

SATURDAY 04 JULY 2026**SAT 00:00 BBC News (w1730nkp0t3knv)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 00:06 Unexpected Elements (w3ct8kcm)

Stuck in a cycle

Pakistan has recently announced that they plan to abolish the 18% sales tax on menstrual products like pads or tampons. UN Women has welcomed the decision, saying that when these products become more affordable it means more girls and women stay in school and the workforce. For the Unexpected Elements team, the news has led us towards scientific stories of menstruation and different kinds of cycles.

First up, a look at how the menstrual cycle affects drugs reaching the brain and an exploration of one of the only other animals to get a period, the weird and wonderful spiny mouse. Author of A City on Mars, Kelly Weinersmith, also joins us to ponder over what to do when you get your period in space.

Plus, how termite brains change between sexes, why we can't stop snacking, and the daily battle of the sleep/wake cycle.

All that, plus many more Unexpected Elements.

Presenter: Caroline Steel, with Camilla Mota and Tristan

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Producers: Sophie Ormiston and Ella Hubber with Lucy Davies and Robbie Wojciechowski

SAT 01:00 BBC News (w1730nkp0t3pdz)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 01:06 The Newsroom (w1730bqkq28g3g7)

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

SAT 01:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlj2rtd1pc)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SAT 01:32 The Global Story (w3ct8m8y)

Is the American century over? Your questions answered

As the United States celebrates 250 years since its founding, this week The Global Story has been exploring the surprising and often hidden ways the US has shaped the modern world.

Today, we hear from you. Asma and Tristan put your thoughts and questions about America's impact on the world to the BBC's international editor, Jeremy Bowen, who has reported from more than 90 countries over the past 40 years, and to Celia Hatton, who hosts the BBC's Global News Podcast and previously spent 15 years reporting from inside China.

Producers: Cat Farnsworth, Aron Keller and Hannah Moore

Executive producer: James Shield

Mix: Travis Evans

Senior news editor: China Collins

Photo: An illustration of a megaphone. Credit: BBC

SAT 02:00 BBC News (w1730nkp0t3t53)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 02:06 The Newsroom (w1730bqkq28g76c)

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SAT 02:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlj2rtd5fh)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SAT 02:32 Stumped (w3ct99ff)

Ben Stokes retires: What next for England?

Alison Mitchell, Jim Maxwell and Charu Sharma discuss what's next for England's Test team following Ben Stokes shock retirement. Who will take the armband, how will Stokes international career be remembered and is it the end for 'Bazball'?

Making it as a professional in one sport is impressive enough but to do it in two is pretty special! That's exactly what 2019 World Cup winner Liam Plunkett has done after he made his pro debut in Baseball for the Oakland Ballers. Known for his fast bowling, Liam tells Stumped about his curve ball a strike out in his first game!

Plus, we hear from former Ireland captain Alan Lewis about a historic weekend for Irish cricket as the men beat India 2-0 for the first time in a T20 series and the women, led by Alan's daughter Gaby, registered their first ever Women's T20 World Cup victory.

Photo: Ben Stokes, captain of England, leaves the field at the tea interval, having announced his retirement from international cricket at the end of the current Test Match during day four of the 3rd Rothesay Test Match between England and New Zealand at Trent Bridge on June 28, 2026 in Nottingham, England. (Credit: Getty Images)

SAT 03:00 BBC News (w1730nkp0t3xx7)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 03:06 Outlook (w3ct8hpp)

The Outlook Mixtape: Fire and Ice

True stories of extremely sweaty situations and icy determination from the Outlook archive.

Cinematographer Chris Duddy has worked on some of Hollywood's biggest movies like Titanic and Waterworld. Filming in extreme conditions is part of his job, and he loves it, but nothing could prepare him for the day the helicopter he was in crashed inside the crater of an active volcano. It was November 1992 and he was flying over the Big Island of Hawaii shooting footage for the end of the Hollywood thriller Sliver. The shot involved flying over the active Kilauea volcano, but during filming the helicopter suffered total engine failure and crash-landed inside the Pu'u 'Ō'ō vent of the volcano. Chris, along with his director of photography Mike Benson and the pilot Craig Hosking, were trapped there – 300 feet down and perilously close to a lava pool. Choking on toxic fumes, Chris had to spend an entire night in the volcano, and the next day decided his only option was to climb out of the crater to escape. Although he risked falling into the lava pool below, he somehow found the superhuman strength to make it out, but what had happened to his two companions?

Devon Harris dreamed of taking part in the Olympics, but growing up in tropical Kingston, Jamaica meant winter sports were never on his radar. For him, school was his haven away from the violence he witnessed in his neighbourhood and he worked hard in the classroom and on the sports field so that he could one day fulfil his dream of becoming an army officer. It was during his time in the Jamaica Defence Force that his sporting talent was spotted and he ended up getting a spot on Jamaica's first-ever bobsleigh team. The Jamaicans made history at the 1988 Winter Olympics in Calgary, Canada, but this wasn't anything like Cool Runnings – the 1993 Hollywood Disney film inspired by the team's story – the reality was much tougher and much more rewarding. After training on concrete in sweltering Kingston, the team went to Austria and then on to Calgary to train on ice. Devon was hooked on the sport, but these things never go according to plan. Just before they were going to race, one of the team got injured and the driver's brother stepped in last minute to complete the four-man team.

Presenter: India Rakusen

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(Photo: A transparent 60-minute cassette tape with a white label bearing the words: The Outlook Mixtape. Credit: Getty Images)

SAT 03:50 Witness History (w3ct98dt)

Restoring the Statue of Liberty

Between 1984 and 1986, to celebrate 100 years since it was dedicated, the Statue of Liberty underwent a multi-million-dollar restoration project.

The statue was a gift to the USA by France, to celebrate 100 years of American independence.

The project also restored the former immigration processing centre on the nearby Ellis Island, which became a National Museum of Immigration.

The entire project was funded by private investment.

Peter Dessauer, one of the architects who oversaw the process, tells Tim O'Callaghan about the challenges involved.

Eye-witness accounts brought to life by archive. Witness History is for those fascinated by and curious about 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 how the Excel spreadsheet was developed, the creation of cartoon rabbit Miffy and how the sound barrier was broken.

We look at the lives of some of the most famous leaders, artists, scientists and personalities in history, including: the moment Reagan and Gorbachev met in Geneva, Haitian singer Emerante de Pradines' life and Omar Sharif's legendary movie entrance in Lawrence of Arabia.

You can learn all about fascinating and surprising stories, like the invention of a stent which has saved lives around the world; the birth of the G7; and the meeting of Maldives' ministers underwater. We cover everything from World War Two and Cold War stories to Black History Month and our journeys into space.

(Photo: The Statue of Liberty under restoration in 1985. Credit: Gene Kappock/NY Daily News via Getty Images)

SAT 04:00 BBC News (w1730nkp0t41nc)

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SAT 05:00 BBC News (w1730nkp0t45dh)

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SAT 05:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlj2rtdjnw)

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SAT 05:32 More than the Score (w3ct9bev)

What makes a Grand Slam grand?

The Indian Wells tournament and the Players Championship are often unofficially referred to as the "fifth Grand Slam" and the "fifth major" of tennis and men's golf respectively. But could those nicknames ever become a reality – and who gets to confer that status on them? What makes some tournaments 'major', and why do they seem to matter more?

BBC golf correspondent Iain Carter talks to More than the Score's Ade Adedoyin about how the Open, the Masters, the US Open and the US PGA came to be regarded as the four majors of the men's game – even though other tournaments previously had that status too. What do they reveal about where power lies in the sport?

Ben Rothenberg, editor of tennis magazine Bounces, also joins the pod to explain what sets the Australian Open, the French Open, Wimbledon and the US Open apart from the rest of tennis. How much does entering their name into history still motivate golfers and tennis players today?

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SAT 05:50 More or Less (w3ct998x)

Does a full moon make crime rates go up?

The Moon is one of the most captivating features of our night's sky, and apparently, one of the most suspicious...

For thousands of years, people have blamed the full moon for strange behavior. From ancient myths and the origins of the word lunacy to modern police folklore, the idea that a bright moon can influence human actions is one that many believe. But what does the data tell us? We spoke to Professor Eric Chudler, who has looked at crime rates and lunar cycles to discover whether the moon truly is the ultimate crime puppeteer.

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SAT 06:00 BBC News (w1730nkp0t494m)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 06:06 Weekend (w1730c5m4lw4n13)

US marks 250 years of independence

US president Donald Trump kicks off celebrations for the 250th anniversary of America's independence with a speech at Mount Rushmore in South Dakota.

Also in today's programme: Taylor Swift marries her boyfriend, Travis Kelce, in a star-studded ceremony in New York; and Alex Sinclair, a lecturer at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, made international headlines back in April when he was detained by police for wearing a kippah, a Jewish religious head covering embroidered with both Israeli and Palestinian flags, joins us.

Presenter Julian Worricker is joined by Colleen Graffy, a law professor at Pepperdine Caruso Law School in California and Kaya Genç, a European Press Prize finalist, and author of four books.

Photo: People are greeted by a poster of U.S. President Donald Trump at the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) display at the Great American State Fair celebrating the 250th anniversary of U.S. independence in Washington, D.C., U.S., July 2, 2026. REUTERS/Jonathan Ernst

SAT 07:00 BBC News (w1730nkp0t4dwr)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 07:06 Weekend (w1730c5m4lw4sb7)

US marks 250 years since independence

As President Trump hails the US as the 'best and most incredible thing on this planet', we hear from founding father Thomas Jefferson's sixth great-grandson.

Also on the programme: Hungarians prepare for the opening of the Communist-era secret service records; and the BBC reports from Venezuela, where more than 2,600 people are confirmed to have been killed in last week's earthquakes.

Presenter Julian Worricker is joined by Colleen Graffy, a law professor at Pepperdine Caruso Law School in California, and Turkish writer and essayist Kaya Genç.

(Picture: Trump delivers a speech at Mount Rushmore, July 3, 2026. Credit: REUTERS/Kylie Cooper)

SAT 08:00 BBC News (w1730nkp0t4jmw)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 08:06 Weekend (w1730c5m4lw4x2c)

Protesters descend on AfD convention

A huge police operation is underway in Erfurt, in Germany, where the far-right Alternative for Germany (AfD) party is holding its annual party convention. Thousands of antifascist demonstrators are expected to stage rallies in the city.

Also on the programme: fears that the US may dramatically scale down its commitment to NATO ahead of the alliance's upcoming summit; and Gen Z Americans from opposite poles of the political spectrum tell us what the 250th anniversary of independence means to them.

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(Picture: Activists hold banners during a protest against the AfD convention in Erfurt, Germany, July 4, 2026. Credit: REUTERS/Thilo Schmuelgen)

SAT 09:00 BBC News (w1730nkp0t4nd0)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 09:06 BBC Conversations (w3ct8m3t)

Venezuelan earthquake survivors

The people of Venezuela are still reeling from the aftermath of two powerful earthquakes which struck near the capital Caracas in June.

As buildings collapsed, the impact was devastating. Over 2,500 are recorded dead but, with tens of thousands of people still missing, the final number will be much higher.

We hear from people who were in Caracas and the nearby port of La Guaiada - one of the worst affected areas.

Some have been made homeless. Some are students, who were about to graduate and are now mourning the loss of friends. Some, like Gonzalo, are continuing to search for those who are still trapped beneath collapsed buildings.

While rescue teams have arrived from all over the world, Gonzalo is dismayed at the shortage of aid from his own government.

"As Venezuelans right now we cannot afford to stop and process. We are stuck in the loop of helping, helping, helping, helping. We have to get each other out, we have to get each other out, which is a beautiful thing," said Gonzalo.

"But the painful thing is that it's just a sign of how alone we are. How destroyed the network of this country is and that is the most desolating part of it all."

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(Photo: A Brazilian firefighter works at the site of a collapsed building in La Guaira, Venezuela. Credit: Reuters/Leonardo Fernandez Viloria)

SAT 09:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlj2rdv0nd)

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SAT 09:32 Americast (w3ct8lz9)

After 250 years, do US citizens still believe in the American Dream?

How have 250 years of history shaped modern America? As historic July 4th celebrations take place across the country this weekend we ask how does modern America compare to the vision of the Founding Fathers in the 18th Century? What does it mean to be an American citizen today and has that changed over time? Where does this all leave the American dream?

In this episode, Justin and Anthony talk to the historian Heather Cox Graham who writes a daily Substack on American politics and society and has started a video project - 250 to 250 - to mark the historic landmark. Today, we are bombarded by information at a frenetic pace but can a careful consideration of the past 250 years tell us more about the United States in 2026?

HOSTS:

- Justin Webb, Radio 4 presenter
- Anthony Zurcher, North America Correspondent

GUEST:

- Heather Cox Richardson, historian, author, Substack columnist, founder of 250 to 250 project marking the 250th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence

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SAT 10:00 BBC News (w1730nkp0t4s44)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 10:06 Not by the Playbook (w3ct996n)

Two weeks at Wimbledon

It's one of the most refined sporting venues in the world. Hydrangeas and petunias, complemented by climbing roses and foxgloves. A glorious display of purple white and green. Welcome to South East London and the All England Lawn Tennis & Croquet Club club here in Wimbledon

We start with the remarkable story of Andrea Jaeger. Her career burned bright like the star she is, and in a flash it was over. Remarkably she turned pro aged just 14. By 16 she was ranked number two in the world, then she made the French Open final and the following year she did the same at Wimbledon. By 19 she had retired through injury. A bundle of energy and positive vibes Andrea joined us as she watched on from her home in Florida.

Within the vast complex of arenas and buildings that make up the All England Club, there's a spot that is unusually quiet, but not for long! The press conference centre, where after each match players are expected to open their souls to journalists and explain how the snatched victory from defeat, or maybe the other way round. Up there on stage behind the microphones can feel like a very lonely place, in fact being on tour can be a very isolating experience. In recent years there has been a trend amongst players, but bring their pet dogs on tour with them! But actually that first happened some time ago! More on that in a moment from our poochie pioneer, who was also a semi finalist here in 1991 beating Andre Agassi and Ivan Lendl on the way... American David Wheaton has been chatting to me from his home in Minnesota about how Wimbledon helped him find a higher calling in life

Murray Mound, or Henman Hill as it was known actually has the official title of Aorangi Terrace and it's a beautiful spot to enjoy a drink, sit on the grass with friends and watch the action on the big screens mounted on the outside of centre court. It's the sort of place anyone could fall in love with tennis. Something Edward Schmit would approve of. He has just published his first novel "The Open Era" and according to the back cover "combines three things close to Edwards heart: queer love stories, mental health awareness, and the most beautiful sport in the world: tennis...

The Wimbledon Lawn Tennis Museum is full of interactive displays that tell the story of the championships from its inception in 1887. One corner of the museum is dedicated to the American tennis player Maureen Connolly. She was the first woman to win the tennis Grand Slam in 1953. That's all four major tournaments in the same year! Nicknamed "Little Mo" after a US warship, Connolly dominated her sport and became a global celebrity, but her career was cut short by injury and she died an early death.

PHOTO: An aerial view of Wimbledon's Centre and Number one courts and the grounds (CREDIT: Chris Gorma/Getty Images)

SAT 11:00 BBC News (w1730nkp0t4ww8)

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SAT 11:06 The Newsroom (w1730bqkq28h9xj)

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SAT 11:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlj2rdv84n)

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SAT 11:32 Health Check (w3ct8k2l)

Ebola drug trials in the Democratic Republic of Congo

Two Ebola drugs are due to be trialled in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) as cases of the disease continue to rise in the country.

BBC health and science correspondent James Gallagher joins Claudia Hammond to discuss the new clinical trial, and to update on the latest from the outbreak in the DRC and Uganda.

Claudia also visits The Royal Society's annual Summer Science Exhibition in London to explore a range of new health research on display.

We hear about how salt water is being used to try to make lateral flow tests more sensitive and targeted, with Guido Bolognesi and Nguyen Thi Kim Thanh from University College London. They also explain the role gold nanoparticles play in current lateral flow tests, which rapidly diagnose pregnancy or Covid-19.

Claudia also visits a 'microbe zoo' and speaks with Revathy Krishnamurthy from the Quadram Institute of Bioscience in Norwich, England, who explains what phages are, and how they can be harnessed to improve food safety.

Finally, we meet Pat Price, visiting professor at Imperial College London, to learn about the high-energy particles that could kill cancer cells, how they could completely change

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treatment for patients, and how it's hoped lasers can help them accomplish it. Image Credit: Credit: Photo by DIEUDONNE DIROLE/EPA/Shutterstock Presenter: Claudia Hammond Producer: Dan Welsh and Georgia Christie SAT 12:00 BBC News (w1730nkp0t50md) The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service. SAT 12:06 World Book Club (w3ct97sy) Rachel Kushner: The Mars Room American author Rachel Kushner talks about her award-winning novel, The Mars Room. The novel follows Romy Hall, as she begins two consecutive life sentences at Stanville Women's Correctional Facility, after killing her stalker. The story weaves between the two sides of Romy's existence. First, the prison world where women struggle for the bare essentials of life. Second, the San Francisco of her youth, The Mars Room strip club where she once danced, and days spent with her angelic seven-year-old son, Jackson. Gritty, daring and sometimes darkly comedic, The Mars Room is both a searing, and deeply empathetic exploration of the American penal system. Rachel answers your questions about her years of research into prison life, how her protagonist came to be, and if wider societal structures mean some people are pre-determined to end up behind bars. Presenter: Harriet Gilbert SAT 13:00 BBC News (w1730nkp0t54cj) The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service. SAT 13:06 Newshour (w1730bn2nbw5yll) Trump: 'The most extraordinary republic ever, ever, ever' President Trump has used a speech on the eve of the 250th anniversary of US independence to claim that American identity is under threat from domestic 'radicals' and 'extremists'. At the Mount Rushmore national monument, Mr Trump warned of a resurgence of what he called 'the communist menace' and 'newcomers' who embrace ideas opposed to the American way of life. Also in the programme: The Iranian authorities say they expect up to 20 million people to take part in six days of ceremonies paying respect to Iran's former Supreme Leader, Ayatollah Ali Khamenei; and Taylor Swift and the American footballer Travis Kelce get married in New York. (Photo: US President Donald Trump delivers a speech during a celebration for the 250th anniversary of US independence at Mount Rushmore, July 3, 2026. Credit: Reuters/Kylie Cooper) SAT 14:00 BBC News (w1730nkp0t583n) The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service. SAT 14:06 Sportsworld (w1730c8wxj8xv9) Live Sporting Action Lee James presents Sportsworld live from Wimbledon on day six of the third tennis Grand Slam of the year. Lee will be joined by guests from the world of the tennis to discuss the talking points from the first week; including the shock exits, Serena Williams' return and who are looking like the players to beat? Chris Dennis and Delyth Lloyd will be providing live commentary from both Centre Court and Court One as the men's and women's singles reach the third round. There will be the latest from the World Cup with John Bennett in Philadelphia reflecting on the final day of last 32 matches and looking ahead to the first two last 16 matches between Canada and Morocco and Paraguay against France. Elsewhere, there's the latest from around the sporting world, including reaction to Formula One's British Grand Prix qualifying, a preview to the latest Diamond League athletics event in Eugene and the latest from England's T20 match against India and the opening stage of this year's Tour de France. Photo: A general view as Mananchaya Sawangkaew of Thailand plays a backhand against Maja Chwalinska of Poland during the	Ladies' Singles first round match on day one of The Championships Wimbledon 2026 at All England Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club on June 29, 2026 in London, England. (Credit: Getty Images) SAT 18:00 BBC News (w1730nkp0t5r35) The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service. SAT 18:06 The Newsroom (w1730bqkq28j54f) The world's Newsroom brings you global events as they happen SAT 18:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlj2rdw3ck) The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service. SAT 18:32 More than the Score (w3ct9bcv) [Repeat of broadcast at 05:32 today] SAT 18:50 Sporting Witness (w3ct8rxb) The making of West Germany's iconic 1990 football shirt In July 1990, West Germany won the World Cup for the third time, beating Argentina 1-0 in Rome. The shirt the victorious players were wearing that night has become one of the most sought-after by classic kit collectors. With its distinctive black, red and gold zigzag across the chest, West Germany's 1990 shirt was a game changer in the world of football kits and helped usher in a new era of bold designs. In 2025, Guy Kilty spoke to the shirt's designer, Ina Franzmann, about how she created the famous kit. 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: West German midfielder Lothar Matthaeus and forward Pierre Littbarski celebrate with the World Cup trophy. Credit: AFP via Getty images) SAT 19:00 BBC News (w1730nkp0t5v9) The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service. SAT 19:06 The Inquiry (w3ct98pv) Can the New World Screwworm be stopped? Flesh-eating parasitic flies have been found in the US state of Texas for the first time in decades. Known as the New World Screwworm, officials have now put plans in place to try and contain its spread. The fly feeds off warm-blooded animals, like cattle, dogs and horses, but if detected early enough, with treatment, the animals can make a full recovery. It can also infest humans, but human deaths are rare and it poses no food safety issues. The New World Screwworm is not a new problem; it is considered endemic in South America and some parts of Central America, towards South America. But despite the United States declaring itself screwworm free in the 1960s, the country has since seen several outbreaks. Officials have been tracking this latest case since late 2024. To date, the most widely used method to try and control the spread of the screwworm is the Sterile Insect Technique, whereby millions of flies are hatched and exposed to radiation, before they are released into the wild. And the idea here is that as the females only mate once in a lifetime, any eggs they lay will be unfertilised and will not hatch. There is currently only one facility hatching these flies in operation and there are not enough sterile flies being produced. In addition, there is a concern over a lack of knowledge among new veterinary recruits on how to deal with a problem that many may be	experiencing for the first time. So, can the New World Screwworm be stopped? 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The Century Safe In 1876, Americans filled an iron safe with objects meant to tell their story - to be opened a century later. Roman Mars and historian Jill Lepore trace its long wait, from Reconstruction to Watergate, and the surprising, unsettling contents that emerged in 1976. What do the objects we choose to preserve, or forget, reveal about how we author our own history? (Photo: The Century Safe, the first time capsule, assembled and buried in Philadelphia on the occasion of the American centennial, to be opened in 100 years time, 1876. The Century Safe, c. 1876. Credit: by Kean Collection/Getty Images) Presenter: Roman Mars SAT 20:00 BBC News (w1730nkp0t5zlf) The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service. SAT 20:06 The Arts Hour (w3ct8bh84) Indian film-maker Rohan Parashuram Kanawade Nikki Bedi speaks to fresh new voice in Indian cinema, the director Rohan Kanawade, about his groundbreaking Cactus Pears (Sabar Bonda). The first Marathi-language film to premiere at the Sundance Festival, it was also the first drama from India to win an International Grand Jury Prize. Kanawade reflects on growing up in a Mumbai slum with parents who accepted his sexuality, and how he drew on the experience of mourning his father. We also hear from Amy Adams about the new TV adaptation of Cape Fear. Nadia Latif talks about adapting Iran-set horror movie Under the Shadow for theatre. One of France's most acclaimed directors, Francois Ozon, discusses his take on Albert Camus' The Stranger. Also on the programme: musical icon Chaka Khan, Norwegian-American writer Siri Hustvedt on losing her husband, the novelist Paul Auster, and the boundary-pushing Ghanian-Australian musician Genesis Owusu. Plus, critic Arifa Akbar gives her take on these cultural highlights of the week, and more. Presenter: Nikki Bedi Producer: Ciaran Bermingham SAT 21:00 BBC News (w1730nkp0t63bk) The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service. SAT 21:06 Newshour (w1730bn2nbw6xkm) The United States celebrates 250 years The United States celebrates its 250th anniversary, but is President Trump politicising the occasion? Also in the programme: Iran mourns late Ayatollah Khamenei ahead of his funeral; and Cape Verde, the small African island nation that made history in this World Cup.
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(Photograph: Fighter jets over New York. Credit: Shutterstock) SAT 22:00 BBC News (w1730nkp0t672p) The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service. SAT 22:06 Not by the Playbook (w3ct996n) [Repeat of broadcast at 10:06 today] SAT 23:00 BBC News (w1730nkp0t6btt) The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service. SAT 23:06 The Newsroom (w1730bqkq28jrw2) The world's Newsroom brings you global events as they happen SAT 23:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlj2rdwq36) The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service. SAT 23:32 This Is Africa (w3ct8td7) Momo Hayek Imagine working in a restaurant, then dropping a line on a song, and before you know it finding yourself performing in a stadium at an event watched by millions around the world. That is the story of Momo Hayek from the Ivory Coast. Momo, whose parents come from Lebanon, runs two restaurants in Abidjan. As he tells TIA in this episode, has always loved music, and began hanging out with musician friends in the studio. He started contributing lines to a few songs, one of which, Coup du Marteau by Tam Sir, became an anthem of the 2023 African Cup of Nations, which took place in the Ivory Coast in January and February 2024. It also became a huge hit on the dancefloor and has now amassed 170 million views on You Tube. Momo Hayek performed at the AFCON final concert, and in Paris. He continues to work in his restaurants but now has a string of songs to his name, though he says he cannot yet call himself an artist because none of these is a solo work. He says his talent is bringing creatives together, and he has not had a failure yet. Momo Hayek stands out in the video for Coup du Marteau, being the only white man. He talks about his love for Ivory Coast, and believes being born in the West African country has been a huge blessing for him. Presenter – DJ Edu Producer – Catherine Fellows Reporter – Sasha Gankin 10in10 Tracklisting: Cocoa Butter – Isat ft Drizilik (Sierra Leone) Nzigulawo II - Spice Diana & Vinka (Uganda) Stranger - Kuami Eugene & Gyakie (Ghana) Se nos cayó - BIIG CYPHER & Morad (Morocco) No Worries (Remix) - Njolo AKA Mr Bomb & Dizmo (Zambia) HolyGod - Bantu B (DRC) Cherie Coco - Montana (Mauritius) On my mind - Yamè & Adekunle Gold (Cameroon/Nigeria) Uche Jumbo - Taves (Nigeria) Jege - Rokaa & J Slught (Liberia) SUNDAY 05 JULY 2026 SUN 00:00 BBC News (w1730nkp0t6gky) The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service. SUN 00:06 BBC Conversations (w3ct8m3t) [Repeat of broadcast at 09:06 on Saturday] SUN 00:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlj2rdwtvb) The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service. SUN 00:32 The Documentary (w3ct81mq) The social lives of bacteria Our bodies are filled with bacteria that have rich social lives and, just like people, these microbial neighbours and families do not always get along. In some cases, it is the bacterial equivalent of The Sopranos. Dr Sally Le Page delves into the bacterial dramas of loners, crowd-lovers, backstabbers and do-gooders that are fighting it out in the world and inside our bodies. Co-operation, cheating and selfish behaviour can all lead to benefits or disease so	scientists are studying this behaviour to help produce new medicines and clean up our environment. Presenter: Dr Sally Le Page Producer: Sue Nelson A Boffin Media production for BBC World Service SUN 01:00 BBC News (w1730nkp0t6lb2) The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service. 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SUN 03:06 World Book Club (w3ct97sy) [Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 on Saturday] SUN 04:00 BBC News (w1730nkp0t6ykg) The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service. SUN 04:06 From Our Own Correspondent (w3ct99c5) Venezuela earthquakes: 'I don't know how to rebuild my life' In Venezuela, rescue workers from many other countries have been trying to find survivors after two earthquakes hit the country's north last week. But amid the wreckage of many buildings, the only teams at work were bands of local volunteers - neighbours, friends and family members searching for any signs of life in the rubble. Will Grant returned to his old neighbourhood in the capital Caracas, to hear from survivors, the bereaved and those still plagued by doubts over their missing loved ones' fate. The Fourth of July holiday falls this weekend – and this year it is also the semiquincentennial, marking 250 years of American independence. The anniversary has prompted much soul-searching about what the USA now stands for as a nation. Asma Khalid reflects on her own family's pursuit of the American Dream. Hungary's new Prime Minister Peter Magyar has been in office for less than 60 days, but he and his Tisza party have set about rolling back laws and dismantling institutions built up by former strongman PM Viktor Orban. Such is this political whirlwind, it's become must-see TV - keeping Hungarians glued to their screens in a traditionally slow time of the year for news. Nick Thorpe reports from Budapest. (Image: Rescue efforts continue in Venezuela two days after a magnitude 7.2 earthquake struck the country. Credit: Edilson Gamez/Getty Images) SUN 04:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlj2rdx9tv) The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service. SUN 04:32 BBC Inside Science (w3ct977t) How do you immortalise natural history? During this year's visit to the Royal Society Summer Science Exhibition in London, Tom Whipple discovers how sea urchins are being used to develop techniques to digitally preserve	natural history, why we haven't got robot butlers just yet, and what it takes to bottle lightning. Plus, in his ongoing quest to assemble a World Cup squad of science Tom recruits health reporter James Gallagher to scout out the best football science from around the world. This week, we want to know if there is robust evidence for a home advantage. We speak with Associate Professor of Cell & Developmental Biology Laura Porro from University College London, Dr Alice Leavey and Dr Fernando Alvares from the University of Southampton, Professor Ingmar Posner who leads the Applied Artificial Intelligence Lab at the University of Oxford and Dr Daniel Mitchard who is co-lead of Cardiff University's Lightning Laboratory. Presenter: Tom Whipple Producers: Katie Tomsett, Kate White & Tabby Taylor Buck Editor: Martin Smith Production Co-ordinator: Jana Bennett-Holesworth SUN 05:00 BBC News (w1730nkp0t729l) The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service. SUN 05:06 The Newsroom (w1730bqkq28kbbv) The world's Newsroom brings you global events as they happen SUN 05:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlj2rdxfkz) The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service. SUN 05:32 Asia Specific (w3ct9byh) Asia Specific Asia Specific brings you essential insights and conversations on the stories shaping the Asia Pacific region - an economic powerhouse, geo-political flashpoint and the birthplace of global cultural trends. Asian perspectives on international issues and in-depth analysis on news from a region that's home to nearly 2.5 billion people. 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Also in today's programme: Mali's army says it's repelled attacks by Islamist militants and their separatist Tuareg allies in several areas across the country; and, our reporter speaks to classical violinist and composer Nigel Kennedy known for his boundary pushing music. Presenter Julian Worricker is joined by Timandra Harkness, a British writer, broadcaster and in her own words, a lapsed comedian and Jeremy Cliffe, a senior policy fellow at the European Council on Foreign Relations think-tank in Berlin. (Photo: US President Donald Trump holds Fourth of July rally, marking the 250th anniversary of American independence in Washington . 5 July 2026. Credit: Jonathan Ernst/Reuters) SUN 07:00 BBC News (w1730nkp0t79sv) The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service. SUN 07:06 Weekend (w1730c5m4lw7p7b) Trump attacks 'communists' in 250th anniversary speech President Trump spoke about American history, accompanied by a row of veterans, in a speech to mark the 250th anniversary of US independence. He also repeatedly mentioned the threat of communism in a veiled attack on his opponents in the
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Democratic Party.

Also on the programme: stormy weather could disrupt a heavyweight clash at the World Cup between co-hosts Mexico and England; and we look at Instagram Plus, the new paid subscription service on the photo and video-sharing network.

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(Picture: Trump speaks during the Salute to America 250 celebration in Washington, DC, USA, 04 July 2026 Credit: JIM LO SCALZO/POOL/EPA/Shutterstock)

SUN 08:00 BBC News (w1730nkp0t7fjz)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 08:06 Weekend (w1730c5m4lw7szg)

Trump says 'America's destiny is written by God'

President Donald Trump has commemorated the 250th anniversary of US independence with fireworks and a speech that mixed partisan politics with patriotic appeals.

Also in today's programme: we'll be live in Iran where a public holiday is being observed to mark the funeral of the country's former supreme leader; and violinist Nigel Kennedy tells us why he hates the term 'classical music'.

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(Photo: The 250th Independence Day celebration on the National Mall, Arlington, USA - 05 Jul 2026. Credit: Matthew Kaminsky/ EPA)

SUN 09:00 BBC News (w1730nkp0t7k93)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 09:06 From Our Own Correspondent (w3ct99c5)

[Repeat of broadcast at 04:06 today]

SUN 09:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlj2rdxxkh)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 09:32 The Food Chain (w3ct8sw6)

How to order a restaurant meal like a pro

With dining out becoming an increasingly expensive luxury, we find out how to order the perfect restaurant meal with top tips from a panel of seasoned pros.

The Irish Times food critic, Corinna Hardgrave, veteran server and podcast host Brittany Felton and chef and hospitality advisor James Knight-Pacheco join Ruth Alexander to discuss how to make the most of a well-deserved meal from your hard-earned money. They cover everything from sharing dishes, whether to trust a waiter's recommendations and if it's best to stick to what you know – or try something more adventurous when visiting a restaurant with friends or family.

We get the inside track from the diner's table to the wait staff and of course the kitchen. Brittany Felton explains how her 15-year career as a server means she can quickly assess a table's needs, even to the extent of working out what kind of meal and evening the diners would like to have.

Corinna Hardgrave shares advice from her 20-plus years as a professional restaurant critic, including how to stay in control if you experience pushy or impatient wait staff when eating out.

And chef James Knight-Pacheco shares his insight on when is the best time to order the special – and when to avoid certain dishes on a menu.

Producer: Sam Clack and Niamh McDermott
Sound engineer: Hal Haines

(Image: Waitress taking the order of a group of friends eating at a restaurant - stock photo. Credit: Getty Images)

SUN 10:00 BBC News (w1730nkp0t7p17)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 10:06 People Fixing The World (w3ct8t0y)

Living longer, living better

In Bergen, Norway, a two-day ageing festival is testing out new ways to build an age-friendly society—through culture, conversation and shared experiences. Myra Anubi joins in, meeting the people finding creative answers to loneliness, mental health, care and belonging, and hearing hopes for a future where generations mix rather than separate. From masterclasses to inspiring collective events, the festival's aim is to make ageing something we can all become more comfortable with and even celebrate.

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Presenter: Myra Anubi
Producer: Alex Collins
Editor: Jon Bithrey
Sound mix: Hal Haines

(Image: A group of revellers at the Generation ageing festival in Bergen, Alex Collins/BBC)

SUN 10:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlj2rdy19m)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 10:32 The Fifth Floor (w3ct8sqp)

Balochistan's disappeared

When Dr. Mahrang Baloch was a teenager, she joined hundreds of families across Pakistan's southwestern province of Balochistan to search for her father, who had disappeared. Activists and rights groups say thousands of ethnic Baloch people have disappeared over the past two decades, alleging many were detained by security forces, tortured and killed as part of operations against a long-running separatist movement. After three years of being missing, Mahrang's family received a call telling them that her father's body had been found. This led Mahrang herself becoming a campaigner, leading protests and marches demanding information about missing persons in Balochistan. But last year she was arrested and she has now been sentenced to life in prison. Farhat Javed of BBC Urdu tells her story.

As the group stage of the World Cup comes to a close, Cape Verde, a tiny nation off the coast of West Africa, is celebrating a remarkable achievement. It's their first ever time at the tournament, but the Blue Sharks, as their team is known, have made it out of the group stage with a series of strong performances where they have held big teams like Spain and Uruguay to account. Meanwhile, in South Korea, a much more seasoned squad packed with international talent have arrived home in defeat after losing to teams their critics feel they should have beaten. The fallout has been painful. Paul Njie, journalist with BBC West Africa and Jake Kwon, Seoul Correspondent for BBC News, reflect.

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Recent episodes have investigated Russia's youth armies and how they make soldiers of Ukrainian children; featured the BBC team who were the first journalists to the site of the Nigerian school kidnappings and reflected the effects of internet blackouts in Iran, Uganda and India.

If you want to know more about Venezuela's acting president, Delcy Rodriguez, and the legacy of Hugo Chavez; or how Vladimir Putin's network of deep cover spies operates; or why Donald Trump signed an executive order granting white South Africans asylum in the US, we have all those stories and more.

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.

Presented by Irena Taranyuk.

Produced by Laura Thomas, Caroline Ferguson and Hannah Dean.

SUN 11:00 BBC News (w1730nkp0t7ssc)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 11:06 The Newsroom (w1730bqkq28l6tm)

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SUN 11:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlj2rdy51r)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 11:32 More than the Score (w3ct9bcv)

[Repeat of broadcast at 05:32 on Saturday]

SUN 11:50 More or Less (w3ct998x)

[Repeat of broadcast at 05:50 on Saturday]

SUN 12:00 BBC News (w1730nkp0t7xjh)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 12:06 BBC Conversations (w3ct8m3t)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:06 on Saturday]

SUN 12:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlj2rdy8sw)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 12:32 The Documentary (w3ct9by4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:32 on Saturday]

SUN 13:00 BBC News (w1730nkp0t818m)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 13:06 Newshour (w1730bn2nbw8vhp)

Ukraine strikes Russian energy infrastructure

Ukrainian drones strike Russian energy grids amid growing fuel crisis as Kyiv tries to pressure Moscow into peace talks. We also hear how life in Russian-occupied Crimea is becoming unbearable for some residents.

Also in the news: mysterious space debris found on Queensland beaches; and why women are less likely than men to hit the wall in marathons.

(Photo: Smoke rises from an oil refinery following a Ukrainian drone attack in Moscow. Credit: Reuters)

SUN 14:00 BBC News (w1730nkp0t850r)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 14:06 Sportsworld (w1730c8wxj90r5d)

Live Sporting Action

Delyth Lloyd is live from Centre Court at Wimbledon with the latest from SW19 on Sunday's Sportsworld. Live coverage from day seven, featuring commentary of the men's and women's singles fourth round.

Plus, a half hour special focussing on the current success of Italian Tennis. Featuring several current pros, alongside Italian Tennis Federation's Angelo Binaghi and journalist Gaia Piccardi.

At the World Cup we'll be reviewing Saturday's last 16 matches and previewing Brazil v Norway and Mexico v England/DR Congo.

Away from Wimbledon and the World Cup, we'll have updates from the British Grand Prix, Women's T20 World Cup Final, the second stage of the Tour de France and Athletics' Prefontaine Classic in Eugene.

Photo: A clock on the outside wall of Centre Court before The Championships Wimbledon 2026 at All England Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club on June 25, 2026 in London, England. (Credit: Getty Images)

SUN 18:00 BBC News (w1730nkp0t8n08)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 18:06 The Climate Question (w3ct99hp)

How to build a climate friendly city

More than seven billion of us are expected to be living in urban areas by 2050. So what are the world's great cities doing about climate change?

Humans are now city creatures – with more than half the world's population already living in urban environments, and huge growth expected in cities in Asia and Sub-Saharan Africa during the rest of the 21st century.

So mayors are on the front line of dealing with climate change – whether it's keeping people cool during heatwaves or redesigning cities to cope with floods.

In this edition of The Climate Question, Host Jordan Dunbar hears about inspiring solutions from cable cars in Colombia to water parks in the Netherlands and city gardens in the Philippines.

His guests are Yvonne Aki-Sawyer, the mayor of Freetown in Sierra Leone and Co-Chair of the C40 Cities Coalition, and Rogier van den Berg, an architect and urban planner who's Global Director at the WRI Ross Center for Sustainable Cities.

Jordan, Yvonne and Rogier also discuss the crucial role that cities need to play in reducing carbon emissions by making buildings more energy-efficient and rethinking transport.

Got a question or comment? You can email the team: theclimatequestion@bbc.com

Producers: Jordan Dunbar, Diane Richardson, Melanie Stewart-Smith
Sound Mix: Dave O'Neill and Tom Brignell
Editor: Simon Watts

SUN 18:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlj2rdz08n)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 18:32 Happy News (w3ct8nwm)
The Happy Pod: Meeting a princess while climbing a mountain

Pete Haslam was carrying his paraplegic son Ted up a mountain, helped by friends and family, when they bumped into Catherine, Princess of Wales. She was doing the same climbing challenge, known as the Three Peaks, and stopped to chat to them three times. Pete says he almost didn't recognise Catherine in her walking gear but, when they got talking, she was very kind and motherly to Ted.

Also: in a story suggested by a listener, we hear from the US man who crossed Africa on a skateboard. Jason Vanporppal was raising money for a skatepark in Uganda which he hopes will inspire young people.

The unusual object that saved a man's life after an accident at sea. He survived by clinging to a cool box for four hours.

Plus the twins who married twins, the Nigerian chef awarded 'icon status'.

And the surprise school trip to a star studded movie premiere. Dwayne 'The Rock' Johnson arranged for the pupils to see his latest film, Moana, after they'd tagged him in a socials video.

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

(Photo: Pete Haslam talking to Catherine, Princess of Wales, on Ben Nevis. Credit: Pete Haslam)

Presenter: Holly Gibbs
Music: Iona Hampson

SUN 19:00 BBC News (w1730nkp0t8rrd)
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SUN 19:06 The Newsroom (w1730bqkq28m5sn)
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SUN 19:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlj2rdz40s)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 19:32 In the Studio (w3ct8l5g)
From kitchen table to the Underworld: The poetry of Ailbhe Ní Ghearrbhuigh

In the Studio enters the creative world of award-winning Irish-language poet Ailbhe Ní Ghearrbhuigh as she composes a new poem. We follow its journey from first draft to first public reading.

Ailbhe writes exclusively in Irish. She is deeply rooted in the language's literary tradition yet unmistakably modern in outlook and has become one of the most distinctive literary voices of her generation.

Working from the early-morning quiet of her kitchen table in Cork, the documentary centres on a new triptych inspired by her nine-year-old daughter's fascination with Greek mythology. Ailbhe takes Duality Herr behind the scenes of her new work, reflecting on childhood imagination, motherhood, and the creative process.

Ailbhe's poetry has travelled widely beyond Ireland in translation, reaching readers in English, French, Spanish, German, Greek, Macedonian, Czech, and Galician.

Much of that international reach has come through English translations by her husband, the acclaimed poet Billy Ramsell. In this programme, we also hear from him as he translates Ailbhe's new poem into English. He offers a unique perspective on how poetry migrates and evolves between languages, illuminating the creative possibilities and challenges of translation.

Through a mix of intimate audio diaries recorded during the writing process and conversations captured during a visit to Cork, we follow the poem's evolution from draft to finished work and ultimately to its debut at the Franco-Irish Literary Festival in Dublin.

The result is a rare insight into how a poem comes into being and reaches its audience.

Produced and Presented by Duality Herr

SUN 20:00 BBC News (w1730nkp0t8whj)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 20:06 Unexpected Elements (w3ct8kcm)
[Repeat of broadcast at 00:06 on Saturday]

SUN 21:00 BBC News (w1730nkp0t907n)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 21:06 Newshour (w1730bn2nbw9tqg)
Russia reels from Ukrainian drone strikes

Ukrainian drone strikes deep inside Russian held territory fuel growing energy crisis as Kyiv tries to pressure Moscow into peace talks.
We hear from one oil analyst and former Gazprom Neft employee about the impact these strikes are having on Russia's fuel supplies.

Also in the news: We'll hear about Israel defying the Israeli supreme court - with President Herzog saying that crosses a red line; and why male marathon runners collapse in a heap more often than female ones (Photo: Vehicles queue to refuel at a Rosneft petrol pump, Sergey Pivovarov: REUTERS)

SUN 22:00 BBC News (w1730nkp0t93zs)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 22:06 The Climate Question (w3ct99hp)
[Repeat of broadcast at 18:06 today]

SUN 22:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlj2rdzh85)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 22:32 Assignment (w3ct8h1b)
Switzerland's population cap referendum

Switzerland recently voted on a radical and unprecedented initiative: capping the country's population to limit migration.

It's the latest in a series of referendums around immigration policy in Switzerland, which have spanned decades. In the weeks preceding the vote, Josephine Casserly was in Switzerland to speaking to the people championing this policy to understand why concerns about immigration have grown so strong in this small, wealthy country, famed for its neutrality.

Producer/Presenter: Josephine Casserly
Sound engineer: Rod Farquhar
Production Coordinator: Gemma Ashman
Editor: Richard Fenton-Smith

(Image: May 2026 - a sign in Villeneuve, Switzerland, reads: "Protect Switzerland, No Switzerland with 10 million. Yes." Credit: Reuters/Denis Balibouse)

SUN 23:00 BBC News (w1730nkp0t97qx)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 23:06 The Newsroom (w1730bqkq28mns5)
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SUN 23:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlj2rdzm09)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 23:32 The Fifth Floor (w3ct8sqp)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:32 today]

MONDAY 06 JULY 2026

MON 00:00 BBC News (w1730nkp0t9ch1)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 00:06 From Our Own Correspondent (w3ct99c5)
[Repeat of broadcast at 04:06 on Sunday]

MON 00:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlj2rdzqrqf)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 00:32 BBC Inside Science (w3ct977t)
[Repeat of broadcast at 04:32 on Sunday]

MON 01:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093fbbh)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 01:06 The Newsroom (w1730bql2bkrrjl)
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MON 01:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0q3prq)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 01:32 Discovery (w3ct6svq)
Unstoppable: Purnima Devi Barman

Dr Julia Ravey and Dr Ella Hubber are both scientists, but it turns out there's a lot they don't know about the women that came before them. In Unstoppable, Julia and Ella tell each other the hidden, world-shaping stories of the scientists, engineers and innovators that they wish they'd known about when they were starting out in science. This week, the story of an Indian conservationist who combines stork preservation with female empowerment.

On the banks of the Brahmaputra River in the Indian state of Assam, a young Purnima Barman discovers a love of storks whilst singing songs with her farmer grandmother. Fast forward decades later, she has created a community like no other by recruiting an army of over 20,000 village women to bring the Hargila storks from her childhood back from the brink of extinction. With their shared goal of restoring the relationship between the people and the wildlife, discover how Purnima is empowering women in the face of gender inequality.

Presenters: Ella Hubber and Julia Ravey
Guest Speaker: Dr Purnima Devi Barman
Producers: Ella Hubber and Julia Ravey
Assistant Producers: Sophie Ormiston, Anna Charalambou and Josie Hardy
Sound Designer: Ella Roberts
Production Coordinator: Ishmael Soriano
Editor: Holly Squire

(Image: Purnima Devi Barman. Credit: Purnima Devi Barman)

MON 02:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093fg7g)
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MON 02:06 The Newsroom (w1730bql2bkrrw8q)
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MON 02:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0q3thv)
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MON 02:32 CrowdScience (w3ct8k73)
How did plants evolve to attract insects?

Many plants need pollen from another plant of the same species in order to reproduce, but they don't have legs so they can't simply walk around looking for a mate.

As a result, many of them rely on animals to transfer pollen from one plant to another. They've developed a hugely diverse range of techniques to attract them, including their appearance, taste and smell. CrowdScience listener Alice in the UK wants to know how they have evolved to do this.

To try and answer the question, presenter Anand Jagatia goes trekking up a mountain in the Philippines, battling mud and leeches in the hunt for an incredibly rare flower. Rafflesia has evolved to look and smell like rotting meat in order to attract flies, so it's the perfect example of a plant that goes to fascinating extremes to make sure it gets pollinated.

It only blooms for a few days each year, so to find it Anand is going to need the help of scientists at the University of the Philippines Los Baños and Lewis Barrett, Senior Botanical Propagator at the University of Oxford Botanic Garden and Arboretum.

Anand also visits the University of the Philippines Laguna Quezon Land Grant, a huge site containing more than 5,500 hectares of protected forest land. Professor Pastor Malabrigo Jr shows him a fig tree that has a fascinatingly gruesome relationship with its pollinator wasps.

So how did these amazingly diverse plants end up needing insect pollinators in the first place? Dr Kyrá Krakos is a professor of biology at Maryville University and a research associate at the Missouri Botanical Garden in the United States. She explains to Anand that plants are surprisingly sexy – but how did they end up needing insects to survive?

Back in the Philippines, Anand's guides have never actually seen the Rafflesia flower themselves, despite many attempts. So could this be the time they finally get lucky?

Presenter: Anand Jagatia

Producer: Dan Welsh

Editor: Ben Motley

With special thanks to Dr Chris Thorogood, Associate Professor of Biology at the University of Oxford and founder of the Community for the Conservation & Research of Rafflesia

(photo: Edited high angle view of Rafflesia on green gradient - Stock photo- Credit: Mohamed Tazi Cherti / 500px via Getty Images)

MON 03:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093fkz)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 03:06 People Fixing The World (w3ct8t0y)

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MON 03:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0q3y7z)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 03:32 The Fifth Floor (w3ct8sqp)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:32 on Sunday]

MON 04:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093fpqq)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 04:06 The Newsroom (w1730bql2bks3rz)

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MON 04:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0q4203)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 04:32 The Conversation (w3ct99nn)

Women and the stigma of Tourette's

Tourette syndrome is a motor disorder that begins in childhood or adolescence. Characterized by movement tics and at least one vocal tic, it's often portrayed as unrestrained swearing. However, coprolalia only affects ten percent of people with Tourette's. Datshiane Navanayagam talks to women from Argentina and the UK about their mission to talk about this widely misunderstood condition.

Lauren Wyatt says the most difficult part of having Tourette's is the public perception and reaction. Lauren says she experiences harassment almost every time she goes out with people mimicking tics, threatening her, or sometimes even throwing things. She's part of a campaign by Tourette's Action in the UK – #NoChoice – which is highlighting Tourette's as a medical condition. Lauren says she lives in constant pain due to her tics which are out of her control and have damaged her body beyond repair.

Belén Prieto is an Argentinian psychologist currently living and working in Spain. She has Tourette's and is a volunteer with TTAG (Tics and Tourette's Across the Globe), an umbrella organisation for Tourette's Syndrome, raising awareness and supporting those with the condition.

Produced by Jane Thurlow

(Image: (L) Belén Prieto, credit Miguel Pereda. (R) Lauren Wyatt, credit National Diversity Awards.)

MON 05:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093ftgv)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 05:06 Newsday (w1730c1fd2t0wnl)

Iran funeral procession of Ayatollah Ali Khamenei

Millions of people are expected to line the streets of the Iranian capital Tehran today for the funeral procession of the late supreme leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei. We go live to Tehran.

In the Football World Cup, Mexico and Brazil are out as England and Norway make it to the quarter finals.

And we speak to the daughters of the former South Africa President, Jacob Zuma, producers of the Zulu language drama: the Polygamist.

Presenters: Rob Young and Anne Soy.

(Photo: State funeral of Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, Tehran. Credit: Abedin Taherkhanreh/EPA.)

MON 06:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093fy6z)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 06:06 Newsday (w1730c1fd2t10dq)

Funeral procession for Iran's late supreme leader

Mourners are gathering for funeral procession of Iran's Ayatollah Ali Khamenei. He was killed at the start of the US-Israeli strikes on Iran in late February.

Wildfires have been raging across several countries in southern Europe, forcing thousands of people across Portugal, Spain, France and Greece to evacuate. We go live to Athens.

And England beat Mexico to reach World Cup quarter-finals. History was made by Norway as it beats Brazil to reach the quarter finals.

Presenters: Rob Young and Anne Soy.

(Mourners gather on the day of a funeral procession for Iran's late Supreme Leader. Credit: Mohammed Salem/Reuters).

MON 07:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093g1z3)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 07:06 Newsday (w1730c1fd2t144v)

Iranians begin funeral procession of late supreme leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei

Huge crowds of mourners have gathered in Tehran to mourn for Ayatollah Ali Khamenei. The procession in the capital Tehran is expected to be the largest event so far. We speak to our special correspondent in Tehran.

Ukraine has renewed its long-range drone attacks on the Crimea peninsula, electricity was cut in Sevastopol following a Ukrainian attack on energy infrastructure near the city,

And, England and Norway are through to the quarter finals in the football World Cup tournament.

Presenter: Rob Young and Anne Soy

(Photo: A huge procession of people, some waving red flags, others wave the Iranian flag, for the funeral of Iran's late Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei. Credit: Majid Asagripur/Reuters)

MON 08:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093g5q7)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 08:06 The Interview (w3ct8kfl)

Victor Glover, astronaut: We went into sci-fi

"The last thing to come into view was this blue glow, and we could see craters and the surface of the Moon. But the Sun is on the other side, so what was lighting the Moon? It was 'Earthshine', the light of the Earth reflecting off the near side of the Moon. I don't think our brains are evolved to understand what we were seeing. I called Houston and said, 'I think we've just gone into sci-fi.'"

Paddy O'Connell speaks to Artemis II astronaut Victor Glover, who was part of the first crewed mission to the Moon in more than 50 years.

Glover and his crewmates travelled further from Earth than any humans before them, witnessing sights no one had ever seen

before.

He explains why humanity may be closer to reaching Mars than many think, and reflects on how travelling into space changed his perspective on life.

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Presenter: Paddy O'Connell

Producer: Osman Iqbal

Editor: Damon Rose

(Image: Victor Glover. Credit: Josh Valcarcel/NASA)

MON 08:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0q4jzm)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 08:32 Business Daily (w3ct8gg0)

Can Saudi Arabia move beyond oil?

Sameer Hashmi travels to Riyadh to examine the progress of Vision 2030, an ambitious plan launched nearly a decade ago to transform one of the world's biggest oil producers into a more diverse economy. The kingdom has invested hundreds of billions of dollars in tourism, entertainment, sport and mega-projects, while introducing sweeping social reforms that have reshaped everyday life. But oil remains central to the economy, some flagship projects have been scaled back, and now the conflict with Iran is creating fresh uncertainty over the kingdom's plans to diversify its economy.

Presenter/producer: Sameer Hashmi

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(Picture: A Saudi man walks past the logo of Vision 2030 after a news conference in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia June 7, 2016. Credit: REUTERS/Faisal Al Nasser)

MON 08:50 Witness History (w3ct8r3j)

Jackie Kennedy renovates the White House

In 1962, cameras were allowed into the White House for the first televised tour of the American president's renovated residence. And acting as the guide was one of the country's most famous first ladies, Jackie Kennedy.

When her husband became president in 1961, Jackie had been disappointed with the "dreary" furnishings in the 132-room mansion.

So, she announced a plan, not to redecorate, but to restore the 18th century building to reflect its history and heritage.

At the end of the project, she invited correspondent Charles Collingwood on a tour for a CBS TV special. Jane Wilkinson has been through the archives.

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

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Recent episodes explore everything from how the Excel spreadsheet was developed, the creation of cartoon rabbit Miffy and how the sound barrier was broken.

We look at the lives of some of the most famous leaders, artists, scientists and personalities in history, including: the moment Reagan and Gorbachev met in Geneva, Haitian singer Emerante de Pradines' life and Omar Sharif's legendary movie entrance in Lawrence of Arabia.

You can learn all about fascinating and surprising stories, like the invention of a stent which has saved lives around the world; the birth of the G7; and the meeting of Maldives' ministers underwater. We cover everything from World War Two and Cold War stories to Black History Month and our journeys into space.

(Photo: Jackie Kennedy in the state dining room. Credit: Bettmann/Getty Images)

MON 09:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093g9gc)

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MON 09:06 The Newsroom (w1730bql2bksqhm)

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MON 09:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0q4nqr)

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MON 09:32 CrowdScience (w3ct8k73)

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MON 10:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093gf6h)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 10:06 The History Hour (w3ct99lc)

The return of Chief Long Wolf and The Statue of Liberty's facelift

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

Our guest is Jan English from the American Museum and Gardens in Bath in the UK.

We start with the moment the remains of a Native American chief were returned to the US, more than a century after his death in England in 1892.

Next we head to 1959 when Hawaii was brought into the United States of America as the 50th state with the passing of the Hawaiian Admission Act.

And we go back to the 1940s, when a Mexican American launched the US's first radio service in Spanish.

We fast forward to the 1980s, when the Statue of Liberty was showing her age and was given a multi-million-dollar facelift.

To the story of Rosa Parks who made civil rights history in 1955, when she refused to give up her seat on the bus, despite segregation laws discriminating against black people. This story contains outdated language.

Finally, the creative vision behind West Germany's 1990 World Cup shirt which became a design classic and is now one of the most sought-after by kit collectors around the world.

Contributors:

Mary Black Feather Condon - Chief Long Wolf's great-granddaughter.

John Waihe'e - Former governor of Hawaii.

Jan English - American Museum and Gardens Collections and Public Engagement Director.

Guillermo Nicolas - Raoul Cortez's grandson.

Peter Dessauer - Architect who oversaw the restoration of the Statue of Liberty.

Rosa Parks - Civil rights activist.

Ina Franzmann - Designer of West Germany's 1990 football shirt.

(Photo: The Statue of Liberty surrounded by scaffolding during its restoration. Credit: Terry Disney/Evening Standard/Hulton Archive/Getty Images)

MON 11:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093gjym)

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MON 11:06 The Newsroom (w1730bql2bksyzw)

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MON 11:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0q4x70)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 11:32 The Global Story (w3ct8mc7)

Is Putin on the backfoot in Ukraine and in Russia?

President Trump will be attending a NATO summit in Turkey this week, where he's likely to hear one consistent message from European leaders: the tide is shifting against Russia in its war with Ukraine. And not just on the battlefield.

Russian cities are being pounded by Ukrainian drones in ever increasing numbers. Fuel shortages have become widespread as key infrastructure has been targeted, with long lines seen at gas stations and trucks abandoned by the side of the road. Vladimir Putin recently made a rare admission: that his country is actually facing problems caused by the conflict, amid growing disquiet about Russia's enormous economic problems.

In today's episode we speak to Simon Shuster, staff writer at

The Atlantic, and veteran reporter of Russia and Ukraine. And with the war starting to hit home, we ask if Putin is now on the backfoot?

Producers: Lucy Pawle and Hannah Moore

Executive producer: Bridget Harney

Mix: Travis Evans

Video producer: Matt Pintus

Senior news editor: China Collins

Photo: Russia's President Putin meets with service members in Moscow, June 12, 2026. Photo Credit: Sputnik/Alexander Kazakov/Pool via Reuters

MON 12:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093gnpr)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 12:06 Outlook (w3ct8hxb)

My mother made me ill for years until a doctor unmasked her

Growing up in the Netherlands in the 1970s and 80s, Nina Blom seemed at first to be a typical child, playing with dolls and enjoying singing and dancing. But soon, her mother became convinced that Nina was seriously ill. She kept sending Nina to hospitals for tests and treatments again and again - 16 times in just a few years. And she seemed to enjoy Nina's sickness and pain. Eventually, Nina was made to use a wheelchair and was told by her mother that she had an unstoppable muscle disease.

Please be aware that there are descriptions of medical child abuse in this programme.

Many medical professionals saw Nina but they could not work out what was wrong with her. It took one keen-eyed doctor to put the puzzling pieces of Nina's life together and figure out the true, dark reason for her illness.

Paediatric Condition Falsification is also known by other names, such as 'Fabricated or Induced Illness' or 'Munchausen-by-Proxy'. It is a form of child abuse in which the carer - usually a parent - exaggerates or deliberately causes an illness of a child. The reasons why Paediatric Condition Falsification happens are not fully understood. Nina published her experiences in a book called You are a Horrible Child. They also inspired a graphic novel for young people, You're Going to Die, by Margreet de Heer and Nina.

(Photo: A young Nina Blom in an orange- and green-striped top sits in a wheelchair. Both her arms are tightly bandaged from her fingers up to her elbows. Credit: Nina Blom)

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MON 13:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093gsfw)

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MON 13:06 The Newsroom (w1730bql2bkt6h4)

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MON 13:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0q54q8)

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MON 13:32 The Conversation (w3ct99nn)

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MON 14:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093gx60)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 14:06 Newshour (w1730bn30m5hqf2)

Russian missile strikes on Kyiv kill 17

Ukraine's President Zelensky calls on allies for air defence help after more than seventeen people are killed in Russian ballistic missiles strikes on and around the capital Kyiv.

Also in the programme: the World Cup red card row ramps up as Belgium appeals FIFA's decision to suspend a match ban on Team USA's top striker, which followed a phone call to FIFA's

boss by President Trump; and Australia's Prime Minister Anthony Albanese apologises to singer Kylie Minogue after comments he made on a podcast.

(IMAGE: An explosion in Vysheve, Kyiv region, Ukraine, July 6, 2026, amid Russia's attack on Ukraine, in this still image obtained from a social media video / CREDIT: Social media verified via REUTERS)

MON 15:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093h0y4)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 15:06 The Interview (w3ct8kif)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:06 today]

MON 15:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0q5d6j)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 15:32 Business Daily (w3ct8gg0)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:32 today]

MON 15:50 World Business Express (w3ct8d3h)

Easyjet accepts \$7bn takeover offer

Europe's second biggest low cost airline accepted bid after months of wooing. If the deal goes through, the new owners Clearlake will take the business private.

NATO to discuss a proposed Defence, Security and Resilience Bank, aimed at boosting lending to member nations to pay for a ramp up in defence.

And US rock band Metallica are funding work apprenticeships as part of their current stadium tour of Europe.

MON 16:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093h4p8)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 16:06 Outside Source (w1730c6fyls5tk1)

Sudan: UN warns el-Obeid situation worsening

A senior UN official has warned that the humanitarian crisis in Sudan's besieged city of el-Obeid is worsening as fighting and a blockade by the paramilitary Rapid Support Forces continue. The UN's humanitarian coordinator for Sudan, Denise Brown, says repeated drone strikes have hit power stations and water facilities, leaving civilians without essential services. Our reporter explains more and we hear a conversation with two people from Sudan about how they are seeing the situation.

Uefa has strongly criticised Fifa's shock decision not to uphold Folarin Balogun's automatic ban at this World Cup, calling it "unprecedented, incomprehensible and unjustifiable". Our reporter explains.

And how do you become an Esports player? As the Esports World Cup kicks off, we speak to a former champion and one of this year's competitors about how to make it in gaming.

Presenter: Luke Jones.

(Photo: A displaced persons camp in El Obeid, North Kordofan State, Sudan, January 12, 2026. Credit: Reuters/El Tayeb Siddig)

MON 17:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093h8fd)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 17:06 Outside Source (w1730c6fyls5y95)

Trump confirms he asked Fifa to review Balogun ban

President Donald Trump has confirmed he asked Fifa to review United States striker Folarin Balogun's one-match suspension at the World Cup. Trump says football's world governing body "made the right decision" to suspend Balogun's ban, adding it would have left a "big stain" on the tournament had it been implemented. But the decision has been criticised. Our correspondent explains and we hear a conversation with journalists covering the tournament, including one from the USA's opponents Belgium.

Australian Prime Minister Anthony Albanese has apologised for comments he made about popstar Kylie Minogue in a podcast interview last week. Our correspondent tells us more about what he said.

And the world premiere of The Odyssey is taking place in London. Its promoters are hailing it as the most anticipated movie of 2026. Director Christopher Nolan and stars Matt Damon, Anne Hathaway, Robert Pattinson and Zendaya are

expected to be on the red carpet to launch this adaptation of Homer's Ancient Greek epic. In the US the hope is that this Hollywood production will bring about a worldwide bonanza at the box office. Our expert explains.

Presenter: Luke Jones

(Photo: US President Donald J. Trump speaks on the first day of trading for Trump Accounts in the Oval Office of the White House in Washington, DC, USA, 6 July 2026. Credit: Shawn Thew/EPA/Shutterstock)

MON 18:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093hd5j)
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MON 18:06 Outlook (w3ct8hxb)
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MON 18:50 Witness History (w3ct8r3j)
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MON 19:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093hhxn)
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MON 19:06 The Newsroom (w1730bql2bktxyx)
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MON 19:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0q5w61)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 19:32 Sport Today (w3ct8rk2)
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BBC sports correspondents tell the story behind today's top sporting news, with interviews and reports from across the world.

MON 20:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093hmns)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 20:06 From Our Own Correspondent (w3ct99c5)
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MON 20:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0q5zy5)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 20:32 Discovery (w3ct6svr)
Unstoppable: Tu Youyou

Dr Julia Ravey and Dr Ella Hubber are both scientists, but it turns out there's a lot they don't know about the women that came before them. In Unstoppable, Julia and Ella tell each other the hidden, world-shaping stories of the scientists, engineers and innovators that they wish they'd known about when they were starting out in science. This week, a Chinese malariologist who hunted for clues in ancient medical texts to find a cure for one of the world's deadliest diseases.

During a time of global political tension, the Chinese government set up a top-secret project to help communist troops in North Vietnam struggling with malaria. And tasked with this mission was young scientist, Tu Youyou. With a drive to help people after falling ill as a teenager and seeing the horrors of malaria firsthand, Tu turned to traditional Chinese medicine to look for potential treatments. And, after finding a hit, decided she should be the one to trial it...

Named as arguably the most important pharmaceutical discovery in the last half-century, winning the 2015 Nobel Prize, discover how one woman used an overlooked herb combined with modern science to ultimately save millions of lives.

Presenters: Ella Hubber and Julia Ravey
Guest Speaker: Dr Xun Zhou
Producers: Ella Hubber and Julia Ravey
Assistant Producers: Sophie Ormiston, Anna Charalambou and Josie Hardy
Sound Designer: Ella Roberts
Production Coordinator: Ishmael Soriano
Editor: Holly Squire

(Image: Chief Professor Tu Youyou, laureate of the Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine acknowledges applause after she received her Nobel Prize from King Carl XVI Gustaf of Sweden during the Nobel Prize Awards Ceremony at Concert Hall on December 10, 2015 in Stockholm, Sweden. Credit:

Pascal Le Segretain/WireImage via GettyImages)

MON 21:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093hrdx)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 21:06 Newshour (w1730bn30m5jkmz)
Donald Trump asks FIFA to review a player ban

US President Donald Trump confirms he spoke to FIFA before they suspended Folarin Balogun's one-game red card ban. The 25-year-old striker, who is the US's top scorer at the tournament with three goals, was shown a straight red card for a foul on Bosnia-Herzegovina defender last week. There are now warnings that football's integrity may be at stake as the ban was overturned. We hear from a former top FIFA executive who thinks football's governing body has got it badly wrong.

Also on the programme: a new insight into a puzzle from the start of the universe; and why an ancient Greek epic speaks to us today as Homer's Odyssey has its global movie premiere in London.

(Photo: US footballer Folarin Balogun practising in Seattle
Credit: Imagn Images via Reuters/Steven Bisig)

MON 22:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093hw51)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 22:06 The Interview (w3ct8klf)
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MON 22:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0q67ff)
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MON 22:32 The Conversation (w3ct99nn)
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MON 23:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093hzx5)
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MON 23:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0q6c5k)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 23:32 World Business Report (w3ct8fn5)
The future of gaming after XBOX cuts

With Microsoft announcing nearly five thousand job cuts, and XBOX bearing the brunt of the losses, we look at what's changing in the world of gaming and hear from former XBOX executive Peter Moore on how it might affect some of the globe's most popular computer games.

Meanwhile, as NATO leaders prepare to haggle in Turkey over defence spending, we get advice from Sweden's former Prime Minister Carl Bindt on how countries balance their budgets against growing security demands.

Also on the programme, Andrew Peach discusses the growing concern around political interference in football after FIFA's shock decision to overturn United States forward Folarin Balogun's suspension for a red card offence.

And as World Cup games in Mexico come to an end, Mexico City's tourism minister Alejandra Frausto Guerrero talks about the country's hope for a boost in tourism.

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

(Picture: A teenager holding a controller to play a video game on a Microsoft Xbox One console, in Corfe Mullen, Dorset, UK. Credit: Yui Mok / PA.)

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TUE 00:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093j3n9)
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TUE 00:06 The History Hour (w3ct99lc)
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TUE 01:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093j7df)

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TUE 01:06 The Newsroom (w1730bql2bkvnfp)
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TUE 01:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0q6lnt)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

TUE 01:32 The Global Story (w3ct8mc7)
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TUE 02:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093jc4k)
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TUE 02:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0q6qdy)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

TUE 02:32 Assignment (w3ct8h1c)
China's collapsing population

The Chinese government used to worry about uncontrollable population growth. Now it has the opposite problem - population decline. In an attempt to get people to have more children, it scrapped the draconian one-child policy 10 years ago. But the birth rate remains low. By the end of this century, China's population could have halved. Micky Bristow talks to mothers and academics about what's happening - and what it could mean for the future.

Presenter: Michael Bristow
Producer: John Murphy
Sound engineer: Neil Churchill
Production co-ordinator: Katie Morrison
Series editor: Penny Murphy

(Image: A man holds a child's hand as they walk down a street in Beijing, China. Credit: Getty Images)

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TUE 03:06 Outlook (w3ct8hxb)
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TUE 04:06 The Newsroom (w1730bql2bkw0p2)
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TUE 04:32 In the Studio (w3ct8l5h)
Karin Slaughter: Thriller penned in mountain cabin

From her secluded mountain cabin in the Blue Ridge Mountains of Georgia, USA, best-selling author Karin Slaughter crafts stories, which keep millions awake at night.

She tells Lucy Collingwood how she works best – at her bespoke 'cockpit' desk, a couple of intense weeks at a time, where she juggles the TV adaptation of her book The Good Daughter and her latest thriller The Secrets We Hide.

Producer: Lucy Collingwood

TUE 05:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093jqcy)
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TUE 05:06 Newsday (w1730c1fd2t3skp)
Nato leaders meet in Turkey

Nato leaders are meeting in Turkey later with defence spending high on the agenda. Ukraine's President Volodymyr Zelensky will also be appealing again for more defensive weapons, and for Donald Trump's help to try and finally end the war with

Russia. We speak to a former US lawmaker and ambassador to Turkey.

The US has lost to Belgium in the round of 16. All host nations are now eliminated. Folarin Balogun, the player who's been at the centre of a row over alleged political interference at the World Cup, played for most of the match.

And we speak to the the United Nation's coordinator for Sudan. She has just visited El Obeid and is warning that the humanitarian crisis there is worsening.

Presenters: Rob Young and Anne Soy

(Photo:General view of the venue where the NATO leaders' summit is due to take place, in Ankara. Credit: Yves Herman/Reuters).

TUE 06:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093jv42)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 06:06 Newsday (w1730c1fd2t3x9t)

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Leaders of the NATO transatlantic alliance are gathering in Turkey for a summit. President Trump has indicated there will be consequences for member countries that are failing to meet agreed increases in defence spending. We go live to Ankara.

In France an appeal court is preparing to rule in a party funding trail of the rightwing populist leader Marine Le Pen. It could prevent her running in next year's presidential election.

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(Photo:Turkey's President Tayyip Erdogan meets with NATO Secretary General Mark Rutte at the Presidential Palace in Ankara. Credit: Mustafa Kamaci/PPO Reuters).

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(Photo:U.S. President Donald Trump boards Air Force One to depart for the NATO summit in Turkey. Credit: Jonathan Ernst/Reuters).

TUE 08:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093k2mb)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 08:06 People Fixing The World (w3ct8t0z)

Finding hidden entrepreneurs

At least once in a lifetime, everyone has a great business idea. They often come when life events force us to experience things from a different angle. This year, the city of Liverpool in north England set about finding these "hidden entrepreneurs" with the help of an organisation called Public Life. The entrepreneurs come from all walks of life and have been offered a year's wage to develop their idea, alongside expert help and mentoring. From the hairdresser who is building a salon-on-wheels for her best friend to the travel agent who is making a "Trip Advisor for the senses", Myra Anubi meets the people whose inspiration has come from their own life experiences.

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Presenter: Myra Anubi
Producer: William Kremer
Executive Producer: Richard Kenny
Editor: Jon Bithrey
Sound mix: Hal Haines

(Image: Myra Anubi with Frankii Panchoo in Liverpool, BBC)

Public Life website - www.publiclife.org.uk

TUE 08:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0q7fwq)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

TUE 08:32 Business Daily (w3ct8gr1)

Follow the Money: The Rolling Stones

They are one of the biggest rock bands in the world and are releasing their 25th album this week. So, in a world where artists can make billions from touring alone, should the band release new material or just go on the road?

They have earned more than \$200 million across six tours, more than \$100 million over 10, while many musicians earn less than \$0.01 per stream of their songs.

Presenter: Hannah Mullane
Producer: Matt Lines and Neil Morrow

You can email the team: businessdaily@bbc.co.uk

(Photo: Mick Jagger on the Pyramid Stage during a Rolling Stones set at Glastonbury in 2013. Credit: BBC)

TUE 08:50 Witness History (w3ct9862)

The immigrant workers who refused to pay rent in 1970s France

In the 1970s, thousands of immigrant workers living in "foyers" or workers' hostels across France stopped paying rent.

They were protesting against rent hikes and living conditions in the foyers, known for their tiny box rooms and substandard conditions, and against the racism of the housing management companies.

The strike mainly took place in foyers run by Sonacotra, formerly Sonacotral: the National company for the construction of housing for Algerian workers.

The strike lasted some five years, from around 1975 to 1980. Estimates vary, but at least 20,000 residents are thought to have taken part at the peak of the strike.

Today, the strike is still remembered as a founding moment in the struggle for immigrants' rights in France.

Mohammed Kherbachi, originally from Algeria, tells Carolyn Lamboley why he took part in the strike. A Whistledown production.

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(Photo: Protest at the Sonacotra homes for immigrant workers. Credit: Eric Bouvet via Getty Images)

TUE 09:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093k6cg)

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TUE 09:06 The Newsroom (w1730bql2bkwmdq)

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TUE 09:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0q7kmv)

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TUE 09:32 Assignment (w3ct8h1c)

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TUE 10:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093kb3l)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 10:06 The Arts Hour (w3ct8h84)

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TUE 11:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093kfvp)

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TUE 11:06 The Newsroom (w1730bql2bkwvzw)

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TUE 11:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0q7t43)

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TUE 11:32 The Global Story (w3ct8mhr)

Trump, Fifa and the disappearing red card

Donald Trump has revealed that he personally called Gianni Infantino, the head of Fifa, to ask him to review the red card given to United States' star player Folarin Balogun. The striker had been given a one-match ban after a hard tackle against Tarik Muharemovic of Bosnia-Herzegovina, but the punishment was suspended in time for the US to play their final 16 match against Belgium yesterday.

The decision has been widely condemned across the football world, with European footballing organisation UEFA, calling it, "unprecedented, incomprehensible and unjustifiable", and former Fifa president Sepp Blatter writing on X, "Redcards are not overturned by political phone calls... Football must never become a playground for political power." Infantino has insisted the decision was made independently by Fifa's "independent judicial bodies".

On today's show, Tristan is joined by BBC football issues correspondent Dale Johnson and New Yorker staff writer Sam Knight, to explain the scandal, and how Infantino's governance of Fifa has brought football and politics closer together.

Producers: Hannah Moore and Xandra Ellin

Mix: Travis Evans

Video journalist: Matt Pintus

Senior news editor: China Collins

Photo: Folarin Balogun of the U.S. looks dejected as he applauds fans after the match following their elimination from the World Cup, July 6, 2026. Credit: IMAGN IMAGES via Reuters/Blake Dahlin

TUE 12:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093kkvl)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 12:06 Outlook (w3ct8jcl)

How an argument led to a lifelong adventure

Cristina Mittermeier and Paul Nicklen had spent years travelling to some of the world's wildest places, driven by the same mission: using photography to inspire people to protect the natural world. When they finally met, there was an immediate connection. But a heated exchange over conservation soon followed, and their budding relationship nearly unravelled before it had begun. They tell Outlook's Clayton Conn how childhoods shaped by a Mexican volcano and the sea ice of the Canadian Arctic led them to the same calling. As they documented life above and below the waves, from close encounters with sperm whales to fragile marine ecosystems, mutual admiration grew into friendship, love and a creative partnership. Cristina and Paul reflect on becoming each other's fiercest critics and closest collaborators, and how a shared sense of purpose has shaped both their relationship and work.

Reporter: Clayton Conn

Presenter: Jo Fidgeon

Producer: Maryam Maruf

Sound archive: Some of the sperm whale recording is courtesy of Manolo Alvarez.

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(Photo: A recent photograph of Paul Nicklen and Cristina Mittermeier. They are standing next to each other on a boat, both wearing black wetsuits, buoyancy vests and dive masks resting on their foreheads. Cristina is laughing and looking at Paul who is in mid conversation. The sea stretches out behind them under a bright blue sky with scattered clouds. Water droplets on their equipment suggest they have recently returned from a dive. Credit: SeaLegacy)

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TUE 13:32 In the Studio (w3ct815h)
[Repeat of broadcast at 04:32 today]

TUE 14:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093kt33)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 14:06 Newshour (w1730bn30m5lmb5)
Paris court upholds Le Pen's embezzlement conviction

A French court of appeal has upheld the conviction of the far right leader Marine Le Pen for misusing public funds. She will have to wear an electronic tag, which she has previously said will stop her from running for president next year.

Also on the programme: a crunch Nato meeting for Ukraine's President Zelensky as he urges world leaders to cough up cash; and the story of Kenya's "eco mamas" -- the women reviving marine conservation on the country's coast.

(Photo: Rassemblement National (RN) parliamentary party leader Marine Le Pen arrives at the Paris courthouse for a hearing on the verdict in her appeal trial in Paris, 7 July, 2026. Credit: EPA/Shutterstock)

TUE 15:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093kxv7)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 15:06 People Fixing The World (w3ct8t0z)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:06 today]

TUE 15:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0q893m)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

TUE 15:32 Business Daily (w3ct8gr1)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:32 today]

TUE 15:50 World Business Express (w3ct8d80)
Ethanol fuels row in India

Motorists are angry that petrol in India must contain 20% ethanol alcohol.

Samsung's profits jump on sales of memory chips for AI, but the share price falls.

And can China become the global leader in self driving cars?

TUE 16:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093l1lc)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 16:06 Outside Source (w1730c6fys8qg4)
Trump criticises Nato ahead of Ukraine talks

President Trump has again criticised NATO after arriving for a summit of the alliance's leaders in Turkey. The summit is expected to focus on Ukraine, as Russia increases its missile attacks. We speak to our correspondent.

A BBC Eye investigation has verified the existence of 195 detention centres across occupied Ukraine and Russia where Ukrainian civilians are being held. Our reporter tells us more.

In France, far right leader Marine le Pen has lost her appeal against a criminal conviction for misusing public funds. Our reporter explains.

And Egypt play Argentina in the World Cup on Tuesday. We speak to journalists from the two countries about their stars, Lionel Messi and Mo Salah.

Presenter: Luke Jones.

(Photo: Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan (L) welcomes US President Donald Trump, who is paying an official visit to the country ahead of the 2026 NATO Heads of State and Government Summit in Ankara, Turkey, 07 July 2026. Credit: Osmancan Gurdogan/Pool/EPA/Shutterstock)

TUE 17:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093l5bh)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 17:06 Outside Source (w1730c6fys8v68)
Sudan: el-Obeid fighting 'disrupting aid'

Fighting in the Sudanese city of el-Obeid is disrupting the delivery of lifesaving aid, leaving more families at risk of extreme hunger, says the Norwegian Refugee Council. Jan Egeland says local responders have been risking their lives to deliver supplies at night, after drone strikes hit humanitarian convoys. We speak to aid workers about their experiences.

France says President Macron is "safe" after the detonation of two explosive devices in the Syrian capital Damascus, near the hotel where he'd spent the night and was meeting civil society groups. Our reporter explains what happened.

Also, what is life like being a lower ranked tennis player? As Wimbledon continues, we speak to players about their experiences.

And co-hosts USA have crashed out of the World Cup in a 4-1 defeat to Belgium, which was overshadowed by a row about interference in the game by Donald Trump. We speak to US journalists about what went wrong.

Presenter: Luke Jones.

(Photo: People injured during a drone strike sit in El Obeid, North Kordofan State, Sudan, January 12, 2026. Credit: Reuters/El Tayeb Siddig)

TUE 18:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093l92m)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 18:06 Outlook (w3ct8jc1)
[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 today]

TUE 18:50 Witness History (w3ct9862)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 today]

TUE 19:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093ldtr)
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TUE 19:06 The Newsroom (w1730bql2bkxtw0)
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TUE 19:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0q8s34)
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TUE 19:32 Sport Today (w3ct8rpl)
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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 (w1730nkq093ljkw)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 20:06 Assignment (w3ct8h1c)
[Repeat of broadcast at 02:32 today]

TUE 20:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0q8wv8)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

TUE 20:32 Tech Life (w3ct8jy3)
Too young to scroll?

What is a good age to give a child a smartphone? A community in Ireland might have the answer. In Greystones there's a voluntary agreement to wait until secondary school age. We hear from the school principal who leads the "It Takes A Village" initiative, and a local parent.

Also this week: a woman tells Shiona McCallum how surviving a late-night attack inspired her to develop a wearable safety device. And AI was let loose to run a cafe in Sweden. Find out what happened next.

Presenter: Shiona McCallum
Producer: Tom Quinn

(Photo: A small group of boys and girls look at their smartphones. Credit: Getty Images)

TUE 21:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093lnb0)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 21:06 Newshour (w1730bn30m5mgk2)
France's Le Pen loses court appeal but declares she'll run for President

The French hard right leader Marine Le Pen says she'll still be a candidate in next year's presidential election, despite losing an appeal against her conviction for misusing EU funds.

Also in the programme, we speak to Andrew Giuliani, the executive director of the presidential task force for the World Cup, on one of the most controversial moments in the tournament's history; and, a 700 year-old book telling the story of King Arthur and his court.

(Photo :French far-right leader Marine Le Pen, member of parliament for the Rassemblement National (National Rally - RN) party, poses prior to an interview on the evening news broadcast of French TV channel TF1, following the verdict in her appeal trial over misuse of EU funds, in Boulogne-Billancourt, near Paris, France, July 7, 2026. REUTERS/Christian Hartmann/Pool TPX IMAGES OF THE DAY)

TUE 22:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093ls24)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 22:06 People Fixing The World (w3ct8t0z)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:06 today]

TUE 22:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0q94bj)
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TUE 22:32 In the Studio (w3ct815h)
[Repeat of broadcast at 04:32 today]

TUE 23:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093lwt8)
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TUE 23:06 The Newsroom (w1730bql2bky9vj)
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TUE 23:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0q982n)
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TUE 23:32 World Business Report (w3ct8fsp)
SpaceX's lift-off moment stalls

Twenty five days ago SpaceX debuted on the stock market in the largest initial public offering in history, selling US\$75bn worth of shares. Now its joined the Nasdaq 100 index of firms including Microsoft, Apple and Nvidia, so why have its shares fallen? We hear from tech investor Eileen Burbridge and financial advisor Jennifer Snyder on why investors might not be feeling reassured.

Canada's launching a new national strategy for artificial intelligence called the 'AI for All' plan, setting targets for economic growth, jobs and safeguards as the government looks to strengthen its control over the technology.

Leanna Byrne speaks to Jerry McGinn of the Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS) on how NATO countries will pay for the biggest rise in defence spending in decades.

And China's robotaxi firms are racing overseas, but will passengers trust cars without drivers?

Global business news, with live guests and contributions from

Asia, Europe and the USA.

(Picture: SpaceX founder and CEO Elon Musk is shown celebrating the company's debut on the Nasdaq market in New York City, New York, USA, on 12 June 2026. Credit: Sarah Yenesel / EPA / Shutterstock.)

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WED 00:06 The Arts Hour (w3ct8h84)

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WED 01:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093m49j)

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WED 01:06 The Newsroom (w1730bql2bkkybs)

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WED 01:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0q9hxx)

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WED 01:32 The Global Story (w3ct8mhr)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:32 on Tuesday]

WED 02:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093m81n)

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WED 02:06 The Newsroom (w1730bql2bkyp2x)

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WED 02:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0q9mb1)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

WED 02:32 The Climate Question (w3ct99hp)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:06 on Sunday]

WED 03:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093mcss)

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WED 03:06 Outlook (w3ct8jcl)

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WED 04:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0q9vt9)

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WED 04:32 The Documentary (w3ct9bd1)

Israel and the Palestinians: 3. From the 19th Century to World War One

In the third of ten programmes exploring the origins and tracing the history of the Middle East conflict, presenter Jonny Dymond is joined by Hugh Kennedy professor of Arabic at the School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London Eugene Rogan, professor of Modern Middle Eastern History at Oxford University, and historian Simon Sebag Montefiore.

What kind of people lived in Ottoman-ruled Palestine in the early 19th Century? What were the origins of Zionism? How did Arabs react to Jewish immigration into Palestine in the late 19th and early 20th Centuries and what was the nature of Palestinian Arab identity in this period? Why were the Great Powers so interested in the region at this time? And what was the significance of the Sykes-Picot Agreement – a plan by Britain, France and Russia to divide the Middle East between them?

(Photo: The First Aliyah, also known as the agriculture Aliyah, a term used to describe a major wave of Zionist immigration to what is now Israel, between 1882 and 1903. Jews who migrated

to Ottoman Palestine in this wave, came mostly from Eastern Europe and from Yemen. An estimated 25,000 - 35,000 Jews immigrated to Ottoman Palestine during the First Aliyah. Credit:: Universal History Archive/Universal Images Group/Getty Images)

Presenter: Jonny Dymond
Producer: Ben Carter
Editor: Penny Murphy

WED 05:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093mm91)

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WED 05:06 Newsday (w1730c1fd2t6pgs)

US renews strikes on Iran

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And we speak to journalist Maria Ressa who is co-chairing the United Nation's first scientific panel on AI.

Presenters: James Copnall and Catherine Byaruhanga.

(Photo: An Iranian man walks next to an anti-US and Israeli mural in Tehran. Credit: Abedin Taherkenareh/EPA).

WED 06:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093mr15)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 06:06 Newsday (w1730c1fd2t6t6x)

US launches a series of strikes in Iran

The US has launched a series of strikes in Iran, in retaliation for what it says was renewed Iranian targeting of commercial shipping in the Strait of Hormuz. Tehran warned it would retaliate, and Kuwait has reported missile attacks.

Argentina will meet Switzerland in the quarter finals of the World Cup. It staged a stunning comeback against Egypt.

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(Photo: Vessels identified by U.S. Central Command as Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps boats before they were struck in a new wave of U.S. military strikes against Iran. Credit: US Central Command via Reuters)

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(Photo: Smoke rises at an unknown location following what the U.S. Central Command says is a new wave of strikes against Iran on Tuesday after three tankers were hit by projectiles in the Strait of Hormuz. Credit: US Central Command/Reuters).

WED 08:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093mzjf)

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WED 08:06 The Interview (w3ct98h3)

Steve Hilton: Brit running for California governor

"I'm a proud American. I became a citizen in 2021. I feel at

home here both in America and actually, in a way I actually have never felt before. I feel like this is where I'm meant to be, and I couldn't be more honoured that people now are putting their faith in me to turn the state around."

Nick Robinson speaks to Steve Hilton, the British-born Republican candidate for governor of California in November's US midterm elections.

Once a senior adviser to former UK prime minister David Cameron, Hilton left British politics to build a new life in America.

Now endorsed by President Donald Trump, he explains why he believes the Republican Party best represents what he calls "positive populism".

Hilton reflects on his upbringing as the son of Hungarian refugees, the opportunities he says transformed his life, and why he feels a stronger sense of belonging in America than he ever did in Britain.

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Presenter: Nick Robinson
Producer: Osman Iqbal
Editor: Damon Rose

(Image: Steve Hilton. Credit: Reuters)

WED 08:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0qbbs)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

WED 08:32 Business Daily (w3ct98s4)

Founders: Moderna's Noubar Afeyan

Noubar Afeyan helped bring one of medicine's biggest breakthroughs to the world through Moderna's Covid-19 vaccine. In this episode, he explains why what looked like an overnight success was actually decades in the making.

Presenter: Will Bain
Producers: Barbara George and David Cann
Researcher: Aleeza Siddiq

WED 08:50 Witness History (w3ct988b)

Seveso Disaster

On the afternoon of 10 July 1976, there was an explosion at the ICMSA chemical factory near Seveso, in northern Italy.

A cloud containing a poisonous gas called dioxin spread over the town.

For days, residents didn't realise they were in danger.

They later developed skin conditions like chloracne and thousands of animals died or had to be slaughtered.

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(Photo: Rescuer working during the dioxin contamination in Seveso, August 1976. Credit: Francois Lochon/Gamma-Rapho via Getty Images)

WED 09:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093n38k)
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WED 09:06 The Newsroom (w1730bql2bklzj9t)
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WED 09:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0qbgjy)
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WED 09:32 The Climate Question (w3ct99hp)
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WED 10:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093n70p)
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WED 10:06 World Book Club (w3ct97sy)
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WED 11:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093nbrt)
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WED 11:06 The Newsroom (w1730bql2bklzrt2)
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WED 11:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0qbg16)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

WED 11:32 The Global Story (w3ct8ml0)
Is Turkey's Erdogan Nato's greatest asset?

World leaders are gathering in Ankara, Turkey for a Nato summit, despite tensions between Donald Trump and Nato allies over financial contributions and the Iran war. The US president hasn't hidden his consternation with European leaders, and has suggested he is only attending 'out of respect to President Erdogan'.

Turkey's leader Recep Tayyip Erdogan has come under criticism for a crackdown on dissent in the country, which has led to over 200 arrests of activists, journalists and public figures in the lead up to the summit. So how has he taken on such a pivotal role within Nato?

We speak to BBC correspondent and presenter, Mark Lowen, who was based in Istanbul for five years, before he was detained and banned from the country while on a reporting trip last year.

Producers: Valerio Eposito and Sam Chantarasak

Executive producer: Bridget Harney

Mix: Travis Evans

Digital producer: Tom Bage

Senior news editor: China Collins

Photo: President Trump shakes hands with Turkish President Erdogan at the NATO summit in Ankara, Turkey, July 7, 2026. Credit: Emrah Gurel/Pool via Reuters

WED 12:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093nghy)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 12:06 Outlook (w3ct8jkt)
I survived Norway's worst terror attack and refuse to hate

In 2011 Bjorn Ihler was a 20-year-old performing arts student and a member of the youth division of the Norwegian Labour Party. He participated in the Party's summer camp on Utøya island, about 35km from Norway's capital Oslo, when Norway suffered its worst terror attacks in recent history. Anders Breivik was a far-right extremist who launched a bomb attack on government offices in Oslo. Two hours later he attacked the summer camp for young political activists that Bjorn was attending. 77 people were killed that day – the majority on the island. Bjorn survived and helped save two young boys who were also on Utøya. Just days after the incident Bjorn threw himself into trying to understand how someone could behave this way; he read Breivik's far-right manifesto, attended the trial

and as many court sessions as he could and spoke to countless former-extremists. Today, Bjorn is an expert in preventing radicalisation and extremism and alongside his wife he co-founded the Khalifa Ihler Institute which promotes peace, human rights, and community.

Presenter: Jo Fidgen
Producer: May Cameron

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(Photo: Bjorn Ihler wears sunglasses and a white shirt and blue blazer. The straps of a black rucksack hug each shoulder and he faces the camera with a broad and happy smile on his face. He has a red beard and short hair. Behind him are the tops of green trees and a city skyline. Behind the skyline is a body of water and some distant hills. The sky is a radiant light blue with patches of white cloud stretched across it. Credit: Bjorn Ihler)

WED 12:50 Witness History (w3ct988b)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 today]

WED 13:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093n82)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 13:06 The Newsroom (w1730bql2bl009b)
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WED 13:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0qbyjg)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

WED 13:32 The Documentary (w3ct9bd1)
[Repeat of broadcast at 04:32 today]

WED 14:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093nq06)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 14:06 Newshour (w1730bn30m5pj78)
Trump says US Iran ceasefire is over

President Trump says the ceasefire is over, after the US struck targets in Iran overnight following the targeting of oil tankers in the Strait of Hormuz by Iran on Tuesday. Iran retaliated today against US assets in the region. We hear from Iran and also get some analysis.

Also in the programme: research uncovers how COVID-19 has damaged some people's eyesight; and actor Anne Hathaway tells us how keen she was to be in new film "The Odyssey".

(IMAGE: Smoke rises at an unknown location following what the U.S. Central Command says is a new wave of strikes against Iran on Tuesday after three tankers were hit by projectiles in the Strait of Hormuz, in this still image taken from video released July 7, 2026 / CREDIT: U.S. Central Command/Handout via REUTERS)

WED 15:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093ntrb)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 15:06 The Interview (w3ct98h3)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:06 today]

WED 15:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0qc60q)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

WED 15:32 Business Daily (w3ct98s4)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:32 today]

WED 15:50 World Business Express (w3ct8db8)
Ukraine's drones hurt Russia's oil industry

Russian motorists queue for miles in the hope of buying petrol, but President Putin describes the problem as manageable.

Meanwhile fighting has erupted in the Persian Gulf with both US and Iran firing at targets on land and at sea. Almost no ships are currently passing through the Strait of Hormuz.

And the world's biggest professional ESports event gets under way in Paris.

WED 16:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093nyhg)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 16:06 Outside Source (w1730c6fyiscmc7)
Trump threatens to attack Iran 'hard' tonight

Donald Trump threatens to attack Iran "hard" tonight, hours after saying he thinks the US-Iran ceasefire is "over". The US president is at the Nato summit in Turkey and earlier said of the Iranian leadership: "I don't want to deal with them anymore, they're scum. They're sick people, they're led by sick people". Mr Trump has also met with Ukraine's President Zelensky. Our correspondents explain the latest.

Our football issues correspondent Dale Johnson joins us to talk through the biggest controversies of the Fifa World Cup so far.

And we speak to tennis coaches about how to train the players starting at one of the biggest sporting events of the summer, Wimbledon.

Presenter: James Reynolds.

(Photo: U.S. President Donald Trump holds a bilateral meeting with Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy alongside the NATO leaders summit at the Bestepe Presidential Compound, joined by Secretary of State Marco Rubio, in Ankara, Turkey, July 8, 2026. Credit: Reuters/Jonathan Ernst)

WED 17:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093p27l)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 17:06 Outside Source (w1730c6fyiscr3c)
Trump threatens Iran and says truce is over

Donald Trump threatens to attack Iran "hard" tonight, hours after saying he thinks the US-Iran ceasefire is "over". The US president is at the Nato summit in Turkey. Mr Trump has also met with Ukraine's President Zelensky. We speak to our US correspondent for the latest.

Our culture editor has been interviewing the stars from The Odyssey: Christopher Nolan, Matt Damon, Tom Holland and Anne Hathaway. We hear their conversation ahead of the film's release this month.

And we get the latest from Wimbledon, as well as hearing from tennis coaches about how to train the stars.

Presenter: James Reynolds.

(Photo: U.S. Secretary of State Marco Rubio walks next to U.S. President Donald Trump as he speaks to the media at the end of his participation in the NATO leaders summit in Ankara, Turkey, July 8, 2026. Credit: Reuters/Yves Herman)

WED 18:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093p5zq)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 18:06 Outlook (w3ct8jkt)
[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 today]

WED 18:50 Witness History (w3ct988b)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 today]

WED 19:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093p9qv)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 19:06 The Newsroom (w1730bql2bl0qs3)
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WED 19:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0qcp07)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

WED 19:32 Sport Today (w3ct8rrv)
2026/07/08 GMT

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

WED 20:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093pfgz)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 20:06 The Climate Question (w3ct99hp)
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WED 20:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0qcsrce)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

WED 20:32 Health Check (w3ct8k2m)

Health challenges after Venezuela earthquakes

On June 24th, twin earthquakes hit Venezuela, and in the weeks since the healthcare system has been overwhelmed with need. Claudia Hammond speaks with International Red Cross representative Paolo Cravero to learn more about the latest health updates on the ground in Caracas, and what is being done to fill the growing gaps in care.

Claudia is joined by Graham Easton, Professor of Clinical Communication Skills at Queen Mary University of London, who brings us the latest on a Swedish study which suggests a prostate cancer blood test could detect 50 percent more cases, helping significantly reduce needless treatments.

Graham and Claudia also discuss the growing threat of fungal infections and antifungal resistance - the WHO has released a "blueprint" to help countries respond - whilst the USA has published a surveillance report noting the doubling of Candida auris cases between 2022 and 2024 in the country, one of the fungal pathogens the WHO is most concerned about.

Also, while rates of obesity and overweight have continued to rise globally over the last 30 years, a new study has found that the associated cardiac risks of high blood pressure and cholesterol have instead plateaued. Claudia speaks with Paul Franks, professor of genetic epidemiology at Lund University in Sweden, and of translational precision medicine at Queen Mary University, to understand what this trend really means.

And could the parasites carried by feral and stray cats in New York City cause disease in humans?

Presenter: Claudia Hammond
Producers: Georgia Christie & Jonathan Blackwell

Image: A general view of a camp where people visit for health aid after the earthquakes that struck Venezuela and other regions in the Caribbean, on July 1, 2026 in La Guaira, Venezuela
Image Credit: Edilson Gamez/Getty Images

WED 21:00 BBC News (w1730nqk093pk73)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 21:06 Newshour (w1730bn30m5qcg5)

Trump threatens more strikes on Iran

President Trump has threatened to hit Iran hard again in the coming hours, after declaring the ceasefire over because of Iranian attacks in the Strait of Hormuz.

Also on the programme, NATO's secretary general says the alliance is stronger than ever - despite transatlantic tensions - with Europeans taking greater responsibility for their own defence; and Nigeria's president has ordered a corruption investigation into allegations that a fictitious government agency was set up within his own office.

(Photo: US President Donald Trump speaks during a press conference at the 2026 NATO summit in Ankara, Turkey, 08 July 2026. The NATO Summit takes place from 07-08 July. World leaders meet in Ankara for the NATO Summit, Turkey - 08 Jul 2026)

WED 22:00 BBC News (w1730nqk093pnz7)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 22:06 The Interview (w3ct98h3)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:06 today]

WED 22:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0qd17m)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

WED 22:32 The Documentary (w3ct9bd1)

[Repeat of broadcast at 04:32 today]

WED 23:00 BBC News (w1730nqk093psqc)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 23:06 The Newsroom (w1730bql2bl16rm)

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WED 23:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0qd4zr)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

WED 23:32 World Business Report (w3ct8fvy)

George Johnson: 'He was extraordinary'

Pioneering entrepreneur George Johnson has died aged 99. We speak to Valerie Jarrett, American businesswoman, former Senior Advisor to the President of the United States, and chief executive officer of the Obama Foundation. She knew George Johnson throughout his life, and was a close friend.

Russia has banned exports of diesel in order to avoid domestic shortages, after a flurry of attacks by Ukrainian drones on the nation's refineries. We take a look at what impact this is having on the country.

The US military says it has carried out a second night of airstrikes on coastal targets, we get the reaction from the oil markets.

Presenter: Leanna Byrne
Producers: Rob Cave, Parisa Qurban, Aleeza Siddiq.

(Picture credit: George E. Johnson, founder of Johnson Products Company, during the Harvard University Hutchins Center Honors W.E.B. Du Bois Medal Ceremony on November 4, 2025. / Photo by Erica Denhoff / Icon Sportswire via Getty Images)

THURSDAY 09 JULY 2026**THU 00:00 BBC News (w1730nqk093pxgh)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 00:06 World Book Club (w3ct97sy)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 on Saturday]

THU 01:00 BBC News (w1730nqk093q16m)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 01:06 The Newsroom (w1730bql2bl1g7w)

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THU 01:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0qddh0)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 01:32 The Global Story (w3ct8ml0)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:32 on Wednesday]

THU 02:00 BBC News (w1730nqk093q4yr)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 02:06 The Newsroom (w1730bql2bl1100)

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THU 02:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0qdj74)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 02:32 The Documentary (w3ct9br9)

Secrets of the ant trade

Once a quiet hobby for enthusiasts, ant-keeping has exploded into a global, multi-million-dollar business driven by social media and a rising wave of "ant-influencers."

Demand for exotic species is fuelling a boom in online trading forums, and a new front in wildlife trafficking.

We go to Kenya, where law enforcement has made global headlines arresting gangs as they try to smuggle thousands of prized mated queens out of the country.

(Photo: A close up view of a harvester queen ant perched on top of entomologist Dr Dino Martins' (not seen) fingernails, in Silole sanctuary, Kajiado, Kenya, 13 May, 2026. The ant has a large red head, with tiny black eyes on the side and a fat black body)

Producer: Pearse Lynch

THU 03:00 BBC News (w1730nqk093q8pw)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 03:06 Outlook (w3ct8jkt)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 on Wednesday]

THU 03:50 Witness History (w3ct988b)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 on Wednesday]

THU 04:00 BBC News (w1730nqk093qdg0)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 04:06 The Newsroom (w1730bql2bl1th8)

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THU 04:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0qdrqd)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 04:32 The Food Chain (w3ct8sw7)

What do World Cup footballers eat?

Elite footballers are among the world's most finely tuned athletes. Every meal is carefully planned to fuel training, maximise recovery and prepare for the next match. But it wasn't always this way.

In this episode of The Food Chain, Ruth Alexander explores how football's relationship with food has changed, from the days of steak and beef before a game to today's highly personalised nutrition plans.

Sports historian Professor Matthew Taylor traces the evolution of football's food culture, explaining why clubs once left players to fend for themselves and how attitudes began to shift.

Former Denmark international goalkeeper Kasper Schmeichel reflects on how nutrition changed during his own career, and what modern players understand about food that previous generations didn't.

Mona Nemmer, former Head of Nutrition at Liverpool FC and a nutritionist with the German national team, explains what elite footballers actually eat before, during and after matches, how meals are tailored to individual players, and why feeding a squad is about far more than calories alone.

At major tournaments, those carefully designed nutrition plans have to work on the move. Giulio Caccamo, who was chef for the US Men's National Team at the 2022 FIFA World Cup, takes us behind the scenes of feeding an international squad. From planning menus months in advance to serving players in hotels, training grounds and on flights, he reveals the logistical operation behind every meal, and why food can be as important for morale as it is for performance.

From pre-match pasta to post-match burgers, from sports science to supply chains, this episode explores what it really takes to feed footballers at the highest level.

(Photo: Erling Haaland looks up as eats a snack. His blonde hair is tied back. Credit: Getty Images)

If you'd like to get in touch with the programme, please email: thefoodchain@bbc.co.uk

Producer: Izzy Greenfield
Sound engineer: Jack Wilfan

THU 05:00 BBC News (w1730nqk093qj64)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 05:06 Newsday (w1730c1fd2t9lcw)

US launches more strikes on Iran

Several Gulf nations have responded to Iranian attacks after the US launched new airstrikes against Iran, including near the Strait of Hormuz. President Trump gave a downbeat assessment of dealing with the Iranian regime and current prospects for negotiations.

We speak to the Deputy Chief Prosecutor of the International Criminal Court and hear her assessment of crimes against humanity committed in Darfur during Sudan's civil war.

And two weeks after twin earthquakes his Venezuela killing thousands of people we look at how the event has hit the most vulnerable - the country's children.

Presenters: James Copnall and Catherine Byaruhanga.

(Photo: Smoke rises from a port, near Strait of Hormuz, following a U.S. strike in Kuhestak, Hormozgan Province. Credit: Social media via Reuters).

THU 06:00 BBC News (w1730nqk093qmy8)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 06:06 Newsday (w1730c1fd2t9q40)

US strikes on Iran continue

The US has carried out a second consecutive day of strikes

against Iran. Explosions have been reported in coastal areas of the country close to the Strait of Hormuz. Tehran has responded with strikes on several Gulf countries. We get a view from Tehran.

We hear from Nato's Secretary General, Mark Rutte, on this week's summit in Turkey.

And as France and Morocco get ready for their semi-final in the World Cup later today we look at the chances for Africa's last remaining team in the tournament.

Presenters: James Copnall and Catherine Byaruhanga.

(Photo: Ships and tankers in the Strait of Hormuz off the coast of Musandam, Oman. Credit: Reuters).

THU 07:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093qrpj)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 07:06 Newsday (w1730c1fd2t9tw4)

Iran says there have been fresh airstrikes

The US military says it has completed the latest round of airstrikes in Iran which - it says - struck ninety targets, some near the Strait of Hormuz. Iran reported explosions in several coastal areas, including Bandar Abbas and Chabahar. There have been power cuts in some areas.

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(Photo: Drone view of oil tanker HELGA berthed at one of Iraq's southern offshore oil terminals near Basra. Credit: Mohammed Aty/Reuters).

THU 08:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093qwfj)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 08:06 The Inquiry (w3ct98pw)

Is Kenya serious about ending femicide?

Last year Kenya's President William Ruto established a task force to investigate the escalating cases of gender-based violence including femicide. The task force travelled around the country gathering information and at the beginning of this year published its recommendations, which are now being debated in parliament. One of those recommendations is the legal recognition of femicide as a standalone crime.

UN Women, the United Nations agency which promotes the empowerment and rights of girls and women, have been working with grassroots organisations in Kenya on male engagement strategies, to change perceptions of the role of men and women. But the UN Women's representative in Kenya, acknowledges that challenges remain.

In the meantime, women continue to march in protest and the country waits to see if President Ruto will implement the task force recommendations. So, is Kenya serious about ending femicide?

Contributors

Shyleen Momanyi, executive director, Young Women's Leadership Institute, Nairobi, Kenya
Dr Nancy Baraza, former deputy chief justice of the Republic of Kenya, senior law lecturer, University of Nairobi, chairperson of the technical working group on gender-based violence including femicide, Kenya
Consuelo Corradi, professor of sociology, Lumsa University, Rome, Italy
Antonia Sodonon, UN Women country representative, Kenya

Presenter: Charmaine Cozier

Producer: Jill Collins

Researcher: Evie Yabsley

Editor: Tom Bigwood

Technical producer: Toby James

Production management: Phoebe Lomas and Liam Morrey

(Photo: Protesters attend a rally in Nairobi demanding an end to femicide, 27 January, 2024. Three women at the forefront, one wears a white T-shirt with a "End Femicide" slogan at the front, the middle woman wears a red T-shirt and is shouting, and the third is holding a banner with the slogan "Stop Killing US". Credit: Daniel Irung/EPA-EFE/Rex/Shutterstock)

THU 08:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0qf7px)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 08:32 Business Daily (w3ct8glj)

Power Players: What does Mamdani's Manhattan mean for the world?

Democratic socialist Zohran Mamdani rode a wave of anti-Trump sentiment and cost-of-living pressures to win the New York City mayoralty. But talk of new taxes to fund spending spooked some on Wall Street. Six months in, has he found a balance?

Presenters: Michelle Fleury and Will Bain

Producer: Josh Martin

Editor: Stephen Ryan

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(Image: New York City mayor Zohran Mamdani waves to his supporters after winning the 2025 New York City Mayoral race. Credit: Jeenah Moon/ Reuters)

THU 08:50 Witness History (w3ct98bl)

South Sudan celebrates independence

On 9 July 2011, a new flag was raised in the city of Juba as South Sudan became the world's newest nation.

It followed a peace deal that ended a long and bloody civil war in Sudan, which had killed more than two million people.

Six months earlier, a referendum in the south of Sudan saw more than 99% of nearly four million voters choose independence.

Malual Bol Kiir was 17 at the time and had been displaced during the conflict. He tells Daniel Rosney how he was overwhelmed with hope and optimism as change finally came.

Eye-witness accounts brought to life by archive. Witness History is for those fascinated by and curious about 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 how the Excel spreadsheet was developed, the creation of cartoon rabbit Miffy and how the sound barrier was broken.

We look at the lives of some of the most famous leaders, artists, scientists and personalities in history, including: the moment Reagan and Gorbachev met in Geneva, Haitian singer Emerante de Pradines' life and Omar Sharif's legendary movie entrance in Lawrence of Arabia.

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(Photo: Southern Sudanese people waving their flags in Juba. Credit: Roberto Schmidt via Getty Images)

THU 09:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093r05n)

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THU 09:06 The Newsroom (w1730bql2bl2f6x)

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THU 09:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0qf6g1)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 09:32 The Documentary (w3ct9br9)

[Repeat of broadcast at 02:32 today]

THU 10:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093r3xs)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 10:06 The Explanation (w3ct98mm)

The Media Show: Farage's fight with the Media

Nigel Farage has accused parts of the British media of mounting a politically motivated campaign against him after reports about his financial interests prompted an investigation by Parliament's Standards Commissioner. Gabriel Pogrud, editor of the Insight investigations team at The Sunday Times, outlines the reporting behind their story,

while journalist Michael Crick and Brendan O'Neill of Spiked discuss the political and journalistic issues.

A High Court judgement has dismissed all claims brought by Prince Harry and six other claimants against Associated Newspapers over allegations that journalists used unlawful methods to obtain information. The ruling marks a significant moment in the long-running legal and political legacy of Britain's phone-hacking and press intrusion scandals. Susan Aslan, media lawyer, outlines the legal significance of the judgement.

Presenters: Katie Razzall and Ros Atkins

Producer: Tim Bano

Content producer: Lucy Wai

Researcher: Ruth Waites

Technical co-ordinator: Mark Dickens

Sound engineer: Sarlota Hadroj Touzimska

THU 10:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0qfh65)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 10:32 The Global Jigsaw (w3ct9b05)

Moscow's enemy number one

"Perfidious Albion" - how Britain replaced the US as Russia's top nemesis and the villain at the heart of its war narrative. Since the re-election of Donald Trump, Russian propagandists have softened their tone on the US, while intensifying their rhetoric against the UK. They've unleashed a wave of elaborate insults, accusations and threats against Britain, amounting at times to a full-blown character assassination. The insults may sound theatrical, and London denies the accusations, but beneath them lies a more troubling signal - one UK military chiefs take seriously. What does this shift reveal about Russia's strategic intentions in a time of conflict?

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Contributor: Bryn Windsor

Producer: Kriszta Satori

Presenter: Krassi Ivanova Twigg

Music: Pete Cunningham

THU 11:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093r7nx)

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THU 11:06 The Newsroom (w1730bql2bl2nq5)

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THU 11:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0qfly9)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 11:32 The Global Story (w3ct8mfh)

Citizen Vigilante and Elon Musk's war on 'woke' films

Citizen Vigilante is a low-budget action thriller starring actor Armie Hammer as a vigilante who hunts down migrant criminals in Europe. The movie faced a muted reception - until Elon Musk posted it to his hundreds of millions of followers on X.com.

We speak to journalist Mike Wendling to understand why this film has become a lightning rod for political and cultural debate, and what its sudden rise reveals about the far-reaching influence of the world's richest man.

Producers: Aron Keller and Hannah Moore

Executive producer: Bridget Harney

Photo: Elon Musk at the Viva Technology conference, June 16, 2023. Credit: Reuters/Gonzalo Fuentes/File Photo.

Mix: Travis Evans

Video journalist: Matt Pintus

Senior news editor: China Collins

THU 12:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093rcf1)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 12:06 Outlook (w3ct8j48)

My grandmother, the tennis champion who escaped the Nazis

Growing up, Felice Hardy knew very little about her grandmother, Liesl, except that she had been a top-class tennis player in Austria before moving to England in the late 1930s. In fact, Liesl had made sporting history, including at Wimbledon -

but glossed over it - perhaps because that period of her life had been too terrible to acknowledge.

After she died, Felice started investigating her family's history, and discovered a painful secret that had been kept from her all her life. It would eventually lead her to a new understanding of her grandmother, her mother – and herself. Felice has written a book called *The Tennis Champion Who Escaped The Nazis*.

(Photo: A black and white photo of Felice Hardy's grandmother, Liesl Herbst, who smiles towards the camera, sometime in the 1930s. She is wearing tennis whites, holding a tennis racket in her right hand with her left hand on her hip. Credit: Hardy family archive)

Presenter: Jo Fidgeon
Producer: Zoe Gelber and Andrea Rangecroft

THU 12:50 Witness History (w3ct98bl)
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THU 13:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093rh55)
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THU 13:06 The Newsroom (w1730bql2bl2x6f)
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THU 13:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0qfvfk)
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THU 13:32 The Food Chain (w3ct8sw7)
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THU 14:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093rlx9)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 14:06 Newshour (w1730bn30m5sf4c)
Crowds gather for burial of Iran's assassinated Supreme Leader

As the US and Iran trade strikes in the Middle East, huge crowds have gathered in the holy city of Mashhad ahead of the burial of Iran's late Supreme Leader, Ayatollah Ali Khamenei.

We'll try to gauge the mood in the country and assess the options now for both the US and Iran.

Also in the programme: The disinformation about Ebola fuelling attacks on Congolese health workers; we'll remember the life of the smash-hit gravel-voiced pop star Bonnie Tyler; and the Norwegian rowing sensation that's become one of the sounds of the men's football World Cup.

(Photo shows mourners gathered on the day of the burial of Iran's late Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei in Mashhad, Iran on 9 July 2026. Credit: Alkis Konstantinidis/Reuters)

THU 15:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093rqnf)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 15:06 The Inquiry (w3ct98pw)
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THU 15:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0qg2xt)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 15:32 Business Daily (w3ct8glj)
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THU 15:50 World Business Express (w3ct8d5r)
Chinese factories raise their prices

Energy price rises since US/Israel war with Iran has affected Chinese manufacturers. But retailers in China struggle to raise prices as consumers watch their budgets.

Volkswagen's Board is considers move to cut 100,000 jobs in Germany.

And we learn about the political philosophy of Manchesterism and how it may soon be seen in No 10 Downing Street.

THU 16:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093rvdk)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 16:00 Outside Source (w1730c6fylsgj8b)
What's it like being stuck in the Strait of Hormuz?

Iranian state media says Iran has launched new strikes this afternoon, with Jordan saying it shot down eight missiles. It comes as Iranian state media accuses the US of striking near a nuclear power plant. The US has not commented. Tensions have reignited after attacks on commercial ships off Iran's coast. We speak to seafarers about their experiences of being stuck in the Strait of Hormuz.

Also, after research this week suggested older women face a lower chance of fertility treatment working, we speak to women about their experiences of IVF treatment.

And the British singer Bonnie Tyler has died. Her biggest hit, the power ballad, "Total Eclipse of the Heart" topped the charts in the United States and across Europe. Our correspondent tells us about her life.

Presenter: James Reynolds.

(Photo: Vessels at the Strait of Hormuz, as seen from Musandam, Oman, July 9, 2026. Credit: Reuters/Stringer)

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THU 17:06 Outside Source (w1730c6fylsgn0g)
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And in the Fifa World Cup France play Morocco on Thursday. We speak to journalists about what to expect.

Presenter: James Reynolds.

(Photo: A woman looks on, as mourners gather on the day of the burial of Iran's late Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, who was killed on February 28 in Israeli and U.S. airstrikes, in Mashhad, Iran, July 9, 2026. Credit: Reuters/Mohammed Salem)

THU 18:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093s2wt)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 18:06 Outlook (w3ct8j48)
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THU 18:50 Witness History (w3ct98bl)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 today]

THU 19:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093s6my)
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THU 19:06 The Newsroom (w1730bql2bl3mp6)
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THU 19:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0qgkxb)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 19:32 Sport Today (w3ct8rmb)
2026/07/09 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 (w1730nkq093sbd2)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 20:06 The Documentary (w3ct9br9)
[Repeat of broadcast at 02:32 today]

THU 20:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0qgng)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 20:32 BBC Inside Science (w3ct977v)
Are we one step closer to creating life in a lab?

Synthetic biologist Kate Adamal and her team at the University of Minnesota published their research into the lab-created 'SpudCell' in a significant step towards building life from scratch. Science journalist, Kai Kupferschmidt, joins us to discuss the implications of this research, as well as the controversies.

Nature reporter Lizzie Gibney tells us how science has helped us better understand the route that the famous Carthaginian general, Hannibal – and not forgetting his elephants – took across the Alps.

Plus, in this week's scout of science stories behind the 'beautiful game' we learn of research carried out at a Tokyo football match, monitoring seismic waves made by the vigorous celebrations of thousands of fans.

Presenter: Tom Whipple
Producer: Kate White, Alex Mansfield, Katie Tomsett, Tabitha Taylor Buck
Editor: Martin Smith
Production Co-ordinator: Jana Bennett-Holesworth

THU 21:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093sg46)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 21:06 Newshour (w1730bn30m5t8c8)
Iran: US strikes continue as late supreme leader is buried

The US and Iran have continued to trade strikes, raising fears of a return to full scale conflict. At the same time, huge crowds of mourners pay respects to Iran's former Supreme Leader, Ali Khamenei.

Also in the programme: False claims about Ebola are fuelling violence against health workers in the Democratic Republic of Congo; and it's France versus Morocco at the World Cup.

(Photo: A handout photo made available by the Iranian Supreme Leader Office shows crowds taking part in the burial of late Iranian Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei in the city of Mashhad, Iran, 09 July 2026)

THU 22:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093skwb)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 22:06 The Inquiry (w3ct98pw)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:06 today]

THU 22:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0qgy4q)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 22:32 The Food Chain (w3ct8sw7)
[Repeat of broadcast at 04:32 today]

THU 23:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093spmg)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 23:06 The Newsroom (w1730bql2bl43nq)
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THU 23:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0qh1wv)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 23:32 World Business Report (w3ct8f9f)
Volkswagen makes sweeping production cuts

Volkswagen, whose 10 brands range from Seat to Porsche, is making sweeping production cuts in Germany. We take a look at the impact this is having on the automotive industry in the country.

A row over Peking duck is adding to already tense relations between Brussels and Beijing. The European Commission has opened an investigation into whether Chinese duck meat is being sold in Europe at unfairly low prices. We take a look at the wider dispute.

And since the United States imposed a near total fuel blockage on Cuba six months ago, the island's food crisis is deepening.

Presenter: Leanna Byrne
Producers: Rob Cave, Parisa Qurban, Aleeza Siddiqi.

(Picture: View of the production plant of the Volkswagen headquarters in Wolfsburg, Germany / 30th September, 2024 /

Getty Images)

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FRI 00:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093stcl)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 00:06 The Explanation (w3ct98mm)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:06 on Thursday]

FRI 00:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0qh5mz)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 00:32 The Global Jigsaw (w3ct9b05)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:32 on Thursday]

FRI 01:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093sy3q)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 01:06 The Newsroom (w1730bql2bl4c4z)

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FRI 01:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0qh9d3)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 01:32 The Global Story (w3ct8mfh)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:32 on Thursday]

FRI 02:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093t1vv)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 02:06 The Newsroom (w1730bql2bl4gx3)

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FRI 02:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0qh47)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 02:32 Tech Life (w3ct8jy3)

[Repeat of broadcast at 20:32 on Tuesday]

FRI 03:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093t5lz)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 03:06 Outlook (w3ct8j48)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 on Thursday]

FRI 03:50 Witness History (w3ct98bl)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 on Thursday]

FRI 04:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093t9c3)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 04:06 The Newsroom (w1730bql2bl4qdc)

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FRI 04:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0qhnmh)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 04:32 Heart and Soul (w3ct983t)

Diving for Yuko

In coastal Japan, Yasuo Takamatsu has spent nearly 15 years diving for the remains of his wife, Yuko, who was swept away in the 2011 tsunami.

With on-location recording of Yasuo on his 763rd dive, this Heart and Soul documentary explores his search as an act of devotion shaped by Japanese ideals of grief, memory, and the power of nature. A profound story of love and loss, we reveal how one man's repeated dives became a ritual of remembrance in a land where disaster is part of life.

(Photo: Yasuo Takamatsu stands in a boat at sea. He is wearing diving gear and putting on a glove. Credit: Hiromi Tanoue)

Presenter: Jake Warren

Producer: Leo Danczak

Editor: Macalister Bexon

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FRI 05:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093tf37)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 05:06 Newsday (w1730c1fd2tdh8z)

Fresh strikes hit Iran

The US and Iran again traded strikes in exchanges that continued into Thursday, as observers reported a "dramatic" drop in the number of ships travelling through the Strait of Hormuz. We hear from a former Iranian MP.

In China, the conflict in the Middle East has led to increased production costs. We'll ask how it's affecting consumers.

And at the World Cup, Morocco's hopes were dashed by two goals from France in the second half.

(Photo: An Iranian woman walks past an anti-Israeli mural in Tehran, Iran; Credit: Majid Asgaripour/Reuters)

FRI 06:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093tjvc)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 06:06 Newsday (w1730c1fd2tdm13)

Iran and US exchange strikes

The US says it hit 90 military targets, some near the Strait. Iran says 14 people have been killed in the past two days. Separately, huge crowds gathered as Iran's late supreme leader, Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, was buried after six days of funeral events.

With the majority of farmland in Gaza destroyed, we'll hear about a seed bank that is aiming to improve food security.

France are the first to make it to the semi-finals after beating Morocco. We hear from France.

(Photo: An Iranian woman walks next to an anti-US mural near to the former US embassy in Tehran; Credit: Abedin Taherkenareh/Reuters)

FRI 07:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093tnlh)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 07:06 Newsday (w1730c1fd2tdqs7)

Khamenei is buried US as Iran exchange strikes

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One of Africa's leading public health officials says that this stage of Ebola is one of the worst ones as over 600 people are confirmed dead.

France has become the first side to reach the semi-finals, and Africa's last representative, Morocco, is heading home.

(Photo: Iranians take part in a mass prayer for late Iranian supreme leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei during a farewell ceremony ahead of his funeral; Credit: Abedin Taherkenareh/PA/Shutterstock)

FRI 08:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093tsbm)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 08:06 The Interview (w3ct98kc)

Jacob Zuma's daughters: Polygamy is a subject we lived

"It's a subject that I know I've lived, I've seen up close... That includes watching my father. That includes the relationships that I saw him have."

Presenter Anne Soy speaks to Gugu Zuma-Ncube and Thuli Zuma, executive producers of The Polygamist, one of Netflix's biggest new dramas which takes on the topic of polygamy - the practice of having more than one spouse at the same time.

They are also the daughters of former South African president Jacob Zuma - a proud polygamist who is greatly respected by his supporters for upholding his cultural and traditional Zulu beliefs.

The Zulu language drama was an instant hit, attracting two million views in the first week and becoming number four on Netflix's top 10 list for non-English series globally.

Thank you to the Newsday team for its help in making this

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Presenter: Anne Soy

Producer: Cordelia Hemming

Editor: Damon Rose

(Image: Thuli Zuma and Gugu Zuma-Ncube. Credit: Stained Glass TV)

FRI 08:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0qj4m0)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 08:32 Business Daily (w3ct8g9h)

Taking Stock: Is Trump happier with Nato on defence spending?

Will Bain is joined by Seiji Takeshita in Japan and Yael Selfin in the UK to discuss the week's biggest business stories. As Nato members agree to greater defence spending, we examine how economic conditions in the UK and Japan are shaping their ability to fund these commitments, as governments balance growing security demands with pressure on public finances. Plus, what Microsoft's layoffs at Xbox reveal about the global gaming industry after years of rapid growth.

(Photo: Nato Secretary General Mark Rutte and US President Donald Trump meet on the sidelines of the NATO summit in Ankara, Turkey, 08 July 2026. Credit: Filip Singer/Reuters)

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Presenter: Will Bain

Producer: David Cann

FRI 08:50 Witness History (w3ct98dv)

Dada: The birth of an art movement

In 1916, Zurich was a beacon for refugees. Fleeing the death and destruction of World War I, artists and free-thinkers from all over Europe fled to the neutral Swiss city.

And it was here that the people who would start the art movement Dada came together. In a rare interview from 1959, held in the BBC archive, Richard Huelsenbeck describes how the group of young artists and pacifists shared a despair about the war and a disgust for bourgeois values.

At the Cabaret Voltaire, he and the Romanian-born poet Tristan Tzara, the French sculptor Jean Arp and Romanian-born artist Marcel Janco experimented. Performances were known for their spontaneity, chance and absurdity - a departure from the conventional which confronted audiences. It was the beginning of an aesthetic which would spread across Europe and to New York City, eventually influencing Surrealism and later punk. This episode is produced and presented by Josephine McDermott.

Eye-witness accounts brought to life by archive. Witness History is for those fascinated by and curious about 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 how the Excel spreadsheet was developed, the creation of cartoon rabbit Miffy and how the sound barrier was broken.

We look at the lives of some of the most famous leaders, artists, scientists and personalities in history, including: the moment Reagan and Gorbachev met in Geneva, Haitian singer Emerante de Pradines' life and Omar Sharif's legendary movie entrance in Lawrence of Arabia.

You can learn all about fascinating and surprising stories, like the invention of a stent which has saved lives around the world; the birth of the G7; and the meeting of Maldives' ministers underwater. We cover everything from World War Two and Cold War stories to Black History Month and our journeys into space.

(Photo: Scene from the Dadaist film Ballet Mécanique, 1924 from the Collection of Musée national d'art moderne, Paris. Credit: Fine Art Images/Heritage Images via Getty Images.)

FRI 09:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093tx2r)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 09:06 The Newsroom (w1730bql2bl5b40)

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FRI 09:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0qj8c4)

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FRI 09:32 BBC Inside Science (w3ct977v)

[Repeat of broadcast at 20:32 on Thursday]

FRI 10:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093v0tw)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 10:06 Unexpected Elements (w3ct8kcn)

Everyone needs a hero

A mysterious vigilante in Mexico nicknamed "Batman" has inspired the Unexpected Elements team to investigate the science of superheroes.

First up, we explore whether a Batman's presence can actually change human behaviour. One unusual psychology experiment suggests that people may be more likely to perform acts of kindness when a caped crusader appears nearby.

Then we discover a real human superpower: echolocation. Used by bats and many other animals, it turns out humans can learn to navigate the world using sound as well.

Next, we meet Mexico's original Bat Man, conservationist Dr Rodrigo Medellín. He joins us to bust myths about a much maligned mammal, reveal how one species helps make tequila possible, and confess to keeping vampire bats in his bathroom.

Plus, how environmental DNA is helping researchers map biodiversity across the Arctic Ocean and a reflection on scientific heroes. Are great discoveries are ever really the work of just one person?

All that, plus many more Unexpected Elements.

Presenter: Caroline Steel, with Meral Jamal and Phillys Mwate
Producer: Margaret Sessa-Hawkins, with Ella Hubber, Robbie Wojciechowski and Alice McKee

FRI 11:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093v410)

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FRI 11:06 The Newsroom (w1730bql2bl5km8)

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FRI 11:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0qjhvd)

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FRI 11:32 The Global Story (w3ct8m8z)

Is a long-term peace with Iran possible?

The coffin of Ali Khamenei, Iran's former supreme leader, killed by Israel in February, has been on a procession tour this week of holy sites in Iraq and Iran. Huge crowds gathered wherever it went, the coffin was passed over a sea of hands, and three of Khamenei's sons wept over the coffin in Tehran.

Meanwhile, the US and Iran have launched new strikes throughout the week. The peace between the US and Iran is fragile, at best. At worst, it could be over. We speak to Parham Ghobadi, from the BBC's Persian Service.

(Photo: Burial of Iran's late Supreme Leader, Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, in Mashhad. Credit: Alkis Konstantinidis/Reuters)

Producers: Cat Farnsworth and Aron Keller

Sound engineer: Travis Evans

Senior news editor: China Collins

FRI 12:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093v8b4)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 12:06 Outlook (w3ct8hqp)

Outlook Mixtape: It's a small world

This week on the Outlook Mixtape, we bring you three tales of life in miniature.

Willard Wigan was born in Birmingham in the 1960s and as a child he didn't have it easy. He struggled at school with dyslexia and his teachers were cruel, routinely humiliating him in front of his classmates. To escape, he took refuge in his garden, where he developed an unusual hobby - making houses for ants. As he got older, his creations got smaller, but it would be years before his rare and unusual gift was noticed. Today, he's broken world records for the smallest sculptures ever made.

The vaquita is a tiny porpoise that's made headlines around the world because it's on the brink of extinction. Its rise to fame is in part due to one Mexican man, Dr Lorenzo Rojas-Bracho, who's been studying these mammals for over 20 years. His work has put his safety under threat from cartel-supported poachers who work in the areas where the porpoises live. Dr Lorenzo Rojas-Bracho met our reporter, Clayton Conn in 2019.

After growing up in Singapore, Margaret Leng Tan became the first woman to earn a doctorate from the Juilliard School of Music in the US. Her career then shrank to a place she didn't expect when she became the world's first professional toy piano virtuoso. Outlook's Tara Gadomski went to meet her and and her 30 miniature pianos in 2019.

Presented and produced by Zoe Gelber

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(Photo: A transparent 60-minute cassette tape with a white label bearing the words: The Outlook Mixtape. Credit: Getty Images)

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FRI 14:06 Newshour (w1730bn30m5wb1g)

Venezuela faces humanitarian crisis after quakes

Venezuelans in the coastal town of La Guaira are being forced to live in informal camps in the streets two weeks on the from the two earthquakes which hit the country. The head of the Disasters Emergency Committee, Saleh Saeed, who is visiting, tells us people have lost everything and need help with the very basics.

Also on the programme: we hear about the man who was partially sucked out of a Ryanair plane mid-air but survived; and the latest in the mystery surrounding the murder of a woman suspected of carrying out a bomb attack in Monaco.

Photo: People wait in tents outside an earthquake-damaged building in Caracas, Venezuela Credit: Ronald Pena/EPA/Shutterstock

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FRI 15:32 Business Daily (w3ct8g9h)

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FRI 15:50 World Business Express (w3ct8d17)

Passenger survives aeroplane drama

A Ryanair passenger was partially sucked out of a Boeing 737 on a flight from Greece to Germany, after a cabin window shattered. Authorities are investigating the cause.

The European low cost carrier Easyjet is set to become part of a bidding war between two US based private equity firms.

And a heatwave in central Europe has farmers in Switzerland worried.

FRI 16:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093vr9n)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 16:06 Outside Source (w1730c6fylskf5f)

Iran war: Your questions answered

This week the US and Iran restarted their attacks on each other. It comes as Iran's former Supreme leader - Ayatollah Khamenei - has been buried in Mashhad. We answer listener questions from around the world about everything that's been happening this week in the Middle East.

Disney has once again taken one of its biggest animated hits of recent years and turned it into a live-action remake - but the new take on 2016's Moana has been panned by most critics. We speak to some of them to hear more.

We speak to a journalist who wrote a book about Wally Funk, the American aviation pioneer who set an age record for space travel, and has died at the age of 87.

Presenter: James Reynolds

(Photo: Burial of Iran's late supreme leader Khamenei in hometown of Mashhad. Credit: EPA/Shutterstock)

FRI 17:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093vw1s)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 17:06 Outside Source (w1730c6fylskjxk)

Twelve dead and 23 missing in Spain wildfire

At least 12 people have died in a wildfire in southern Spain. Hundreds of emergency responders are working to extinguish the blaze around Los Gallardos, Almeria - officials say they've never had such a devastating fire. We speak to our Europe correspondent to hear the latest.

We speak to referees about what it's like to do the job, after a number of controversial decisions in the World Cup.

We hear from IVF doctors around the world, after new research suggests older women face a lower chance of fertility treatment working, even when using young donor eggs.

(Photo: Flames approach the A7 highway during a deadly wildfire affecting the province of Almeria. Credit: Chema Artero/Reuters)

Presenter: James Reynolds

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FRI 19:32 Sport Today (w3ct8rgt)

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

FRI 20:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093w795)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 20:06 BBC Conversations (w3ct8m3v)

Chasing the Wimbledon dream

In a summer of world class sporting events, tennis players have been battling it out at Wimbledon - one of the four major Grand Slam tournaments.

One of the big stories has been the success of British wildcard entry Arthur Fery who, before Wimbledon, was ranked outside the top 100.

His success has come with a big jump in prize money - essential to pay for the international travel, accommodation and coaches required to keep climbing the rankings.

For those lower down the ranks, life on the professional circuit can be tough both emotionally and financially.

Hamish Stewart, from Scotland, is currently ranked 300 and is all too aware of the personal demands of the job.

"I've just missed an ex-college teammate of mine's wedding," said Stewart. "Sometimes trying to explain to people, 'I'm not coming to that' or 'no, I'm away for the next month' - those sacrifices can be telling sometimes."

Stewart is joined by Jamie Loeb from the US, who is currently ranked outside the top 1,000. She had a career high of 132 and played in the US Open before injury and personal circumstances stalled her rise.

We also hear from three coaches - Viktoria Belinsky, Noelle van Lottum and Michael Logarzo - who give us an insight into their jobs, the sport and its parallels with life.

(Photo: Hamish Stewart in action against on day three of the Lexus Birmingham Open Championships at Edgbaston Priory Club, Birmingham. Credit: Jacob King/PA Wire)

Presenter: James Reynolds
BBC producer: Isabella Bull
Boffin Media producer: Sue Nelson
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FRI 20:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0qklkk)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 20:32 CrowdScience (w3ct8k74)
What are these strange rocks?

CrowdScience listener Liana from Canada got in touch to ask about some very specific rocks she'd seen on an island in Indonesia – jagged, rugged and a very strange shape: hexagonal. They were in long columns, and clicked together like a jigsaw. But what are they, and how did they get there?

Across the world in the UK, CrowdScience listener Sarah emailed us to ask about the famous rocks of the Giant's Causeway in Northern Ireland. What makes them so uniformly hexagonal?

Presenter Alex Lathbridge investigates, visiting the Giant's Causeway to speak to geologist Dr Kirstin Lemon from the Geological Survey of Northern Ireland. She explains how this amazing landscape formed, and why the mythical rocks look the way they do today.

We also hear from Dr Alfend Rudyawan from Institut Teknologi Bandung in Indonesia about Liana's intriguing rocks. Are these distant locations more closely related than you might think?

And we look to nature – because angular, uniform hexagons crop up surprisingly often. Professor Jean-Marc Schlenker from the University of Luxembourg explains why hexagons are much better than other shapes.

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(photo: Giant's Causeway in Northern Ireland Stock photo- Credit: MANUEL FIL ORDIERES GARCIA via Getty Images)

FRI 21:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093wc19)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 21:06 Newshour (w1730bn30m5x58c)
Spain hit by devastating wildfire

The emergency services in southern Spain say they are fighting

a 'terrible and complex fire, which is spreading very fast,' in the south-eastern province of Almería. We hear from a British couple caught up in the fire.

Also on the programme: How people in Gaza are watching the World Cup; and a new species of dinosaur has been found in Thailand.

(Picture: Flames approach the A7 highway during a deadly wildfire in Los Gallardos, Spain. Credit: REUTERS/Chema Artero)

FRI 22:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093wgsf)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 22:06 The Interview (w3ct98kc)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:06 today]

FRI 22:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0qkv1t)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 22:32 Heart and Soul (w3ct983t)
[Repeat of broadcast at 04:32 today]

FRI 23:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093wljk)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 23:06 The Newsroom (w1730bql2bl70kt)
The world's Newsroom brings you global events as they happen

FRI 23:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0qkysy)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 23:32 World Business Report (w3ct8fkx)
Still in the game?

Tough times for the gaming industry after news of more lay-offs, this time at Microsoft's Xbox gaming division, Will Bain asks developers and designers if it's all doom and gloom, and what challenges lie ahead.

And authorities are carrying out investigations after a Ryanair passenger was partially sucked out of a Boeing 737 when a cabin window shattered mid-flight thousands of feet in the air.

We speak to an aviation safety expert about what that investigation might look at and what the incident means for the airline industry.

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