

SATURDAY 11 JULY 2026**SAT 00:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093wq8p)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 00:06 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 Phillis Mwatee
Producer: Margaret Sessa-Hawkins, with Ella Hubber, Robbie Wojciechowski and Alice McKee

SAT 01:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093wv0t)

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SAT 01:06 The Newsroom (w1730bql2bl7822)

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SAT 01:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0ql696)

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SAT 01:32 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

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SAT 02:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0qlb1b)

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SAT 02:32 Stumped (w3ct99fg)

Vaibhav Sooryavanshi surpasses Sachin Tendulkar to make India history

Teenager Vaibhav Sooryavanshi has set another record by becoming the youngest ever player to play for India. He was just 15 years and 99 days old when he took to the field in India's second T20 of their ongoing series against England, breaking the long held record of Sachin Tendulkar, who made his debut in a Test against Pakistan aged 16 years and 205 days in 1989. Alison Mitchell, Sunil Gupta and Brett Sprigg discuss whether he's living up to the hype.

Australia won their record extending seventh Women's T20 World Cup, beating England at Lord's by 7 wickets. The tournament was the biggest to date with 12 teams competing. The trio reflect on the competition and ask what makes the Aussies so good?

Plus, history is being made at Lord's as it hosts its first every Women's Test match between England and India. Fast bowler Lauren Filer tells us what the occasion means for the women's game.

Photo: Vaibhav Sooryavanshi of India during the 2nd Vitality IT20 match between England and India at Emirates Old Trafford on July 04, 2026 in Manchester, England. (Credit: Nathan Stirk/Getty Images)

SAT 03:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093x2j2)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 03:06 Outlook (w3ct8hpq)

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)

SAT 03:50 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 French-born poet Tristan Tzara, the French sculptor Jean Arp and Romanian-Israeli 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.)

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SAT 05:32 More than the Score (w3ct9bcw)

Ghostwriting: How to tell someone else's story

Athletes' memoirs and autobiographies are among the biggest-selling books around the world each year - but often, the words aren't entirely their own. Many sports stars work with 'ghostwriters' - professional authors who turn their stories into bestselling prose.

In November 2025, More than the Score's Lee James and John Bennett talked to Jonathan Northcroft from UK newspaper the Sunday Times, who's worked on autobiographies and memoirs with stars including former Manchester United goalkeeper Peter Schmeichel. How do ghostwriters help sportspeople turn their anecdotes, memories and personal stories into books, and how do they make sure their words do justice to their subject's story?

More than the Score tells stories from all over the world of sport. From Formula One to netball, MMA to figure skating, and Grand Slam tennis to Diamond League athletics. We've got interviews with extraordinary athletes, as well as the experts working behind the scenes, from football super-agents to the coaches keeping athletes in peak form. Plus, we've got the expertise of the BBC's top journalists, who share their insights from decades of covering sport at all levels.

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SAT 05:50 More or Less (w3ct998y)

More or Less

Tim Harford explains the numbers and statistics in the news and in life.

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SAT 06:06 Weekend (w1730c5mhw5xt5y)

A review of the week with the latest news.

SAT 07:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093xkhl)

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SAT 07:06 Weekend (w1730c5mhw5xy2)

A review of the week with the latest news.

SAT 08:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093xp7q)

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SAT 08:06 Weekend (w1730c5mhw5y1p6)

A review of the week with the latest news.

SAT 09:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093xszv)

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SAT 09:06 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)

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SAT 09:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0qm587)

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SAT 09:32 Americast (w3ct8lzb)

The battle for Charlie Kirk's legacy

After Charlie Kirk's death, will young people still vote Republican, and could the battle for his legacy cost Donald Trump crucial votes in this year's midterm elections?

This week marks the start of hearings which will determine whether prosecutors have enough evidence to bring a murder case against Kirk's alleged killer, Tyler Robinson. The hearings have once again highlighted Charlie Kirk's influence on young people and the battle among some Republicans to secure his legacy.

His death remains the subject of conspiracy theories among prominent far-right influencers such as Tucker Carlson and Candace Owens while candidates in this year's midterm elections have used his endorsement in campaign ads. But alongside this is also an administration that is increasingly unpopular with young people who voted for Trump in part to deal with cost-of-living pressures and a desire for no more wars.

Can the Republican Party keep hold of the voters that Charlie Kirk helped deliver, and where will they go if they don't vote for the party?

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SAT 10:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093xxqz)

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SAT 10:06 Not by the Playbook (w3ct996p)
Originals

It's nearly 20 years since Wimbledon decided to award equal prize money. The tennis world has come a long way since a group of women players known as "The Original 9" eventually forced the creation of a Women's tour. Billie Jean King was the most famous of the Original 9, but Julie Heldman was also one of the nine, and her mother, Gladys, also played a crucial role... I've been speaking to Julie about that and what life was like as a top female tennis player back in the later 1960's. But Julie's story is made all the more remarkable when you learn about what life was really like with Gladys Heldman as your mother behind closed doors... and I should warn you, I found much of what Julie had to say very hard to listen to.

Before the original tournament was held in the States in 1994, there was no professional league, but the popularity of the world Cup spawned the MLS, one of its first stars was Paul Wright. A goal scoring machine Paul was a pioneer of the game and is still very much involved in his hometown of San Diego, from where he is nurturing the next generation of talent... In the US sports like basketball and American football have free school programmes, playing to a high standard without having to pay. Not so soccer, where you have to join a club in a "Pay to play" system and that can be expensive, anywhere up to \$10,000 a year! In Europe that cost tends to be heavily subsidised by professional teams of national federations. It leaves American kids at the lower end of the socio-economic ladder unable to play the game... So, Paul decided to do something about that.

Tensions between the United States and Iran are not a new thing. Far from it, but could there be a place for football in the road to peace? The Iranian national football team left a note in its locker room at the Los Angeles Stadium after their game against Belgium earlier in the competition, thanking the people of Los Angeles for their hospitality during the World Cup. The note ended "We wish peace, respect, and friendship among all the nations of the world". Well, after the two countries met competitively at the 1998 World Cup in France, a couple of original thinkers organised a friendly match between the two nations. The US would host Iran before a proposed return fixture... This is the story of how that game at the Rose Bowl in California came to pass in the late 1990's

The remarkable story of tennis star Liesl Herbst who just after the second world war competed at Wimbledon with her daughter Dorli to play in the ladies' doubles. They remain the only mother and daughter who have competed together at Wimbledon. Felice Hardy, granddaughter of Liesl and daughter of Dorli, and author of "The Tennis Champion Who Escaped The Nazis", told their story to Not by the Playbook's Megan Jones.

PHOTO: Top female tennis players hold up their \$1 bills which will make them contract pros and eligible to play for money instead of trophies in the Virginia Slims tournament at the Houston Racquet Club in defiance of the USLTA. The players are (standing, L-R) Valerie Ziegenfuss, Billie Jean King, Nancy Richey, Peaches Bartkowicz; (seated, L-R) Judy Tegart Dalton, Kerry Melville, Rosie Casals, manager Gladys Heldman, and Kristy Pigeon. The players breakaway from the tennis establishment eventually lead the way to the formation of the Women's Tennis Association. Not pictured: Julie Heldman. (CREDIT: Bela Ugrin/Houston Chronicle via Getty Images)

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SAT 11:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0qmdrh)

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SAT 11:32 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: Edilzon Gamez/Getty Images

SAT 12:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093y577)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 12:06 World Questions (w3ct8sns)

Czech Republic

The country's housing crisis, the influence of Russian disinformation, the future of Czech radio and TV, and how to improve life for people outside the big cities – some of the issues up for debate in World Questions: Czech Republic. Jonny Dymond is joined by leading politicians and commentators and questioners from across the country

The panel:

Jaroslav Bžoch, Member of the European Parliament for the governing ANO party.
Michaela Šebelová, Member of the Chamber of Deputies for the opposition STAN party
Olga Richterová, Member of the Chamber of Deputies for the opposition Pirates party
Michal Šemin is a journalist and conservative activist

Presenter: Jonny Dymond

Producer: Helen Townner

Sound engineers: Rosie Nieder, Ian Mitchell, Gabriel O'Regan

(Photo: Protest in support of Czech public broadcasters in Prague. Credit: EPA/Shutterstock)

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SAT 13:06 Newshour (w1730bn30m5z36f)

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

SAT 14:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093ydaqh)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 14:06 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 Siolole 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

SAT 14:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0qmrzw)

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SAT 14:32 More than the Score (w3ct9bcw)

[Repeat of broadcast at 05:32 today]

SAT 14:50 Sporting Witness (w3ct8rxc)

Nadal describes his historic Wimbledon win over Federer

Rafael Nadal was known for being one of the best clay court tennis players but, ever since he started playing at four years old, it was his ambition to triumph on grass and win Wimbledon. After losing twice in the final to his great rival, Roger Federer, they played one of the longest finals - finishing just before nightfall.

Rafael Nadal describes how winning Wimbledon in 2008 was the catalyst to winning 22 majors before retiring in 2024. Produced and presented by Uma Doraiswamy.

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 FI 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: Rafael Nadal celebrates after beating Roger Federer at Wimbledon 2008. Credit: Ian Walton/AFP via Getty Images)

SAT 15:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093yjgm)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 15:06 Sportsworld (w1730c8x8slq3m8)

Live sport from around the world with news, interviews and analysis.

SAT 19:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093z0g4)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 19:06 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

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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

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(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)

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SAT 19:32 Happy News (w3ct8nwn)

The Happy Pod: Inviting strangers round for dinner

When Nidhi and Vik moved to Northern Ireland, they came up with an unusual way to make new friends - hosting dinner parties made up of strangers. Now the couple, originally from India, have connected with 60 people and counting. Vik says he wants to make the whole world his friends.

Plus, the Iranian father helping his blind son experience the football World Cup. He uses a makeshift football pitch to mimic what's going on. Also, a listener tells us about their chance encounter with a teacher they hadn't seen for 12 years. We go to a picnic where the only thing on the menu is unlimited cake, and the payphone in Washington DC that tells jokes.

(Photo: Nidhi and Vik preparing for their Masala Talksies.

Credit: Your Pal Moments)

Presenter: Holly Gibbs

Music: Iona Hampson

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SAT 20:06 The Arts Hour (w3ct8h85)

Madonna on her album Confessions II

Global superstar Madonna talks about her new album, Confessions II and her relationship with dance

Nikki Bedi meets Italian Director Francesco Sossai to discuss Italian masculinity in his film, The Last One for the Road and critic Bidisha joins Nikki to reflect on other cultural highlights of the week:

Australian dancer and choreographer Meryl Tankard on reviving a 1978 Pina Bausch dance piece with the original dancers

Chinese born American author Canwen Xu on her satirical debut novel, 'Boring Asian Female'

Hollywood actor Olivia Wilde on her latest film, The Invite which she also directed

Indian artist Bharti Kher on fellow artist and country woman, Mrinalini Mukherjee

And music from Sudanese singer Sulaf

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SAT 23:32 This Is Africa (w3ct8td8)

Gemma Griffiths

Gemma Griffiths has become a much-loved star in her native Zimbabwe, and has collaborated with many of the country's most successful artists, including reggae dancehall musician Winky D. She grabbed the attention of music fans with her soulful cover of his song Musarova, leading to their collaboration on Mu Gongda, which broke Zimbabwean records by reaching 1 million views on YouTube in just 13 days.

A formally trained jazz musician, Gemma Griffiths draws on a wide variety of influences to inform her Afro-fusion sound. She released her debut album, Gemma, in 2025. It was ten years in the making.

In this interview DJ Edu and Gemma discuss how being a white musician in Zimbabwe has affected her career, trade favourite songs, and have fun with the Shona language.

DJ Edu's 10in10 tracklisting:

Mil Ano - Tarrafal & Ruben Teixeira (Cabo Verde)
Pass Katouts (Anguii) - Helix Dynasty, Bombo & So'Fresh (Mauritius)
Mamá Epet - Fistong Boy (Equatorial Guinea)
Mad Over Me - Lali X Lola & Rappidd (Ghana)
Mi Corazon ft. Alva, King Luca & Yvuti - Elisha k X JZyNo (Cameroon)
My Sweetie - Salone Cool J (Sierra Leone)
WARDA ft. Manal - Inkonnou (Morocco)
YBTM - Joeboy (Nigeria)
!No - Kalux (Namibia)
Bendeka ft. Nutty O & Saint Realest - Onesimus (Malawi)

Presenter: DJ Edu

Producer: Catherine Fellows

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SUN 00:06 BBC Conversations (w3ct8m3v)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:06 on Saturday]

SUN 00:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0qnz5)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 00:32 The Documentary (w3ct9br9)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:06 on Saturday]

SUN 01:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093zqx)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 01:06 The Newsroom (w1730bql2blb4z5)

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SUN 01:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0qp369)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 01:32 More than the Score (w3ct9bcw)

[Repeat of broadcast at 05:32 on Saturday]

SUN 01:50 Sporting Witness (w3ct8rxc)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:50 on Saturday]

SUN 02:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093zvp1)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 02:06 The Newsroom (w1730bql2blb8q9)

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SUN 02:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0qp6yf)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 02:32 Health Check (w3ct8k2m)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:32 on Saturday]

SUN 03:00 BBC News (w1730nkq093zzf5)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 03:06 World Questions (w3ct8sns)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 on Saturday]

SUN 04:00 BBC News (w1730nkq0940359)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 04:06 From Our Own Correspondent (w3ct99c6)

Iran: the funeral of Ayatollah Ali Khamenei

James Coomarasamy introduces stories from Iran, Russia, Ukraine and Algeria.

The extended mass public mourning for Iran's former Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei went on for days - and millions of Iranians attended the official processions to mark his passing. Lyse Doucet describes what she saw amid the crowds in Tehran.

Ukrainian drones have repeatedly hit fuel installations in Russia - leading to shortages at many petrol stations and long queues for motorists. James Landale spoke to a number of drivers in Moscow about their trouble getting on the road, and who they hold responsible.

Despite signs of new military assertiveness from Ukraine, the country is still suffering severe human losses from the war. Lucy Ash visits a pioneering psychological retreat for battle-weary troops, and hears what they struggle with even after returning from the front lines.

In the Algerian capital, the storied Casbah neighbourhood is full of reminders of the country's independence struggle. After decades of neglect and decay, its maze of alleys and historic buildings are now undergoing a slow process of restoration. Philip Sweeney recently revisited Algiers to see how the district is remaking itself.

Producer: Polly Hope

Editor: Richard Vaden

Production co-ordinator: Gemma Ashman

SUN 04:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0qpgfp)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 04:32 BBC Inside Science (w3ct977v)

Are we one step closer to creating life in a lab?

Synthetic biologist Kate Adamil 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

SUN 05:00 BBC News (w1730nkq09406xf)

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SUN 05:06 The Newsroom (w1730bql2blbmyy)

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SUN 05:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0qpl5t)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 05:32 Asia Specific (w3ct9byp)

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SUN 05:50 Sporting Witness (w3ct8rxc)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:50 on Saturday]

SUN 06:00 BBC News (w1730nkq0940bnk)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 06:06 Weekend (w1730c5mhw60q31)

A review of the week with the latest news.

SUN 07:00 BBC News (w1730nkq0940gdp)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 07:06 Weekend (w1730c5mhw60tv5)

A review of the week with the latest news.

SUN 08:00 BBC News (w1730nkq0940l4t)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 08:06 Weekend (w1730c5mhw60y19)

A review of the week with the latest news.

SUN 09:00 BBC News (w1730nkq0940pwy)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 09:06 From Our Own Correspondent (w3ct99c6)

[Repeat of broadcast at 04:06 today]

SUN 09:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0qq25b)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 09:32 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

SUN 10:00 BBC News (w1730nkq0940tn2)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 10:06 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.

People Fixing The World from the BBC is about brilliant solutions to the world's problems. We release a new edition every Tuesday. We'd love you to let us know what you think and to hear about your own solutions. You can contact us on WhatsApp by messaging +44 8000 321721 or email peoplefixingtheworld@bbc.co.uk. And please leave us a review on your chosen podcast provider.

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

SUN 10:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0qq5xg)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 10:32 The Fifth Floor (w3ct8ssq)

Why Taiwan and Malaysia's luxury fruit growers have a complex relationship with China

The Atemoya Custard Apple is a much sought-after fruit grown only in one county in Taiwan. The Taiwanese are justly proud of it. Meanwhile, the Musang King Durian - grown in Malaysia - is also highly prized for its unique flavour as the 'Hermes of Durians.' Every year, fruit lovers across the region look out for these treats and snap them up where they can, often paying high prices. In recent years, farmers have seen opportunities to raise their income by selling these niche, super-luxury fruits on the Chinese market, but the strategy comes with big risks too. Koh Ewe from the BBC's Singapore Bureau has been tracking the fortunes of these two fruits.

A statue of Saint Olga is a much-loved figure in Central Kyiv, Ukraine. So much so, that when Russia invaded Ukraine, the statue was given a flak jacket with the words "she needs armour" written on it. Saint Olga of Kyiv is celebrated by Ukrainians and Russians alike. She's a saint in both the Catholic and Orthodox churches and her saint's day is celebrated on 11th July. BBC Ukrainian's Irena Taranyuk explores her sometimes violent history.

The Fifth Floor is at the heart of global storytelling on the BBC World Service, bringing you the best stories from journalists in the BBC's 43 language services. We're here to help you make sense of the stories making headlines around the world; to excite your curiosity and to get to grips with the facts.

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 Rodríguez, 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 Faranak Amidi.

Produced by Laura Thomas, Caroline Ferguson and Hannah Dean.

(Photo: Faranak Amidi. Credit: Tricia Yourkevich)

SUN 11:00 BBC News (w1730nkq0940yd6)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 11:06 The Newsroom (w1730bql2blccfg)
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SUN 11:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0qq9nl)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 11:32 More than the Score (w3ct9bcw)
[Repeat of broadcast at 05:32 on Saturday]

SUN 11:50 More or Less (w3ct998y)
[Repeat of broadcast at 05:50 on Saturday]

SUN 12:00 BBC News (w1730nkq094124b)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 12:06 BBC Conversations (w3ct8m3v)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:06 on Saturday]

SUN 12:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0qqfdq)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 12:32 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)

SUN 13:00 BBC News (w1730nkq09415wg)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 13:06 Newshour (w1730bn30m6203j)
Interviews, news and analysis of the day's global events.

SUN 14:00 BBC News (w1730nkq09419ml)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 14:06 The Climate Question (w3ct99hq)
Can science fiction help us fight climate change?

The acclaimed US sci-fi author Kim Stanley Robinson is also a star in the world of climate activism because his work often features climate change - on Earth and beyond.

Robinson has been a guest speaker at the COP climate summit, and novels such as The Ministry For The Future and The Mars

Trilogy are admired by everyone from Barack Obama to former UN climate chief Christiana Figueres. Robinson's books are not just imaginative but scientifically accurate, and some of their ideas have even inspired new thinking about climate-proofing technology.

Kim Stanley Robinson spoke to the Climate Question team in 2024.

Presenters: Jordan Dunbar and Graihagh Jackson
Producer: Ben Cooper
Editor: Simon Watts
Sound Mix: Tom Brignell

Got a question for The Climate Question? Email us: theclimatequestion@bbc.com

SUN 14:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0qqnwz)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 14:32 Happy News (w3ct8nwn)
[Repeat of broadcast at 19:32 on Saturday]

SUN 15:00 BBC News (w1730nkq0941fcq)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 15:06 Sportsworld (w1730c8s8slt0jc)
Live sport from around the world with news, interviews and analysis.

SUN 20:00 BBC News (w1730nkq094213c)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 20:06 Unexpected Elements (w3ct8kcn)
[Repeat of broadcast at 00:06 on Saturday]

SUN 21:00 BBC News (w1730nkq09424vh)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 21:06 Newshour (w1730bn30m62z2k)
Interviews, news and analysis of the day's global events.

SUN 22:00 BBC News (w1730nkq09428lm)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 22:06 The Climate Question (w3ct99hq)
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:06 today]

SUN 22:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0qrmw0)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 22:32 Assignment (w3ct8h1c)
[Repeat of broadcast at 12:32 today]

SUN 23:00 BBC News (w1730nkq0942dbr)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 23:06 The Newsroom (w1730bql2bldtd0)
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SUN 23:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0qrrm4)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 23:32 The Fifth Floor (w3ct8sqg)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:32 today]

MONDAY 13 JULY 2026

MON 00:00 BBC News (w1730nkq0942j2w)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 00:06 From Our Own Correspondent (w3ct99c6)
[Repeat of broadcast at 04:06 on Sunday]

MON 00:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg0qrwc8)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 00:32 BBC Inside Science (w3ct977v)

[Repeat of broadcast at 04:32 on Sunday]

MON 01:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckf6h35)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 01:06 The Newsroom (w1730bqlflwix4f)
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MON 01:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg90wvck)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 01:32 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 02:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckf6lv9)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 02:06 The Newsroom (w1730bqlflwk0wk)
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MON 02:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljg90wz3p)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 02:32 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.

Presenter: Alex Lathbridge

Producer: Hannah Fisher

Editor: Ben Motley

(photo: Giant's Causeway in Northern Ireland Stock photo-
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MON 03:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckf6qlf)

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MON 03:06 People Fixing The World (w3ct8t0z)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:06 on Sunday]

MON 03:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljt90x2vt)

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MON 03:32 The Fifth Floor (w3ct8sqq)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:32 on Sunday]

MON 04:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckf6vbk)

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MON 04:06 The Newsroom (w1730bqlflwk8ct)

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MON 04:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljt90x6ly)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 04:32 The Conversation (w3ct99np)

Female filmmakers join forces

The film industry is massively dominated by men. But women-only film festivals are shaking things up, celebrating the female directors, producers, cinematographers and editors behind the camera. Datsihane Navanayagam meets two women who run female film festivals.

Bina Ahmed in India is the director of the Asian Women's Film Festival in New Delhi. As a film editor with decades of experience, she recently saw one of her films celebrated at the Cannes film festival in France.

Amal Ramsis in Egypt founded and runs the Between Women Filmmakers' Caravan (BWFC), which showcases films directed by women from the Arab world and Latin America. She is also a documentary filmmaker.

Producer: Hannah Sander

(Image: (L) Bina Ahmed, courtesy Bina Ahmed. (R) Amal Ramsis, credit Rania Zahra.)

MON 05:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckf6z2p)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 05:06 Newsday (w1730c1frc3t18f)

Live news, business and sport from around the world.

MON 06:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckf72tt)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 06:06 Newsday (w1730c1frc3t50k)

Live news, business and sport from around the world.

MON 07:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckf76ky)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 07:06 Newsday (w1730c1frc3t8rp)

Live news, business and sport from around the world.

MON 08:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckf7bb2)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 08:06 The Interview (w3ct8klg)

Patrick Tiernan: War risk is being rewritten

"As there is more drone warfare, more artificial intelligence in the decision making, we're going to have to completely

reimagine how we cover [war]"

Business presenter Felicity Hannah speaks to Patrick Tiernan, who runs the 337-year-old insurance marketplace, Lloyds of London.

He says that autonomous weapons and AI-driven decision-making could change how conflict risk is calculated and insured, because traditional assumptions about how wars escalate may no longer hold.

He says the current risk environment is unlike anything in his company's long history, and that a major state-backed cyber-attack remains one of their realistic disaster scenarios.

Thank you to the BBC Big Boss team its help in making this programme.

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Presenter: Felicity Hannah
Producer: Cordelia Hemming
Editor: Damon Rose

(Image: Patrick Tiernan. Credit: Lloyd's)

MON 08:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljt90xplg)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 08:32 Business Daily (w3ct8gg1)

The BRIC architect's warning for the West

Ed Butler speaks to the man who coined the term BRIC for the emerging economies of Brazil, Russia, India and China. Now back in the headlines as an adviser to Britain's likely next Prime Minister, Andy Burnham, Jim O'Neill argues that Western nations must abandon what he calls their neo-colonial attitudes towards the world's new industrial powerhouses.

Presenter/producer: Ed Butler

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

(Picture: Russian President Vladimir Putin takes part in the virtual BRICS summit in 2025. Credit: VYACHESLAV PROKOFYEV/SPUTNIK/KREMLIN
POOL/EPA/Shutterstock)

MON 08:50 Witness History (w3ct8r3k)

The Kiss of Life photo that earned a Pulitzer Prize

In 1967, American lineman JD Thompson was working on overhead power lines in Jacksonville, Florida, when his colleague Randall Champion accidentally grasped a live cable.

Seeing his friend dangling high above the ground, JD ran over and climbed the pole to perform mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. At the same time, local photographer Rocco Morabito just happened to be driving past and captured the moment.

The image made that evening's edition of the Jacksonville Journal with the caption 'The Kiss of Life' and was soon syndicated around the world.

The following year, Morabito was awarded the 1968 Pulitzer Prize for Spot News Photography.

JD tells Patrick Kiteley how it felt to be involved in such a dramatic rescue.

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 Kiss of Life. Credit: Rocco Morabito - courtesy of the Florida Times-Union/Jacksonville.com)

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MON 09:06 The Newsroom (w1730bqlflwk3g)

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MON 09:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljt90xtbl)

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MON 09:32 CrowdScience (w3ct8k74)

[Repeat of broadcast at 02:32 today]

MON 10:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckf7kth)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 10:06 The History Hour (w3ct99ld)

Buildings of power and the Dada art movement

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

Our guest is Mateja Kurir, associate professor at the University of Ljubljana in Slovenia and the editor of the book, On Power in Architecture.

We start with Jackie Kennedy's 1962 renovation of the United States' White House and the immigrant workers who protested against rent hikes and living conditions in 1970s France.

Next, the toxic explosion in a chemical factory in northern Italy in 1975 and South Sudan's celebration of independence in 2011.

Plus, the art movement Dada which began 110 years ago and went on to influence Surrealism and punk.

Finally, the Wimbledon final of 2008 between Rafael Nadal and Roger Federer which some call the greatest tennis match ever played.

Contributors:
Jackie Kennedy - featured in a CBS TV special in 1962.
Mohammed Kherbachi - witness to the foyer strikes of the 1970s.
Giuseppe Cassina - former Mayor of Seveso.
Malual Bol Kiir - on the time of South Sudan's independence.
Richard Huelsenbeck - interviewed in 1959 for the BBC programme, The Meaning of Dada.
Rafael Nadal - winner of 22 Grand Slam singles titles.

(Photo: The White House in 1962. Credit: Getty Images)

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MON 11:06 The Newsroom (w1730bqlflwl3lq)

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MON 11:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljt90y1tv)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 11:32 The Global Story (w3ct8mc8)

The Global Story

MON 12:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckf7t9l)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 12:06 Outlook (w3ct8hxj)

The prisoner who was forced to celebrate a World Cup victory

Miriam Lewin was never much interested in football. Growing up in Buenos Aires, she cared far more about politics than the team her family supported. But in 1978, when Argentina won the World Cup, she found herself among the celebrating fans, hidden in plain sight as a political prisoner.

A year earlier, aged 19, Miriam had been abducted by Argentina's military dictatorship and became one of the country's desaparecidos – the "disappeared." Detained in secret and tortured because of her political activism, she was later forced to work for the regime, translating foreign news reports and helping produce propaganda aimed at improving its image abroad. From inside the prison system, she also learned of the dictatorship's notorious "death flights."

When Argentina hosted – and won – the World Cup, the military government used the tournament to project an image of national pride and unity. Miriam and other prisoners were taken onto the streets to join the jubilant crowds. Decades later, after becoming a journalist, she helped uncover the regime's crimes and bring former members of the military junta to justice.

This interview contains references to suicide and descriptions of torture.

Presenter: Jo Fidge
Producers: Marcia Veiga and Harry Graham

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(Photo: In this black and white photograph Miriam Lewin looks thoughtfully into the camera with a smile. She has dark shoulder-length hair and is dressed smartly, wearing a white shirt with a striped sleeveless jacket and smart black trousers. She is sitting on a chair and has her hands clasped together on her lap. Credit: Miriam Lewin)

MON 12:50 Witness History (w3ct8r3k)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 today]

MON 13:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckf7y1q)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 13:06 The Newsroom (w1730bqlflwlc2z)
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MON 13:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljt90y9b3)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 13:32 The Conversation (w3ct99np)
[Repeat of broadcast at 04:32 today]

MON 14:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckf81sv)
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MON 14:06 Newshour (w1730bn3cwh8w0x)
Interviews, news and analysis of the day's global events.

MON 15:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckf85jz)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 15:06 The Interview (w3ct8klg)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:06 today]

MON 15:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljt90yjt)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 15:32 Business Daily (w3ct8gg1)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:32 today]

MON 15:50 World Business Express (w3ct8d3j)
World Business Express - Finance, economy and business news from BBC journalists around the world. The stories that matter: World Business Express brings you the essentials on the fast-changing global economy. What forces are driving the markets and industry? Hear unique insight from top CEOs, investors, economic thinkers and small business bosses. From global trade, to oil and food prices and the rise of artificial intelligence, to the corporate crashes and standout entrepreneur start-ups, the BBC World Service brings you trusted reporting. We'll explain how the top stories impact your own finances.

MON 16:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckf8993)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 16:06 Outside Source (w1730c6g9w2yz4w)
2026/07/13 15:06 GMT

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MON 17:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckf8f17)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 17:06 Outside Source (w1730c6g9w2z2x0)
2026/07/13 16:06 GMT

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MON 18:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckf8jse)
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MON 18:06 Outlook (w3ct8hxj)
[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 today]

MON 18:50 Witness History (w3ct8r3k)
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MON 19:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckf8njh)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 19:06 The Newsroom (w1730bqlflwm2kr)
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MON 19:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljt90z0sw)
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MON 19:32 Sport Today (w3ct8rk3)
2026/07/13 GMT

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

MON 20:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckf8s8m)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 20:06 From Our Own Correspondent (w3ct99c6)
[Repeat of broadcast at 04:06 on Sunday]

MON 20:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljt90z4k0)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 20:32 Discovery (w3ct6svs)
Unstoppable: Jocelyn Bell Burnell

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 a young PhD student whose discovery of a previously unknown object in the universe won a Nobel Prize...but not for her.

On a cold night in 1967, Jocelyn Bell Burnell sits alone in an observatory, reading the data from a radio telescope. As the pattern in the data suddenly changes, she realises she has discovered an entirely new kind of cosmic phenomenon. Uncover her life story, from getting snubbed for the Nobel Prize to paving our knowledge of distant and invisible aspects of the universe.

Presenters: Ella Hubber and Julia Ravey
Guest Speaker: Professor Dame Jocelyn Bell Burnell
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: Jocelyn Bell Burnell attends the 2019 Breakthrough Prize at NASA Ames Research Center on November 4, 2018 in Mountain View, California. Credit: Kimberly White/Getty Images for Breakthrough Prize)

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MON 23:06 The Newsroom (w1730bqlflwmkk8)
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MON 23:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljt90zhsd)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 23:32 World Business Report (w3ct8fn6)
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The latest business and finance news from around the world, on the BBC.

TUESDAY 14 JULY 2026

TUE 00:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckf9884)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 00:06 The History Hour (w3ct99ld)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:06 on Monday]

TUE 01:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckf9d08)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 01:06 The Newsroom (w1730bqlflwmt1j)
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TUE 01:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljt90zr8n)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

TUE 01:32 The Global Story (w3ct8mc8)
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:32 on Monday]

TUE 02:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckf9hrd)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 02:06 The Newsroom (w1730bqlflwmxsn)
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TUE 02:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljt90zw0s)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

TUE 02:32 Assignment (w3ct8h1d)
Euthanasia in Spain – whose life is it anyway?

In March this year, 25-year-old Noelia Castillo died by lethal injection. Her father had fought in the courts for nearly 2 years to stop her euthanasia, but failed in the attempt. And the debate about who has the right to challenge an adult's decision to have euthanasia hasn't gone away. In May, the Supreme Court ruled that those with, 'a particularly close connection' to the person wanting to die may have the right to contest an application for euthanasia.

Of the 565 people who died by euthanasia in 2025 in Spain, 73 chose to donate their organs. Noelia Castillo wasn't an organ donor, but there are claims she was pressured to become one. And now the lawyers who have represented her parents are advocating a ban on organ donation in euthanasia cases.

Why does this matter? Spain's health service supports one of the world's most successful organ donation programmes. Last year more than 2,500 Spanish people became organ donors after death. And although the number of those who had

euthanasia was tiny, the beneficiaries are very real... People like Carne, who was transplanted with a new face.

For Assignment on the BBC World Service, Esperanza Escribano and Linda Pressly explore some of the fall-out from the death of Noelia Castillo.

Producers: Esperanza Escribano and Linda Pressly
Sound mix: Neil Churchill
Production Co-ordinator: Gemma Ashman
Editor: Penny Murphy

(Photo: Carne had the first face transplant in the world from a woman who had chosen euthanasia. Credit: family hand-out)

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TUE 04:06 The Newsroom (w1730bqlflwn58x)

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TUE 04:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljt9103j1)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

TUE 04:32 In the Studio (w3ct815j)

Zain Duraie

Jordanian director Zain Duraie talks about her debut film Sink, an intense family drama about a mother coping with her son's mental health issues. Zain reveals the severe difficulties she faced to get the film financed, why she sought out the advice of other directors and how the film Titanic changed her life. And she offers her own tips for what might be film-makers.

Produced and presented by Stephen Hughes

If you've been affected by issues raised in this programme, you may want to speak to a health professional or an organisation that offers support

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TUE 05:06 Newsday (w1730c1frc3wy5j)

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TUE 06:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckf9zqx)

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TUE 07:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckfb3h1)

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TUE 07:06 Newsday (w1730c1frc3x5ns)

Live news, business and sport from around the world.

TUE 08:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckfb775)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 08:06 People Fixing The World (w3ct8t10)

How to reuse and repair

Across the world, everyday products — from kitchen appliances to electronics — are often thrown away rather than repaired. The latest UN estimates suggest people generate around 2 billion tonnes of household and everyday waste each year. This week we travel to Argentina to meet people finding new ways to keep old things in use. We visit Club de Reparadores, where people are learning how to fix everything from toasters to microwaves, meet the women behind Lindor who transform old blankets into coats, and join the group Cybercirujas as they find new uses for discarded computers.

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Presenter: Myra Anubi
Reporter/producer: Jane Chambers
Executive Producer: Richard Kenny
Editor: Jon Bithrey
Sound mix: Gareth Jones

TUE 08:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljt910lhk)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

TUE 08:32 Business Daily (w3ct8gr2)

Business Daily

The daily drama of money and work from the BBC.

TUE 08:50 Witness History (w3ct9863)

Creating Canada's largest territory

For generations, Inuit communities lived across the Arctic, travelling with the seasons and relying on the land. But in the mid-20th century, Canadian government policies, including relocations, moved many into permanent settlements, reshaping their way of life.

In the 1970s, a new generation of Inuit activists launched a movement to reclaim control over their land and push for greater autonomy.

In 1999, the newly created Nunavut territory gained its own government.

Inuit politician and activist Paul Quassa tells Sam Gruet about the fight to regain control over their land, the long negotiations with the federal government, and the moment he felt the campaign had succeeded.

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(Photo: Cambridge Bay. Credit: Arctic Images via Getty Images)

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TUE 09:06 The Newsroom (w1730bqlflwns0k)

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TUE 09:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljt910q7p)

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TUE 09:32 Assignment (w3ct8h1d)

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TUE 10:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckfbgqf)

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TUE 10:06 The Arts Hour (w3ct8h85)

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TUE 11:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckfblgk)

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TUE 11:32 The Global Story (w3ct8mhs)

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Outlook

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

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TUE 13:06 The Newsroom (w1730bqlflwp802)

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TUE 13:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljt911676)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

TUE 13:32 In the Studio (w3ct815j)

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TUE 14:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckfbypy)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 14:06 Newshour (w1730bn3chwcy0)

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

TUE 15:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckfc2g2)

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TUE 15:06 People Fixing The World (w3ct8t10)

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TUE 15:32 Business Daily (w3ct8gr2)

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TUE 15:50 World Business Express (w3ct8d81)

Ethanol fuels row in India

Motorists fume as the Indian government mandates that petrol must contain 20% ethanol. Some older car engines are not designed to run on 20% ethanol.

Samsung announces a record rise in profits on the back of selling memory chips for artificial intelligence, but the company's shares fall on the news.

And Suranjana Tewari reports from Beijing where robotaxis are an increasing feature of the city's traffic.

TUE 16:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckfc666)

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TUE 16:06 Outside Source (w1730c6g9w31w1z)

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TUE 20:06 Assignment (w3ct8h1d)
[Repeat of broadcast at 02:32 today]

TUE 20:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljt9121g3)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

TUE 20:32 Tech Life (w3ct8jy4)
Tech Life

Tech Life discovers and explains the ways technology is changing our lives, wherever we are in the world.

TUE 21:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckfcsvx)
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WED 02:32 The Climate Question (w3ct99hq)
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WED 04:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljt9130f4)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

WED 04:32 The Documentary (w3ct9bd2)
How did we get here: Israel and the Palestinians

Jonny Dymond explores the contested history of the region from ancient times to the present day through conversations with an array of leading historians and BBC specialists.

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WED 08:06 The Interview (w3ct98h4)
The Interview

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WED 08:50 Witness History (w3ct988c)
Turkey's failed coup

On 15 July, over 300 people were killed and more than 2,100 injured when rogue soldiers commandeered warplanes, tanks and helicopters in a failed coup attempt against President Tayyip Erdogan.

Some of the fiercest fighting took place on the first bridge linking Europe to Asia. It was there civilians and police confronted soldiers in deadly clashes. The waterfront neighbourhood of Çengelköy is directly below the Bosphorus bridge. As soldiers began passing through it, the neighbourhood Mukhtar, the elected head, rallied residents to set up barricades.

Emily Wither speaks to that head, Can Cumhurcu, who stood his ground with his neighbours outside the local police station until he was shot by a soldier.

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(Photo: People take over a tank near the Fatih Sultan Mehmet bridge. Credit: Gurcan Ozturk/ Stringer via Getty Images)

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WED 20:32 Health Check (w3ct8k2n) Health Check Health issues and medical breakthroughs from around the world. WED 21:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckfgpty) The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service. WED 21:06 Newshour (w1730bn3cwhhj20) Interviews, news and analysis of the day's global events. WED 22:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckfglt2) The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service. WED 22:06 The Interview (w3ct98h4) [Repeat of broadcast at 08:06 today] WED 22:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljt9155vg) The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service. WED 22:32 The Documentary (w3ct9bd2) [Repeat of broadcast at 04:32 today] WED 23:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckfgyb6) The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service. WED 23:06 The Newsroom (w1730bqlflwtccg) The world's Newsroom brings you global events as they happen WED 23:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljt9159ll) The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service. 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THU 02:06 The Newsroom (w1730bqlflwtlvq) The world's Newsroom brings you global events as they happen THU 02:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljt915ntz) The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service. THU 02:32 The Documentary (w3ct9chf) The Chinese Fentanyl King Zhang Zhidong was, by every account, brilliant. He graduated from China's most elite university and spoke fluent Spanish. He arrived in Mexico in his mid-twenties to work in mining, and quickly learnt to establish relationships with the whoever the top dog was — whether from the local government, or the underworld. He's accused of building a criminal empire that made him a critical link between Chinese chemical factories and the cartel flooding the United States with fentanyl. Cartel members in Mexico called him “El Rey”, the king of fentanyl, or “numero uno”, or his alias “Brother Wang”. He is now imprisoned in the US facing drug trafficking charges. BBC investigates his rise and fall — speaking to a former friend who worked with him in Mexico , to drug cartel members who say they witnessed his influence first-hand, and to the researchers who have spent years untangling the network he allegedly ran. THU 03:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckfhf9q) The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service. THU 03:06 Outlook (w3ct8jkv) [Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 on Wednesday] THU 03:50 Witness History (w3ct988c) [Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 on Wednesday] THU 04:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckfhk1v) The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service. THU 04:06 The Newsroom (w1730bqlflwtz33) The world's Newsroom brings you global events as they happen THU 04:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljt915xb7) The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service. THU 04:32 The Food Chain (w3ct8sw8) The Food Chain The Food Chain examines the business, science and cultural significance of food, and what it takes to put food on your plate. THU 05:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckfhnsz) The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service. THU 05:06 Newsday (w1730c1frc42zqz)
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Live news, business and sport from around the world.

THU 06:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckfhs3)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 06:06 Newsday (w1730c1frc42vqv)

Live news, business and sport from around the world.

THU 07:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckfhn97)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 07:06 Newsday (w1730c1frc42zg)

Live news, business and sport from around the world.

THU 08:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckfj11c)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 08:06 The Inquiry (w3ct98px)

Are we closer to gene therapy for sickle cell disease being accessible?

Gene therapy has changed what is possible for people living with sickle cell disease.

New treatments have shown that the condition can be successfully treated. But the therapy is costly and available to only a small number of patients.

Millions of people around the world still rely on early diagnosis and preventative medicines, with access to basic care remaining a challenge in many places, including sub-Saharan Africa, which has almost 80% of global sickle cell cases.

This week on The Inquiry, we're asking: Are we closer to gene therapy for sickle cell disease being accessible?

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(Photo: Cell lines are prepared in a laboratory in Maryland, US. Credit: Brendan Smialowski/Getty Images)

THU 08:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljt916d9r)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 08:32 Business Daily (w3ct8glk)

Business Daily

The daily drama of money and work from the BBC.

THU 08:50 Witness History (w3ct98bm)

Birkin bag: creating fashion's iconic accessory

In 1985, one of the world's most recognisable fashion accessories was first launched – the Birkin handbag.

Its origins have since become legend. The actress and model Jane Birkin said she was on a flight to London when her bag and contents spilt over the floor.

The passenger sitting next to her remarked that she needed a bigger bag, and offered to make it for her. His name was Jean-Louis Dumas, then chief executive of the leather goods company, Hermès.

The design was sketched on the plane's sickbag, and the resulting leather holdall was christened the Birkin, after its inspiration.

Today, the price tag ranges from a few thousand dollars to more than \$200,000 for limited design versions, and it's often seen on the arms of celebrities and socialites.

Jane Wilkinson looks back at its history, using BBC archive.

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 original Birkin bag. Credit: Edward Berthelot/Getty Images)

THU 09:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckfj4sh)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 09:06 The Newsroom (w1730bqlflwvkt)

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THU 09:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljt916j1w)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 09:32 The Documentary (w3ct9chf)

[Repeat of broadcast at 02:32 today]

THU 10:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckfj8jm)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 10:06 The Explanation (w3ct98mn)

The Media Show

Where the world is explained. Making sense of the big stories - looking behind the spin. Exploring the important questions about long-running stories and the latest global news. An honest, unvarnished, explanation of the world.

THU 10:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljt916mt0)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 10:32 Over to You (w3ct99kn)

BBC World Service cuts: What is being lost?

The BBC's recent announcement of substantial cuts across the organisation will affect World Service listeners, as three programmes face closure. We put your questions to Jon Zilka, controller of BBC World Service English, and explore what the changes mean for audiences.

We also go behind the scenes at the Wimbledon Championships to discover how the World Service's flagship sports programme, Sportsworld, prepares for an action-packed month of live sport.

Not by the Playbook explores the inspiring stories of athletes who have overcome adversity and achieved success in unconventional ways. Presenter Qasa Alom speaks to its presenter, Katie Smith, about how the programme reveals the human stories behind sporting achievements.

Presenter: Qasa Alom

Producer: Simon Jarvis

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THU 11:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckfjd8r)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 11:06 The Newsroom (w1730bqlflwvbt0)

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THU 11:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljt916rk4)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 11:32 The Global Story (w3ct8mfj)

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THU 12:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckfjj0w)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 12:06 Outlook (w3ct8j49)

Outlook

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

THU 12:50 Witness History (w3ct98bm)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 today]

THU 13:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckfjms0)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 13:06 The Newsroom (w1730bqlflwv1t8)

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THU 13:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljt91701d)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 13:32 The Food Chain (w3ct8sw8)

[Repeat of broadcast at 04:32 today]

THU 14:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckfjrj4)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 14:06 Newshour (w1730bn3cwhkk6)

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

THU 15:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckfjw88)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 15:06 The Inquiry (w3ct98px)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:06 today]

THU 15:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljt9177jn)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 15:32 Business Daily (w3ct8glk)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:32 today]

THU 15:50 World Business Express (w3ct8d5s)

World Business Express - Finance, economy and business news from BBC journalists around the world. The stories that matter: World Business Express brings you the essentials on the fast-changing global economy. What forces are driving the markets and industry? Hear unique insight from top CEOs, investors, economic thinkers and small business bosses.

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THU 16:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckfk00d)

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THU 16:06 Outside Source (w1730c6g9w37nw5)

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THU 17:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckfk3rj)

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THU 17:06 Outside Source (w1730c6g9w37sm9)

2026/07/16 16:06 GMT

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THU 18:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckfk7hn)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

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Around half a million people fled the fighting, but some chose to return even as the conflict continued. One of them was eight-year-old Felisa Umbon San Vicente. In 1937, her mother brought the family back from France to their village near Bilbao, in Spain's northern Basque Country, close to the French border. Felisa tells Ivana Davidovic about starting school and growing up during the war, as her region fell to Franco's forces. 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. 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FRI 09:32 BBC Inside Science (w3ct977w) [Repeat of broadcast at 20:32 on Thursday] FRI 10:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckfml5fq) The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service. FRI 10:06 Unexpected Elements (w3ct8kcp) Unexpected Elements The news you know, the science you don't. Unexpected Elements looks beyond everyday narratives to discover a goldmine of scientific stories and connections from around the globe. From Afonauts, to why we argue, to a deep dive on
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FRI 13:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckfmjp3)
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FRI 14:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckfmnf7)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 14:06 Newshour (w1730bn3cwhngn9)
Interviews, news and analysis of the day's global events.

FRI 15:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckfms5c)
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FRI 15:06 The Interview (w3ct98kd)
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FRI 15:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljt91b4fr)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 15:32 Business Daily (w3ct8g9j)
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FRI 15:50 World Business Express (w3ct8d18)
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FRI 19:00 BBC News (w1730nkqckfn84w)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 19:06 The Newsroom (w1730bqlflwzp64)
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FRI 19:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljt91bmf8)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 19:32 Sport Today (w3ct8rgv)
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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 (w1730nkqckfncx0)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 20:06 BBC Conversations (w3ct8m3w)
BBC Conversations

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

FRI 20:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nljt91br5d)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 20:32 CrowdScience (w3ct8k75)
Are there diseases in space?

Space missions are searching for evidence of extra-terrestrial life. CrowdScience listener George in Kenya wants to know what could be up there, and if there's a risk it could harm humanity.

With rovers currently analysing samples on Mars, and two missions due to set off to search for the building blocks of life on Jupiter's icy moons, George's concern that there could be diseases in space is timely. Presenter Anand Jagatia sets out to try and find an answer while keeping his feet on the Earth.

He meets astrobiologist Dr Michaela Musilova, who runs experiments to try and understand what kinds of microbes could survive on other planets. In her work at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory, she recreates Mars-like environments that test lifeforms' resilience to the rigours of the Red Planet.

And if there are harmful pathogens in space, how do we make sure these missions don't bring them back to Earth? Anand talks to 'planetary protection officer' Silvio Sinibaldi from the European Space Agency, who explains what experts are doing to protect us. He helps Anand get suited and booted in specialist clothing so they can enter a highly sterile environment called a 'clean room', where things being sent to space are built.

He also meets Paul Meacham, former chief engineer on the Rosalind Franklin Rover. The rover is being sent to Mars to try to determine whether life ever existed there, and even whether it still does.

Paul shows us around the factory where his team built the rover and demonstrates their high-tech measures to avoid contamination.

And what would a programme on space be without an

astronaut? Anand meets Kate Rubins, who spent 300 days on the International Space Station. While she was there, she ran experiments investigating what happens to microbes in space. It turns out that microbes affect humans differently in orbit to how they affect us on Earth.

So if microbes from Earth become more 'alien' as they travel, what might happen to microbes from space?

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