

**SATURDAY 11 OCTOBER 2025****SAT 00:00 BBC News (w172zwwvfrfqy3)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SAT 00:06 Unexpected Elements (w3ct72wn)**

The strongest stuff in the Universe

Egyptian strongman Ashraf Mahrous recently pulled two ships totalling 1,150 tonnes with his teeth, setting his sights on the Guinness World Record. Inspired by this story, this week we're tackling the science of all things strong.

First, we find out about new research that could keep our muscles strong as we age. Next up, we discover why graphene is so strong and how it could help improve data storage.

We're then joined down the line by Dr Matt Caplan, an astrophysicist from Illinois State University, who tells us about his search for a weird substance called 'nuclear pasta'. And no, you won't find it in your local Italian restaurant.

Plus, find out how robo-exoskeletons can help you climb hills and why Ernest Shackleton's Endurance was weaker than expected.

All that, plus many more Unexpected Elements.

Presenter: Marnie Chesterton, with Kai Kupferschmidt and Andrada Fiscutean

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

**SAT 01:00 BBC News (w172zwwvfrfqp7)**

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**SAT 01:06 The Newsroom (w172zw19kyvq2pm)**

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**SAT 01:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwnwh1f1ym)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**SAT 01:32 The Global Story (w3ct714r)**

Will the Gaza ceasefire hold?

Israel and Hamas have approved President Trump's plan for a ceasefire and approved a framework including the release of all the hostages and the withdrawal of Israeli troops from parts of Gaza. It is being described as the first phase of a wider agreement, but is the deal secure enough to last?

We speak to Liran Berman, whose brothers Gali and Ziv are amongst the last hostages, Laila Ezzat Al Shana, a mother in Gaza, and the BBC's state department correspondent, Tom Bateman.

Producers: Sam Chantarasak and Aron Keller

Executive producer: James Shield

Senior news editor: China Collins

Mix: Travis Evans

Image: Reactions in Gaza after President Trump announced that Israel and Hamas agreed on the first phase of a Gaza ceasefire. Dawoud Abu Alkas/Reuters

**SAT 02:00 BBC News (w172zwwvfrfqtfc)**

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**SAT 02:06 The Newsroom (w172zw19kyvq6fr)**

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**SAT 02:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwnwh1f5pr)**

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**SAT 02:32 Stumped (w3ct6zjv)**

How did Sachin Tendulkar's intervention help India captain Harmanpreet Kaur?

With the Women's World Cup underway, Alison Mitchell, Jim Maxwell and Prakash Wakankar take stock of the opening week of the tournament.

We speak to former India captain and ICC hall of famer, Diana Edulji to find how the Mumbai Cricket Association's talent hunt is helping to grow the women's game in the city. She tells us how a phone call to legend Sachin Tendulkar helped current India captain Harmanpreet Kaur secure a job in the railways.

Plus, we head to a skills camp for girls to see how the Right Pitch Foundation are helping young girls reach their full potential in the game.

Photo: Harmanpreet Kaur of India laughs during the ICC Women's Cricket World Cup India 2025 match between India and Pakistan at R. Premadasa Stadium on October 05, 2025 in Colombo, Sri Lanka. (Credit: Getty Images)

**SAT 03:00 BBC News (w172zwwvfrfqy5h)**

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**SAT 03:06 Outlook (w3ct6whg)**

Outlook Mixtape: The one with Three Bears

Brutus the grizzly bear spent his first months in a six-foot-square steel box. He was rescued by Casey Anderson, a naturalist and filmmaker who, inspired by his plight, opened the Montana Grizzly Encounter Rescue and Educational Sanctuary. Brutus appeared on television with Anderson. He also featured in films, commercials and was even best man at Anderson's wedding. This interview was first broadcast in 2018.

Private Wojtek of the 22nd Artillery Transport Division of the Polish Armed Forces was a Syrian brown bear who helped his fellow soldiers by carrying artillery shells at the Second World War Battle of Monte Cassino. Like his comrades, he enjoyed beer and cigarettes, although instead of smoking the latter, he ate them. After demobilisation, Wojtek went to Edinburgh Zoo, where he spent the rest of his life, often visited by former Polish soldiers. Wojciech Narebski who was one of the soldiers who fought alongside him, told us the story in 2018.

Joel Berger dedicated ten years of his life to studying musk oxen – hairy Arctic relatives of the goat. With global warming affecting their habitat, musk oxen increasingly came into contact with roaming polar bears. Joel wanted to investigate the effect of the bears on musk oxen behaviour – and with no polar bear to call on – he improvised. He grabbed a polar bear costume and headed north. This interview was first broadcast in 2019.

Hercules the bear was bought by Scottish couple Maggie and Andy Robin after they were told he could be euthanised at a local wildlife park. In 2015, Maggie told us how he lived with them in the 1970s and 80s at their home in Perthshire. Our attitudes towards keeping wild animals have changed a lot since then, but at the time, Hercules, a half tonne Grizzly, was something of a celebrity, starring in films and TV shows all over the world.

Presenter: Jo Fidgen

Producer: Hetal Bapodra

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(Photo: A transparent 60-minute cassette tape spooled halfway through and lying on a white background. It bears a slim white label with the words 'THE OUTLOOK MIXTAPE' written in black. Credit: Getty Images)

**SAT 03:50 Witness History (w3ct744f)**

How BRICS got its name

In 2001, a few months after 9/11, economist Jim O'Neill was working at Goldman Sachs when he wrote a report about which countries might become big players in the world economy.

That's when he came up with the name BRIC - short for Brazil, Russia, India and China.

At first, nothing much happened.

But in 2009, those countries took his idea and ran with it, holding their first summit.

Since then, the group has grown, adding South Africa to form BRICS.

There are now 11 members, and it's been making headlines again, as U.S President Donald Trump threatens tariffs.

Jim O'Neill speaks to Megan Jones about coming up with the acronym almost by accident and how he didn't think he'd still be talking about it almost 25 years later.

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: Jim O'Neill. Credit: Jim O'Neill)

**SAT 04:00 BBC News (w172zwwvfrf1xm)**

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**SAT 04:06 Unexpected Elements (w3ct72wn)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 00:06 today]

**SAT 05:00 BBC News (w172zwwvfrf5nr)**

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**SAT 05:06 The Newsroom (w172zw19kyvqkp4)**

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**SAT 05:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwnwh1fjy4)**

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**SAT 05:32 Trending (w3ct72tp)**

The biker gang 'securing' deadly Gaza aid sites

We've identified seven members of an anti-Islamic biker gang who oversaw security teams at aid sites for starving Palestinians, run by the controversial Gaza Humanitarian Foundation.

For BBC Trending, investigations correspondent Andy Verity unearths who they are, what they believe and how their ideology may have fueled their trips to Gaza.

Presenter: Andy Verity

Producers: Reha Kansara, Tom Beal and William Dahlgreen

Editor: Flora Carmichael and Anisa Subedar

**SAT 05:50 More or Less (w3ct6vzh)**

Are 72% of prison inmates in Switzerland foreign?

In a recent speech to the UN, US president Donald Trump set out some remarkable figures on the proportion of inmates in European prisons who were foreign nationals.

Citing statistics from the Council of Europe, he references Greece, Germany and Austria, as having rates around 50%.

"In Switzerland, beautiful Switzerland," he said "72% of the people in prisons are from outside of Switzerland." These numbers are correct, but why are the percentages so high – particularly in Switzerland?

Tim Harford speaks to Professor Marcelo Aebi, a criminologist from the University of Lausanne, who wrote the prisons report for the Council of Europe.

If you've seen a number in the news you think we should take a look at, let us know: moreorless@bbc.co.uk

Presenter: Tim Harford

Producer: Tom Colls

Sound mix: Rod Farquhar

Editor: Richard Vaden

**SAT 06:00 BBC News (w172zwwvfrf9dw)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SAT 06:06 Weekend (w172zw89x02zw3v)**

A review of the week with the latest news.

**SAT 07:00 BBC News (w172zwwvfrf50)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SAT 07:06 Weekend (w172zw89x02zzv)**

A review of the week with the latest news.

**SAT 08:00 BBC News (w172zwwvfrfjx4)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SAT 08:06 Weekend (w172zw89x0303m3)**

A review of the week with the latest news.

**SAT 09:00 BBC News (w172zwvfrfrn8)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SAT 09:06 BBC OS Conversations (w3ct6rn5)**

Trump and Autism – People affected speak out

President Donald Trump recently addressed what he described as the “horrible crisis” in autism, and rapid rise in reported cases over the last two decades. Previously, he’s suggested a link between some vaccines and autism, and in his latest remarks, he warned pregnant women to avoid taking the painkiller Tylenol, or Paracetamol as it’s known in many countries.

Scientists around the world have condemned his remarks. They say the rise in reported cases of autism is due to increased understanding and diagnoses, and that there is no evidence to show that autism is caused by painkillers or vaccines.

In our conversations, autistic people and the parents of autistic children discuss their reactions to President Trump’s comments.

“I think it’s heartbreaking,” says Ella, an autistic woman in the UK, “He’s a man whose voice is heard internationally. And I think regardless of whether this misinformation is called out and is called misinformation, people do listen.”

“Suddenly being autistic looks like a choice someone made, and then families can be treated like, like they have fault for somebody’s diagnosis,” says Elena, another autistic woman.

For Gifty, a parent in Ghana, another aspect is the blame it puts on mothers. “In this in this part of the world, Africa, we already have men who don’t understand these things. I mean, it adds more value to their conspiracy theories. The mother ate something, the mother did something ... and it’s like, oh, you see, we always knew that it was coming from the mother.”

Presenter: Rahul Tandon

BBC producers: Isabella Bull and Ash Mohamed  
Boffin Media producer: Anne McNaught

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(Photo/credit: Areva Martin and her son Marty)

**SAT 09:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxnwh1g0xn)**

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**SAT 09:32 Pick of the World (w3ct7z5d)**

What do women click on?

Why BBC World Service cares so much about reaching female audiences online, and what we have learned about how women tend to engage on social media. This week we travel from the incredible tale of the Gaza boy who carried his baby brother for 10 kilometers to find their family, to the story of a Brazilian woman who found she had XY chromosomes in her blood. Plus, CrowdScience finds out why we so rarely hold memories of being a baby - and we hear from an American man who found his mum in his local bakery.

**SAT 09:50 Over to You (w3ct6vxx)**

How to report the topic of Sainthood

A recent Heart and Soul told the story of how a boy, Carlo Acutis, who died from cancer nearly 20 years ago has been declared a saint. We hear your feedback on this documentary and also from the show’s presenter, William Crawley. How did he approach this sensitive topic?

Plus, major schedule changes are only two weeks away, we look at which WS shows are ending.

Presenter: Rajan Datar

Producer: Howard Shannon

A Whistledown production for the BBC World Service

**SAT 10:00 BBC News (w172zwwvfrfrsdd)**

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**SAT 10:06 Not by the Playbook (w3ct8789)**

Out of the box

We like to think of ourselves as a bit maverick here on Not by the Playbook. Nothing too outrageous, but we like to think outside of the box... and so we present to you a show dedicated to those athletes whose decision to think out side of the box has served them well. People who have gone against the grain,

challenged the established thinking and come out on top

Olivia Reeves has literally done the heavy lifting in making her sport more accessible to those who want to try, but were too intimidated to do so. From her home in Chattanooga in the US state of Tennessee, she has been telling us about how she became Olympic weightlifting champion, on developing a winning mind set and becoming the first American to win Weightlifting gold in 24 years, and how her life has changed since.

Yana Daniels has taken the concept of out of the box thinking and made it real. No ideas or theories... Yana Daniels literally makes boxes! A top tier footballer and Belgium international she was hoping to play a part in the country’s recent Women’s Euro campaign, but sadly wasn’t picked in the final squad. But that didn’t stop Yana from being a really important part of the competition. In fact despite Belgium not making out of the group stages they were represented in the final and indeed every single game, through Yana! She explains all

When people hit a certain age some look back on what they have achieved and wonder if it’s enough.. and what could the future hold? The stereotype is the man buying a fast car, or a leather jacket... Peter Wright went in a different direction. Aged 40 and over weight, Peter’s “out of the box” moment saw him change his life completely. He got FIT and set off on achieving some of the world’s most difficult feat’s of athletic ability. He recently wrote about his adventures a book called “A Mid-Life Less Ordinary - From Ultramarathon Insanity to Rowing the Atlantic at Fifty” and told me about some of the “hairier” moments of the past 10 years or so!

Whilst most of our guests used their “out of the box thinking” for good, our next story shows sometime it’s used for villainous reasons! Join us at the finishing line of the Boston Marathon in 1980. Men’s champion Bill Rodgers was very much expected to be there first, and he was. What was much less anticipated was the presence of the unheard of Cuban runner Rosie Ruiz, who was duly crowned the women’s winner. But all was not quite what it seemed.

Photo: Olivia Reeves of Team United States performs a clean and jerk during the Weightlifting Women’s 71kg on day fourteen of the Olympic Games Paris 2024 at South Paris Arena (CREDIT: Lars Baron/Getty Images)

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**SAT 11:06 The Newsroom (w172zw9kyvr94x)**

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**SAT 11:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxnwh1g8dx)**

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**SAT 11:32 Unspun World with John Simpson (w3ct78bz)**

Two years on, is the Gaza war at a turning point?

This week John Simpson, in discussion with the BBC’s unparalleled range of experts across the world, analyses whether, two years on from the 7 October attacks, peace in the Middle East is now possible, looks at what it’s like for western journalists to report from Russia, and examines the consequences of UN sanctions being reimposed on Iran.

Producer: Kate Cornell

Executive Producer: Benedick Watt

Commissioning Editor: Vara Szajkowski

**SAT 12:00 BBC News (w172zwwvfrfs0wn)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SAT 12:06 World Questions (w3ct7505)**

Peru

This South American country has escaped from poverty and paramilitary violence that once threatened the state itself; huge reserves of natural resources have helped boost the economy. But political instability and high crime threaten those hard-won gains, sparking mass protests across the country. President Dina Boluarte was reckoned to be one of the world’s most unpopular heads of state. The programme was recorded on 7th October before her removal by Congress. Jonny Dymond is joined by a panel of leading politicians taking questions from an audience at the Teatro Ricardo Blume in the country’s capital Lima.

The Panel:

Mercedes Araoz: Former Prime Minister of Peru, Professor of

International Economy, University of the Pacific

Sigrid Bazán: Congresswoman (Nuevo Perú), former President

of the Labour Commission

Tarcila Rivera Zea: Founder of the Centre for Indigenous

Cultures of Peru, former member of the UN Permanent Forum of Indigenous Issues

Diana Gonzales: Congresswoman (Avanza País), Vice Chair of the Energy and Mines Committee

Producer: Charlie Taylor

(Photo: Protesters clash with police in Peru. Credit: Reuters)

**SAT 13:00 BBC News (w172zwwvfrfs4ms)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SAT 13:06 Newshour (w172zss9mnyx96d)**

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

**SAT 14:00 BBC News (w172zwwvfrfs8cx)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SAT 14:06 Sportsworld (w172ztqy7qdwrc)**

Live Sporting Action

Lee James will be joined by the former Newcastle United and Trinidad and Tobago goalkeeper Shaka Hislop and the former Liverpool, Tottenham Hotspur and Sierra Leone defender Steven Caulker to talk about a significant week of World Cup qualifiers across the world and also the Premier League season so far. Chelsea’s Ellie Carpenter will join to talk about the WSL champions’ season so far.

Lee speaks exclusively to tennis legend John McEnroe. He’ll give his views on the rivalry between Jannik Sinner and Carlos Alcaraz after being one half of one of tennis’ greatest rivalries with Bjorn Borg.

Sportsworld will be live at the Women’s Cricket World Cup with Prakash Wakankar and guests to discuss how significant a win for India could be for the country. We’ll talk the WNBA Finals with game four between Las Vegas Aces and Phoenix Mercury.

**SAT 18:00 BBC News (w172zwwvfrfrsrf)**

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**SAT 18:06 The Newsroom (w172zw9kyvs4ct)**

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**SAT 18:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxnwh1h3mt)**

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**SAT 18:32 Trending (w3ct72tp)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 05:32 today]

**SAT 18:50 More or Less (w3ct6vzh)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 05:50 today]

**SAT 19:00 BBC News (w172zwwvfrfrsw3k)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SAT 19:06 The Inquiry (w3ct7235)**

Is Trump building a crypto economy?

Donald Trump once dismissed cryptocurrencies as a scam. But since returning to office, his view of them has shifted dramatically.

In July, President Trump signed new legislation aimed at integrating crypto into the financial mainstream. Members of the Trump family have launched their own ventures, generating significant profits and boosting the visibility of digital currencies in American politics.

Supporters say this could reassert the dominance of the US dollar in a changing global economy, while critics warn of economic volatility and regulatory gaps. How did crypto go from fringe to front-and-centre in Trump’s economic vision?

This week on The Inquiry, we’re asking: Is Trump building a crypto economy?

Contributors:

Molly White, writer for the Citation Needed Newsletter in the US

Francine McKenna, Lecturer at the Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania, US

Will Grant, BBC’s Mexico, Central America and Caribbean correspondent

Gillian Tett, Provost of King’s College, Cambridge, UK

Presenter: Tanya Beckett  
Producers: Ben Henderson and Matt Toulson  
Researcher: Evie Yabsley  
Editor: Tom Bigwood  
Technical Producer: Nicky Edwards  
Production Management Assistant: Liam Morrey

(Photo: President Donald Trump displays the GENIUS Act on 18 July 2025. Credit: Brendan Smialowski/Getty Images)

**SAT 19:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxnwh1h7cy)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**SAT 19:32 Happy News (w3ct6tyw)**  
Happy News

Positive news stories

**SAT 20:00 BBC News (w172zwwvfrfzsvp)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SAT 20:06 The Arts Hour (w3ct6ztw)**  
Director Simon Stone

Nikki Bedi speaks to Simon Stone, director of *Woman in Cabin 10*. Also, Taylor Swift on her new album, Oscar-winning cinematographer Roger Deakins and actor Matthew McConaughey.

**SAT 21:00 BBC News (w172zwwvfrft3lt)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SAT 21:06 Newshour (w172zss9mnyy8sf)**  
Interviews, news and analysis of the day's global events.

**SAT 22:00 BBC News (w172zwwvfrft7by)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SAT 22:06 Not by the Playbook (w3ct8789)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:06 today]

**SAT 23:00 BBC News (w172zwwvfrftc32)**  
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**SAT 23:06 The Newsroom (w172zw19kyvsr3g)**  
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**SAT 23:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxnwh1hqcg)**  
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**SAT 23:32 This Is Africa (w3ct72dj)**  
Amadeus

Massamba Amadeus is a Senegalese musician who is consciously following in the footsteps of Cheikh Lo, Youssou N'dour and other greats from his country, and who has named himself after Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart.

Amadeus's first hit was *Boulma Sagané*, released when he was still a student at university in 2020. But as he tells *This Is Africa*, he already has his eye on his legacy and wants his music to endure like that of his musical heroes.

He says that while it's great getting big numbers on streaming and social platforms, he considers it his responsibility to guide and educate his young fans as the griots of old would have done, and to preserve the rich musical heritage of his forebears.

## SUNDAY 12 OCTOBER 2025

**SUN 00:00 BBC News (w172zwwvfrftgv6)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SUN 00:06 BBC OS Conversations (w3ct6rn5)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:06 on Saturday]

**SUN 00:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxnwh1hv3l)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**SUN 00:32 The Documentary (w3ct82l0)**  
Global dancefloor: Saigon

Frank McWeeny heads to the dancefloors of Saigon (Ho Chi Minh City) to uncover what Vietnamese alternative culture looks and sounds like today. With 70% of the country under 35, young people are the driving force behind a different image of Vietnam, far away from poverty and war. They are asserting their identity through music, fashion and their own take on traditional values. They are changing perceptions of what it means to be Vietnamese in 2025.  
We hear from DIY music collective Dismal, forward-thinking underground club The Observatory, and members of the nightlife and fashion scenes.

Producer/presenter: Frank McWeeny  
Editor: Susan Marling  
A Just Radio production for BBC World Service

(Photo: Dismal party in Saigon. Credit: io lart)

**SUN 01:00 BBC News (w172zwwvfrftllb)**  
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**SUN 01:06 The Newsroom (w172zw19kyvszlq)**  
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**SUN 01:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxnwh1hyvq)**  
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**SUN 01:32 Trending (w3ct72tp)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 05:32 on Saturday]

**SUN 01:50 Sporting Witness (w3ct7zs7)**  
When Greg Louganis hit his head on a diving board

At the 1988 Seoul Olympics, in South Korea, Greg Louganis hit his head on the springboard.

It was during the preliminary rounds while he was attempting a reverse 2½ pike.

It caused a gash to his head, with blood trickling down his head.

At the time, only he and his coach Ron O'Brien knew he was HIV positive.

In 2012 he spoke to Peter Bowes about that moment.

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: Diver Greg Louganis of the US shown hitting his head on the diving board. Credit: Rich Clarkson / Rich Clarkson & Associates)

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**SUN 02:06 The Newsroom (w172zw19kyvt3bv)**  
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**SUN 02:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxnwh1j2lv)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**SUN 02:32 Health Check (w3ct6vjy)**  
Immune system researchers win Nobel Prize

This year's Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine has been awarded for discoveries that explain how the immune system attacks hostile infections, but not the body's own cells. We explain the science that won Japan's Shimon Sakaguchi and US

researchers Mary Brunkow and Fred Ramsdell the prestigious award.

How robots can help children with reading anxiety. Lauren Wright from the University of Chicago who led this research explains.

A new targeted antibiotic has been found that treats Inflammatory Bowel Disease. Dr Graham Easton who is Professor of Clinical Communication Skills at Queen Mary University of London describes how it works.

Missing your first mammogram appointment has as much impact on breast cancer outcomes than an inherited genetic risk according to new research. Ziyen Ma from the Department of Medical Epidemiology and Biostatistics at the Karolinska Institute tells us more.

And should we reconsider how we treat blood pressure?

Presenter: Claudia Hammond  
Producer: Katie Tomsett

**SUN 03:00 BBC News (w172zwwvfrftv2l)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SUN 03:06 World Questions (w3ct7505)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 on Saturday]

**SUN 04:00 BBC News (w172zwwvfrftytq)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SUN 04:06 From Our Own Correspondent (w3ct6ts2)**  
Ukraine's death messenger

Pascale Harter introduces correspondents' and writers' stories from Ukraine, Madagascar, Bolivia and Uzbekistan.

What is the toll of breaking the worst possible news to soldiers' families, time after time? We follow a Ukrainian army officer in the western city of Lviv who has one of the toughest jobs in the military. Richard Pendry witnesses the heartbreak and anger that Major Serhiy Laziuk has faced every day for the past three years.

Madagascar is in turmoil. Its President replaced the entire government last week - and appointed new Prime Minister - after Gen Z-led protests erupted on the streets. What began as demonstrations against persistent power and water cuts have evolved into demands for full-scale political change. Luke Freeman reports from the capital, Antananarivo.

With their pleated skirts, fringed shawls and bowler hats, the 'Cholitas' of Bolivia - women of mixed European and Indigenous descent - have become visual symbols of the country. But in education and employment, they've often been discriminated against. Jane Chambers finds that many women from this background are reclaiming their heritage - and increasingly proud of it.

The ancient city of Bukhara, in Uzbekistan, has been a place of master crafts workers and artists for centuries - and more recently it's served as a striking exhibition space for contemporary art. Kirsty Lang visited the Bukhara Biennial to hear about the country's plans to remake its image through contemporary culture.

Producer: Polly Hope  
Editor: Richard Fenton-Smith  
Production co-ordinator: Rose Strawbridge

**SUN 04:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxnwh1jb33)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**SUN 04:32 Assignment (w3ct6rc4)**  
Bolivia's Cholitas – From Outcasts to Icons

With their pleated skirts and bowler hats the "cholita" women are a common sight in Bolivia's administrative capital La Paz. They're often from indigenous Aymara and Quechua cultures. Until recently cholita was used as a derogatory term to talk about their distinctive traditional clothing and they were discriminated against.

Jane Chambers travels to Bolivia to find out how these women are reclaiming their cultural heritage and going from outcasts to icons and what it says about society. Join her to meet the cholita wrestlers, fashion designers and mountaineers changing public opinion.

Producer: Jane Chambers  
Sound Mix: Neil Churchill  
Production Coordinator: Gemma Ashman

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| <p>Editor: Penny Murphy</p> <p>(Image: Cholita Climber - Lidia Huayllas Credit: Jane Chambers/BBC)</p> <p><b>SUN 05:00 BBC News (w172zwwvfrfv2kv)</b><br/>The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>SUN 05:06 The Newsroom (w172zw19kyytg17)</b><br/>The world's Newsroom brings you global events as they happen</p> <p><b>SUN 05:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxnwh1jfv7)</b><br/>The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>SUN 05:32 The Documentary (w3ct82l0)</b><br/>[Repeat of broadcast at 00:32 today]</p> <p><b>SUN 06:00 BBC News (w172zwwvfrfv69z)</b><br/>The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>SUN 06:06 Weekend (w172zw89x032s0y)</b><br/>A review of the week with the latest news.</p> <p><b>SUN 07:00 BBC News (w172zwwvfrfv23)</b><br/>The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>SUN 07:06 Weekend (w172zw89x032ws2)</b><br/>A review of the week with the latest news.</p> <p><b>SUN 08:00 BBC News (w172zwwvfrfvft7)</b><br/>The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>SUN 08:06 Weekend (w172zw89x0330j6)</b><br/>A review of the week with the latest news.</p> <p><b>SUN 09:00 BBC News (w172zwwvfrfvkce)</b><br/>The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>SUN 09:06 From Our Own Correspondent (w3ct6ts2)</b><br/>[Repeat of broadcast at 04:06 today]</p> <p><b>SUN 09:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxnwh1jstr)</b><br/>The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>SUN 09:32 The Food Chain (w3ct70z2)</b><br/>How (not) to complain</p> <p>How confident would you feel about complaining if a restaurant meal was not up to scratch?</p> <p>Restaurateurs in the UK, South Africa and the United States compare stories of the most outrageous complaints they've received, and how they were dealt with.</p> <p>They tell Ruth Alexander how increasing numbers of customers are "weaponising" the threat of negative online reviews.</p> <p>And if you're someone who struggles to complain when things go wrong, there's advice on how to make your voice heard calmly and assertively.</p> <p>If you would like to get in touch with the show, please email: <a href="mailto:thefoodchain@bbc.co.uk">thefoodchain@bbc.co.uk</a></p> <p>Produced by Lexy O'Connor</p> <p>Image: A young woman is arguing with a waiter in a cafe. She has a pastry on her plate and is holding a cup of coffee. Credit: Getty/Wavebreak Media</p> <p><b>SUN 10:00 BBC News (w172zwwvfrfv9h)</b><br/>The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>SUN 10:06 People Fixing The World (w3ct6xy5)</b><br/>The preschool in a retirement home</p> <p>A unique community in Chester in northern England, brings multiple generations together to encourage learning and connection. We explore how young children in the onsite nursery benefit from the time, attention and vocabulary skills offered by the older adults. Meanwhile the retirement home residents can benefit from increased social activity and a sense of purpose. We also speak to an intergenerational expert in</p> | <p>Spain about the growing evidence that backs this new societal approach.</p> <p>People Fixing The World from the BBC is about brilliant solutions to the world's problems. We release a new edition every week for most of the year. We'd love you to let us know what you think and to hear about your own solutions. You can contact us on WhatsApp by messaging +44 8000 321721 or email <a href="mailto:peoplefixingtheworld@bbc.co.uk">peoplefixingtheworld@bbc.co.uk</a>. And please leave us a review on your chosen podcast provider.</p> <p>Presenter: Myra Anubi<br/>Producer: Claire Bates<br/>Editor: Jon Bithrey<br/>Sound mix: Andrew Mills</p> <p>(Image: Younger and older mingle at the Belong retirement community, Chester, UK, BBC)</p> <p><b>SUN 10:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxnwh1k1kw)</b><br/>The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>SUN 10:32 The Fifth Floor (w3ct70tk)</b><br/>Tackling loneliness in India</p> <p>India is known for its close knit families and communities, but modern work practices mean more and more people are living far from home, and suffering from loneliness. Reporter Sumedha Pal in Delhi shares the stories of some of the people in India who are trying to find creative solutions to connect with others.</p> <p>Animated film 'K-pop Demon Hunters' has topped streaming and music charts globally, pitting a demon hunter girl-group Huntrix against a would be soul-stealing boy band, Saja Boys. It's an English language film, but Koreans have taken the protagonists to heart, as BBC Korean Yuna Ku reports. Plus, why do mosques in Kashmir have such a distinctive look? We discuss with Aliya Nazki from BBC Urdu.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Presented by Faranak Amidi</p> <p>This is an EcoAudio certified production.</p> <p><b>SUN 11:00 BBC News (w172zwwvfrfv1lm)</b><br/>The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>SUN 11:06 The Newsroom (w172zw19kyyv620)</b><br/>The world's Newsroom brings you global events as they happen</p> <p><b>SUN 11:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxnwh1k5b0)</b><br/>The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>SUN 11:32 Trending (w3ct72tp)</b><br/>[Repeat of broadcast at 05:32 on Saturday]</p> <p><b>SUN 11:50 More or Less (w3ct6vzh)</b><br/>[Repeat of broadcast at 05:50 on Saturday]</p> <p><b>SUN 12:00 BBC News (w172zwwvfrfvxsr)</b><br/>The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>SUN 12:06 BBC OS Conversations (w3ct6rn5)</b><br/>[Repeat of broadcast at 09:06 on Saturday]</p> <p><b>SUN 12:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxnwh1k924)</b><br/>The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>SUN 12:32 Assignment (w3ct6rc4)</b><br/>[Repeat of broadcast at 04:32 today]</p> <p><b>SUN 13:00 BBC News (w172zwwvfrfw1jw)</b><br/>The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>SUN 13:06 Newshour (w172zss9mnz063h)</b><br/>Interviews, news and analysis of the day's global events.</p> <p><b>SUN 14:00 BBC News (w172zwwvfrfw590)</b><br/>The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>SUN 14:06 The Climate Question (w3ct702h)</b></p> | <p>Can we build better cities for mental health and the climate?</p> <p>Today, more than half the world's population live in cities – and as our numbers swell, so will our cities, especially those around the Pacific Rim, where it's predicted our largest megacities of 10 million plus will be situated. And herein lies an opportunity: 60% of the buildings needed for 2050 are not yet built.</p> <p>Could we shape our cities into places that are good for the climate and also good for our mental health? Can we design buildings and infrastructure that make green decisions easier and also help us deal with stress or depression?</p> <p>In a programme first broadcast in 2024, Jordan Dunbar hears about examples in the Netherlands and Egypt. Are there win-win options out there that can help the world deal with two of its biggest challenges?</p> <p>Contributors:<br/>Houssam Elokda -Urban Planner, with Happy Cities, Vancouver<br/>Sally Nabil - BBC Arabic Egypt Correspondent, Cairo<br/>Anna Holligan - BBC Correspondent, The Hague, Netherlands</p> <p>Production Team: Graihagh Jackson, Octavia Woodward, Brenda Brown<br/>Sound Design: Tom Brignell<br/>Editor: Simon Watts</p> <p>Got a question? Email us: <a href="mailto:theclimatquestion@bbc.com">theclimatquestion@bbc.com</a></p> <p><b>SUN 14:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxnwh1kjkd)</b><br/>The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>SUN 14:32 Happy News (w3ct6tyw)</b><br/>[Repeat of broadcast at 19:32 on Saturday]</p> <p><b>SUN 15:00 BBC News (w172zwwvfrfw914)</b><br/>The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>SUN 15:06 Newshour (w172zss9mnz0flr)</b><br/>Interviews, news and analysis of the day's global events.</p> <p><b>SUN 16:00 BBC News (w172zwwvfrfwds8)</b><br/>The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>SUN 16:06 Sportsworld (w172ztqy7qj14q)</b><br/>Live Sporting Action</p> <p>Sportsworld this Sunday has live commentary from the Women's Super League as Liverpool take on Manchester City at Anfield.</p> <p>The hosts have yet to win this season while City will look to keep up the pressure on leaders Chelsea. Delyth Lloyd presents coverage from Anfield, with former City defender Abbie McManus joining for commentary.</p> <p>The Sportsworld team also take an in-depth look at qualifying for the 2026 Fifa World Cup, with key games across Africa, Asia and Europe. There'll be the latest from the Women's Cricket World Cup, where India face holders Australia, plus reaction from the finals at tennis's Shanghai Masters and Wuhan Open.</p> <p><b>SUN 19:00 BBC News (w172zwwvfrfw0n)</b><br/>The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>SUN 19:06 The Newsroom (w172zw19kyyv511)</b><br/>The world's Newsroom brings you global events as they happen</p> <p><b>SUN 19:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxnwh1i491)</b><br/>The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>SUN 19:32 World of Secrets (w3ct854p)</b><br/>Death in Dubai</p> <p>Death in Dubai: 3. The most powerful pimp</p> <p>Kiera and Mia remember Monic as charismatic and kind-hearted. They were living with her in Dubai and can reveal the shocking reality of her life there, saying they were all trapped in a prostitution ring run by a man they believe is "the most powerful pimp in Dubai". They say they're scared of him but are determined to speak out, to get justice for their friend.</p> <p>This episode contains strong language.</p> <p>Presented by investigative journalist Runako Celina.</p> |
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For UK listeners, details of organisations offering information about or support after sexual abuse, or with feelings of despair, are available at [bbc.co.uk/actionline](http://bbc.co.uk/actionline).

Here's a link to the BBC Eye documentary film, which we recommend you watch after listening to this podcast: <https://bit.ly/bbcdeathindubai>

If you are in the UK, you can watch on iPlayer: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/n12t256jg>

**SUN 20:00 BBC News (w172zwwvfrfwrs)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SUN 20:06 Unexpected Elements (w3ct72wn)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 00:06 on Saturday]

**SUN 21:00 BBC News (w172zwwvfrfx0hx)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SUN 21:06 Newshour (w172zss9mnz152j)**  
Interviews, news and analysis of the day's global events.

**SUN 22:00 BBC News (w172zwwvfrfx481)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SUN 22:06 The Climate Question (w3ct702h)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:06 today]

**SUN 22:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxnwh1lhjf)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**SUN 22:32 Pick of the World (w3ct7z5d)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:32 on Saturday]

**SUN 22:50 Over to You (w3ct6vxx)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:50 on Saturday]

**SUN 23:00 BBC News (w172zwwvfrfx805)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SUN 23:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl9kyvwn0k)**  
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**SUN 23:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxnwh1lm8k)**  
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**SUN 23:32 The Fifth Floor (w3ct70tk)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:32 today]

#### MONDAY 13 OCTOBER 2025

**MON 00:00 BBC News (w172zwwvfrfxcr9)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**MON 00:06 From Our Own Correspondent (w3ct6ts2)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 04:06 on Sunday]

**MON 00:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxnwh1lr0p)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**MON 00:32 Science In Action (w3ct6fyfz)**  
Old faces and big spaces in small places

The 2025 Nobel prizes are announced this week – how did Science in Action's predictions fare? Science author and thinker Philip Ball judges.

The Whitley Fund for Nature this week hosted a "People for Planet" summit, exploring possible solutions to save nature.

Amongst the speakers was Prof Martin Wikelski, of ICARUS, who has spent many years tracking wildlife around the world using tiny radio sensors. As he describes to Roland, he shortly hopes to launch a network of satellites to enable a global system to help us learn how hundreds of species are faring.

Also, a new "Human Disease Blood Atlas" gets a boost, as described by Mathias Uhlén of SciLifeLab. Could an annual blood sample become a standard primary healthcare routine, mapping key proteins and their concentrations to provide early warning of hundreds of diseases?

Meanwhile Nozair Khawaja of Free University of Berlin has been revisiting data from the Cassini mission to Enceladus, one of Saturn's moons, back in 2008. His new analysis increases the prospects of habitable conditions deep on the ocean floor beneath the icy crust.

Presenter: Roland Pease  
Producer: Alex Mansfield  
Production Coordinator: Jana Bennet-Holesworth

(Image: Chair of the Nobel Committee for Chemistry explains a model during a press conference. Credit: Jonathan Nackstrand via Getty Images).

**MON 01:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r1brl)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**MON 01:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl9y750qrz)**  
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**MON 01:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxp7rbqq0z)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**MON 01:32 Discovery (w3ct6swk)**  
The Life Scientific: Jane Goodall

The celebrated primatologist Jane Goodall died last week at the age of 91. In tribute, we're re-sharing this interview from 2020, where she reflects on the years she spent living with the wild chimpanzees in Gombe in eastern Tanzania and why she believes the best way to bring about change is to 'creep into people's hearts'.

Jane shot to fame when she appeared on the cover of National Geographic magazine in 1963 and appeared in a documentary film directed by Orson Welles. Her ground breaking observations introduced us to the social and emotional lives of wild chimpanzees and changed our view of what it is to be human. Images of her younger self play-wrestling with baby chimps make Jane feel slightly apprehensive now but at the time she didn't give it a second thought. However, she did take care to protect her young son. Seeing distressing footage of chimps who were living in captivity, she gave up fieldwork to become an activist, working to liberate chimpanzees that were being used for medical research or sold for meat or as pets, and setting up chimp sanctuaries for animals that were no longer able to live in the wild. For the last thirty years, she has campaigned gently but relentlessly to protect wild animals and wild places, touring the world and performing on stage in front of huge audiences. Her global youth programme, Roots and Shoots has inspired and empowered millions of people to understand and respect nature, leading some to call her 'the mother Theresa of the environment'. A label she dislikes.

Producer: Anna Buckley

**MON 02:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r1ghq)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**MON 02:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl9y750vj3)**  
The world's Newsroom brings you global events as they happen

**MON 02:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxp7rbqts3)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**MON 02:32 CrowdScience (w3ct6st9)**  
Are atoms immortal?

Atoms are the building blocks of our world. Many have been around since right after the Big Bang created the universe nearly 14 billion years ago. And if life on Earth is made of atoms that are from all the way back then... will those atoms keep existing forever? That's what CrowdScience Listener Rob in Australia would like to know.

Caroline Steel investigates the immortality of atoms by travelling to CERN, the world's largest particle physics laboratory located along the border of France and Switzerland. There, theoretical physicist Matthew McCullough explains

whether the smallest atoms can decay or survive the test of time.

Physicist Marco van Leeuwen from Nikhef, the National Particle Physics Laboratory in the Netherlands, gives Caroline a behind-the-scenes tour of the ALICE experiment and the Large Hadron Collider at CERN. She learns how atoms are smashed at incredibly high speeds, and whether that might spell the end of an atom.

And all life on earth is made up of atoms, but how does a collection of tiny particles become a living being? Astrobiologist Betül Kaçar from the University of Wisconsin, Madison, breaks down how life works from an atomic point of view.

Presenter: Caroline Steel

Producer: Imaan Moin

Editor: Ben Motley

(Photo: Hands cupping a glowing atom in the studio - stock photo. Credit: Paper Boat Creative via Getty Images)

**MON 03:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r1l7v)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**MON 03:06 People Fixing The World (w3ct6xy5)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:06 on Sunday]

**MON 03:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxp7rbqyj7)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**MON 03:32 Pick of the World (w3ct7z5d)**  
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**MON 03:50 Over to You (w3ct6vxx)**  
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**MON 04:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r1pzz)**  
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**MON 04:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl9y75130c)**  
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**MON 04:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxp7rbr28c)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**MON 04:32 The Conversation (w3ct7099)**  
Women giving cash to new mums

For many families, income plunges and poverty spikes right before a child is born and remains high throughout the first year. Datsihane Navanayagam talks to doctors in Kenya and the US about the positive impact of giving cash to pregnant women and new mothers.

Dr Mona Hanna is a paediatrician, professor, public health advocate and director of the Michigan State University-Hurley Children's Hospital Paediatric Public Health Initiative. Mona also runs Rx Kids in Flint, Michigan and across the state, it is the first community-wide programme in the US designed to address poverty as a root cause of health disparities through the provision of unconditional cash allowances to pregnant and new mothers.

Dr Miriam Laker-Oketta is the Senior Research Advisor at GiveDirectly, a non-profit that lets donors send money directly to the world's poorest people, no strings attached. Born and raised in Uganda, she initially trained and worked as an infectious diseases doctor. However, after becoming increasingly frustrated by her patients' late-stage disease presentations and their inability to afford basic medication and meet essential needs due to poverty, Miriam transitioned from medicine to direct cash aid.

Produced by Jane Thurlow

(Image: (L) Dr Mona Hanna credit Rx Kids. (R), Dr Miriam Laker-Oketta credit GiveDirectly.)

**MON 05:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r1tr3)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**MON 05:06 Newsday (w172zspv9h506rp)**

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People think they know you, she says, but I did not know who I was.</p> <p>Now, aged 28, she reveals the lasting impact on her mental health and how she's been helped by therapy and by friendship, putting the loneliness of her teens behind her.</p> <p>For Malala Yousafzai, the mission of her life remains ensuring every girl has the right to go to school, a goal that has driven her since she was a child growing up in Pakistan's Swat Valley. Critical of the ruling Taliban, she survived an assassination attempt at their hands before fleeing to England to continue her education, ultimately at Oxford University.</p> <p>Thank you to Madina Maishanu and Yousef Eldin for their help in making this programme.</p> <p>The Interview brings you conversations with people shaping our world, from all over the world. The best interviews from the BBC. You can listen on the BBC World Service, Mondays and Wednesdays at 0700 GMT. Or you can listen to The Interview as a podcast, out twice a week on BBC Sounds or wherever you get your podcasts.</p> <p>Presenter: Madina Maishanu<br/>Producers: Yousef Eldin, Lucy Sheppard and Farhana Haider<br/>Editor: Justine Lang</p> <p>Get in touch with us on email <a href="mailto:TheInterview@bbc.co.uk">TheInterview@bbc.co.uk</a> and use the hashtag #TheInterviewBBC on social media</p> <p>(Image: Malala Yousafzai Photo by Gareth Cattermole/Getty Images for IMDb)</p> <p><b>MON 08:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxp7rbrk7w)</b><br/>The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>MON 08:32 Business Daily (w3ct6ry7)</b><br/>Thailand's debt spiral</p> <p>The country has one of the highest levels of consumer debt in the world as a proportion of its GDP.</p> <p>We hear from people who have borrowed and can't pay back. They're struggling to get regular work to make payments and cover interest.</p> <p>We also speak to a private money lender - is she helping people or making the problem worse?</p> <p>Produced and presented by Ed Butler</p> <p>(Image: Jie Ae Nattarin, a money lender in Thailand wearing her trademark headband)</p> <p><b>MON 08:50 Witness History (w3ct746q)</b><br/>Wallander and the rise of Nordic Noir</p> <p>Published in 1991, Faceless Killers was the first of Henning Mankell's crime novels featuring police inspector Kurt</p> | <p>Wallander. The series changed the world of crime writing, introducing gritty social realism. The Wallander novels helped establish Scandinavia as the epicentre of crime fiction.</p> <p>Henning Mankell's former agent Anneli Højer speaks to Ben Henderson about the rise of Nordic Noir.</p> <p>Extracts from Faceless Killers are read by David Warner.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>(Photo: Henning Mankell. Credit: Gideon Mendel/Corbis via Getty Images)</p> <p><b>MON 09:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r29qm)</b><br/>The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>MON 09:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl9y751pr0)</b><br/>The world's Newsroom brings you global events as they happen</p> <p><b>MON 09:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxp7rbrp00)</b><br/>The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>MON 09:32 CrowdScience (w3ct6st9)</b><br/>[Repeat of broadcast at 02:32 today]</p> <p><b>MON 10:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r2fgr)</b><br/>The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>MON 10:06 The History Hour (w3ct71wd)</b><br/>The evacuation of Tristan da Cunha and Japan surrenders to China at the end of World War Two</p> <p>Max Pearson presents a collection of the week's Witness History interviews from the BBC World Service.</p> <p>We start with a BBC archive interview where one woman recounts what it was like to survive the earthquake and landslide in 1961 following the volcanic eruption in Tristan da Cunha. Our guest is Anne Green, a retired schoolteacher from the island of Tristan da Cunha. She describes what it was like to return to the island in 1963.</p> <p>Then, the rare eyewitness account from a 105-year-old who is the only Briton alive today, that was at the ceremony when Japan surrendered to China in Beijing at the end of eight years of brutal occupation.</p> <p>Next, the economist who in 2001 wrote a report about countries set to shape the world economy, accidentally coining the acronym BRICS.</p> <p>Plus, the man who won the national competition to design the Indian rupee symbol when he was just a student.</p> <p>Finally, the story of how VHS and Betamax battled over which video recorder would win the home entertainment market.</p> <p>Contributors:<br/>Anne Green - former teacher from Tristan da Cunha<br/>Archive interview with Mary Swain - resident of Tristan da Cunha<br/>John Stanfield - British Army veteran<br/>Jim O'Neill - economist<br/>Udaya Kumar Dharmalingam - Professor at Indian Institute of Technology Guwahati<br/>Marc Wielage - digital colourist</p> <p>(Photo: Tristan Da Cunha islanders arriving in England in 1961. Credit: Evening Standard/Hulton Archive/Getty Images)</p> | <p><b>MON 11:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r2k6w)</b><br/>The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>MON 11:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl9y751y78)</b><br/>The world's Newsroom brings you global events as they happen</p> <p><b>MON 11:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxp7rbrxh8)</b><br/>The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>MON 11:32 The Global Story (w3ct7171)</b><br/>The Global Story</p> <p>.</p> <p><b>MON 12:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r2nz0)</b><br/>The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>MON 12:06 Outlook (w3ct6wq8)</b><br/>The escape from Vietnam that tore my family apart</p> <p>In the chaos of the helicopter evacuation from Saigon in April 1975, Doan Hoàng Curtis' sister was somehow left behind. It would haunt her family for years.</p> <p>Doan was just three years old when her family made it onto one of the last helicopters to leave Saigon as troops from the communist North took over the city and the Vietnam war came to an end. Her father was a major for the South Vietnamese air force and if he'd stayed in Saigon he could have been killed. Leaving Vietnam was an extraordinary moment for the family, but one that would have a deep and lasting impact on them, because somehow, in the turmoil of the evacuation, Doan's 17-year-old half-sister Van was left behind. It would take Van six years and a treacherous journey via Thailand before she could be reunited with her family, who ended up settling in the United States. Doan says the anger and confusion of why her sister was left behind has defined her whole life. Now an award-winning documentary filmmaker living in the US, Doan returned to Vietnam in 2005 with her family - including her sister Van - to make a documentary and confront the past. It's called Oh Saigon: A War in the family.</p> <p>News report of Fall of Saigon came from CBS news.</p> <p>Presenter: Mobeen Azhar<br/>Producer: June Christie</p> <p>Get in touch: <a href="mailto:outlook@bbc.com">outlook@bbc.com</a> or WhatsApp +44 330 678 2707</p> <p>(Photo: Sepia-coloured photo of Doan Hoàng Curtis' family from 1973. Doan is being held by her father and her half-sister Van stands behind them. Credit: Doan Hoàng Curtis)</p> <p><b>MON 12:50 Witness History (w3ct746q)</b><br/>[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 today]</p> <p><b>MON 13:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r2sq4)</b><br/>The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>MON 13:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl9y7525qj)</b><br/>The world's Newsroom brings you global events as they happen</p> <p><b>MON 13:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxp7rbs4zj)</b><br/>The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>MON 13:32 The Conversation (w3ct7099)</b><br/>[Repeat of broadcast at 04:32 today]</p> <p><b>MON 14:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r2sq8)</b><br/>The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>MON 14:06 Newshour (w172zss9zy8720w)</b><br/>Interviews, news and analysis of the day's global events.</p> <p><b>MON 15:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r316d)</b><br/>The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>MON 15:06 The Interview (w3ct7x07)</b><br/>[Repeat of broadcast at 08:06 today]</p> <p><b>MON 15:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxp7rbsdgs)</b><br/>The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.</p> |
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| <p><b>MON 15:32 Business Daily (w3ct6ry7)</b><br/>[Repeat of broadcast at 08:32 today]</p> <p><b>MON 15:50 World Business Express (w3ct81nx)</b><br/>World Business Express - Finance, economy and business news from BBC journalists around the world. The stories that matter: World Business Express brings you the essentials on the fast-changing global economy. What forces are driving the markets and industry? Hear unique insight from top CEOs, investors, economic thinkers and small business bosses.<br/>From global trade, to oil and food prices and the rise of artificial intelligence, to the corporate crashes and standout entrepreneur start-ups, the BBC World Service brings you trusted reporting. We'll explain how the top stories impact your own finances.</p> <p><b>MON 16:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r34yj)</b><br/>The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>MON 16:06 BBC OS (w1730680714512h)</b><br/>2025/10/13 15:06 GMT</p> <p>BBC OS gives a vibrant account of the day's events with explanation and reaction from those involved.</p> <p><b>MON 17:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r38pn)</b><br/>The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>MON 17:06 BBC OS (w173068071454tm)</b><br/>2025/10/13 16:06 GMT</p> <p>BBC OS gives a vibrant account of the day's events with explanation and reaction from those involved.</p> <p><b>MON 18:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r3dfs)</b><br/>The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>MON 18:06 Outlook (w3ct6wq8)</b><br/>[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 today]</p> <p><b>MON 18:50 Witness History (w3ct746q)</b><br/>[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 today]</p> <p><b>MON 19:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r3j5x)</b><br/>The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>MON 19:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl9y752x69)</b><br/>The world's Newsroom brings you global events as they happen</p> <p><b>MON 19:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxp7rbswg9)</b><br/>The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>MON 19:32 Sport Today (w3ct6z5l)</b><br/>2025/10/13 GMT</p> <p>BBC sports correspondents tell the story behind today's top sporting news, with interviews and reports from across the world.</p> <p><b>MON 20:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r3my1)</b><br/>The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>MON 20:06 From Our Own Correspondent (w3ct6ts2)</b><br/>[Repeat of broadcast at 04:06 on Sunday]</p> <p><b>MON 20:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxp7rbt06f)</b><br/>The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>MON 20:32 Discovery (w3ct6swl)</b><br/>The Life Scientific: Brian Schmidt</p> <p>Have you ever pondered the fact that the universe is expanding? And not only that, it's expanding at an increasing speed - meaning everything around us is getting further and further away?</p> <p>If that isolating thought makes you feel slightly panicked, don't worry: this programme also contains wine!</p> <p>Brian Schmidt is a Distinguished Professor of Astrophysics at the Australian National University, known for his work on supernovae: massive explosions that take place when stars come to the ends of their lives. They are among the most energetic</p> | <p>events in the universe and incredibly difficult to find; but that's what his High-Z Supernova Search Team did, identifying enough of these rare and distant explosions to measure just how fast they were moving away from us.</p> <p>This led them to the realisation that, contrary to long-held belief in cosmology, the expansion of the universe was speeding up; a discovery which earned Brian a share of the 2011 Nobel Prize for Physics. As if that wasn't enough, he's gone on to discover one of the earliest stars in the universe; run a university; and become a winemaker, at his very own vineyard just outside Canberra.</p> <p>In a conversation spanning the genius phraseology of writer Douglas Adams, the importance of pisco sours, and the similarities between astronomy and viticulture, Brian tells Professor Jim Al-Khalili how his supernovae breakthrough paved the way for a revolution in astronomy - and where the field needs to go next...</p> <p>Presented by Jim Al-Khalili<br/>Produced for BBC Studios by Lucy Taylor<br/>Revised for World Service by Minnie Harrop</p> <p><b>MON 21:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r3rp5)</b><br/>The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>MON 21:06 Newshour (w172zss9zy87x7s)</b><br/>Interviews, news and analysis of the day's global events.</p> <p><b>MON 22:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r3wf9)</b><br/>The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>MON 22:06 The Interview (w3ct7x07)</b><br/>[Repeat of broadcast at 08:06 today]</p> <p><b>MON 22:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxp7rbt7pp)</b><br/>The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>MON 22:32 The Conversation (w3ct7099)</b><br/>[Repeat of broadcast at 04:32 today]</p> <p><b>MON 23:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r405f)</b><br/>The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>MON 23:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl9y753d5t)</b><br/>The world's Newsroom brings you global events as they happen</p> <p><b>MON 23:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxp7rbtcf1)</b><br/>The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>MON 23:32 World Business Report (w3ct76td)</b><br/>First broadcast 13/10/2025 21:32 GMT</p> <p>The latest business and finance news from around the world, on the BBC.</p> <p><b>TUESDAY 14 OCTOBER 2025</b></p> <p><b>TUE 00:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r43xk)</b><br/>The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>TUE 00:06 The History Hour (w3ct71wd)</b><br/>[Repeat of broadcast at 10:06 on Monday]</p> <p><b>TUE 01:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r47np)</b><br/>The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>TUE 01:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl9y753mp2)</b><br/>The world's Newsroom brings you global events as they happen</p> <p><b>TUE 01:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxp7rbtly2)</b><br/>The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>TUE 01:32 The Global Story (w3ct7171)</b><br/>[Repeat of broadcast at 11:32 on Monday]</p> <p><b>TUE 02:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r4cdt)</b><br/>The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> | <p><b>TUE 02:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl9y753rf6)</b><br/>The world's Newsroom brings you global events as they happen</p> <p><b>TUE 02:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxp7rbtqp6)</b><br/>The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>TUE 02:32 Assignment (w3ct6rc5)</b><br/>Assignment</p> <p>Investigations and journeys into the heart of global events from BBC correspondents.</p> <p><b>TUE 03:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r4h4y)</b><br/>The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>TUE 03:06 Outlook (w3ct6wq8)</b><br/>[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 on Monday]</p> <p><b>TUE 03:50 Witness History (w3ct746q)</b><br/>[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 on Monday]</p> <p><b>TUE 04:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r4lx2)</b><br/>The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>TUE 04:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl9y753zsg)</b><br/>The world's Newsroom brings you global events as they happen</p> <p><b>TUE 04:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxp7rbtz5g)</b><br/>The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>TUE 04:32 In the Studio (w3ct6vv0)</b><br/>Alexey Seliverstov: Bionic birdsong</p> <p>How fixed is the borderline between human music and the sounds of nature? That's a question that guides the work of Los Angeles-based composer Alexey Seliverstov. In this programme, Regan Morris follows Alexey's creative process from recording the dawn chorus in the Santa Monica mountains, through the ingenious transformations of the field recordings to the finished multi-channel and multi-sensory installation for the Shelemay Sound Lab at Harvard University.</p> <p>There is more to Alexey's music than first meets the ear: some of the 'birds' are actually the sounds of his own and his brother's voices recorded when they were children and altered beyond recognition by Alexey's sophisticated processing. Adding ear-prints of empty spaces to the sounds of chirping synthesisers, similar to the effect of repeated exposures on an old-fashioned camera film, draw us further into Alexey's imaginary landscapes. Are these soundscapes artificial or still mostly natural? And how does mixing the sounds of nature and sounds that we associate with humans, such as pianos, alter our idea of what is music?</p> <p><b>TUE 05:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r4qn6)</b><br/>The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>TUE 05:06 Newsday (w172zspv9h533ns)</b><br/>Live news, business and sport from around the world.</p> <p><b>TUE 06:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r4vdb)</b><br/>The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>TUE 06:06 Newsday (w172zspv9h537dx)</b><br/>Live news, business and sport from around the world.</p> <p><b>TUE 07:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r4z4g)</b><br/>The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>TUE 07:06 Newsday (w172zspv9h53c51)</b><br/>Live news, business and sport from around the world.</p> <p><b>TUE 08:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r52wl)</b><br/>The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>TUE 08:06 People Fixing The World (w3ct6xy6)</b><br/>Alaska's wild solutions</p> <p>The US state of Alaska may be known for its rugged wilderness, but it's also quietly leading a green revolution. We explore how an island community is powering itself through a locally built and managed microgrid - cutting out fossil fuels</p> |
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(Image: Grizzly bear in Katmai National Park, Alaska, Getty Images)

**TUE 08:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxp7rbvg4z)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**TUE 08:32 Business Daily (w3ct6s78)**  
Has Canada lost its trade war with the US?

The country has dropped tariffs on a wide range of US products, a major U-turn in the trade war.

It comes after Prime Minister Mark Carney said he had reached a "new economic and security relationship" with US President Donald Trump.

But with almost 40% of small Canadian businesses warning they might not survive another year under tariffs, and the province of Ontario losing tens of thousands of jobs, what will this shift mean for the economy?

We break down why Canada is changing course and what it could mean for businesses and consumers.

Presented by Sam Gruet  
Produced by Megan Lawton

(Image: US President Donald Trump, right, and Mark Carney, Canada's prime minister, shake hands during a meeting in the Oval Office of the White House in Washington DC on 7/10/25. Credit: Getty Images)

**TUE 08:50 Witness History (w3ct74n9)**  
Jorge Luis Borges: 'Father' of Latin American fiction

In 1961, the Argentine poet and short story writer Jorge Luis Borges won the Formentor Prize for literature.

Borges' stories were characterised by mind-bending plots often featuring labyrinths, dreams and fables.

Following his recognition in 1961, his reputation grew to such an extent that he is regarded as one of the most influential Latin American writers in history, as Ben Henderson reveals using BBC archive.

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**TUE 09:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r56mq)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**TUE 09:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl9y754ln3)**  
The world's Newsroom brings you global events as they happen

**TUE 09:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxp7rbvks3)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**TUE 09:32 Assignment (w3ct6rc5)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 02:32 today]

**TUE 10:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r5bcv)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**TUE 10:06 The Arts Hour (w3ct6ztw)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 20:06 on Saturday]

**TUE 11:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r5g3z)**  
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**TUE 11:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl9y754v4c)**  
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**TUE 11:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxp7rbvtdc)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**TUE 11:32 The Global Story (w3ct71ck)**  
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**TUE 12:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r5kw3)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**TUE 12:06 Outlook (w3ct6x4y)**  
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**TUE 12:50 Witness History (w3ct74n9)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 today]

**TUE 13:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r5pm7)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**TUE 13:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl9y7552mm)**  
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**TUE 13:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxp7rbw1wm)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**TUE 13:32 In the Studio (w3ct6vv0)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 04:32 today]

**TUE 14:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r5tcc)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**TUE 14:06 Newshour (w172zss9zy89yxz)**  
Interviews, news and analysis of the day's global events.

**TUE 15:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r5y3h)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**TUE 15:06 People Fixing The World (w3ct6xy6)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:06 today]

**TUE 15:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxp7rbw9cw)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**TUE 15:32 Business Daily (w3ct6s78)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:32 today]

**TUE 15:50 World Business Express (w3ct81p3)**  
World Business Express - Finance, economy and business news from BBC journalists around the world. The stories that matter: World Business Express brings you the essentials on the fast-changing global economy. What forces are driving the markets and industry? Hear unique insight from top CEOs, investors,

economic thinkers and small business bosses. From global trade, to oil and food prices and the rise of artificial intelligence, to the corporate crashes and standout entrepreneur start-ups, the BBC World Service brings you trusted reporting. We'll explain how the top stories impact your own finances.

**TUE 16:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r61vm)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**TUE 16:06 BBC OS (w17306807147xzl)**  
2025/10/14 15:06 GMT

BBC OS gives a vibrant account of the day's events with explanation and reaction from those involved.

**TUE 17:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r65lr)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**TUE 17:06 BBC OS (w173068071481qq)**  
2025/10/14 16:06 GMT

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**TUE 18:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r69bw)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**TUE 18:06 Outlook (w3ct6x4y)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 today]

**TUE 18:50 Witness History (w3ct74n9)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 today]

**TUE 19:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r6f30)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**TUE 19:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl9y755t3d)**  
The world's Newsroom brings you global events as they happen

**TUE 19:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxp7rbwsdc)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**TUE 19:32 Sport Today (w3ct6zb3)**  
2025/10/14 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 (w172zwwvt0r6jv4)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**TUE 20:06 Assignment (w3ct6rc5)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 02:32 today]

**TUE 20:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxp7rbwx3j)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**TUE 20:32 Tech Life (w3ct6zpd)**  
Tech Life discovers and explains the ways technology is changing our lives, wherever we are in the world.

**TUE 21:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r6nl8)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**TUE 21:06 Newshour (w172zss9zy8bt4w)**  
Interviews, news and analysis of the day's global events.

**TUE 22:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r6sbd)**  
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**TUE 22:06 People Fixing The World (w3ct6xy6)**  
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The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.



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**TUE 23:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r6x2j)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**TUE 23:06 The Newsroom (w172zw19y75692x)**

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**TUE 23:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxp7rbx8bx)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**TUE 23:32 World Business Report (w3ct76bp)**

First broadcast 14/10/2025 21:32 GMT

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

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The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**WED 00:06 The Arts Hour (w3ct6ztw)**

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**WED 01:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r74ks)**

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**WED 01:06 The Newsroom (w172zw19y756j15)**

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**WED 01:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxp7rbxhv5)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**WED 01:32 The Global Story (w3ct71ck)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:32 on Tuesday]

**WED 02:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r789x)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**WED 02:06 The Newsroom (w172zw19y756nb9)**

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**WED 02:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxp7rbxml9)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**WED 02:32 The Climate Question (w3ct702h)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:06 on Sunday]

**WED 03:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r7d21)**

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**WED 04:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r7ht5)**

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**WED 04:06 The Newsroom (w172zw19y756wtk)**

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**WED 04:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxp7rbxw2k)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**WED 04:32 The Documentary (w3ct7yv0)**

Braille and me

Built around a game of Braille Scrabble, Emma Tracey presents a celebration of Braille, 200 years after it was invented. Emma, who has been blind since birth, talks to others who love the six tiny dots: Geerat Vermeij, one of the world's leading experts in molluscs; Yetnebersh Nigussie, an Ethiopian lawyer, who describes her blindness as 'a lottery I won at the age of five;

Sheri Wells-Jensen, a linguistics professor who has been a linguistic consultant on Star Trek and is on the US advisory board for messaging extra-terrestrial intelligence; Japanese concert pianist, Nobuyuki Tsujii, who learnt to play using Braille music; and Emma's friend and Scrabble partner, Ellie.

And there is a chance encounter with the most famous Braille user of them all, Stevie Wonder.

But can Braille survive with the ever-increasing supply of tech that allows blind people to listen to, rather than feel, information?

Presenter: Emma Tracey

Producer: Adele Armstrong

Sound design: Steve Brooke

Editor: Richard Fenton-Smith

**WED 05:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r7mk9)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**WED 05:06 Newsday (w172zspv9h560kw)**

Live news, business and sport from around the world.

**WED 06:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r7r9f)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**WED 06:06 Newsday (w172zspv9h564b0)**

Live news, business and sport from around the world.

**WED 07:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r7w1k)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**WED 07:06 Newsday (w172zspv9h56824)**

Live news, business and sport from around the world.

**WED 08:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r7zsp)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**WED 08:06 The Interview (w3ct7x70)**

The Interview

Conversations with people shaping our world. The best interviews from the BBC.

**WED 08:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxp7rbyc22)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**WED 08:32 Business Daily (w3ct6scs)**

Business Daily

The daily drama of money and work from the BBC.

**WED 08:50 Witness History (w3ct74qk)**

The trial of Soviet writers Daniel and Sinyavsky

In 1965, two writers were accused of publishing anti-Soviet material abroad.

The arrest of Yuli Daniel and Andrei Sinyavsky was seen as symbolic of the new era in the Soviet Union.

The liberal leader Nikita Khrushchev had been ousted in favour of hardliner Leonid Brezhnev, and dissenting political views were being cracked down on.

In a moment considered the start of the dissident movement in the Soviet Union, hundreds of protesters demonstrated in Pushkin Square, in Moscow, for the writers to be given an open trial.

Vicky Farncombe tells the story using BBC archive and an interview with Yuli Daniel's son, Alexander.

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(Photo: Soviet authors Yuli Daniel (left) and Andrei Sinyavsky sit in prisoners' dock. Credit: Getty Images)

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**WED 09:06 The Newsroom (w172zw19y757hk6)**

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**WED 09:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxp7rbbyg6)**

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**WED 09:32 The Climate Question (w3ct702h)**

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**WED 10:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r878y)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**WED 10:06 World Questions (w3ct7505)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 on Saturday]

**WED 11:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r8c12)**

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**WED 13:32 The Documentary (w3ct7yv0)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 04:32 today]

**WED 14:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r8q8g)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**WED 14:06 Newshour (w172zss9zy8dvv2)**

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

**WED 15:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0r8v0l)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

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This documentary reveals how scientists are defending both their country's sovereignty and its scientific legacy. Despite war, displacement, and destruction, Ukraine's commitment to climate science endures, revealing a powerful intersection between national identity, resilience, and global responsibility.</p> <p><b>THU 03:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0rb8z4)</b><br/>The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> | <p><b>THU 03:06 Outlook (w3ct6xcv)</b><br/>[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 on Wednesday]</p> <p><b>THU 03:50 Witness History (w3ct74qk)</b><br/>[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 on Wednesday]</p> <p><b>THU 04:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0rbdq8)</b><br/>The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>THU 04:06 The Newsroom (w172zw19y759sqn)</b><br/>The world's Newsroom brings you global events as they happen</p> <p><b>THU 04:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxp7rc0rzn)</b><br/>The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>THU 04:32 The Food Chain (w3ct70z3)</b><br/>The Food Chain examines the business, science and cultural significance of food, and what it takes to put food on your plate.</p> <p><b>THU 05:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0rbjgd)</b><br/>The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>THU 05:06 Newsday (w172zspv9h58xgz)</b><br/>Live news, business and sport from around the world.</p> <p><b>THU 06:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0rbn6j)</b><br/>The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>THU 06:06 Newsday (w172zspv9h59173)</b><br/>Live news, business and sport from around the world.</p> <p><b>THU 07:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0rbryn)</b><br/>The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>THU 07:06 Newsday (w172zspv9h594z7)</b><br/>Live news, business and sport from around the world.</p> <p><b>THU 08:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0rbwps)</b><br/>The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p><b>THU 08:06 The Inquiry (w3ct7236)</b><br/>Can Gen Z shape a new Nepal?</p> <p>At the beginning of September 2025, within 48 hours, Nepal's government had been toppled, and more than 70 people had been killed, with many more injured. The trigger for all of this had been a government ban on 26 social media platforms, but the primary reasons ran much deeper. Nepal became a republic in 2008, following a decade long civil war, but since then, the promised stability and prosperity have failed to materialise. The country has been subjected to short term coalition governments, resembling a game of musical chairs between certain political parties.</p> <p>And it was Nepal's Gen Z, who decided to make their frustrations over the lack of opportunities, the social inequality and the existing political system known, with their digitally driven anti-corruption protests. In the aftermath, the protestors gave their approval to a new interim prime minister and demanded new elections, set for March next year.</p> <p>Asia is increasingly witnessing a mood for change amongst its young people, from Indonesia to Sri Lanka and last year's student-led revolution in Bangladesh. But very few protests of this nature have translated into fundamental social change. And it remains to be seen if the decision by Nepal's Gen Z, to place their trust in 73-year-old Sushila Karki as the new Interim Prime Minister, reflects their own political maturity.</p> <p>So, on this week's Inquiry we're asking, 'Can Gen Z shape a new Nepal?'</p> <p>Contributors:<br/>Prof Jeevan Sharma, Chair of South Asia and International Development, University of Edinburgh, UK<br/>Pranaya Rana, Journalist and Writer, Kalam Weekly, Kathmandu, Nepal<br/>Prof Sreeradha Datta, International Affairs, O.P. Jindal Global University, Haryana, India<br/>Dr Rumela Sen, Lecturer and Faculty Director, Master's in International Affairs programme, Columbia University, USA</p> <p>Presenter: Charmaine Cozier<br/>Producer: Jill Collins<br/>Researcher: Maeve Schaffer</p> |
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Editor: Tom Bigwood

(Photo: Anti government protest in Kathmandu. Credit: Sunil Pradhan/Anadolu via Getty Images)

**THU 08:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxp7rc17z5)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**THU 08:32 Business Daily (w3ct6s2r)**  
Business Daily

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**THU 08:50 Witness History (w3ct74jw)**  
Helen Fielding: The creator of Bridget Jones

In 1995, a single 30-something woman with big knickers and blue soup first appeared in a weekly column, published by British newspaper The Independent.

Initially written anonymously by journalist Helen Fielding, Bridget Jones quickly became a cultural icon, as she tried to make sense of life and love.

The book, Bridget Jones's Diary, became a best-seller in 1996 and the character has gone on to feature in three more books and four films.

Although, some people don't agree with Bridget's obsession with her size and men, her relatability is a hit with many.

Bridget's creator Helen Fielding looks back, with Megan Jones, at how one column, published 30 years ago, turned into a cultural phenomenon.

Clips featured in the programme are from the film, Bridget Jones's Diary. The production companies behind it were Working Title Films, Universal Pictures, Miramax and StudioCanal. It was directed by Sharon Maguire.

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(Photo: Helen Fielding at a book signing. Credit: Fred Duval/FilmMagic)

**THU 09:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0rc0fx)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 09:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl9y75bdg9)**  
The world's Newsroom brings you global events as they happen

**THU 09:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxp7rc1cq9)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**THU 09:32 The Documentary (w3ct831q)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 02:32 today]

**THU 10:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0rc461)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 10:06 The Explanation (w3ct7ysn)**  
The Media Show

Where the world is explained. Making sense of the big stories - looking behind the spin. Exploring the important questions

about long-running stories and the latest global news. An honest, unvarnished, explanation of the world.

**THU 10:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxp7rc1hgf)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**THU 10:32 World of Secrets (w3ct854q)**  
Death in Dubai

Death in Dubai: 4. The right hand man

A key insider agrees to talk. He says he worked at the centre of this illegal prostitution ring. Why is he speaking out now? And what can he tell us about the world Monic was caught up in, and the man she was working for? We follow in Monic's footsteps to the glitzy clubs and bars where we are told she was sent. This episode includes discussion of sex and abuse.

Presented by investigative journalist Runako Celina.

Season 9 of World of Secrets, Death in Dubai, is a BBC Eye investigation, produced in association with Thread Studios, for the BBC World Service.

Please note, the image is being used for illustrative purposes only and the person depicted in it is a model.

If you feel distressed by the references in this story, please speak to a health professional, or an organisation that offers support such as Befrienders Worldwide. [www.befrienders.org](http://www.befrienders.org)

For UK listeners, details of organisations offering information about or support after sexual abuse, or with feelings of despair, are available at [bbc.co.uk/actionline](http://bbc.co.uk/actionline).

Here's a link to the BBC Eye documentary film, which we recommend you watch after listening to this podcast: <https://bit.ly/bbcdeathindubai>

If you are in the UK, you can watch on iPlayer: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/n12t256jg>

**THU 11:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0rc7y5)**  
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**THU 11:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl9y75bmyk)**  
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**THU 11:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxp7rc1m6k)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**THU 11:32 The Global Story (w3ct7199)**  
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**THU 12:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0rcpp9)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 12:06 Outlook (w3ct6wy1)**  
Outlook

True stories of ordinary people and the extraordinary events that have shaped their lives.

**THU 12:50 Witness History (w3ct74jw)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 today]

**THU 13:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0rchff)**  
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**THU 13:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl9y75bwft)**  
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**THU 13:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxp7rc1vpt)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**THU 13:32 The Food Chain (w3ct70z3)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 04:32 today]

**THU 14:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0rcm5k)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 14:06 Newshour (w172zss9zy8hrr5)**  
Interviews, news and analysis of the day's global events.

**THU 15:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0rcqxp)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 15:06 The Inquiry (w3ct7236)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:06 today]

**THU 15:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxp7rc2362)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**THU 15:32 Business Daily (w3ct6s2r)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:32 today]

**THU 15:50 World Business Express (w3ct81ph)**  
World Business Express - Finance, economy and business news from BBC journalists around the world. The stories that matter: World Business Express brings you the essentials on the fast-changing global economy. What forces are driving the markets and industry? Hear unique insight from top CEOs, investors, economic thinkers and small business bosses. From global trade, to oil and food prices and the rise of artificial intelligence, to the corporate crashes and standout entrepreneur start-ups, the BBC World Service brings you trusted reporting. We'll explain how the top stories impact your own finances.

**THU 16:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0rcvnt)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 16:06 BBC OS (w1730680714fqss)**  
2025/10/16 15:06 GMT

BBC OS gives a vibrant account of the day's events with explanation and reaction from those involved.

**THU 17:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0rczdy)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 17:06 BBC OS (w1730680714fvjx)**  
2025/10/16 16:06 GMT

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**THU 18:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0rd352)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 18:06 Outlook (w3ct6wy1)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 today]

**THU 18:50 Witness History (w3ct74jw)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 today]

**THU 19:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0rd6x6)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 19:06 The Newsroom (w172zwl9y75clxl)**  
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**THU 19:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxp7rc2l5l)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**THU 19:32 Sport Today (w3ct6z7v)**  
2025/10/16 GMT

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

**THU 20:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0rdnbh)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 20:06 The Documentary (w3ct831q)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 02:32 today]

**THU 20:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxp7rc2pxq)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**THU 20:32 Science In Action (w3ct6ygo)**  
Science in Action

The BBC brings you all the week's science news.

**THU 21:00 BBC News (w172zwvwt0rdgdg)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 21:06 Newshour (w172zss9zy8j1z2)**

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

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**THU 23:00 BBC News (w172zwvwt0rdpwq)**

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**THU 23:06 The Newsroom (w172zw19y75d2x3)**

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**THU 23:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxp7rc3253)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**THU 23:32 World Business Report (w3ct75y8)**

First broadcast 16/10/2025 21:32 GMT

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

**FRIDAY 17 OCTOBER 2025****FRI 00:00 BBC News (w172zwvwt0rdtmv)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**FRI 00:06 The Explanation (w3ct7ysn)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:06 on Thursday]

**FRI 00:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxp7rc35x7)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**FRI 00:32 Unspun World with John Simpson (w3ct78c0)**

Unspun World with John Simpson

The BBC's world affairs editor, John Simpson, uses his experience and expertise to examine the most important international stories. Drawing on the unique local knowledge of the BBC's unparalleled range of experts across the world, he goes beyond the headlines to get to the unspun truth about the world.

**FRI 01:00 BBC News (w172zwvwt0rdycz)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**FRI 01:06 The Newsroom (w172zw19y75dbdc)**

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**FRI 01:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxp7rc39nc)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**FRI 01:32 The Global Story (w3ct7199)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:32 on Thursday]

**FRI 02:00 BBC News (w172zwvwt0rf243)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**FRI 02:06 The Newsroom (w172zw19y75dg4h)**

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**FRI 02:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxp7rc3fdh)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**FRI 02:32 Tech Life (w3ct6zpd)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 20:32 on Tuesday]

**FRI 03:00 BBC News (w172zwvwt0rf5w7)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**FRI 03:06 Outlook (w3ct6wy1)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 on Thursday]

**FRI 03:50 Witness History (w3ct74jw)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 on Thursday]

**FRI 04:00 BBC News (w172zwvwt0rf9mc)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**FRI 04:06 The Newsroom (w172zw19y75dpmr)**

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**FRI 04:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxp7rc3nwr)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**FRI 04:32 Heart and Soul (w3ct6vph)**

Mamdani New York

Zohran Mamdani catapulted on to New York's political scene this summer when he captured the Democratic nomination to run for Mayor this fall. A young politician, Mamdani campaigned on issues that mattered to New Yorkers including lowering the cost of living, but unlike other candidates, was not shy about making his Muslim faith a central talking point on the campaign trail. We explore how a single decision galvanized voters of different faiths across America's biggest city, and delve into the social issues that divided those casting ballots – including the war in Gaza, Israel's right to exist as a Jewish state, and the divisiveness of the phrase, “globalize the intifada,” which Mamdani refused on multiple occasions to denounce. What was it about Mamdani that led Muslim voters to feel like they had a voice who will represent them as Mayor of New York City? Do Jewish voters feel let down? Will religion be the driving force behind voter mobilization come November, or will the high cost of living be the motivating factor for many across the Big Apple? We sit down with voters of varying views to find out.

Presenter: Victoria Craig

**FRI 05:00 BBC News (w172zwvwt0rffch)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**FRI 05:06 Newsday (w172zspv9h5ctd2)**

Live news, business and sport from around the world.

**FRI 06:00 BBC News (w172zwvwt0rfk3m)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**FRI 06:06 Newsday (w172zspv9h5cy46)**

Live news, business and sport from around the world.

**FRI 07:00 BBC News (w172zwvwt0rfnvr)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**FRI 07:06 Newsday (w172zspv9h5d1wb)**

Live news, business and sport from around the world.

**FRI 08:00 BBC News (w172zwvwt0rfslw)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**FRI 08:06 Americast (w3ct7162)**

Join Americast for insights and analysis on what's happening inside Trump's White House.

**FRI 08:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxp7rc44w8)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**FRI 08:32 Business Daily (w3ct6rsq)**

Business Daily

The daily drama of money and work from the BBC.

**FRI 08:50 Witness History (w3ct744g)**

My aunt created The Moomins

The first Moomins story was published in 1945 during World War Two. The Moomins and the Great Flood, was created by writer and artist Tove Jansson as a source of comfort during bleak times.

The story highlighted the difficulties of those who'd been displaced by war introducing readers into the lives of Moomintroll, Moominmamma and Moominpappa.

Her books featuring a family of white round trolls with velvety fur and smooth round snouts, have become loved the world over and been published in more than 60 languages.

Tove was born in Finland but her first language was Swedish, which the original Moomins books were published in. Her niece Sophia Jansson, speaks to Reena Stanton-Sharma about growing up in a family surrounded by creativity and nature.

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(Photo: Tove Jansson in 1988. Credit: Hans/Paul/Lehtikuvu/AFP via Getty Images)

**FRI 09:00 BBC News (w172zwvwt0rfxc0)**

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**FRI 09:06 The Newsroom (w172zw19y75f9cd)**

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**FRI 09:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxp7rc48md)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**FRI 09:32 Science In Action (w3ct6ygo)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 20:32 on Thursday]

**FRI 10:00 BBC News (w172zwvwt0rg134)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**FRI 10:06 Unexpected Elements (w3ct72wp)**

Unexpected Elements

The news you know, the science you don't. Unexpected Elements looks beyond everyday narratives to discover a goldmine of scientific stories and connections from around the globe. From Afonauts, to why we argue, to a deep dive on animal lifespans: see the world in a new way with Unexpected Elements.

**FRI 11:00 BBC News (w172zwvwt0rg4v8)**

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**FRI 11:06 The Newsroom (w172zw19y75fjvn)**

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**FRI 11:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxp7rc4j3n)**

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**FRI 11:32 The Global Story (w3ct714s)**

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**FRI 13:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxp7rc4rlx)**

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**FRI 14:06 Newshour (w172zss9zy8lnn8)**

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**FRI 15:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0rgmts)**

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**FRI 15:06 Americast (w3ct7t62)**

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**FRI 16:06 BBC OS (w1730680714jmpw)**

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**FRI 19:06 The Newsroom (w172zw19y75ghtp)**

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**FRI 19:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxp7rc5h2p)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**FRI 19:32 Sport Today (w3ct6z3b)**

2025/10/17 GMT

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

**FRI 20:00 BBC News (w172zwwvt0rh7kf)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**FRI 20:06 BBC OS Conversations (w3ct6rn6)**

BBC OS Conversations

How major news stories are affecting the lives of people around the world

**FRI 20:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxp7rc5lft)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**FRI 20:32 CrowdScience (w3ct6stb)**

Can we record our senses?

How would you record a special moment? Maybe you could take a photograph, film a little video, or record some audio. We have lots of ways of recording what life LOOKS and SOUNDS like, but is the same true for the other senses? What if you wanted to record the smells that greet you on entering your favourite restaurant? Or record the way your loved ones hand feels in yours?

These are the questions on the mind of listener Aravind, from California in the USA. He wants to know if there are any ways of recording and reproducing sensory experiences like taste and smell, or physical touch. And whether we remember these sensations in the same way.

Anand Jagatia is on the case, and is smelling, tasting, and quite literally FEELING his way to the answer.

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**FRI 23:06 The Newsroom (w172zw19y75gzt6)**

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**FRI 23:30 BBC News Summary (w172zwxp7rc5z26)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**FRI 23:32 World Business Report (w3ct76nw)**

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