increasingly popular in recent decades, with sales boosted by big budget celebrity-owned brands designed to appeal to the US consumer. From Kendall Jenner to George Clooney, US celebrities have been riding high on the mass market appeal of the liquor.

But the boom in these industries has had unintended consequences for Rodrigo's beloved bats. Often the agave the spirits are made from is harvested early, before the slowgrowing plant can flower. This means bats cannot feed from the nectar, and critically, they can't do their job as pollinators. This contributes to agave monocultures which are susceptible to

Rodrigo explains how he wanted to change the way the industry works, creating a "bat-friendly" certification for tequila and mezcal producers who leave 5% of the agave untouched, to bloom. But why have so few brands been certified, why is the programme controversial for some producers, and why are bats a tricky sell as far as conservation for many people and communities? Sarah Treanor spends time with Rodrigo in Mexico City and Oaxaca to find out.

A Bespoken Media production.

Image: Rodrigo Medellin holding a bat (Credit: Paul Webala)

THU 03:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5fjxy)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 03:06 Outlook (w3ct6xcp)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 on Wednesday]

THU 03:50 Witness History (w3ct74qd) [Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 on Wednesday]

THU 04:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5fnp2)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 04:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl83wlf1pg)

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THU 04:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfds40yg)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service

THU 04:32 The Food Chain (w3ct70yy)

Flavour: The potato chip story

Self-confessed crisp lover Ruth Alexander traces the story of the crisp or potato chip, starting with a tasting experience matching fine wines and "rubbish crisps" at a wine bar in the northern English city of Manchester.

With the help of journalist and crisp historian Natalie Whittle, Ruth finds out about the commercial beginnings of the potato chip in the fine dining rooms of nineteenth century New York. She meets the chef who travels the world searching for new taste sensations to develop into a packet of crisps for snack giant Frito-Lays. Can you guess which flavours nearly, but not quite, made it onto the shelves?

Ruth also talks to salty snack expert Jolene Ng of Mintel, who researches the role crisps play in modern life. And with Japan renowned for its unusual flavours, Ruth meets Makoto Ehara, the boss of one of the country's biggest potato chip makers Calbee, who tells her about the threat climate change poses to the future of the potato chip industry.

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

Produced by Lexy O'Connor

Photo: A woman in a bright pink jumper is smiling as she pushes a supermarket trolley through the potato crisp aisle. Credit: dowell / getty images

THU 05:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5fsf6)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 05:06 Newsday (w172zspsh4ld5fs)

Trump ally Charlie Kirk murdered

The American Conservative activist Charlie Kirk has died after being been shot at a campus event in Utah. The 31-year-old was an influential ally of President Donald Trump, who's called him a "great American patriot" and ordered flags across the US to be flown at half mast. The President said this marked a dark day for the country. We speak to an eyewitness to the event.

We report from southern Gaza where Israel is building a new site near the city of Rafah. It comes as Israel has ordered the entire population of Gaza City to leave.

And we go to Kenya where three humanitarian groups will gather to try and help start a peace process to end the civil war in Sudan

Presenters: Rob Young and Victoria Uwonkunda

(Photo: A memorial for Charlie Kirk, who was shot and killed in Utah, at the Turning Point USA headquarters in Phoenix. Photo: Caitlin O'Hara/Reuters)

THU 06:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5fx5b)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 06:06 Newsday (w172zspsh4ld95x)

Charlie Kirk shot dead in Utah

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The Ukrainian president Volodmyr Zelensky has said Russia was testing the limits of what was possible and how NATO countries would react after a wave of Russian drones crossed into Polish airspace. We speak to a member of the Polish porliment.

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(Photo: U.S. right-wing activist and commentator Charlie Kirk appears at a Utah Valley University speaking event in Orem, Utah, U.S. September 10, 2025. Credit: Trent Nelson/The Salt Lake Tribune via Reuters).

THU 07:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5g0xg)

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THU 07:06 Newsday (w172zspsh4lddy1)

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The Israeli military has told all Palestinians in Gaza City to leave and move south. It's thought something like one million civilians could be affected. This comes as the territory is already gripped by starvation and the forced movement of many more people will only increase Israel's lethal pressure on civilians.

We discuss some of these pressures with Antoine Renard of the World Food Programme.

And a BBC report looking at the involvement of an international charity in the systematic disappearance of children in Syria under former President Bashar al-Assad's regime. There are almost four-thousand children still missing, dating back to the start of the Syrian Civil War.

Presenters: Rob Young and Victoria Uwonkunda

(Photo: First responders stand outside the doorway of the Nuvi building following the shooting of Charlie Kirk, the CEO and co-founder of the conservative youth organization Turning Point USA. Credit: Marielle Scott/EPA)

THU 08:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5g4nl)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 08:06 The Inquiry (w3ct7231)

Is time up for TikTok in the US?

In January, the popular Chinese social media app TikTok went offline for its 170 million Americans. The outage marked a turning point in a long-running dispute over data privacy and national security, with US lawmakers concerned about the app's Chinese ownership. A law passed by Congress required ByteDance, TikTok's parent company, to sell its US operations or face a ban.

Although ByteDance did not meet the deadline, the newly inaugurated President Trump postponed enforcement, introducing a timeline for a potential sale. That deadline has since been extended multiple times, with the current cutoff now set for 17 September. But with complex negotiations still underway and Beijing reluctant to approve any deal, Trump has signalled he may grant yet another extension leaving the app's fate in the US uncertain.

This week on The Inquiry, we're asking: Is it time up for TikTok in the US?

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Dr Joanne Gray, Senior Lecturer in Digital Cultures in the Discipline of Media and Communications at the University of Sydney

Anupam Chander, Professor of Law and Technology at

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Isabella Wilkinson, Research Fellow in the Digital Society Initiative at Chatham House

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Production Management Assistant: Liam Morrey

(Photo: TikTok message announcing a ban. Credit:

NurPhoto/Getty Images)

THU 08:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfds4hxz)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 08:32 Business Daily (w3ct6s2l)

How do you build a successful theme park?

Around the world, entertainment companies are spending hundreds of millions of dollars on shiny new theme park rides and attractions. It's a highly competitive market.

They're big money-spinners for the owners and can help boost

local economies too. We look at why a medium-sized town in southern England could soon become a magnet for thrillseeking tourists, and we travel to Sweden, where a theme park with a very local flavour has been celebrating its 100th anniversary.

But what happens if you live next door to the planned site of a major new attraction? And do the promises of new jobs and improved infrastructure in an area always come to fruition?

If you'd like to get in touch with the programme, you can email us at businessdaily@bbc.co.uk

Presented and produced by Elizabeth Hotson

(Picture: People hanging upside down on a roller coaster track. Credit: Getty Images)

$\it THU$ 08:50 Witness History (w3ct74jq)

9/11: The generosity of Gander

On 11 September, 2001, a small Canadian town called Gander became a haven for thousands of airline passengers and crew stranded after the 9/11 terror attacks.

The attacks on the World Trade Center had forced the closure of US airspace leaving many flights unable to land. Within hours, 38 planes with 7,000 passengers, had been diverted to Gander, effectively doubling the town's population. But what happened next showcased the extraordinary kindness and generosity of the Newfoundlanders.

For five days, local residents provided beds, food, medicine and clothing for those stranded during the crisis, and didn't ask for a cent. They even put on music evenings, barbecues and canoe trips to keep their visitors entertained.

Beverley Bass, one of the plane captains, tells Jane Wilkinson about Gander's extraordinary hospitality during one of the most traumatic events in modern history.

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For nine minutes every day, we take you back in time and all over the world, to examine wars, coups, scientific discoveries, cultural moments and much more

Recent episodes explore everything from the death of Adolf Hitler, the first spacewalk and the making of the movie Jaws, to celebrity tortoise Lonesome George, the Kobe earthquake and the invention of superglue.

We look at the lives of some of the most famous leaders, artists, scientists and personalities in history, including: Eva Peron – Argentina's Evita; President Ronald Reagan and his famous 'tear down this wall' speech; Thomas Keneally on why he wrote Schindler's List; and Jacques Derrida, France's 'rock star' philosopher.

You can learn all about fascinating and surprising stories, such as the civil rights swimming protest; the disastrous D-Day rehearsal; and the death of one of the world's oldest languages.

(Photo: Passengers and crew at Gander airfield, 2001. Credit: Town of Gander)

THU 09:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5g8dq)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 09:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl83wlfnf3)

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THU 09:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfds4mp3)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU **09:32 The Documentary (w3ct81mp)** [Repeat of broadcast at 02:32 today]

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THU 10:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5gd4v)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 10:06 The Explanation (w3ct7ysh)

The Media Show: Super Mario Bros at 40

Super Mario Bros reaches its 40th anniversary. First released in 1985, the Nintendo title redefined video game design and propelled Mario from a supporting character into a global icon. Keza MacDonald, video games editor at The Guardian and author of a forthcoming book on Nintendo, outlines its creation

and cultural significance.

In Russia, a state-approved messaging service called Max has been made mandatory on all new devices, while WhatsApp and Telegram face restrictions. Eva Hartog, Russia reporter at Politico Europe, considers the impact on digital freedoms and journalism. In Nepal, a ban on 26 major social media platforms led to widespread protests and the resignation of the Prime Minister before the restrictions were reversed. Dr Nayana Prakash, Research Fellow at Chatham House, assesses what this reveals about state approaches to online platforms. A resolution has been reached in the Murdoch family's longrunning succession dispute. Claire Atkinson, media reporter and founder of the The Media Mix newsletter, explains the background to the family trust and what the decision could mean for the company's future direction

Presenters: Katie Razzall and Ros Atkins Producer: Lisa Jenkinson Assistant Producer: Lucy Wai

THU 10:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfds4rf7)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 10:32 The Documentary (w3ct80hz) The second map

While the Allies celebrated victory in Europe, war was not over for the men and women on the Asian front in World War Two. This episode traces those final months of war - from the prisoner of war camps on the so-called 'death railway', to the cities of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, devastated by nuclear bombs. We explore how memory and forgetting have shaped our war narrative in the 80 years since the World War Two, and we meet descendants of those who were there, discovering new

Presenter/writer: Kavita Puri Script editor: Ant Adeane Sound engineer: James Beard Production co-ordinators: Sabine Scherek, Maria Ogundele, Original music: Felix Taylor Archive Curator: Tarig Hussain

THI/ 11:00 BBC News (w172zwwszn5ghwz)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 11:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl83wlfwxc)

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THU 11:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfds4w5c)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 11:32 The Global Story (w3ct7194)

Russia and Israel put Steve Witkoff's diplomacy to the test

Donald Trump wants to broker peace in two of the world's most intractable wars: Gaza and Ukraine. But this week, both crises have escalated - and the man he's tasked with solving them has no previous diplomatic experience.

Steve Witkoff, a real estate mogul and Trump's closest confidante, is now at the center of American foreign policy as the 'envoy for everything'.

On today's Global Story, we speak with the BBC's State Department Correspondent, Tom Bateman, and ask whether Witkoff's unconventional style is a weakness – or a strength.

Producers: Cat Farnsworth and Aron Keller Executive producer: James Shield Mix: Travis Evans Senior news editor: China Collins

Image: President Donald Trump and Steve Witkoff. Sarah Yenesel/EPA/Shutterstock

THU 12:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5gmn3)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 12:06 Outlook (w3ct6wxw)

Hold Fast! 4. I want to hug a cow

After 188 days without setting foot on land, The Avontuur finally arrives in Horta, in the Azores. Before the crew can finally get off the ship, there are a few last hurdles to contend with. Ship's cook Giulia has played her part in getting them here in reasonably good spirits, but now her patience is beginning to wear thin.

15 people, 188 days at sea, one extraordinary ship: how the Avontuur was locked down at sea during the Covid-19 pandemic.

Narrated by Siobhán McSweeney Produced by Christina Hardinge Sound & Music by Noémie Ducimetière Narration written by Laura Thomas Sound mix by Jackie Margerum and Giles Aspen For Lives Less Ordinary, the series producer is Laura Thomas and the editor, Munazza Khan

THU 12:50 Witness History (w3ct74jq)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 today]

THU 13:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5grd7)

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THU 13:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl83wlg4dm)

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THU 13:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfds53nm)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 13:32 Health Check (w3ct6vjt) [Repeat of broadcast at 20:32 on Wednesday]

THU 14:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5gw4c) The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 14:06 Newshour (w172zss85lpm0pz)

Manhunt for Charlie Kirk killer underway

A huge manhunt is underway after the assassination of US conservative activist Charlie Kirk. President Trump says it's a "dark moment" for America. We'll have reaction to the killing.

Also on the programme: what's happened to Syria's missing children taken from political prisoners under the Assad regime; and South Korea's president warns other companies may be reluctant to invest in the US after the Hyundai row.

(Photo: Charlie Kirk, Turning Point USA founder, puts on a MAGA hat during the AmericaFest 2024 conference. Credit:

THU 15:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5gzwh)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service

THU 15:06 The Inquiry (w3ct7231)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:06 today]

THU 15:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfds5c4w)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 15:32 World Business Report (w3ct75vv)

Mexico to impose 50 percent tariffs on Chinese cars

Mexico plans to increase tariffs on vehicles from China and other Asian countries to 50 percent. We speak to a former Mexican trade official about why President Sheinbaum is making this move and what it could mean for businesses and

We have the latest on the fallout from the mass immigration raid at a Hyundai plant in the US state of Georgia.

And a rollercoaster ride for Universal? We look at the ups and downs of the company's plans to build its first theme park in Europe.

THU 16:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5h3mm)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 16:06 BBC OS (w173067ydpkjzrl)

Fatal shooting of Charlie Kirk in Utah

A huge search is continuing in the United States for the killer of one of President Trump's closest allies, Charlie Kirk. The conservative activist was shot in the neck during an event at a university in Utah on Wednesday. Vice President JD Vance is expected to visit Kirk's family later today. The killer's identity and motive are still unknown but Mr Trump has blamed what he called the "radical left" for the shooting and other recent political attacks, and promised a crackdown

We join with our colleagues from BBC TV News for an hour of special coverage of the killing of Charlie Kirk. We hear from eyewitnesses and local journalists, and we answer audience questions with the help of our correspondents and disinformation specialists.

(Photo: A memorial is held for Charlie Kirk, who was shot and killed in Utah, at the Turning Point USA headquarters in Phoenix, Arizona, U.S. September 10, 2025. Credit: Caitlin O'Hara/Reuters)

THU 17:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5h7cr)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 17:06 BBC OS (w173067ydpkk3hq)

Charlie Kirk killing: FBI releases suspect picture

The FBI believes it's found the high-powered rifle used to shoot dead the influential conservative activist, Charlie Kirk, in Utah on Wednesday. They have released a CCTV image of the suspect, however the attacker remains at large. Officials said he appeared to be of college age, and had fled into a nearby neighbourhood. We speak to our correspondent in Utah and bring together people in Utah who at the event when Mr Kirk

Britain has sacked its ambassador to the United States because of his ties to the convicted sex offender Jeffrey Epstein. We speak to our political correspondent.

Israel has continued its bombardment of Gaza City, after it ordered hundreds of thousands of residents to evacuate. We speak to two women who are still in the city.

Presenter: Rahul Tandon

(Photo credit: FBI)

THU 18:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5hc3w)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 18:06 Outlook (w3ct6wxw)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 today]

THU 18:50 Witness History (w3ct74jq)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 today]

THU 19:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5hgw0)

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THU 19:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl83wlgvwd)

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THU 19:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfds5v4d)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 19:32 Sport Today (w3ct6z7p)

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 (w172zwwszp5hlm4)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 20:06 The Documentary (w3ct81mp)

[Repeat of broadcast at 02:32 today]

THU 20:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfds5ywj)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 20:32 Science In Action (w3ct6vfv)

Asteroids, comets and where to find them

Scientists' latest plans for welcoming interstellar visitor 3I/Atlas next month, and arranging a rendezvous with comet Apophis in 2029, as heard this week at the EPSC-DPS international planetary science joint meeting in Helsinki.

Producer: Ella Hubber, with Alex Mansfield Production coordinator: Jana Bennett-Holesworth

Image: Artist's impression of an asteroid in space (Credit:

European Space Agency/ESA Science Office)

THU 21:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5hqc8)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 21:06 Newshour (w172zss85lpmvxw)

Charlie Kirk murder: FBI releases photos of a "person of interest"

Officials hunting for him say they've recovered a high-powered rifle from nearby woodland. The FBI has offered a reward of one hundred thousand dollars for information that could lead to the arrest of anyone involved in the killing. We have all the latest updates.

Also on the programme: Kaja Kallas, the EU's High representative for Foreign Affairs talks about incursion of Russian drones into Poland's airspace. And Ireland's national broadcaster announces that they will boycott Eurovision in 2026 if Israel is allowed to take part. Can the competition remain apolitical?

(Picture: The "person of interest" in the murder of Charlie Kirk wanted by the FBI) $\,$

THU 22:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5hv3d)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 22:06 The Inquiry (w3ct7231)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:06 today]

THU 22:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfds66cs)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 22:32 The Food Chain (w3ct70yy)

[Repeat of broadcast at 04:32 today]

THU 23:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5hyvj)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 23:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl83wlhbvx)

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THU 23:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfds6b3x)

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THU 23:32 World Business Report (w3ct75y3)

Detained Hyundai employees fly to South Korea

More than 300 South Koreans who were arrested in the raid in the Hyundai plant in Georgia have now been released from detention and flown to their country. And how can this affect the economic relations between both countries?

London's underground rail system – the Tube – has been closed for five days by a strike over pay and conditions for train drivers, and this has been very stressful for commuters, but more than that, it has been very damaging for businesses.

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FRI 00:06 The Explanation (w3ct7ysh)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:06 on Thursday]

FRI 00:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfds6fw1)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 00:32 Unspun World with John Simpson (w3ct78bv)

Protests hit France as new PM takes office

This week John Simpson, in discussion with the BBC's unparalleled range of experts across the world, analyses whether the latest political crisis in France is a sign of long-term decline, examines the reasons for the simmering tensions between Cambodia and Thailand, and looks at the ways in which Russia is trying to win over opinion around the world.

Producer: Kate Cornell Executive Producer: Benedick Watt Commissioning Editor: Vara Szajkowski

FRI 01:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5j6bs)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 01:06 Big Boss Interview (w172zrs855hjbty)

Former president of Brazil sentenced to 27 years in prison

Brazil's former president, Jair Bolsonaro, has been sentenced to more than twenty-seven years in prison after the Supreme Court found him guilty of attempting a coup when he lost the 2022 election.

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And Roger Hearing hears about the use of artificial intelligence to write speeches for politics and business and how you can detect if it's written by AI or a human.

Throughout the program, Roger will be joined by two guests on opposite sides of the world – Nga Pham, a journalist and filmmaker based in Taipei, although she will be joining us today from Hanoi in Vietnam - and Stephanie Hare, a researcher on technology and ethics in London.

FRI 02:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5jb2x)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 02:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl83wlhq39)

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FRI 02:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfds6pc9)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 02:32 Tech Life (w3ct6zp7)
[Repeat of broadcast at 20:32 on Tuesday]

FRI 03:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5jfv1)

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FRI 03:06 Outlook (w3ct6wxw)

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FRI 03:50 Witness History (w3ct74jq)

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FRI 04:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5jkl5)

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FRI 04:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl83wlhylk)

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FRI 04:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfds6xvk)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 04:32 Heart and Soul (w3ct6vpb)

My blessed boy: The millennial saint

How does a seemingly ordinary boy prove to be so extraordinary that he's given a halo by the Catholic Church? Saint Carlo Acutis was just 15 years old when he died in 2006. William Crawley travels through Italy to the places most associated with the young Carlo to discover for himself what set this teenager apart from the rest.

In Assisi, William meets Carlo's mother Antonia Salzano Acutis who reveals how her son showed an unusual generosity for a teenager. He visits Carlo's tomb, where Domenico Sorrentino, Bishop of Assisi, explains the connection between St. Francis and Carlo, as a bridge from the past to the present.

At Carlo's old school in Milan, Istituto Leone XIII, his former professor, Fabrizio Zaggia, recalls his curious mind. And contemporary students talk of how they can relate to the Saint who designed websites.

But is it all too convenient for the Catholic Church in this Jubilee Year to find a saint that appeals to this younger generation? William ponders this in Rome with John Allen, editor of Crux, the online Catholic newspaper, before heading off to St Peter's Square and the Dicastery for the Causes of

Saints where Monsignor Alberto Royo explains the investigation into Carlo's life to see if it was one of 'heroic virtue'

Presenter: William Crawley Producer: Jill Collins Editor: Tara McDermott

Production co-ordinator: Gemma Ashman

Credit: Carlo Acutis Digital Memorial: Artist Riccardo Benassi, Curator Milano Arte Pubblica, Commune di Milano

(Photo: Antonia Salzano, mother of blessed Carlo Acutis, who spent his life spreading his faith online, poses in front of a portrait of her son, 4 April, 2025. Credit: Tiziana Fabi/AFP)

FRI 05:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5jpb9)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 05:06 Newsday (w172zspsh4lh2bw)

Bolsanaro sentenced to 27 years in Brasil

Brazil's former president Jair Bolsonaro has been sentenced to twenty seven years in prison after the Supreme Court found him guilty of attempting a coup following his defeat in the 2022 election. We get a reaction to the sentence from one of his supporters.

The FBI and Utah officials have released a new video showing the Charlie Kirk shooting suspect fleeing the scene of the crime. He's seen running across the roof and dropping over the edge before entering a wooded area. The FBI is offering a \$100.00 reward for information.

We go to South Sudan where the first vice president Riek Machar has been charged with murder, treason and crimes against humanity for his alleged involvement in attacks by an ethnic militia against federal forces in March.

Presenters: James Copnall and Victoria Uwonkunda

(Photo: Brazilian Senator Flavio Bolsonaro, son of former President Jair Bolsonaro, speaks during a press conference in Brasilia, Brazil. Credit: Andre Borges/EPA).

FRI 06:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5jt2f)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 06:06 Newsday (w172zspsh4lh630)

Former Brazilian president sentenced to 27 years in jail

The right-wing former president Jair Bolsonaro has been sentenced to more than 27 years in prison in a trial that had been closely followed in the country, in the US, and elesewhere. The Supreme Court found him guilty of attempting a coup after he lost the 2022 election to his left-wing rival and current head of government, Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva.

The FBI have offered a reward of up to \$100,000 for information on the killer of Charlie Kirk, the American right wing young leader and activist, who was shot dead in the state of Utah. We bring you the latest on that story.

And the head of the International Rescue Committee, David Miliband, has warned that without an urgent and sustained diplomatic push to find a solution to the crisis in Sudan, the civil war which has been raging since April 2023 could become permanently frozen.

Presenters: James Copnall and Victoria Uwonkunda

(Photo: Supporters of former Brazilian President Jair Bolsonaro stage a prayer vigil, Brasilia, Brazil. Credit: António Lacerda/EPA)

FRI 07:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5jxtk)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 07:06 Newsday (w172zspsh4lh9v4)

A 27 year jail sentence for former President of Brazil

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President Trump has called for a peaceful response to the murder of his ally, Charlie Kirk, a right-wing youth leader and activist shot dead in Utah on Wednesday. On Thursday the FBI offered a reward of one hundred thousand dollars for information that could lead to the arrest of anyone involved in

the killing. They've released photos of the college-age suspected gunman, who is still on the run.

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(Photo: A woman celebrates following the sentencing of former President Bolsonaro. Credit:Adriano Machado)

FRI 08:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5k1kp)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 08:06 Americast (w3ct7t5x)

Charlie Kirk's killing: A dangerous moment for America?

Charlie Kirk, the right-wing influencer and trusted ally of Donald Trump has been shot dead while speaking with students at a university in Utah.

Kirk was one of the most prominent conservative activists and media personalities in the United States, and a trusted ally of Donald Trump. Many credit his influence - particularly with young people - as a key reason behind Trump's victory in last year's election.

The president, visibly angry and upset, delivered a message to the nation last night in which he described Kirk's killing as a "dark moment for America".

Justin, Sarah and Marianna assess who Charlie Kirk really was. what made him so successful and how dangerous a moment this could be for America as a whole.

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- Justin Webb, Radio 4 presenter
- Sarah Smith, North America Editor
- Marianna Spring, Social Media Investigations Senior Correspondent

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FRI 08:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfds7dv2)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 08:32 Business Daily (w3ct6rs7)

Business Daily meets: Zscaler CEO Jay Chaudhry

The entrepreneur grew up in a small village in the foothills of the Himalayas with no electricity.

He went on to found a cloud-based cyber-security company with a value of \$47 billion, trying to protect digital data for businesses and governments.

Jay Chaudhry tells us about his daily battle to stay ahead of the "bad guys".

Presenter: Will Bain Producer: Amber Mehmood

(Image: Jay Chaudhry giving the keynote speech at Zenith Live.

FRI 08:50 Witness History (w3ct7449)

How the Philippines saved Jews during World War Two

In September 1935, the Nuremberg Laws were introduced in Nazi Germany.

In 1938, seven-year-old Lotte Hershfield and her family left their home in Breslau, which was part of Germany and is now known as Wroclaw in Poland.

Their journey took them across continents by ship, train and on horse and cart.

They eventually arrived in Manila, the capital of the Philippines, one of the few places welcoming Jewish refugees fleeing persecution.

As they rebuilt their lives, Japan launched a surprise attack on Pearl Harbour and, soon after, invaded the Philippines.

When United States forces eventually reclaimed the islands, Lotte and her family once again packed up their lives, this time settling in Baltimore, Maryland.

Now aged 94, Lotte has been sharing the memories of her life in Manila with Megan Jones.

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For nine minutes every day, we take you back in time and all over the world, to examine wars, coups, scientific discoveries, cultural moments and much more.

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You can learn all about fascinating and surprising stories, such as the civil rights swimming protest; the disastrous D-Day rehearsal; and the death of one of the world's oldest languages.

(Photo: Lotte Hershfield. Credit: Lotte Hershfield)

FRI 09:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5k59t)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 09:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl83wljkb6)

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FRI 09:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfds7jl6)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 09:32 Science In Action (w3ct6yfv)

[Repeat of broadcast at 20:32 on Thursday]

FRI 10:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5k91y)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 10:06 Unexpected Elements (w3ct72wj)

Some dam awesome science

The inauguration of Africa's largest hydroelectric dam has us looking at how we decide when, where, and even whether to build dams.

But humans aren't the only ones building dams – Loren Taylor of the Beaver Institute joins us to talk all about nature's hydroengineers and the wide-spread benefits beavers (and their dams!) have on ecosystems.

Also on the program, how close are we to clean energy from space, the science behind holding your breath for a really, really, really, REALLY long time, and how natural sounds can be turned into musical instruments. All that, plus more unexpected elements.

Presenter: Alex Lathbridge with Andrada Fiscutean and Katie Silver

Producers: Margaret Sessa-Hawkins, Alice Lipscombe-Southwell and Robbie Wojciechowski.

FRI 11:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5kdt2)

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FRI 11:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl83wljstg)

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FRI 11:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfds7s2g)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 11:32 The Global Story (w3ct714m)

The Charlie Kirk blueprint

On Wednesday, the divisive conservative political activist Charlie Kirk was shot and killed on the first stop of his 'American Comeback Tour', where he invited students to engage him in political discussion. Kirk was the founder of the conservative nonprofit Turning Points USA and one of Donald Trump's most powerful advocates, especially among young people. But his impact stretched far beyond the United States, as he leveraged social media to reinvent the right's image around the world.

Today, we speak to Semafor political correspondent, David Weigel, about the blueprint Kirk pioneered for winning young minds to the conservative cause. Then, we speak to Daniel Ogoloma, who partnered with Kirk for a debate while he was a student at Oxford University. He tells us about his plan to bring Kirk's ideas into Nigerian politics.

Producers: Viv Jones, Xandra Ellin, Valerio Esposito, Lucy

Pawle, Sam Chantarasak Executive producer: Annie Brown Mix: Travis Evans Senior news editor: China Collins

Photo credit: Trent Nelson / The Salt Lake Tribune / Reuters

FRI 12:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5kjk6)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 12:06 Outlook (w3ct6whb)

Outlook Mixtape: The musical

Born under apartheid and in poverty, South African composer Lebo M grew up loving music and became a performer at a young age. His talent took him on a tumultuous journey from Soweto to Hollywood. As he worked on the music for Disney's hit animation The Lion King and as apartheid came to an end in South Africa, the story of those lions fighting for their kingdom took on a whole new relevance to him. Lebo M spoke to Emily Webb in 2019

Marni Nixon looks back at her early singing career in the 1950s and 1960s. Hollywood's ghost singer, whose voice you hear in the main roles of The King and I (singing for Deborah Kerr), My Fair Lady (singing for Audrey Hepburn) and West Side Story (singing for Natalie Wood), tells Outlook's Jo Fidgen about the days when she had to defend her rights to be credited. This interview was first broadcast in 2013.

Sammi Cannold, a Jewish Broadway director, and Safi Rauf, a Muslim humanitarian, met in August 2021 during the chaotic evacuation of civilians from Afghanistan. Amid the crisis, they fell in love. However, just months into dating, Safi was taken prisoner by the Taliban while carrying out humanitarian work in Kabul. For 105 days, he was held in a basement prison but kept the spirits of his fellow captives alive by singing songs from the musical Les Misérables.

Presenter: Saskia Collette Producer: Thomas Harding Assinder

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(Photo: Cassette tape. Credit: Getty Images)

FRI 12:50 Witness History (w3ct7449)

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FRI 13:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5kn9b)

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FRI 13:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl83wlk19q)

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FRI 13:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfds80kq)

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FRI 13:32 Science In Action (w3ct6vfv)

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FRI 14:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5ks1g)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 14:06 Newshour (w172zss85lppxm2)

Suspect arrested in Charlie Kirk killing

President Trump has announced that the main suspect in the assassination of the US conservative activist Charlie Kirk, named as 22-year-old Tyler Robinson, has been caught. We get the latest from the US and talk to a political historian about the recent upsurge in political violence in America.

Also in the programme: Brazil's former President Jair Bolsonaro has been found guilty of plotting a coup and sentenced to 27 years in prison - we hear from one of his former ministers; and what are the little red dots in space? Could they be "black hole stars"?

(IMAGE: FBI Director Kash Patel speaks during a press conference announcing details on the suspect in the shooting of U.S. conservative commentator Charlie Kirk, who was fatally shot during an event at Utah Valley University, in Orem, Utah, U.S. September 12, 2025 / CREDIT: REUTERS/Cheney Orr)

FRI 15:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5kwsl)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 15:06 Americast (w3ct7t5x)

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FRI 15:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfds881z)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 15:32 World Business Report (w3ct76lg)

Albania appoints AI-created minister

Albania appoints a minister to root out corruption, but is it just a PR stunt or could it really make a difference to how the county is run? We speak to Albania's Prime Minister, Edi Rama, about the new appointment.

We also ask whether funding for the Eurovision Song Contest is under threat as nations threaten to pull out over the war in Gaza.

And one of the world's most popular rappers, Bad Bunny, has added millions to Puerto Rico's economy since July. We hear from a journalist about the artist's impact on the island.

FRI~16:00~BBC~News~(w172zwwszp5l0jq)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 16:06 BBC OS (w173067ydpkmwnp)

Kirk shooting suspect named as Tyler Robinson

US officials have confirmed the arrest of a suspect in the shooting of the right-wing youth leader, Charlie Kirk. Utah Governor Spencer Cox named the suspect as Tyler Robinson, and says a "family member" helped turn him in, with family and a friend taking him to custody. We have the latest from the news conference and from our correspondent.

Washington has threatened further action against Brazil after the right-wing former president, Jair Bolsonaro, was found guilty of plotting a coup. We get reaction from Brazil and speak to our correspondent who has been following the trial.

A former chief justice of Nepal's Supreme Court, Sushila Karki is set to become the country's interim leader after antigovernment protesters forced Prime Minister K P Sharma Oli to step down. We speak to our South Asia correspondent who has been gauging the mood in the capital Kathmandu.

During an unguarded conversation between President Putin and President Jinping in Beijing, the Chinese leader suggested that scientific developments meant that by the end of the century people might live until 150. We bring together two 100-year olds to discuss what it is like to live to an old age.

Presenter: Rob Young.

(Photo: A police mugshot shows Tyler Robinson, the suspect in the fatal shooting of U.S. conservative commentator Charlie Kirk. Credit: Utah Department of Public Safety/Handout via REUTERS)

FRI 17:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5l48v)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 17:06 BBC OS (w173067ydpkn0dt)

Kirk shooting suspect in custody

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An estimated 218,000 people need evacuation from Donetsk region, in eastern Ukraine, including 16,500 children. We hear a report by our international correspondent.

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The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 18:06 Outlook (w3ct6whb)

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FRI 18:50 Witness History (w3ct7449)

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FRI 19:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5lcs3)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 19:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl83wlkrsh)

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FRI 19:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfds8r1h)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 19:32 Sport Today (w3ct6z35)

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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 (w172zwwszp5lhj7)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 20:06 BBC OS Conversations (w3ct6rn1)

Would you want to live until 150?

During an unguarded conversation between President Putin and President Jinping in Beijing, the Chinese leader suggested that scientific developments meant that by the end of the century people might live until 150.

So, what is it like to live to an old age and will 150 years ever be possible?

We bring together two women in Australia, Janet and Myfanwy, with a combined age of 202. One of them still drives. The other stopped getting behind the wheel at 96.

They say they both enjoy busy lives. Janet at 102 doesn't relish the thought of being 150 though: "Think how doddery and staggery you would be." And Mwfanwy adds: "I don't want to live forever!"

In another conversation, 87-year-old Elaine in the United States has this advice: "We've all been through difficult times, we've all had terrible things happen to us, but you just get past it, and you put one foot in front of the other and you just keep on going."

We also hear from three distinguished researchers who discuss the reality of living a long life and the science of anti-aging. This edition is from BBC OS Conversations, where we bring people together to share their experiences.

Presenter: Rahul Tandon

BBC producers: Iqra Farooq, Akwasi Sarpong, Laura Cress and Ash Mohamed

Boffin Media producers: Richard Hollingham and Sue Nelson

(Photo: 102-year old Janet McDonald. Credit: Janet McDonald)

FRI 20:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfds8vsm)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 20:32 CrowdScience (w3ct6st5)

Why am I so sentimental?

CrowdScience listener Kerry started thinking about his sentimental attachment to his possessions when he began sorting through an old trunk, full of objects from his past. He wants to know why we get so attached to things that often have no use anymore and why it's so hard to give them away.

Anand Jagatia investigates why the objects we accumulate during our lives mean so much to us.

He talks to psychologists Mary Dozier and Melissa Norberg and finds out that our possessions offer stability and comfort from the earliest age. That keepsake you brought home from your holiday may also stir memories about days gone by - and that's one reason why we may find it hard to part with the things we own, because they help us to access our emotions. And the items we collect through our lives can come to represent our identity too.

Anand visits the Museum of Broken Relationships in Zagreb, Croatia, where people from all over the world have donated possessions from relationships that ended, whether romantic or family, and discovers that sentimental attachment is universal.

Presenter Anand Jagatia

Producers Jo Glanville and Imaan Moin

Editor Ben Motley

(Photo: Memories box in book shelf - Credit: Jan Hakan Dahlstrom via Getty Images)

FRI 21:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5lm8c)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 21:06 Newshour (w172zss85lpqrtz)

Charlie Kirk suspect brought into custody after confessing to father

US officials say they've arrested a 22-year old man suspected of shooting dead the prominent right wing youth leader, Charlie Kirk. Also on the programme, a Nobel prize-winner weighs in on the Trump administration's vaccine policies; and, a new push to get museum visitors to spend more time in front of art.

(Photo :A Washington County sheriff's deputy joins Washington City police officers outside a residence in Washington, Utah, associated with Tyler Robinson, the suspect in the fatal shooting of U.S. conservative commentator Charlie Kirk during an event at Utah Valley University, U.S., September 12, 2025. REUTERS/Steve Marcus)

FRI 22:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5lr0h)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 22:06 Americast (w3ct7t5x)

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FRI 22:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxmfds938w)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 22:32 Heart and Soul (w3ct6vpb)

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FRI 23:00 BBC News (w172zwwszp5lvrm)

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FRI 23:32 World Business Report (w3ct76nq) Nepal's first female PM faces many economic challenges			
Many Nepali businesses were closed during deadly anti- corruption protests, which toppled the government and saw its first female interim prime minister appointed.			
We look at India's trade negotiations with the European Union and the United States.			
Plus, we hear from a South Korean worker caught up in immigration raids in Georgia, who was later deported.			
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