

SATURDAY 01 AUGUST 2026**SAT 00:00 BBC News (w1730nkr3327536)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 00:06 Unexpected Elements (w3ct8kcr)

Down The Rabbit Hole

75 years ago, Walt Disney's Alice in Wonderland hit our screens, welcoming us into a technicolour, topsy-turvy world of eccentric characters – including the Mad Hatter, the Cheshire Cat, the Queen of Hearts, the White Rabbit and many more.

On Unexpected Elements, we're tumbling down the rabbit hole to uncover the strange and surprising science hidden within the classic story.

We'll find out how bizzarro land of Lewis Carroll's original novel was inspired by the real scientific discoveries of his time? Dr. Franziska Kohlt tells us how Wonderland made sense of science for children – and we learn about a few scientific theories that have taken inspiration from Alice herself.

We also meet shrinking shrews, get wide-eyed over some adorable animals, and go underground to solve a subatomic puzzle.

All that, plus many more Unexpected Elements.

Presenter: Marnie Chesterton

Producers: Robbie Wojciechowski, Alice McKee, Imy Harper, and Nada Soufi

SAT 01:00 BBC News (w1730nkr33278vb)

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SAT 01:06 The Newsroom (w1730bqm54jkwpl)

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SAT 01:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlkjtnxn3q)

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SAT 01:32 The Global Story (w3ct8m92)

Is embryo selection allowing parents to 'build-a-baby'?

IVF is responsible for about 2% of all births in the United States each year. The revolutionary technology has not only reshaped society's beliefs about fertility, but enabled geneticists and expectant parents to screen for certain genetic conditions and to select and implant the healthiest possible embryos. Prenatal genetic testing has been championed as a scientific marvel, allowing parents to spare their offspring from certain debilitating, untreatable, and sometimes fatal genetic conditions. But some critics warn that the selecting for genetic characteristics bears a resemblance to eugenics – a discriminatory pseudoscience popularized in the early twentieth century, focused on maximising particular characteristics in the human population. Geneticist Adam Rutherford from University College London joins us to consider the ethical complexities of genetic screening.

Producer: Xandra Ellin

Executive producers: Bridget Harney and James Shield

Mix: Travis Evans

Digital producer: Matt Pintus

Studio manager: Mike Regaard

Senior news editor: China Collins

Photo: File photo dated 19/05/08 of a woman looking through a microscope. Credit: David Davies/PA Wire

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SAT 02:32 Stumped (w3ct99fk)

New era for England as Stephen Fleming appointed Test coach

Eleanor Oldroyd, Jim Maxwell and Charu Sharma react to the news that England have appointed Stephen Fleming as their new Test coach with Joe Root returning as skipper. Charu feels he could be a calming influence, while Jim believes it doesn't matter that England have appointed another coach from overseas. It's the first time Fleming has taken charge of a red

ball team after having success in franchise cricket, winning IPL titles with Chennai Super Kings.

England legend and World Cup winner, Heather Knight, tells Stumped about her new role with London Spirit and says she intends to continue playing franchise cricket.

Plus, could we see cricket at the Commonwealth Games in 2030? It's under consideration to be included and Jim and Charu have differing views on the impact it could make

Photo:Photo: Texas Super Kings Head Coach Stephen Fleming is seen prior to the Major League Cricket match between Texas Super Kings and Washington Freedom on Wednesday July 02, 2025 at Central Broward Regional Park, Fort Lauderdale, Florida.(Credit: Icon Sportswire via Getty Images)

SAT 03:00 BBC News (w1730nkr3327jbl)

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SAT 03:06 Outlook (w3ct8hpt)

Outlook Mixtape: Eureka! part 1

The dreamers, tinkers and maverick inventors whose ideas travelled far beyond their expectations.

American engineer Lonnie Johnson helped to develop the stealth bomber and Nasa's Galileo space mission to Jupiter. But the invention he is best known for is the Super Soaker water gun. It's one of the best-selling toys of all time, and made millions of dollars for Lonnie.

The song Under Mi Sleng Teng was a massive Jamaican dancehall hit in the 80s, and the electronic sample it used was borrowed by lots of other artists too. Its sound changed the direction of Jamaican music, but the sample itself had been created in Japan five years before. The woman behind it was pianist Okuda Hiroko, a reggae fan employed by Casio to make pre-set tunes for their new range of keyboards. She had no idea how famous her work would become.

Swedish-American Simone Giertz describes herself as "the queen of bad robots, mistress of malfunctions and the mother of terrible inventions". They include: an alarm clock that slaps you awake, a machine for applying lipstick, and a contraption for shampooing your hair.

When brothers Abdoulaye and Ibrahim Barry were growing up in the 1980s in Guinea, the Fulani language - which is spoken by millions of people across the world – didn't have its own alphabet, instead having to borrow letters from Arabic to be written down. With the support of their father, the brothers – aged just 10 and 14 – set about creating a formalised alphabet for Fulani.

Heine Allemagne is the inventor of the magic vanishing spray that the referees were using to mark out white lines on the pitch for free kicks in the World Cup. The story of how he came up with the idea is as intriguing as any football match.

Presenter: India Rakusen

Producer: Hannah Dean

SAT 03:50 Witness History (w3ct98dy)

The cellist who survived Auschwitz-Birkenau

In 1943, the cellist, Anita Lasker-Wallfisch was sent to the Auschwitz-Birkenau concentration camp. She expected to be killed in the gas chambers but survived because she was recruited to play in an orchestra set up by the women prisoners.

In 2015, Anita Lasker-Wallfisch told Simon Watts about her experience and the power of music in the darkest moments in history.

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.

(Picture: Holocaust survivor Anita Lasker-Wallfisch. Credit: Jim Watson/AFP via Getty Images)

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SAT 05:32 Dear Daughter (w3ct9cgw)

Donor conceived

Emma, who is from Denmark, grew up with openness about her donor conception from the very start. When she was a baby, her parents wrote her a letter explaining how she came into the world, putting it inside a children's book they made especially for her.

Emma and her mother Ida tell Namulanta Kombo about that decision to share the story early — what it meant for Emma as she was growing up, how their understanding has shifted over time, and what openness around donor conception looks like.

SAT 05:50 More or Less (w3ct9991)

Would you take £50,000 or a 50/50 chance of £1m?

If you had a choice between instantly receiving £50,000 or a 50% chance to win £1m, which would you pick?

When YouGov asked exactly that question to people in the UK, 73% said they would take the £50,000, while 21% opted for the 50/50 chance of winning £1m.

As you may or may not have imagined, this finding provoked outrage on Twitter, with people saying the UK appeared incredibly risk averse. "This is what's wrong with Britain," wrote celebrity polling analyst and More or Less interviewee Nate Silver.

But is the result surprising, when you know a bit more about how people make decisions like this? BBC economics editor Faisal Islam explains why he thinks not.

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Presenter: Lizzy McNeill

Series producer: Tom Colls

Production co-ordinator: Siobhan Reed

Sound mix: Donald MacDonald

Editor: Richard Vadon

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SAT 06:00 BBC News (w1730nkr3327wkz)

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SAT 06:06 Weekend (w1730c5nlp4880g)

A review of the week with the latest news.

SAT 07:00 BBC News (w1730nkr33280b3)

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SAT 07:06 Weekend (w1730c5nlp48crl)

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SAT 08:00 BBC News (w1730nkr3328427)

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SAT 08:06 Weekend (w1730c5nlp48hhq)

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SAT 09:00 BBC News (w1730nkr33287tc)

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SAT 09:06 BBC Conversations (w3ct8m3y)
Wildfires in Europe

Wildfires continue to burn across the continent. Thousands of people have been evacuated on the Greek island of Crete, as well as in western France, Spain, Portugal and Turkey.

A blaze in central Spain has burned almost 80,000 hectares over the last week and is now considered the largest recorded wildfire in Spanish history.

With temperatures hitting more than 40 degrees Celsius in south-western France, firefighters, planes and helicopters have been battling fires there.

Muriele in France and Julian in Spain share their experiences of escaping the flames. Robin – on holiday with his family – describes what it was like as the fire approached their French campsite.

“The pool was getting filled up with ash, you could see all black pine needles, bits of bark that were burnt, it blocked out the sun,” Robin tells us. “It was almost like you imagine from a film, the beginning of the end of the world.”

We also bring together volunteers in France, helping to provide food and shelter for people displaced from their homes.

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BBC producer: Iqra Farooq, Isabella Bull and Ben Davis
Boffin Media producer: Richard Hollingham
Editors: Arja Haikonen and Harriet Oliver
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(Photo: A firefighter battles flames in Valpacos, Portugal.
Credit: EPA/Shutterstock)

SAT 09:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlkjtym2r)
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SAT 09:32 Americast (w3ct8lzf)
The Democrats need to win Michigan... so why is it splitting the party?

The Democrats almost certainly need to win the Senate race in Michigan if they are to take control of Congress in November's midterm elections but picking a candidate is exposing a stark choice for the party. Next week party members in the state will decide between a left wing candidate backed by Bernie Sanders and Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, and a centrist candidate backed by establishment Democrats like Gretchen Whitmer.

It's opened up a debate about whether the success of other progressive candidates like Zohran Mamdani could be replicated across the country as the Democrats build a strategy to take on the Republicans at the midterms and beyond.

Just how important is the race in Michigan for the Democrats, and will the outcome have an outsized role in deciding how they approach the 2028 presidential election?

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- Justin Webb, Radio 4 presenter
- Sumi Somaskanda, BBC News chief presenter

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SAT 10:00 BBC News (w1730nkr3328ckh)
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SAT 10:06 Not by the Playbook (w3ct996s)
A common goal

The Commonwealth Games - known as the Friendly Games - are held every four years. They have a three word moto "Humanity - showing that sport brings people together. Equality - that sport is for everyone. And Destiny - that sport is just the beginning. It's the only sporting event that combines both able bodied and para athletes. And the Commonwealth Games are a chance for smaller nations to shine in the sporting spotlight

In 2014, Tonga had no national netball team, coach, squad, or training facilities. Determined to change that, former television news anchor Salote Sisifa became CEO of Tonga Netball and promised the board that within five years she would build a team capable of competing internationally and reaching the world's top ten by 2025. If she failed, she would resign. Alongside, Head Coach Jaqua Pori-Makea-Simpson, Salote propelled Tonga from 42nd to 7th in the world rankings navigating national disaster, the Covid-19 pandemic, and restricted resources along the way. Sophia Hartley examines Tonga's extraordinary journey and how they have become a formidable force on the international stage. Their next milestone is their Commonwealth Games debut in 2026.

In the pool Olympic Champion Freya Anderson is aiming add to her already impressive medal collection. But Freya doesn't just have the opposition to beat, she has a condition which causes chronic pain; especially tough given her gruelling training schedule. Three years ago she was diagnosed with Endometriosis. Now back to her competitive best, Freya is raising awareness of the condition through her charity "Fast and Female".

Diminutive weight-lifter, Precious McKenzie was a prodigious talent. Apartheid prevented him from competing for his native South Africa. So Precious moved to the UK and worked in a shoe factory. While doing so, he finally achieved international success at the 1966 Commonwealth Games in Jamaica.

Photo: Tonga fan during the Netball World Cup 2023
(CREDIT: Shaun Roy/Gallo Images/Netball World Cup 2023 via Getty Images)

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SAT 11:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlkjtynv10)
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SAT 11:32 Health Check (w3ct8k2q)
Steering in the right direction to road safety

Road accidents are a leading cause of death and injury around the world, and in 2020, the UN General Assembly set a target to reduce road deaths by 50% by 2030. Claudia Hammond is joined by BBC Health reporter Philippa Roxby to look at new research which explores how road injury trends have changed globally over the past three decades, and discuss what these trends mean for public health and safety.

India is facing shortages of important chemotherapy drugs as the price of the precious metal platinum has soared. Journalist Chhavi Sachdev reports on the situation from Mumbai.

The prediction market platform Kalshi has announced that they will now be allowing users to place bets on the outcomes of clinical trials and FDA approvals. Claudia speaks with Nikola Biller-Andorno, Professor of Biomedical Ethics at the University of Zurich, to understand what this could mean for clinical research going forward.

Also what is really happening to the body when it goes to space? New research suggests our cells react to microgravity in surprising ways. And how introducing fish to rice fields in Senegal could halt the spread of the neglected tropical disease, schistosomiasis.

Presenter: Claudia Hammond
Producers: Georgia Christie and Jonathan Blackwell

SAT 12:00 BBC News (w1730nkr3328m1r)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 12:06 World Book Club (w3ct97sz)
Kaarina Parker - Fulvia

Harriett speaks with Kaarina Parker about her debut novel set in ancient Rome - Fulvia.

The novel tells the tale of Fulvia, the daughter of a wealthy but inconsequential Roman family. Raised in the country, she yearns for excitement, for power. When her father dies and her inheritance is threatened, Fulvia makes her way to Rome to forge her own fate.

There she marries a young aristocrat named Clodius, who is more interested in his hedonistic pleasures than politics. Fulvia is drawn into his world of debauchery, and learns that the balance of power in the Republic is precarious. Her ambition drives them both to political power that draws the attention of the senate, as well as shadowy underworld opponents. The heart of the Empire proves to be a dangerous place, and Fulvia soon learns that her ambitions may come at a terrible cost.

Kaarina will be answering your questions about the place of women in Ancient Rome, how to balance historical back with unique storytelling, and why historical fiction from a female perspective is so popular with contemporary readers.

SAT 13:00 BBC News (w1730nkr3328qsw)
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SAT 13:06 Newshour (w1730bn43f49k0y)
Interviews, news and analysis of the day's global events.

SAT 14:00 BBC News (w1730nkr3328vk0)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 14:06 Sportsworld (w1730c8yckl1fpn)
Live Sporting Action

John Bennett will bring you the latest from the penultimate day of the Commonwealth Games with the Sportsworld team in Glasgow. There are a huge 44 gold medals to be won across athletics and Para-athletics, boxing, track and Para-track cycling, and judo.

British long distance runner Innes Fitzgerald also joins Ed Harry and Ade Adedoyin on the latest Warm Up Track.

Away from the games, we'll look ahead to the biggest game of the Women's Africa Cup of Nations group stages, where defending champions Nigeria face Zambia and also reflect on the action so far.

Sportsworld's Justice Baidoo also meets the talented dreamers who hope to become the next generation of African superstars at Ghana's Right To Dream football academy.

It's also day three of the Women's Open at Royal Lytham & St Annes. And with the first stage of the Tour de France Femmes underway, we'll relive the story of the 2025 race with champion Pauline Ferrand-Prevot and hear her hopes on defending the yellow jersey.

Photo: A general view as athletes compete in the Men's 10,000 Metres Final during the Athletics on day five of the Glasgow 2026 Commonwealth Games at Scotstoun Stadium on July 28, 2026 in Glasgow, Scotland. (Credit: Getty Images)

SAT 18:00 BBC News (w1730nkr3329bjj)
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SAT 18:06 The Newsroom (w1730bqm54jmrks)
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SAT 18:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlkjtznpsx)
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SAT 18:32 Dear Daughter (w3ct9cgw)
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SAT 18:50 Sporting Witness (w3ct8rxg)
When Hearts' dream season turned sour

In 1986, Edinburgh football club Heart of Midlothian, known as Hearts, came within touching distance of glory.

Just a few years earlier, the club had been in serious trouble, both on and off the pitch. But under manager Alex MacDonald, Hearts mounted an extraordinary challenge in a league long dominated by Glasgow rivals Celtic and Rangers, the Old Firm.

Reena Stanton-Sharma tells the story through BBC archive interviews with midfielder Gary Mackay and striker John 'Robbo' Robertson, as they remember the joy, pressure and heartbreak of a remarkable season.

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: Gary Mackay (centre) runs with the ball as Stewart McKimmie (left) of Aberdeen chases during the Scottish Cup Final match at Hampden Park in Glasgow in 1986. Credit: Allsport UK /Allsport)

SAT 19:00 BBC News (w1730nkr3329g8n)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 19:06 The Documentary (w3ct9cjlw)
The Sound of Soft Power

In 2025, Voice of America was thrust into the spotlight when the bulk of its funding was taken away. But in an era shaped by the internet and social media revolutions and with the West's funding priorities changing, it wasn't the first international broadcaster to go quiet. The soft power war of the airwaves has now moved to a decisive phase.

Josephine McDermott traces the start of international radio and its heyday through World War II and the Cold War as a tool of soft power. Hear the hosts of shortwave radio, from the Nazi propagandists Lord Haw Haw and Mildred Gillars to Doris Maxina, the presenter of Soviet radio's Moscow Mailbag, plus June Taylor, the New Zealander who became the global voice of communist Albania.

Tune in to the sounds lost to time from Radio Netherlands' Happy Station Show to Radio Berlin International, and the Russian version of the British institution The Archers which came about following the collapse of the USSR.

Featuring:

Thomas Witherspoon, creator of the Shortwave Radio Audio Archive

Jamie Shea, NATO spokesperson from 1993 to 2000

Sir John Tusa, managing director of the BBC World Service from 1986 to 1992

Ivana Stradner, research fellow at the Foundation for Defence of Democracies in the United States

Nic Newman, senior research associate at the Reuters Institute for the Study of Journalism at Oxford University, UK

With archive from the Shortwave Radio Audio Archive, including recordings from Thomas Witherspoon, Paul Watson, Greg Shoom, Mark Hirst, Tom Gavarras and Keith Perron. Moscow Mailbag recording from KSN's Tech Topics on YouTube.

Presenter: Josephine McDermott

SAT 20:00 BBC News (w1730nkr3329l0s)
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SAT 20:06 The Arts Hour (w3ct8h88)
Uzoamaka Power on her rom com, Call of My Life

Actor, writer and director Uzoamaka Power talks about her rom com, Call of My Life, which has been breaking box office records in Nigeria

Nikki Bedi reflects on other cultural highlights of the week with critic Zing Tsjeng:

The Country-Pop Canadian superstar singer Shania Twain on how she got her big break

Indian director Tarsem Singh on his cult classic film The Fall, two decades on

British singer-songwriter and actor Nadine Shah shares her Pakistani musical heroine

Oscar-winning actor JK Simmons on playing bad guys and his new role in The Westies

The American essayist and humorist David Sedaris on performing live

And music from Xuefei Yang, China's first internationally recognized guitarist

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SAT 21:06 Newshour (w1730bn43f4bhzz)
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SAT 22:06 Not by the Playbook (w3ct996s)
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SAT 23:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlkjpg09jk)
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SAT 23:32 This Is Africa (w3ct8tdc)
L'Oiseau Rare

From thief to music star whose greatest wish is to make money to help the poor – that's the inspiring story of Gabon's L'Oiseau Rare, DJ Edu's featured artist this week.

L'Oiseau Rare is now one of Gabon's most successful artists. His numerous hits include Kati-K and Niamatos, as well as collaborations with Didi B from Ivory Coast and Shatta Wale from Ghana.

As he tells TIA, L'Oiseau Rare originally wanted to be an architect, then a pilot, but fell into a life of crime and ended up spending time in prison for theft.

While he was behind bars, he discovered his musical talent. Thanks to the encouragement of the other inmates, he was determined to turn his life around and make a career in music once he had served his time.

He says his experience has made him very focused and hard working and he is now a devout Muslim. He takes pleasure in inspiring others to quit crime as he did, and he wants to become a big philanthropist.

Presenter: DJ Edu
Producer: Catherine Fellows
Interviewer and translator: Ata Ahli Ahebla
Voiceover: Hygin Ndjoli

DJ Edu's 10in10 tracklisting

Perfect Timing - Yeezir (Namibia)
My Life - Ozaguin (Central African Republic)
Luz Apagada - Mungoz & Deny Beat ft Okenio M (Angola)
Ndokudai NeMoyo - Jnr Spragga (Zimbabwe)
Shake That – Patoranking ft Ruger (Nigeria)
Peace ar twa - O'bra (Mauritius)
3ROOS ALBA7AR - SayaX (Libya)
I Need You - Nelson Freitas ft Anderson Mário (Cabo Verde)
Middle - Vinka (Uganda)
Dance Samawaah! - Collo Blue & NDOVU KUU (Kenya)

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SUN 00:06 BBC Conversations (w3ct8m3y)
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SUN 00:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlkjpg0f8p)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 00:32 The Documentary (w3ct9ch6)
A battle that changed Ireland

The 1st of July 1916 is still one of the deadliest days in the history of warfare. Nearly 20,000 men from the British Army and 6,000 German soldiers were killed on the first day of the Battle of the Somme. The World War One battle would last another four months and was one of the first examples of industrial warfare; three million men fought in it, over a-million soldiers were wounded, missing or killed.

Jordan Dunbar investigates how, 110 years on, the battle still affects people and communities, and discovers new insights about its impact on his own family and on the history of Ireland.

Presenter: Jordan Dunbar
Producer: Louise Hidalgo
Sound engineer: Neil Churchill
Technical assistant: James Shearing
Editor: Rebecca Henschke

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SUN 01:50 Sporting Witness (w3ct8rxg)
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SUN 02:32 Health Check (w3ct8k2q)
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:32 on Saturday]

SUN 03:00 BBC News (w1730nkr332bf7p)
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SUN 03:06 World Book Club (w3ct97sz)
[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 on Saturday]

SUN 04:00 BBC News (w1730nkr332bjzt)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 04:06 From Our Own Correspondent (w3ct99c9)
France's 'David and Goliath' fight against wildfires

Pascale Harter introduces stories from France, Ecuador, the Thailand-Myanmar border and South Korea.

Firefighters across Europe have been battling wildfires this week and in the southwest of France an area four times the size of Paris burnt outside Bordeaux. President Macron said it was the toughest situation the country had dealt with since the Second World War. Gwyn Loader joined the professional firefighters and volunteers battling to beat back the flames amid 40C heat.

Despite President Daniel Noboa's hardline policies, promising to crackdown on drug trafficking and gang violence in Ecuador, the country is still terrorised by cartels and corruption. In the cities of Guayaquil and Duran, Orla Guerin saw how rampant crime is fuelling a climate of fear.

Since the military coup in Myanmar, the border city of Mae Sot

in Thailand has become a haven for refugees, exiled civilians politicians and rebel fighters trying to restore democracy in their homeland. But five and a half years on, some of their revolutionary spirit is flagging as the Burmese regime retakes territory across the border. On a recent visit to the city, Jonathan Head sensed a mood of exhaustion in Myanmar's fractured opposition.

South Korea is worried about its future, as birthrates remain low. The government in Seoul has spent billions to get more of the younger generation coupled up, married off and having families of their own. But it can be hard for people not used to socialising in person to break the ice. Jake Kwon travelled to an ancient mountainside temple where Buddhist monks have been hosting special speed-dating weekends to help.

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

(Image: Firefighters continue battling the huge wildfire in southwestern France, July 2026. Credit: Mohamad Salaheldin Abdelghani Alsayed/Anadolu via Getty Images)

SUN 04:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlkjp0x86)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 04:32 BBC Inside Science (w3ct977y)

Are we alone in the universe?

Scientists have long referred to the Goldilocks zone – the region around a star where conditions are not too hot and not too cold but “just right” for life. Joined by a live audience at the Cheltenham Science Festival in the UK, Tom Whipple asks what are the true limitations of alien life? How do we spot it? And have we been looking too narrowly?

Planetary scientist at MIT Sara Seagar discusses her team's mission to Venus where, on the surface, temperatures can reach 500 degrees Celsius and it rains sulphuric acid. Above the rain, up in the clouds, Sara Seagar tells us how there could be life.

And Lewis Dartnell, Professor of astrobiology at the University of Westminster, describes how he looks for extremophiles. These are organisms on earth that are found in places we once thought impossibly hostile to life. Plus, the missions to find life on Mars....

Presenter: Tom Whipple
Producer: Dan Welsh
Editor: Ilan Goodman & Martin Smith
Production Coordinator: Jana Bennett-Holesworth

SUN 05:00 BBC News (w1730nkr332bnqy)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 05:06 The Newsroom (w1730bqm54jp2s6)

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SUN 05:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlkjp110b)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 05:32 Asia Specific (w3ct9bys)

Vietnam's counterfeit crackdown

The worldwide counterfeit and pirated goods industry is estimated to be worth almost half-a-trillion US dollars, and Vietnam is one of the most significant players in the illicit trade. But now the country's government has commenced a crackdown amid pressure from the US. Asia Specific podcast host Mariko Oi discusses whether the global fake goods trade can be thwarted with two journalists: Duc Ha from the BBC World Service and Lindsey Tramuta, a freelance journalist based in Paris.

SUN 05:50 Sporting Witness (w3ct8rxg)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:50 on Saturday]

SUN 06:00 BBC News (w1730nkr332bsh2)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 06:06 Weekend (w1730c5nlp4c4sk)

A review of the week with the latest news.

SUN 07:00 BBC News (w1730nkr332bx76)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 07:06 Weekend (w1730c5nlp4c8np)

A review of the week with the latest news.

SUN 08:00 BBC News (w1730nkr332c0zb)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 08:06 Weekend (w1730c5nlp4cddt)

A review of the week with the latest news.

SUN 09:00 BBC News (w1730nkr332c4qg)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 09:06 From Our Own Correspondent (w3ct99c9)

[Repeat of broadcast at 04:06 today]

SUN 09:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlkjp1hzv)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 09:32 The Food Chain (w3ct8swb)

Should I cut down on carbs?

Have you ever asked yourself: should I do Keto? Is white rice good for me? Am I eating too many carbohydrates? If so, then this episode of The Food Chain is for you. Carbohydrate-rich foods are everywhere and they're delicious. But are they good for us? Carbs have a reputation for spiking our blood sugar and making us fat. But is that reputation deserved?

Ruth Alexander talks to Javier Gonzalez, Professor of Nutrition and Metabolism at the University of Bath in England and US-based dietitian Julie Stefanski from the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics to find out whether we've been approaching carbohydrates all wrong.

Plus: are there some populations who need to think more carefully about carbs than others? Dr Nelum Dharmapriya thinks so. She's an Australian family doctor with a special interest in metabolic health in South Asian populations. She advises her patients to make some tweaks to the traditional South Asian carbohydrate-rich diet and says it can be done without losing heritage and identity.

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

Produced by Lexy O'Connor and Beatrice Pickup.

(Image: A woman stares over her sunglasses as she slurps pasta from a fork in a sunlit garden. Credit: Getty images/BBC)

SUN 10:00 BBC News (w1730nkr332c8gl)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 10:06 People Fixing The World (w3ct8t12)

Who does the housework?

How much work do you do to keep your household running smoothly? Figures suggest domestic work still falls mostly to women - leading to resentment and burnout. This week we're hearing from Indonesia and Croatia about projects helping change that.

In rural Indonesia we visit the island of Rote - and hear how men there are overturning centuries-long attitudes to male and female roles and learning how to cook for their children and look after their homes.

In Croatia we meet the men taking part in the 'Superdads' programme where they discover that cleaning and doing chores brings them closer to their families. It's run by Status M – the only NGO in the country tackling gender-based violence by talking to men about masculinity.

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Sound engineer: Hal Haines
Editor: Jon Bithrey
With thanks to the Good Start Challenge

(Image: Members of the Arungi NGO group with participants of the household equality workshop on the island of Rote, Indonesia)

SUN 10:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlkjp1mqz)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 10:32 The Fifth Floor (w3ct8sqd)

A Chinese dissident's journey

When Chinese policeman Dong Guangping wrote an article commemorating the 10th anniversary of the 1989 military crackdown on pro-democracy protesters in Beijing, it kicked off a chain of events that led to him serving jail time and losing his job. But it also sparked the beginning of a deep desire to live more freely. So Dong began planning how he might escape China. Just a few weeks ago, back in late May, he finally achieved his dream, having taken the huge risk of crossing China's Yellow Sea in a dinghy to reach South Korean waters. Phoebe Kong, based in the BBC's Hong Kong bureau, explained how rare Dong's achievement really is.

Yemen has faced decades of economic hardship and war, but the khat industry is thriving. Khat is a plant, and when chewed it acts as a stimulant. It is estimated to consume one-third of Yemen's groundwater and occupy much of the country's agricultural land. Dalia Haidar of BBC Arabic has been looking into Yemen's relationship to khat and the problem it can cause.

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 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 Faranak Amidi.

Produced by Laura Thomas and Caroline Ferguson

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

SUN 11:00 BBC News (w1730nkr332cd6q)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 11:06 The Newsroom (w1730bqm54jpt7z)

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SUN 11:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlkjp1rh3)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 11:32 Dear Daughter (w3ct9cgw)

[Repeat of broadcast at 05:32 on Saturday]

SUN 11:50 More or Less (w3ct9991)

[Repeat of broadcast at 05:50 on Saturday]

SUN 12:00 BBC News (w1730nkr332chyy)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 12:06 The Documentary (w3ct9cju)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:06 on Saturday]

SUN 13:00 BBC News (w1730nkr332cmzp)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 13:06 Newshour (w1730bn43f4dfy1)

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

SUN 14:00 BBC News (w1730nkr332crg3)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 14:06 The Climate Question (w3ct99ht)

How is climate change affecting motherhood?

Graiagh Jackson talks to mothers from India, Kenya and the

UK about how climate change is affecting women's decisions about whether to have children and how to raise them.

Her guests are Bhavreen Kandhari, a clean air campaigner from Delhi; Dr Susan Chomba, a Kenyan forest scientist and environmentalist; and Dr Elizabeth Cripps, a political philosopher specializing in climate justice. This programme was first broadcast in 2025.

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

Produced and presented by Graihagh Jackson
Sound mix: Tom Brignell and Neil Churchill
Editor: Simon Watts

SUN 14:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlkjp23qh)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 14:32 Happy News (w3ct8nwr)
Happy News

Positive news stories

SUN 15:00 BBC News (w1730nkr332cw67)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 15:06 Sportsworld (w1730c8yck4gbw)
Live Sporting Action

Delyth Lloyd presents live from Glasgow on the final day of the Commonwealth Games. Sportsworld is given access-all-areas to Ōran Mór, which has been home to the New Zealand team throughout the games, where we'll hear from Kiwi medal winners and key members of the performance team to get some insight into how to create a high performance environment.

We'll also discuss who's won the final 15 gold medals of the games across netball, bowls, cycling and judo, and ask whether the scaled down games have been a success and how the centenary games in India will look in four years' time.

Plus we'll discuss the day's action at the Women's Africa Cup of Nations, the Women's Open and the Women's Tour De France.

Photo: A general view of The SEC Armadillo ahead of the Glasgow 2026 Commonwealth Games on July 22, 2026 in Glasgow, Scotland. (Photo: Getty Images)

SUN 19:00 BBC News (w1730nkr332dc5r)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 19:06 The Newsroom (w1730bqm54jqs70)
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SUN 19:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlkjp2qg4)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 19:32 Good Bad Billionaire (w3ct9bc4)
MrBeast: The business of going viral

Jimmy Donaldson, better known as MrBeast, transformed himself from a teenager obsessing over YouTube's algorithms, into one of the most influential digital entrepreneurs on the planet.

BBC business editor Simon Jack and journalist Zing Tsjeng follow his ascent from making Minecraft videos in his bedroom, to ever-larger challenges, eye-watering cash prizes, and headline-grabbing acts of philanthropy. Is MrBeast a visionary entrepreneur who reinvented entertainment for the internet generation, or has he simply mastered the art of turning clicks into cash?

Good Bad Billionaire is the podcast that explores the lives of the super-rich and famous, tracking their wealth, philanthropy, business ethics, and success. There are leaders who made their money in Silicon Valley, on Wall Street and in high street fashion. From iconic celebrities and CEOs to titans of technology, the podcast unravels tales of fortune, power, economics, ambition and moral responsibility. Simon and Zing put their subjects to the test with a playful, totally unscientific scorecard — then hand the verdict over to you: are they good, bad, or simply billionaires? Here's how to contact the team: email goodbadbillionaire@bbc.com or send a text or WhatsApp to +1 (917) 686-1176. Find out more about the show and read our privacy notice at www.bbcworldservice.com/goodbadbillionaire

SUN 20:00 BBC News (w1730nkr332dgvxw)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 20:06 Unexpected Elements (w3ct8kcr)
[Repeat of broadcast at 00:06 on Saturday]

SUN 21:00 BBC News (w1730nkr332dlp0)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 21:06 Newshour (w1730bn43f4fdx2)
Interviews, news and analysis of the day's global events.

SUN 22:00 BBC News (w1730nkr332dqf4)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 22:06 The Climate Question (w3ct99ht)
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:06 today]

SUN 22:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlkjp32pj)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 22:32 Assignment (w3ct8h1g)
The Kenyans taking on multinational chemical companies

In Kenya, a young lawyer is bringing a legal case against the Kenyan government, regulator, and several multinational agrochemical companies.

He's working alongside activists and health practitioners, and they claim that hazardous pesticides and herbicides, designed to make farming for efficient, are damaging the health of farmers in Kenya.

They are demanding changes to regulation, as well as increased education and compensation for people who they claim, have had their health severely affected by high exposure to these products.

For Assignment, Josephine Casserly travels to Kenya to follow lawyers, health practitioners and scientists as they face the challenges of gathering evidence to support their case.

Presenter: Josephine Casserly
Producers: Josephine Casserly and Eugene Kaiga
Mix: Sue Maillot
Production Coordinator: Gemma Ashman
Editor: Penny Murphy

(Image: Nurse Priscah Muniya sees a patient in her clinic.
Credit: Peter Njoroge/BBC)

SUN 23:00 BBC News (w1730nkr332dv58)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 23:06 The Newsroom (w1730bqm54jr86j)
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SUN 23:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlkjp36fn)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 23:32 The Fifth Floor (w3ct8sqf)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:32 today]

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MON 00:00 BBC News (w1730nkr332dyxd)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 00:06 From Our Own Correspondent (w3ct99c9)
[Repeat of broadcast at 04:06 on Sunday]

MON 00:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlkjp3b5s)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 00:32 BBC Inside Science (w3ct977y)
[Repeat of broadcast at 04:32 on Sunday]

MON 01:00 BBC News (w1730nkrgeccjxxp)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 01:06 The Newsroom (w1730bqmdtwbxy)
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MON 01:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlkx2z7962)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 01:32 Discovery (w3ct6svv)
Unstoppable: Tebello Nyokong

Born under Apartheid in South Africa, Prof Tebello Nyokong and her family uprooted their lives to escape the unequal education system enforced upon Black South Africans. After herding sheep proved she could do anything a boy could do, Tebello ended up studying science and found a love for chemistry. In the face of limited opportunities, she once again uprooted her life and took her studies overseas, but this was when she was introduced to something huge: a new, ground-breaking cancer treatment. Now Tebello is using nanotechnology to get this therapy off the ground, all while she fights to make Africa a science superpower.

(Photo: Professor Tebello Nyokong sits at a desk wearing a yellow top and a white jacket with blue and yellow floral and polka dot design. She has short hair dyed red and wears black framed glasses. She sits in front of a shelf lined with books with red covers. Credit: Professor Tebello Nyokong)

Producer: Ella Hubber and Julia Ravey
Assistant producers: Sophie Ormiston, Anna Charalambou and Josie Hardy
Sound engineer: Ella Roberts
Production co-ordinator: Ishmael Soriano
Editor: Holly Squire

MON 02:00 BBC News (w1730nkrgeck1nt)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 02:06 The Newsroom (w1730bqmdjtwgq2)
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MON 02:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlkx2z7dy6)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 02:32 CrowdScience (w3ct8k77)
Will I get hit by a meteor?

Stare up at the night sky, and if you're lucky, you might see a shooting star. Some people might make a wish, but CrowdScience listener Scott in California in the USA, thinks differently. He's wondering how dangerous they might be.

Shooting stars are actually meteors, ending their incredible journey whizzing through the depths of space by burning through our atmosphere, and crashing down to earth. And Scott's not wrong to worry about them! In May 2026, an enormous meteor exploded off the coast of Massachusetts, causing a loud sonic boom before crashing into the ocean, releasing the equivalent energy of 300 tons of TNT!

So, how many meteors make it to our atmosphere in the first place? How many of them survive long enough to make it to the surface? How many come down in places where people live, and how much should we be worried about it happening to us?

Marnie Chesterton is peering up into the sky for answers.

PRESENTER: Marnie Chesterton

PRODUCER: Emily Knight

EDITOR: Ben Motley

(photo: Meteor Impact On Earth - Fired Asteroid In Collision With Planet - Contain 3d Rendering - elements of this image furnished by NASA - stock photo- Credit: Romolo Tavani via Getty Images)

MON 03:00 BBC News (w1730nkrgeck5dy)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 03:06 People Fixing The World (w3ct8t12)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:06 on Sunday]

MON 03:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlkx2z7jpb)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 03:32 The Fifth Floor (w3ct8sqf)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:32 on Sunday]

MON 04:00 BBC News (w1730nkrgeck952)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 04:06 The Newsroom (w1730bqmjdtwq6b)

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MON 04:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlkx2z7nfg)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 04:32 The Conversation (w3ct99ns)

Kickstarting girls' careers in construction

The trades and construction sectors are crying out for new talent, yet many school leavers have no idea that this industry could offer a meaningful and lucrative career path.

Datshiane Navanayagam speaks to two women on a mission to get more young people, especially girls interested in jobs like electrician, carpenter and bricklayer. They also discuss the importance of having female role-models in the industry.

Judaline Cassidy is a plumber who honed her craft in her native Trinidad and Tobago before moving to New York where she set up Tools and Tiaras: an organisation that introduces girls and young women to trade skills.

Renee Preston is from the UK and founded Construction for Women to help tackle the industry's growing skills shortage. She's a passionate advocate for policy change that gives young people greater access to construction sites and hands-on industry experience.

Producer: Hannah Dean

(Image: (L) Judaline Cassidy, courtesy Judaline Cassidy. (R) Renee Preston, credit Emma Boyle.)

MON 05:00 BBC News (w1730nkrgeckdx6)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 05:06 Newsday (w1730c1gv524h2y)

Live news, business and sport from around the world.

MON 06:00 BBC News (w1730nkrgeckjnb)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 06:06 Newsday (w1730c1gv524iv2)

Live news, business and sport from around the world.

MON 07:00 BBC News (w1730nkrgeckndg)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 07:06 Newsday (w1730c1gv524ql6)

Live news, business and sport from around the world.

MON 08:00 BBC News (w1730nkrgeckx4l)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 08:06 The Interview (w3ct8klk)

Samuel Okudzeto Ablakwa, Ghana's Foreign Minister: Slavery scars our collective conscience

"The time has come for the international community to be honest, not to be hypocritical, not be selective, not engage in erasure, but to admit that the gravest crime against humanity took place and it took place on this continent. And that the time to repair what was broken, what undermines our collective humanity, what is a scar on our collective conscience, the time and the only way to repair that is now."

Aleem Maqbool speaks to Ghana's Foreign Minister, Samuel Okudzeto Ablakwa, about his country leading a global campaign for reparations for the transatlantic slave trade.

Earlier this year, the United Nations adopted an historic resolution that declared the transatlantic slave trade "the gravest crime against humanity", although every European nation chose to abstain in the vote. Meanwhile, the US was one of three countries to vote against.

Between the 16th and 19th centuries, it's estimated that around 12 million people were forcibly trafficked from Africa to European colonies in the Americas, although some historians place this figure even higher.

Accra's campaign has been supported by countries all over the world, and although not so much by European nations, it has been recognised by some European institutions, like the Church of England.

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BBC, including episodes with former Sudanese leader Aisha Musa, microfinance pioneer Jennifer Riria, and Dr Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, Director-General of the World Health Organisation. You can listen on the BBC World Service on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 0800 GMT. Or you can listen to The Interview as a podcast, out three times a week on BBC Sounds or wherever you get your podcasts.

Presenter: Aleem Maqbool
Producers: Catherine Wyatt and Ben Cooper
Editor: Justine Lang

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

(Image: Samuel Okudzeto Ablakwa. Credit: Getty)

MON 08:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlkx2z84dz)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 08:32 Business Daily (w3ct8gg4)

Sierra Leone: Tracking a drug kingpin

In the second of two episodes, Ed Butler tracks the whereabouts and connections of one of Europe's most wanted drug criminals. Despite denials from the President's family, law enforcement agencies say Jos Leijdekkers is enjoying privileged status in Sierra Leone. The country's Justice Minister responds.

MON 08:50 Witness History (w3ct8r3n)

City of God: The film that reshaped global cinema

In 2001, filming began on City of God which would stun audiences with its unflinching honesty.

It captured the brutal realities of child gangsters from Rio De Janeiro's favelas trapped in an unforgiving cycle of violence.

Local children were cast in the film, which was nominated for four Oscars, and their own lives weren't far from the stories on screen.

Katia Lund who co-directed the movie, speaks to Reena Stanton-Sharma about how she was able to draw powerful performances from the children, capturing moments of anguish and terror.

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: Katia Lund (second right) with some of the cast of City of God and director Fernando Meirelles. Credit: Francois Guillot/AFP via Getty Images)

MON 09:00 BBC News (w1730nkrgeckwwq)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 09:06 The Newsroom (w1730bqmjdtx9xz)

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MON 09:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlkx2z8853)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 09:32 CrowdScience (w3ct8k77)

[Repeat of broadcast at 02:32 today]

MON 10:00 BBC News (w1730nkrgecl0mv)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 10:06 The History Hour (w3ct99lh)

The first Comic Con and making Oasis' Wonderwall

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

We hear how a comic book fan and his friends began the very first comic convention in New York in 1964.

Our guest is comic book expert Dr Barbara Postema, from the University Groningen in the Netherlands.

Next, we hear how Oasis 1995 hit Wonderwall was made with the man who was the sound engineer on the record.

Plus, the memories of the cellist of Auschwitz in World War Two and the final use of a barbaric execution method in Franco's Spain.

Sporting Witness takes us back to Hearts of Midlothian's heartbreaking season of 1986.

And finally, we learn how Sweden gave its workers some of the longest paid holidays in the world in 1970.

Contributors:

Bernie Bubnis – organiser of the first Comic Con

Dr Barbara Postema - lecturer in the English programme at the University of Groningen

Nick Brine – sound engineer on Oasis' song Wonderwall

Anita Lasker-Wallfisch – the cellist of Auschwitz

Carme Puig Antich – brother of Salvador Puig Antich

Gary Mackay and striker John 'Robbo' Robertson – former Hearts players

Inga Persson - beneficiary of Sweden's long summers

(Photo: Oasis performing in 1996. Credit: Bernd Mueller/Redferns via Getty)

MON 11:00 BBC News (w1730nkrgecl4cz)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 11:06 The Newsroom (w1730bqmjdtxkf7)

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MON 11:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlkx2z8hnc)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 11:32 The Global Story (w3ct8mcc)

The Global Story

MON 12:00 BBC News (w1730nkrgecl843)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 12:06 Outlook (w3ct8hxm)

I didn't know the glowing blue powder was radioactive

In September 1987, bus driver Odesson Ferreira finished work and went to visit his brother at home in the Brazilian city of Goiânia. His brother, a scrapyard owner, had recently purchased part of an abandoned medical device that had become the talk of the neighbourhood. Friends, relatives and neighbours were fascinated by the strange and beautiful blue glow it emitted – unaware it contained a highly radioactive substance called Caesium-137. By the time the powder's radioactivity was discovered, hundreds of people had been contaminated, including dozens of Odesson's relatives. Odesson battled radiation sickness, grieved members of his family who died and saw survivors face stigma and discrimination. He became determined to understand how the event could have happened and spent decades campaigning for the recognition of those affected. Today, nearly 40 years after incident, Odesson has found peace living in the countryside and has begun writing his own account of the worst radiological accident in Brazil's history.

Lifelong sports fan and journalist Neil Squires spent decades interviewing elite athletes, having given up on the cherished childhood hope of competing alongside them. Then, in January 2024, after five years as Chief Sports Writer at a national newspaper, he was made redundant. He found himself at a crossroads, wondering what came next. Everything changed when his son Louis sent him a short video of a little-known Finnish game called Mölkky, along with a simple message: "I

think you might like this.” Intrigued, Squires threw himself into learning the game and roped some friends into a team. He quickly became obsessed. When he learned the World Molkky Championship was being held in Japan, he decided this was their chance. Arriving in Japan, as Great Britain’s only team in the Nations Cup, they found themselves representing their country on the world stage. They attracted attention from Japanese media, competed against experienced international opponents and exceeded all expectations by reaching the quarter-finals and finishing seventh in the world. The team continues to compete and Squires’ book about their adventures, *The Fall and Rise of the Molkky Bar Kids*, was published earlier this year.

Presenter: Mobeen Azhar
Producers: Marcia Veiga and Hetal Bapodra
Voiceover: Luiz Fernando Toledo

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(Photo: Odesson Ferreira looks down into the camera lens with a serious expression on his face. He is wearing an orange polo shirt with the collar popped open. He is showing his palms to the camera. The index finger on his right hand has been partially amputated, and the palm on his left hand reveals a large brown scar. The background is blurred showing a bright blue sky and some green foliage. Credit: Associação das Vítimas do Césio-137 (AV-Césio))

MON 12:50 Witness History (w3ct8r3n)
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MON 13:00 BBC News (w1730nkrgeclcw7)
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MON 13:06 The Newsroom (w1730bqmqjdtxsxh)
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MON 13:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlkx2z8r4m)
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MON 13:32 The Conversation (w3ct99ns)
[Repeat of broadcast at 04:32 today]

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MON 14:06 Newshour (w1730bn4gpfm9vf)
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MON 15:00 BBC News (w1730nkrgeclmch)
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[Repeat of broadcast at 08:06 today]

MON 15:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlkx2z8zmw)
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MON 15:32 Business Daily (w3ct8gg4)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:32 today]

MON 15:50 World Business Express (w3ct8d3m)
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.

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MON 18:06 Outlook (w3ct8hxm)
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MON 18:50 Witness History (w3ct8r3n)
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MON 19:00 BBC News (w1730nkrgeccm3c0)
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MON 19:06 The Newsroom (w1730bqmqjdtjd8)
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MON 19:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlkx2z9gmd)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 19:32 Sport Today (w3ct8rk6)
2026/08/03 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 (w1730nkrgeccm734)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 20:06 From Our Own Correspondent (w3ct99c9)
[Repeat of broadcast at 04:06 on Sunday]

MON 20:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlkx2z9lcj)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 20:32 Discovery (w3ct6svv)
Unstoppable: Inge Lehmann

From growing up in a progressive Denmark to studying mathematics at a gender-segregated Cambridge University, Inge Lehmann had to power through the shock of cultural change to pursue her love of mathematics. Whilst managing several seismological stations, Inge notices the peculiar readings in the data she was collecting. Was the Earth’s composition actually different to what the experts had thought?

Dr Julia Ravey and Dr Ella Hubber tell the story of Danish seismologist Inge Lehmann who used earthquakes to uncover the truth about the composition of the Earth’s inner core.

Presenters: Ella Hubber and Julia Ravey
Guest Speakers: Dr Lif Lund Jacobsen and Dr Trine Dahl-Jensen
Producers: Ella Hubber and Julia Ravey
Assistant producers: Sophie Ormiston, Anna Charalambou and Josie Hardy
Sound designer: Ella Roberts
Production co-ordinator: Ishmael Soriano
Editor: Holly Squire

(Photo: Inge Lehmann Credit: Neuhaus, Even (6.2.1863-20.4.1946) /Royal Danish Library)

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MON 23:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlkx2z9yix)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 23:32 World Business Report (w3ct8fn9)
First broadcast 03/08/2026 21:32 GMT

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

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TUE 00:00 BBC News (w1730nkrgeccmq2n)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 00:06 The History Hour (w3ct99lh)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:06 on Monday]

TUE 01:00 BBC News (w1730nkrgeccmtts)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 01:06 The Newsroom (w1730bqmqjdtz7w1)
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TUE 01:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlkx2zb635)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

TUE 01:32 The Global Story (w3ct8mcc)
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:32 on Monday]

TUE 02:00 BBC News (w1730nkrgeccmykx)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 02:06 The Newsroom (w1730bqmqjdtzcm5)
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TUE 02:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlkx2zb9v9)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

TUE 02:32 Assignment (w3ct8h1h)
Getting Gaza back online

How amid the tents and the rubble Gaza is developing once again as an unlikely tech hub.

Even before the October 7th 2023 attack and the subsequent war between Israel and Hamas, NGOs, with the backing of Google, had sought to develop tech start-ups in the Gaza strip. The digital economy was one of the few areas in which young Gazans in particular could seek to earn money for their families.

During the two years of war they struggled for food and water. Forced to move from place to place, most of them lost their homes, their work, sometimes their laptops and plenty lost family members. Now 80% of Gazans are unemployed and have no income. Many of them live amid the rubble in tents. Stable electricity and internet are difficult to come by. And yet co-working hubs have begun to pop up, giving well educated graduates a chance to work remotely for foreign companies as coders, software engineers and app developers. With Israel controlling what comes in and out of Gaza, they still face significant obstacles, not least finding decent internet, electricity and spare parts for their laptops. And with near-daily bombings continuing, Gaza’s wider recovery remains uncertain. Yolande Knell reports on how its tech workers give a glimpse of a brighter, possible future, open to the world beyond Gaza’s borders.

Producer: John Murphy
Studio mix: Gareth Jones
Programme co-ordinator: Gemma Ashman

Editor: Penny Murphy

(Image: Amid the rubble, Gazans seek to join the digital economy. Credit: BBC)

TUE 03:00 BBC News (w1730nkrgecn2b1)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 03:06 Outlook (w3ct8hxm)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 on Monday]

TUE 03:50 Witness History (w3ct8r3n)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 on Monday]

TUE 04:00 BBC News (w1730nkrgecn625)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 04:06 The Newsroom (w1730bqmqjdtzm3f)

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TUE 04:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlkx2zbkbk)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

TUE 04:32 In the Studio (w3ct8l5m)

Skatepark designers Nine Yards

Nine Yards, the designers behind the Paris 2024 Olympic skatepark, get to work on their next big challenge: the rebuild of Olympiaplein, one of Amsterdam's oldest and most cherished skating spots.

Sean Allsop joins designers Jesper Kuipers and Jeroen Van Eggermond in the Netherlands, as they work through sketches and plans before presenting their vision to local skaters for crucial feedback. Then the team head out onto the building site, with concrete trucks, tight deadlines, and one shot to get the surface smooth for skaters of all levels, before the gates open and a community gets to skate again.

We explore how skating has evolved from an underground sport into an established movement, the community within skateparks, and the intricate detail that goes into every park.

Producer: Sean Allsop
Executive producer: Jo Meek
A TBone production

TUE 05:00 BBC News (w1730nkrgecn919)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 05:06 Newsday (w1730c1gv527d01)

Live news, business and sport from around the world.

TUE 06:00 BBC News (w1730nkrgecnfkf)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 06:06 Newsday (w1730c1gv527hr5)

Live news, business and sport from around the world.

TUE 07:00 BBC News (w1730nkrgecnk9k)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 07:06 Newsday (w1730c1gv527mh9)

Live news, business and sport from around the world.

TUE 08:00 BBC News (w1730nkrgecn1p)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 08:06 People Fixing The World (w3ct8t13)

Stop being a terrible tourist

We live in an age of global mass tourism. Last year, the UN estimated 1.5 billion people travelled to another country. While many places depend on tourism for income and employment, it can come at a significant environmental and social cost.

We take a tour of Dubrovnik in Croatia, which has the highest tourists-to-locals ratio in Europe. The city is using perks and penalties to keep both local people and visitors happy. Also we paddle and cycle around Copenhagen in Denmark. They are rewarding eco-friendly actions to encourage better tourist behaviour.

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Presenter: Myra Anubi
Producer/reporter: Claire Bates
Denmark reporter: Adrienne Murray
Editor: Jon Bithrey
Sound mix: Andrew Mills

(Image: A Visit Copenhagen billboard promoting sustainable tourism, Adrienne Murray/BBC)

TUE 08:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlkx2zc1b2)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

TUE 08:32 Business Daily (w3ct8gr5)

Business Daily

The daily drama of money and work from the BBC.

TUE 08:50 Witness History (w3ct9866)

The first carbon offset

In 1988, as floods struck Bangladesh and a heat wave swept across the United States, climate change became a political issue. Governments and businesses alike talked about how to stop it, or at least slow it down.

That year the think tank World Resources Institute and the energy company Applied Energy Services announced a novel idea that has been credited as the first example of a 'carbon offset': In order to make up for the millions of tons of planet-warming carbon dioxide that would be released by a new coal-fired power plant in the United States, the energy company would pay to plant 52 million trees in Guatemala. But the reality on the ground was more complicated.

Stan Alcorn visits Tonicapán, Guatemala and speaks with Roberto Antonio Alvarado, who planted the saplings that would be some of the world's first carbon offsets. Additional producing by Dennis Funk. A Written in Air production.

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(Photo: Roberto Antonio Alvarado with one of the first carbon offset trees he planted. Credit: Stan Alcorn)

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TUE 09:06 The Newsroom (w1730bqmqjdv06v2)

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TUE 09:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlkx2zc526)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

TUE 09:32 Assignment (w3ct8h1h)

[Repeat of broadcast at 02:32 today]

TUE 10:00 BBC News (w1730nkrgecnxjy)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 10:06 The Arts Hour (w3ct8h88)

[Repeat of broadcast at 20:06 on Saturday]

TUE 11:00 BBC News (w1730nkrgecp192)

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TUE 11:06 The Newsroom (w1730bqmqjdv0gbb)

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TUE 11:32 The Global Story (w3ct8mhv)

The Global Story

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TUE 12:06 Outlook (w3ct8jc5)

Outlook

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

TUE 12:50 Witness History (w3ct9866)

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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. WED 16:00 BBC News (w1730nkrccsjxt) The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service. WED 16:06 Outside Source (w1730c6hdp1h6sl) 2026/08/05 15:06 GMT A vibrant account of the day's events with explanation and reaction from those involved. WED 17:00 BBC News (w1730nkrccsnny) The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service. WED 17:06 Outside Source (w1730c6hdp1hbjq)	2026/08/05 16:06 GMT A vibrant account of the day's events with explanation and reaction from those involved. WED 18:00 BBC News (w1730nkrccsf2) The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service. 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THU 02:06 The Newsroom (w1730bqmqjdv55fc) The world's Newsroom brings you global events as they happen THU 02:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlkx2zj3nh) The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service. THU 02:32 The Documentary (w3ct9bnt) The Teenagers Who Wired Romania In the late 90s, in daring feats of DIY networking on rooftops across Romania's capital, Bucharest, teenagers are stringing computer cables between tower blocks to share an internet connection. This guerilla infrastructure starts out scrappy, but it sprawls into an impressive, improvised network that catches the attention of telecoms giants. Told by those who built it: Master cabler Roxana Ardelean, DIY network designer Eric Băleanu, and rooftop cable runner Laurențiu Simion. This is the extraordinary story of how a homemade system became the backbone of a city - a reflection of what the internet was meant to be... and what it became. Presenter: Andrada Fiscuteanu Producer: Tom Bonnett Editors: Ilan Goodman and Martin Smith Archive: Special Assignment: Romania, BBC Radio 4, 05/01/1990 This documentary grew out of a book chapter Andrada Fiscuteanu co-authored with researchers Alexandra Tătar and Alexandra Bardan: A Web of Cables: The History and Legacy of Grassroots Neighborhood LANs in Romania. It's published in Silicon Dawn: Histories and Cultures of Creative Computing in Europe. THU 03:00 BBC News (w1730nkrccctw47) The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service. THU 03:06 Outlook (w3ct8jky) [Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 on Wednesday] THU 03:50 Witness History (w3ct988g) [Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 on Wednesday] THU 04:00 BBC News (w1730nkrccctzw) The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service. 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significance of food, and what it takes to put food on your plate.

THU 05:00 BBC News (w1730nkrgecv3mh)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 05:06 Newsday (w1730c1gv52f57)

Live news, business and sport from around the world.

THU 06:00 BBC News (w1730nkrgecv7cm)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 06:06 Newsday (w1730c1gv52f9kc)

Live news, business and sport from around the world.

THU 07:00 BBC News (w1730nkrgecv3r)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 07:06 Newsday (w1730c1gv52f9h)

Live news, business and sport from around the world.

THU 08:00 BBC News (w1730nkrgecvgw)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 08:06 The Inquiry (w3ct98q0)

The Inquiry

The Inquiry gets beyond the headlines to explore the trends, forces and ideas shaping the world.

THU 08:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlkx2zjv48)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 08:32 Business Daily (w3ct8gln)

Business Daily

The daily drama of money and work from the BBC.

THU 08:50 Witness History (w3ct98bq)

When Taiwan's 'White Terror' ended

In 1987, Taiwan finally lifted martial law after nearly four decades of authoritarian rule.

The moment marked a profound shift for a society long shaped by censorship, surveillance and political fear.

For many who had lived through the 'White Terror', it opened the possibility of speaking openly for the first time.

Among them was Malaysian student Fred Chin, who had arrived in Taiwan in the late 1960s with little sense of the political tensions around him.

What followed would draw him into a world of secret policing and military justice that operated far from public view, leaving lasting effects on his life and identity.

Ashley Byrne speaks to Fred Chin about his story and what the lifting of martial law meant for him. A Made in Manchester production.

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: Former Jingmei Military Detention Center, where political dissidents were imprisoned during the White Terror. Credit: Craig Ferguson/LightRocket via Getty Images)

THU 09:00 BBC News (w1730nkrgecvlm0)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 09:06 The Newsroom (w1730bqmqjdv60n8)

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THU 09:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlkx2zjywd)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 09:32 The Documentary (w3ct9bnt)

[Repeat of broadcast at 02:32 today]

THU 10:00 BBC News (w1730nkrgecvqe4)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 10:06 The Explanation (w3ct98mr)

The Media Show: Alternative Hollywood

More film studios are making films for audiences they believe are not well served by mainstream Hollywood. Many are aimed at Christian viewers or people with more traditional values, and some have become major box office successes. The trend reflects changes in how films are funded, promoted, and distributed to different audiences. Max Tani, Media Editor at Semafor, Kelly Merryman Hoogstraten, CEO of Wonder Project, and Brandon Purdie, Head of Theatrical and Brand Development at Angel Studios, outline different perspectives from across the industry.

Prison radio is developing in different ways around the world, with stations giving prisoners the chance to learn broadcasting skills and share information inside prisons. Garth St Clair, co-founder of Rise Maximum Radio in Trinidad and Tobago, and Ninna Gaensler-Debs, co-director of Uncuffed in California, describe how prison broadcasting works in their organisations.

Presenter: Ros Atkins

Producer: Laura Cain

THU 10:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlkx2zk2mj)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 10:32 The Global Jigsaw (w3ct9b06)

What's so-called 'Jihadi cool'?

The extremist content quietly spreading on TikTok and Instagram, targeting unsuspecting young people. Through what is disguised as innocuous lifestyle content, supporters of jihadist groups like IS and al-Qaeda reach audiences outside their echo chamber. This is a recruitment drive that signals a move from direct operational instructions to "do-it-yourself jihad", with the aim of potentially inspiring lone wolf attacks. We explore the tactics used to obscure and evade detection, the challenges this poses for platforms, and how it has become a relentless game of whack-a-mole.

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Presenter: Krassi Ivanova Twigg

Music: Pete Cunningham

THU 11:00 BBC News (w1730nkrgecvv38)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 11:06 The Newsroom (w1730bqmqjdv684j)

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THU 11:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlkx2zk6cn)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 11:32 The Global Story (w3ct8mfmm)

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THU 12:00 BBC News (w1730nkrgecvvyd)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 12:06 Outlook (w3ct8j4d)

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THU 12:50 Witness History (w3ct98bq)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 today]

THU 13:00 BBC News (w1730nkrgecv2lj)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 13:06 The Newsroom (w1730bqmqjdv6hms)

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THU 13:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlkx2zkfvx)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 13:32 The Food Chain (w3ct8swc)

[Repeat of broadcast at 04:32 today]

THU 14:00 BBC News (w1730nkrgecv6bn)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 14:06 Newshour (w1730bn4gpfk0kq)

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

THU 15:00 BBC News (w1730nkrgecvb2s)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 15:06 The Inquiry (w3ct98q0)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:06 today]

THU 15:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlkx2zkpc5)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 15:32 Business Daily (w3ct8gln)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:32 today]

THU 15:50 World Business Express (w3ct8d5w)

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THU 16:00 BBC News (w1730nkrgecvwftx)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 16:06 Outside Source (w1730c6hdp1l3pp)

2026/08/06 15:06 GMT

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THU 17:00 BBC News (w1730nkrgecvkl1)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 17:06 Outside Source (w1730c6hdp1l7ft)

2026/08/06 16:06 GMT

A vibrant account of the day's events with explanation and reaction from those involved.

THU 18:00 BBC News (w1730nkrgecvpb5)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 18:06 Outlook (w3ct8j4d)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 today]

THU 18:50 Witness History (w3ct98bq)

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THU 19:00 BBC News (w1730nkrgecvwt29)

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She was performing at major music events, competing for a place at Eurovision, and building a life that, from the outside, appeared successful. But privately, she says she was struggling. Raised in a family shaped by New Age spirituality and occult beliefs, Rūgilė grew up searching for God through a mixture of traditions. As an adult, she moved to Amsterdam to study jazz, became involved in shamanic practices and Santo Daime ceremonies, and began taking ayahuasca - a powerful psychedelic brew used in some religious rituals. She says she came to believe that these experiences offered enlightenment and spiritual healing. Yet, as her public career grew, she felt increasingly distressed and spiritually lost. For Heart and Soul, Colm Flynn travels to Vilnius to meet Rūgilė in the home where she first encountered many of the ideas that shaped her early life. She reflects on leading retreats, introducing others to practices she has since rejected, and the moment she began reading the Bible and questioning the world she had embraced. (Photo description: Rūgilė Daujotaitė holding guitar and bandmates, Photo credit: Rūgilė Daujotaitė) FRI 05:00 BBC News (w1730nkrgecy0jl) The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service. FRI 05:06 Newsday (w1730c1gv52j2qb) Live news, business and sport from around the world. FRI 06:00 BBC News (w1730nkrgecy48q) The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.	FRI 06:06 Newsday (w1730c1gv52j6gg) Live news, business and sport from around the world. FRI 07:00 BBC News (w1730nkrgecy80v) The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service. FRI 07:06 Newsday (w1730c1gv52jb6l) Live news, business and sport from around the world. FRI 08:00 BBC News (w1730nkrgeccyrz) The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service. FRI 08:06 The Interview (w3ct98kh) The Interview Conversations with people shaping our world. The best interviews from the BBC. FRI 08:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlkx2zmr1c) The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service. FRI 08:32 Business Daily (w3ct8g9m) Business Daily The daily drama of money and work from the BBC. FRI 08:50 Witness History (w3ct98dz) The origins of the all-inclusive holiday Holidaymakers arrived at the first Club Med resort on the Spanish island of Majorca in the summer of 1950. Founded by the Belgian water polo player Gérard Blitz, Club Méditerranée offered a new kind of post-war holiday built around the idea that leisure should be simple, sociable and accessible. The facilities were basic at first. Guests slept in huts and shared communal meals. But the company's all-inclusive approach proved enormously popular and helped change the way millions of people holiday around the world. 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FRI 10:00 BBC News (w1730nkrgecm87)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 10:06 Unexpected Elements (w3ct8kcs)

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 Afronauts, to why we argue, to a deep dive on animal lifespans: see the world in a new way with Unexpected Elements.

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FRI 11:32 The Global Story (w3ct8m93)

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FRI 12:00 BBC News (w1730nkrgecmvrh)

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FRI 12:06 Outlook (w3ct8hvp)

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FRI 12:50 Witness History (w3ct98dz)

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FRI 13:06 The Newsroom (w1730bqmqjdv9d9w)

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FRI 13:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlkx2znbs0)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 13:32 Heart and Soul (w3ct983y)

[Repeat of broadcast at 04:32 today]

FRI 14:00 BBC News (w1730nkrgecm37r)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 14:06 Newshour (w1730bn4gpfzxt)

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

FRI 15:00 BBC News (w1730nkrgecm6zw)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 15:06 The Interview (w3ct98kh)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:06 today]

FRI 15:30 BBC News Summary (w1730nlkx2zn188)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 15:32 Business Daily (w3ct8g9m)

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FRI 15:50 World Business Express (w3ct8d1c)

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FRI 16:00 BBC News (w1730nkrgecmzbr0)

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FRI 16:06 Outside Source (w1730c6hdp1p0ls)

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FRI 17:00 BBC News (w1730nkrgecmzgh4)

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FRI 17:06 Outside Source (w1730c6hdp1p4bx)

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FRI 19:06 The Newsroom (w1730bqmqjdvb40n)

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Why is TB still killing people?

Tuberculosis kills more than a million people every year. It's the world's leading cause of death from a single infectious agent. This is despite the fact that we've had a cure for TB since the 1940s and a vaccine that's over 100 years old. So why is TB still causing so many people to die?

That's what CrowdScience listener John in Tanzania wants to know, and presenter Caroline Steel is on the case. After uncovering the history of TB, she looks into the efficacy of the vaccine, known as BCG. It's both effective and ineffective, protecting children well against severe TB, but offering inconsistent and often poor protection in adults.

Then we discovered antibiotics. Surely this should have meant an end to TB - but it's still with us. So what's going wrong?

Caroline looks into the science of TB – what it is, and how we can fight it. In an unequal world, is the solution purely scientific?

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