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The priestly sleuth wonders if extreme professional jealousy is behind a talented professor's death. Stars David Threlfall.  
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Today: Rhoda ponders on love and marriage and the hopelessness of Jim, while, on the island as the first storm of winter rages, Gary communes with his Viking heroes.  
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The Beat of a Heart, the Tramp of a Fly  
In the early years of the 19-century, new technology allowed people to hear sounds that had always existed - but below the threshold of normal human perception.  
Professor David Hendy of the University of Sussex tells the story of medicine's listening revolution: the discovery of the stethoscope.  
30-part series made in collaboration with the British Library Sound Archive.  
Signature tune composed by Joe Acheson.  
Producer: Matt Thompson  
Offal Kethouse production for BBC Radio 4.  
**TUE 14:30 Elizabeth Gaskell - Mary Barton (b007yp2k)**  
Episode 7  
There is bad news for Jem, while Mary is teased about her flirtation with the mill owner's son, Henry Carson. Stars Emma Rydal.  
**TUE 14:45 Book of the Week (b00w4858)**  
Giles Tremlett - Catherine of Aragon: Henry's Spanish Queen  
Episode 2  
A compelling account of the life of the Spanish Infanta who became Queen of England, then changed the course of Tudor history.  
Prince Arthur has died after only six months of marriage, and Catherine is about to become a pawn in the complicated game of European politics.  
Yolanda Vazquez reads Giles Tremlett's new biography of Catherine of Aragon, the tenacious woman whose marriage lasted twice as long as those of Henry's five other wives put together.  
Abridged by Alison Joseph  
Producer: Eilidh McCreadie.  
**TUE 15:00 Marcel Proust - In Search of Lost Time (b0076qgd)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]  
**TUE 16:00 The Motion Show (b0075wj0)**  
Series 2  
Episode 1  
Dr Phil Hammond chairs the debating game with Gyles Brandreth, Tony Hawks, Jo Caulfield and Arthur Smith. From January 2000.  
**TUE 16:30 The Wordsmiths at Gorsemere (b007js4t)**  
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**TUE 18:00 Elspeth Davie - A Collection of Bones (b012ylrg)**  
The Swans  
Staff in a paint shop start seeing mortality in a row of houses. It has a melancholic effect on sales. Read by Edith MacArthur. From January 2002.  
**TUE 18:15 MR James (b00pdzg5)**  
MR James Stories  
The Tractate Middoth  
Diligent curator, David Garrett, gets caught up in the machinations of the mysterious Dr Rant when he's sent down to the library stacks to retrieve an obscure manuscript.  
Derek Jacobi - as the voice of MR James - introduces classic

ghost stories.  
Dramatised by Chris Harrald.  
Stars Sam Dale as Mr Thompson, Joseph Millson as Garrett, John Rowe as Mr Eldred and Joannah Tincey as Lucy Simpson.  
Producer: Gemma Jenkins  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2007.  
**TUE 18:30 That Reminds Me (b007jnps)**  
Series 2  
Dora Bryan  
From ENSA to Hello Dolly, the veteran actress reminisces about her stage, film and television career. From October 2000.  
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**TUE 22:30 Don't Start (b01mqgg1)**  
Series 2  
The Toenail  
What do long term partners really argue about? The sharp new comedy from Frank Skinner returns for a second series.  
Well observed, clever and funny, Don't Start is a scripted comedy with a deceptively simple premise - an argument. Each week our couple fall out over another apparently trivial flashpoint - the Krankies, toenail trimming and semantics.  
The stakes mount as Neil and Kim battle with words. But these are no ordinary arguments. The two outdo each other with increasingly absurd images, unexpected literary references (the Old Testament, Jack Spratt and the first Mrs Rochester, to name a few) and razor sharp analysis of their beloved's weaknesses. Underneath the cutting wit, however, there is an unmistakable tenderness.  
Frank says:  
"Having established in the first series that Neil and Kim are a childless academic couple who during their numerous arguments luxuriate in their own and each other's learning and wit, I've tried in the second series to dig a little deeper into their relationship. Love and affection occasionally splutter into view, like a Higgs boson in a big tunnel-thing, but can such emotions ever prevail in a relationship where the couple prefers to wear their brains, rather than their hearts, on their sleeves? Is that too much offal imagery?"  
Episode 2: The Toenail  
Frank's attempts at recycling strike Kim as an unhealthy obsession with death.  
Produced and directed by Polly Thomas  
Executive Producer: Jon Todday  
An Avalon production for BBC Radio 4.  
**TUE 22:45 The Music Teacher (b01gh8nb)**  
Series 2  
Episode 4  
Richie Webb returns as multi-instrumentalist music teacher Nigel Penny.  
Nigel's attempts to field calls from a dating agency whilst teaching don't go quite as planned. Meanwhile Belinda is attempting to track down the elusive Arts Centre Cleaner, who has taken refuge in Nigel's room.  
Directed by Nick Walker  
Audio production by Matt Katz  
Written and produced by Richie Webb  
A Top Dog Production for BBC Radio 4.  
**TUE 23:00 Alice's Wonderland (b01kt4ck)**  
Series 1  
Episode 2  
A trip round Wonderland, the Poundland of magical realms. It's a kingdom much like our own, and also nothing like it in the slightest.  
Stay a while and meet waifs and strays, wigshops and witches, murderous pensioners and squirrels of this delightful land as they go about their bizarre business.  
A sketch show written and performed by Alice Lowe.  
Also starring:  
Richard Glover  
Simon Greenall  
Rachel Stubbings  
Clare Thompson  
Marcia Warren  
Producer: Sam Bryant  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2012.  
**TUE 23:30 The Sofa of Time (b00hxcz8)**  
Captain Chapel and the Crabs  
Milford sets out to rescue the Crab Prince. Stars Mark Heap, Nick Frost, Kevin Eldon and Peter Serafinowicz. From November 2002.  
**WEDNESDAY 18 NOVEMBER 2015**  
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A Murder Is Announced  
Episode 3  
There is little doubt that the intended murder victim was Miss Blacklock. Will a second attempt be made on her life?  
Agatha Christie's whodunit starring June Whitfield as the deceptively mild sleuth, Miss Jane Marple.  
Dramatised by Michael Bakewell.  
Miss Marple ..... June Whitfield  
Inspector Craddock ..... Ian Lavender  
Letty Blacklock ..... Sarah Lawson  
Dora Bunner ..... Judy Cornwell  
Bunch Harmon ..... Molly Gaisford  
Patrick Simmons ..... Jamie Glover  
Mitzi ..... Jenny Funnell  
Julia Simmons ..... Angela Sims  
Phillipa Haymes ..... Sarah Rice  
Mrs Goedler ..... Tessa Worsley  
Director: Emyd Williams  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 1999  
**WED 06:30 Shooting Soviets: Cartier-Bresson in Moscow (b00fhp89)**  
Mark Haworth-Booth tells the story of the French photographer Henri Cartier-Bresson's journey to the Soviet Union in 1954, when he was the first Western photographer to be admitted behind the Iron Curtain since WWII.  
His aim was to photograph the daily realities of life in the Soviet Union, and the subsequent exhibition of the work he did there represented the first glimpse of real life behind the Iron Curtain.  
Mark investigates the circumstances surrounding his visit and considers its wider significance, with the help of interviews with his widow, Martine Franck, photographers Annie Leibovitz and David Hum and some of the Russian photographers whose work was directly influenced by Cartier-Bresson's time in the Soviet Union.  
**WED 07:00 Huddwinks (b00fsmzb)**  
Series 2  
Tom Smollet's Schooldays  
A young pupil faces up to boarding school life with a fearsome headmaster and a bullying head boy.  
Roy Hudd stars in Laurie Rowley's comic parodies.  
With:  
Denise Coffey  
Chris Emmett  
David Gooderson  
Fred Harris  
Producer: Jonathan James-Moore  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in July 1988.  
**WED 07:30 To Hull and Back (b06nq26y)**  
Series 1  
It's My Party  
Sophie finally comes in to some money. It's her chance to get away at last.  
However, her mother Sheila's birthday is imminent and a surprise party takes precedence. But there's more of a surprise in store for Sophie...  
Series 1 of the sitcom by BBC New Comedy Award winner, Lucy Beaumont.  
Sophie still lives at home with her mum in Hull. They make a living doing car boot sales at the weekend. Except they don't really make a living because her mum can't bear to get rid of any of their junk. Plus, they don't have a car. As their house gets more cluttered, Sophie feels more trapped.  
Starring Lucy Beaumont as Sophie and Maureen Lipman as Sheila.  
Producer: Carl Cooper  
A BBC Radio Comedy Production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in 2015.  
**WED 08:00 The TV Lark (b01c7wj3)**

On Safari  
The Troubridge TV team heads to Africa for 'Up The Creek' with naturalists Maggie and Arnold Crump.  
After 4 series of 'The Navy Lark', the BBC decided the comedy crew needed a new setting, so where better than brand new independent station, Troubridge TV?  
However, after just 10 episodes, this proved to be only a temporary change of course for the crew of HMS Troubridge - as the crew were soon back aboard 'The Navy Lark'.  
Stars Jon Pertwee as the Floor Manager, Leslie Phillips as The Director, Stephen Murray as the Producer, Ronnie Barker as Fats Johnson and Richard Caldicote as the Deputy Controller.  
Scripted by Lawrie Wyman  
Producer: Alastair Scott Johnson.  
First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in March 1963.  
**WED 08:30 I'm Sorry, I'll Read That Again (b0100lqz)**  
Series 7  
Episode 1  
Dave the Rave shares all the gossip from this diary and Professor Prune dons his electrical time trousers.  
Starring:  
Tim Brooke-Taylor  
John Cleese  
Graeme Garden  
David Hatch  
Jo Kendall  
Bill Oddie  
Sketches written by Graeme Garden and Bill Oddie.  
Originating from the Cambridge University Footlights revue 'Cambridge Circus', ISIRTA ran for 8 years on BBC Radio and quickly developed a cult following.  
Music and songs by Liam Cohen, Dave Lee, Graeme Garden and Bill Oddie.  
Producer: David Hatch / Peter Titheradge  
First broadcast on the BBC Radio 2 in January 1969.  
**WED 09:00 Counterpoint (b0089ht7)**  
1999  
Heat 4  
The fourth heat of Ned Sherrin's music quiz with Adam Nagel of Birmingham, Lucinda Sparrow from Cambridge and Swindon's Roderick Lawford.  
**WED 09:30 The Leopard in Autumn (b00rvzkq)**  
Series 2  
Considering the Lillies of the Field  
Prince Ludovico of Monte Guano - besieged ruler of the pettiest state in Italy - battles to raise enough money from his meagre subjects to pay for the new Pope's tribute.  
Second series of the comedy drama set in Renaissance Italy devised by Neal Anthony.  
Written by Roger Danes.  
Stars David Swift as Ludovico, Sian Phillips as Plethora, Graham Crowden as Francesco, Saskia Wickham as Rosalie, Nick Romero as Salvatore, Paul Bigley as Alessandro, Christopher Kelham as Guido and Kim Wall as Vitellozzo.  
Producer: Helen Williams  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2002.  
**WED 10:00 Marcel Proust - In Search of Lost Time (b0076qkb)**  
The Guermentiers Way  
Marcel discovers the staggering gulf between the fantasy and the reality of childhood enchantments. Stars James Wilby.  
**WED 11:00 William Trevor - A Bit on the Side (b00ncf5p)**  
Traditions  
A strange recognition across the generations for a schoolboy and an enigmatic maid. Read by Dermot Crowley.  
**WED 11:15 Baldi (b007jlnl)**  
Series 2  
Not for Life  
A young girl's suicide sends the priestly sleuth on an internet murder trail. Starring David Threlfall and Robert Bathurst.  
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The New Art of Listening  
In the 18-century, musical performances were a relaxed affair. Most audience members were so busy chatting, flirting and eating they didn't do much listening at all. But then came the era of grand concert halls.  
Professor David Hendy of the University of Sussex explores how the Victorians stopped shuffling and learned to hush.  
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Signature tune composed by Joe Acheson.  
Producer: Matt Thompson  
A Rockethouse production for BBC Radio 4.  
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Episode 8  
Mr Barton is desperate for work, and a long-lost relative warns him over Mary. 1840s Manchester tale stars David Calder, Emma Rydal and Fiona Clarke.  
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A Field in Space  
An affecting story of 'the fields of the sky', and one expert whose speciality stuns a whole meeting. Read by Crawford Logan. From January 2002.  
**WED 18:15 MR James (b00p12h)**  
MR James Stories  
Lost Hearts  
Stephen Elliot - orphaned at the tender age of 12 - moves to his wealthy uncle's in Lincolnshire, only to find himself troubled by dreams of two ghostly figures...  
Derek Jacobi - as the voice of MR James - introduces classic ghost stories.  
Dramatised by Chris Harrald.  
Stars Sophie Roberts as Jane, James D'Arcy as Stephen Elliot, Katy Cavanagh as Mrs Bunch, Jordan Clarke as Young Stephen and Peter Marinker.  
Producer: Gemma Jenkins  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2007.  
**WED 18:30 Off the Page (b0076wrz)**  
Kissing Arse  
Dominic Arkwright presents the series featuring new writing and stimulating discussion. Guy Browning, Amanda Mitchison and Wilfred Emmanuel Jones take on the brown-nosers and lickspittles of the corporate world.  
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**WED 22:30 Tim Key's Late Night Poetry Programme (b01cws2j)**  
Series 1  
Chance  
Tim tackles the dicey issue of 'chance' via a selection of poems including: 'The Wrong Number that Led to a Marriage' and 'Probably Gay'.  
Written and presented by Tim Key

Musical accompaniment is provided by Tom Basden.  
Producer: James Robinson  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2012.  
**WED 22:45 Earls of the Court (b00r7lpz)**  
Crisis Management  
Comedy drama series by Will Adamsdale and Stewart Wright about two Australians down on their luck in London.  
Lloydie and Johnno need money fast to pay the rent, but will the contents of Lloydie's trusty backpack be enough to save the day?  
Lloydie ..... Stewart Wright  
Johnno ..... Will Adamsdale  
Directed by Sasha Yevtushenko.  
**WED 23:00 Richard Herring's Objective (b00vhg7)**  
Series 1  
The St George's Flag  
Comedian Richard Herring reclaims those things we have given a bad name to.  
Today he's reclaiming the English National Flag from any associations with far right extremists. Why does the man and woman on the street have no idea when St George's day is? Who is St George?  
Richard asks a vexillologist (flag expert) about how flags have come to symbolise nations. He also talks to anthropologist Kate Fox who has studied the behaviour of the English, about why the English are not natural flag waving patriots. The show was recorded in front of an audience.  
Producer: Tilusha Ghelani  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2010.  
**WED 23:30 Revolting People (b008h6np)**  
Series 3  
Over the Rainbow  
Mary discovers that there's no place like home.  
Sitcom set just before the American War of Independence.  
Written by Andy Hamilton and Jay Tarses.  
McGurk ..... Andy Hamilton  
Samuel ..... Jay Tarses  
Captain Brimshaw ..... James Fleet  
Mary ..... Jan Ravens  
Joshua ..... Tony Maudsley  
Ezekiel ..... Hugh Dennis  
Cora ..... Penelope Nice  
Other parts played by Philip Pope and Michael Fenton Stevens.  
Producer: Paul Mayhew-Archer  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2004.

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Julia Simmons ..... Angela Sims  
Phillipa Haymes ..... Sarah Rice  
Miss Murgatroyd ..... Alice Arnold  
Miss Hinchliffe ..... Elizabeth Bell

Director: Enyd Williams  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 1999  
**THU 06:30 Oulipo (b00nvzys)**  
 Writer and typographer Ben Schott investigates Oulipo, the French experimental literary group. Founded in 1960 and still in existence, Oulipo create work by imposing playful restrictions the way a text will be produced. Oulipo stands for Ouvroir de Littérature Potentielle, meaning Workshop for Potential Literature. In this humorous history of the French literary group, Ben discovers that recently, Oulipo have even made a bridgehead into English-speaking territory.  
 In November 2008, for instance, the Canadian experimental poet Christian Bok published a novel called *Eunoia* (meaning 'beautiful thinking'), consisting of five chapters, each highlighting one vowel. Bok, who has previously created artificial languages for Gene Roddenberry, creator of *Star Trek*, says his new novel pays direct homage to Oulipo.  
 Oulipo's President, Paul Fournel, describes how Oulipo was founded by Raymond Queneau and Francois Le Lionnais as a reaction to the Surrealist movement to which Queneau in particular had previously attached himself. Instead of freely following the whims of the subconscious, Oulipians deliberately introduced conscious constraints, and discovered the results could be not only plentiful but also intriguing. Oulipians, according to Queneau, are 'rats, who build the labyrinth from which they will escape'. Queneau's works included *Cent Mille Millions de Poemes*, or 100,000,000,000 Poems, in which each page contains a 14-line sonnet, split into 14 strips, which can be separated and re-combined in any order. Queneau thought it would take 190,258,751 years for someone to read every combination.  
 One of Oulipo's most famous members, George Perec, wrote an entire novel, *La Disparition*, as a lipogram, avoiding the use of the letter E. Translated into English under the title *A Void*, the novel is now required reading on some academic courses for computer programmers. Later, Perec devised a 'story-writing machine' based on the knight's tour of the chessboard, in the writing of his 1970 novel, *Life: A User's Manual*, which links every occupant in every room of a Paris apartment block. Some other techniques used by Oulipians to generate work include the N+7 method (where every noun is replaced by the noun found seven entries further on in a dictionary), *Cent* (a poem patched together out of lines written by other poets), palindromes and multiple choice narratives.  
**THU 07:00 North by Northamptonshire (b03m40zv)**  
 Series 3  
 Episode 1  
 Relationships have come and gone but life continues in Wadenbrook and Ken and Keith have a birthday to celebrate. Sheila Hancock narrates the bittersweet adventures of the residents of a small town in Northamptonshire.  
 Written by Katherine Jakeways.  
 As is well-known: Yorkshiremen wear flat caps and Essex girls wear short skirts; Liverpudlians are scallies and Cockneys are wideboys. Northamptonians gaze wistfully at these stereotypes and wish for an identity of any kind and a label less ridiculous than Northamptonians. Northamptonshire, let us be clear, is neither north, nor south nor in the Midlands. It floats somewhere between the three eyeing up the distinctiveness of each enviously.  
 Katherine Jakeways gives Northamptonshire an identity. And she waits, eagerly, for her home-county to thank her. And possibly make her some kind of Mayor.  
 Narrator ..... Sheila Hancock  
 Rod ..... Tim Key  
 Frank ..... Rufus Wright  
 Mary ..... Penelope Wilton  
 Jonathan ..... Kevin Eldon  
 Esther ..... Katherine Jakeways  
 Keith ..... John Biggins  
 Norman ..... Geoffrey Palmer  
 Jan ..... Felicity Montagu  
 Producer: Steven Canny  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2013.  
**THU 07:30 Alex Horne Presents The Horne Section (b01r0c5r)**  
 Series 2  
 With Phill Jupitus and Lady Lykez  
 Comedy show hosted by Alex Horne and his five piece band and specially written, original music.  
 This episode explores the theme of 'the body' including songs on shampoo, beards and catarrh.  
 Guest starring:  
 Phill Jupitus who sings with the band and reads a poem  
 Plus a rap from Lady Lykez.  
 Alex's Horne Section are:  
 Trumpet/banjo .... Joe Auckland  
 Saxophone/clarinet .... Mark Brown  
 Double Bass/Bass .... Will Collier  
 Drums and Percussion .... Ben Reynolds  
 Piano/keyboard .... Ed Sheldrake  
 Producer: Julia McKenzie.  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2013.  
**THU 08:00 Steptoe and Son (b007k094)**  
 Series 4  
 Full House  
 Card sharks fleece Harold Steptoe, so his father Albert steps in. Starring Wilfrid Brambell and Harry H Corbett.  
 Following the conclusion of their hugely successful association

with Tony Hancock, writers Ray Galton and Alan Simpson wrote 10 pilots for the BBC TV's Comedy Playhouse in 1962. The Offer featured the lives of rag and bone men Albert Steptoe and son Harold - and was the spark for a run of eight series on TV.  
 Albert ..... Wilfrid Brambell  
 Harold ..... Harry H Corbett  
 With Martin Friend, Douglas Blackwell and Michael Kilgarriff.  
 Adapted for radio from their TV scripts by Ray Galton and Alan Simpson.  
 Producer: Bobby Jaye  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in January 1972.  
**THU 08:30 The Marx Brothers' Flywheel, Shyster and Flywheel (b0089jcz)**  
 Series 3  
 Episode 2  
 An escaped murderer is after the shady lawyer Waldorf T Flywheel.  
 Recreation of the Marx Brothers' lost shows charting the adventures of shady lawyer Waldorf T Flywheel and his assistant, Emmanuelle Ravelli. Originally broadcast with sponsors on America's NBC radio network in the 1930s. The scripts were rediscovered in 1988.  
 Starring Michael Roberts as Groucho Marx as Waldorf T Flywheel and Frank Lazarus as Chico Marx as Emmanuelle Ravelli.  
 With Lorelei King, Graham Hoadly and Vincent Marzello.  
 Written by Nat Perrin and Athur Sheekman. Adapted by Mark Brisenden.  
 Music arranged and conducted by David Firman.  
 Producer: Dirk Maggs  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 1992.  
**THU 09:00 Booked (b0075lcp)**  
 Series 2  
 Episode 1  
 Piglet bumps into the Greek Chorus, Inspector Clouseau takes Blanche Dubois to a dance, and Hunter S Thompson writes a public school prospectus.  
 Outrageous parody, wit and original writing from Mark Thomas, Dillie Keane, Miles Kington and Roger McGough in the irreverent literary game.  
 Chaired by Ian McMillan.  
 Producer: Marc Jobst  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 1997.  
**THU 09:30 No Commitments (b007qk6)**  
 Series 6  
 Growing Away  
 As Emily flies the nest, Victoria and Roger assess their marriage. Stars Rosemary Leach and Angela Thorne. From August 1999.  
**THU 10:00 Marcel Proust - In Search of Lost Time (b0076qnd)**  
 Sodom and Gomorrah  
 Desperate to avoid the tortures of love, Marcel tries to make himself unavailable to Albertine. Meanwhile, the Baron de Charlus suffers heartbreak. Stars James Wilby.  
**THU 11:00 William Trevor - A Bit on the Side (b00nhq56)**  
 Sacred Statues  
 Can a statue maker's wife help her neighbours and herself, or is her husband being more realistic? Read by Niamh Cusack.  
**THU 11:15 Baldi (b007k01n)**  
 Series 2  
 Scratching the Surface  
 The priest-cum-sleuth gets embroiled in mystery and death on a pot-holing expedition. Stars David Threlfall and Tina Kellegher.  
**THU 12:00 Steptoe and Son (b007k094)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]  
**THU 12:30 The Marx Brothers' Flywheel, Shyster and Flywheel (b0089jcz)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]  
**THU 13:00 Miss Marple (b007jnkp)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]  
**THU 13:30 Oulipo (b00nvzys)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]  
**THU 14:00 Book at Bedtime (b00yhfw)**  
 David Vann - Caribou Island  
 Episode 9  
 Caribou Island is set in David Vann's native Alaska, amid the icy, glacier fed lakes and the remote islands covered in alder and Sitka spruce. And it is on such island, far from any habitation, that Gary, a medievalist who fled to Alaska thirty years ago with his young wife Irene, in search of an unattainable idyll, is now determined to begin once again. He will build a simple cabin there and at last find peace. Irene joins him in his endeavour, understanding, unlike her husband, that there are costs.  
 Meanwhile her daughter Rhoda dreams of marriage with Jim, a dentist, who is about to enter his own 'mid-life crisis'.  
 Fluid and sometimes raw, David Vann explores the depths an unravelling marriage can sink to and the hopes the young still entertain.  
 Today: In a powerful and uncompromising episode, as the cabin nears its faltering completion, Irene understands how alone she really is.  
 The reader is William Hope  
 The abridger is Sally Marnion  
 The producer is Di Speirs.  
**THU 14:15 Noise: A Human History (b01rw2zq)**  
 Life in the City

As cities grew, next-door's noise became increasingly hard to escape.  
 Professor David Hendy of the University of Sussex follows the writer Thomas Carlyle's grumpy attempts at soundproofing, before travelling to New York to imagine the teeming, noisy world of the Lower East Side tenements in the early 20th-century.  
 30-part series made in collaboration with the British Library Sound Archive.  
 Signature tune composed by Joe Acheson.  
 Producer: Matt Thompson  
 A Rockethouse production for BBC Radio 4.  
**THU 14:30 Elizabeth Gaskell - Mary Barton (b007jqht)**  
 Episode 9  
 Mary is worried about her father's savage behaviour, and Jem makes his intentions clear. Stars Emma Rydal and David Calder.  
**THU 14:45 Book of the Week (b00w48fn)**  
 Giles Tremlett - Catherine of Aragon: Henry's Spanish Queen  
 Episode 4  
 A compelling account of the life of the Spanish Infanta who changed the course of Tudor history. Henry VIII is determined to marry Anne Boleyn and has instituted divorce proceedings against Catherine.  
 Yolanda Vazquez reads Giles Tremlett's new biography of Catherine of Aragon, the tenacious woman whose marriage lasted twice as long as those of Henry's five other wives put together.  
 Abridged by Alison Joseph  
 Producer: Eilidh McCreadie.  
**THU 15:00 Marcel Proust - In Search of Lost Time (b0076qnd)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]  
**THU 16:00 Booked (b0075lcp)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]  
**THU 16:30 No Commitments (b007qk6)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]  
**THU 17:00 North by Northamptonshire (b03m40zv)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]  
**THU 17:30 Alex Horne Presents The Horne Section (b01r0c5r)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]  
**THU 18:00 Elspeth Davie - A Collection of Bones (b012ysn7)**  
 A Collection of Bones  
 A troubling tale of a man with an obsessive hobby, and what happens when it suddenly comes to an end. Read by Crawford Logan.  
**THU 18:15 MR James (b00pf4xf)**  
 MR James Stories  
 The Rose Garden  
 Mary and George Goodman are renovating an old house in rural Essex. When they remove an ancient post from the back garden, it opens a doorway to the region's turbulent past.  
 Derek Jacobi - as the voice of MR James - introduces classic ghost stories.  
 Dramatised by Chris Harrald.  
 Stars Anton Lesser as George, Carolyn Pickles as Mary, Susan Jameson as Miss Wilkins, Simon Treves as Judge Nashe and Ben Crowe as Jim.  
 Producer: Gemma Jenkins  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2007.  
**THU 18:30 Great Lives (b0076v1v)**  
 Series 8  
 Mae West  
 Writer Kathy Lette chooses Hollywood's 'queen of the quip', Mae West. With Simon Louvish and Francine Stock. From 2005.  
**THU 19:00 Steptoe and Son (b007k094)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]  
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 [Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]  
**THU 21:15 Baldi (b007k01n)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 today]  
**THU 22:00 Alex Horne Presents The Horne Section (b01r0c5r)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]  
**THU 22:30 The Secret World (b011vld9)**  
 Series 1  
 Episode 5  
 From Sir Alan Sugar to Boy George, Jon Culshaw explores the bizarre private lives of famous folk. From May 2009.  
**THU 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (b06r158z)**  
 The best in contemporary comedy. Iain Lee chats to Mackenzie Crook.  
**THU 23:00 Old Harry's Game (b007jpdn)**  
 Series 2  
 G.U.T.  
 For centuries, scientists have tried in vain to work out the grand unifying theory behind the universe.  
 Satan sits the Professor down and teaches it to him...  
 Andy Hamilton's comedy series set in Hell.

Satan ..... Andy Hamilton  
 The Professor ..... James Groult  
 Thomas ..... Jimmy Mulville  
 Scumspaw ..... Robert Duncan  
 Other characters played by Philip Pope, Felicity Montagu and Nick Revell.  
 Producer Paul Mayhew-Archer  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1998.  
**THU 23:30 The Penny Dreadfuls (b00gpbvc)**  
 More Brothers Faversham  
 Maximilian Faversham  
 The story of Victorian Britain's greatest horror writer.  
 The comedy trio's swashbuckling family romp.  
 Written by and starring Humphrey Ker, David Reed and Thom Tuck.  
 With Miles Jupp and Ingrid Oliver.  
 Script edited by Richard Turner.  
 Producer: Julia McKenzie  
 Made for BBC Radio 7 and first broadcast in 2008.

## FRIDAY 20 NOVEMBER 2015

**FRI 00:00 Elspeth Davie - A Collection of Bones (b012ysn7)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Thursday]  
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 [Repeat of broadcast at 18:15 on Thursday]  
**FRI 00:30 Great Lives (b0076v1v)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Thursday]  
**FRI 01:00 Miss Marple (b007jnkp)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Thursday]  
**FRI 01:30 Oulipo (b00nvzys)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Thursday]  
**FRI 02:00 Book at Bedtime (b00hyfw)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Thursday]  
**FRI 02:15 Noise: A Human History (b01rw2zq)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 14:15 on Thursday]  
**FRI 02:30 Elizabeth Gaskell - Mary Barton (b007jqht)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Thursday]  
**FRI 02:45 Book of the Week (b00w48fn)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 14:45 on Thursday]  
**FRI 03:00 Marcel Proust - In Search of Lost Time (b0076qnd)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Thursday]  
**FRI 04:00 Booked (b0075lcp)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 on Thursday]  
**FRI 04:30 No Commitments (b007q9k6)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Thursday]  
**FRI 05:00 North by Northamptonshire (b03m40zv)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Thursday]  
**FRI 05:30 Alex Horne Presents The Horne Section (b01r0c5r)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Thursday]  
**FRI 06:00 Miss Marple (b007jnl4)**  
 A Murder Is Announced  
 Episode 5  
 A further murder has been committed, but just as Miss Marple is piecing her thoughts together - she disappears...  
 Conclusion of Agatha Christie's whodunit starring June Whitfield as the deceptively mild sleuth, Miss Jane Marple.  
 Dramatised by Michael Bakewell.  
 Miss Marple ..... June Whitfield  
 Inspector Craddock ..... Ian Lavender  
 Letty Blacklock ..... Sarah Lawson  
 Colonel Easterbrook ..... Jack Hedley  
 Laura Easterbrook ..... Joanna McCallum  
 Bunch Harmon ..... Molly Gaisford  
 Patrick Simmons ..... Jamie Glover  
 Mitzi ..... Jenny Funnell  
 Julia Simmons ..... Angela Sims  
 Phillipa Haymes ..... Sarah Rice  
 Director: Eynd Williams  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 1999  
**FRI 06:30 The Ghost Trains of Old England (b00vhhf)**  
 Just one train a week runs between Stockport and Stalybridge. It never returns. "There is no service from Stalybridge to Stockport", says a platform sign, cryptically. The Stockport-Stalybridge service is what's known as a "parliamentary train" and exists only so that the rail company can avoid going through formal closure proceedings. Running the single weekly service costs only £50, but to close it down would cost far more. Of the intermediate stops on the line, Network Rail notes: "Data collection including observation has been unable to record any use of these stations".  
 In this programme, Ian Marchant travels these little used lines and forgotten stations. There is Teesside Airport station, the least-used stop in Britain, with just 44 passengers a year. It has only one train a week, is a 20 minutes walk from the airport (a journey which involves negotiating a locked gate), and the airport has a different name anyway.  
 Then there is the train that goes from Manchester to Brighton - except that since the Manchester to Brighton direct service has been abolished, a semi-secret replacement bus travels once a week from Ealing Broadway to Wandsworth Road, two stations that were never on the Manchester-Brighton route anyway.  
 Most bizarre is the case of Newhaven Marine, a station which is technically open, and is served by one train a day. But the station is behind a locked fence and passengers are forbidden to get on the train, which does not appear on any timetable. The

company offers to provide a taxi service to any passenger "in possession of a valid ticket". But it is impossible to buy a ticket. Who are the people who use these secret trains which are also buses and taxis? Mostly rail enthusiasts and hobbyists who collect rail tickets. But occasionally a real passenger stumbles across a service and uses it almost by accident. And what does it say about the British attitude to rules that we stick within the letter of the law while entirely subverting their intention?  
**FRI 07:00 Winston (b007qq36)**  
 Winston Comes to Town  
 Line of Communication  
 Cunning rogue Winston has stowed away in a yellow removal van to follow the family to London.  
 Peter Timmiswood's bawdy comedy serial.  
 Winston ..... Bill Wallis  
 Father ..... Maurice Denham  
 Nancy ..... Shirley Dixon  
 Rosie ..... Liz Goulding  
 William ..... Christian Rodska  
 Director: Shaun MacLoughlin.  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio in January 1990.  
**FRI 07:30 Instant Sunshine (b00lh3hd)**  
 From 29/08/1988  
 Humorous songs performed by the comedy musical cabaret group, Instant Sunshine:  
 Featuring David Barlow, Peter Christie, Miles Kington and Alan Maryon-Davis  
 Producer: David Rayvern Allen  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1988.  
**FRI 08:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b007jjsy)**  
 Series 5  
 Sunday Afternoon at Home  
 Bored and miserable at home, the lad tries to decide what to do. Classic episode starring Tony Hancock as The Lad Himself.  
 With Sidney James, Bill Kerr, Hattie Jacques and Kenneth Williams.  
 Written by Ray Galton and Alan Simpson.  
 Theme and incidental music written by Wally Stott.  
 Producer: Tom Ronald  
 First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in April 1958.  
**FRI 08:30 The Goon Show (b007yn6x)**  
 Series 6  
 Rommel's Treasure  
 Fleeing from Tobruk in 1942, the military leader leaves behind a precious box.

Groundbreaking, surreal BBC radio comedy written by Spike Milligan and Eric Sykes.

Starring:  
 Peter Sellers  
 Harry Secombe  
 Spike Milligan

First billed as Crazy People, ten series of The Goon Show were recorded between 1951 and 1960, but sadly many of the earliest shows weren't kept in the archive.

With the Ray Ellington Quartet and Max Geldray.

Orchestra conducted by Wally Stott.

Announcer: Wallace Greenslade

Producer: Peter Eton

First broadcast on the BBC Home Service in October 1955.

**FRI 09:00 The 99p Challenge (b0075w2m)**

Series 4

Episode 1

Crazy panel show capers as host Sue Perkins grills Simon Pegg, Armando Iannucci, Bill Bailey and David Quantick.  
 The game where someone stands to leave the studio 99p richer than when they came in.

Producer: David Tyler

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2003.

**FRI 09:30 Albert and Me (b007jsm1)**

Series 1

The Homecoming

Single dad Bryan gets worried when his son's mum wants to visit.

Stars Richard Beckinsale as Bryan Archer, Pat Coombs as Mum/Albert and John Comer as Dad. With Robert Gillespie as the Police Sergeant and Diana Berriman as Rose.

Written by Jim Eldredge.

Producer: John Fawcett Wilson

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in December 1977.

**FRI 10:00 Marcel Proust - In Search of Lost Time (b0076qrn)**

The Prisoner and the Fugitive

Hiding away from his turbulent love affair with Albertine, Marcel receives a devastating telegram. Stars James Wilby.

**FRI 11:00 William Trevor - A Bit on the Side (b00nm0k3)**

Graillies' Legacy

The touching and compassionate story of one man's guilt over his love for two women. Read by Dermot Crowley.

**FRI 11:15 Baldi (b007jlp5)**

Series 2

Early Retirement

A retired policeman, a fatal shooting. Thomas Hardy and a murky past revealed. With David Threlfall as the priest-cum-sleuth.

**FRI 12:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b007jjsy)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

**FRI 12:30 The Goon Show (b007yn6x)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

**FRI 13:00 Miss Marple (b007jnl4)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

**FRI 13:30 The Ghost Trains of Old England (b00vhhf)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

**FRI 14:00 Book at Bedtime (b00hyfw)**

David Vann - Caribou Island

Episode 10

Caribou Island is set in David Vann's native Alaska, amid the icy, glacier fed lakes and the remote islands covered in alder and Sitka spruce. And it is on such island, far from any habitation, that Gary, a medievalist who fled to Alaska thirty years ago with his young wife Irene, in search of an unattainable idyll, is now determined to begin once again. He will build a simple cabin there and at last find peace. Irene joins him in his endeavour, understanding, unlike her husband, that there are costs.

Meanwhile her daughter Rhoda dreams of marriage with Jim, a dentist, who is about to enter his own 'mid-life crisis'.

Fluid and sometimes raw, David Vann explores the depths an unravelling marriage can sink to and the hopes the young still entertain.

Today: While Rhoda fears for her parents on the island and tries to find a way reach them, Irene confronts her loneliness and finds a stark and uncompromising solution.

The reader is William Hone

The abridger is Sally Marmon

The producer is Di Speirs.

**FRI 14:15 Noise: A Human History (b01rw8xt)**

Capturing Sound

Sounds were ephemeral until recording technology made it possible to capture them.

Professor David Hendy of the University of Sussex introduces bottled moments from the past, including the voices of Robert Browning and Florence Nightingale and 9/11 answerphone messages.

30-part series made in collaboration with the British Library Sound Archive.

Signature tune composed by Joe Acheson.

Producer: Matt Thompson

A Rockhouse production for BBC Radio 4.

**FRI 14:30 Elizabeth Gaskell - Mary Barton (b007jqj4)**

Episode 10

Margaret has an admirer, and Jem hears Mary's secret via a mysterious stranger. 1840s Manchester tale stars Emma Rydal, Roy Hudd and Teresa Gallagher.

**FRI 14:45 Book of the Week (b00w48g8)**

Giles Tremlett - Catherine of Aragon: Henry's Spanish Queen

Episode 5

A compelling account of the life of the Spanish Infanta who changed the course of Tudor history. At Henry's urging, Parliament has passed the Act of Succession annulling the marriage of the king and queen. However Catherine still has influential allies across Europe.

Yolanda Vazquez reads Giles Tremlett's new biography of Catherine of Aragon, the tenacious woman whose marriage lasted twice as long as those of Henry's five other wives put together.

Abridged by Alison Joseph

Producer: Eilidh McCreadie.

**FRI 15:00 Marcel Proust - In Search of Lost Time (b0076qrn)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

**FRI 16:00 The 99p Challenge (b0075w2m)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

**FRI 16:30 Albert and Me (b007jsm1)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

**FRI 17:00 Winston (b007qq36)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

**FRI 17:30 Instant Sunshine (b00lh3hd)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

**FRI 18:00 Elspeth Davie - A Collection of Bones (b012ysm2)**

The Eyelash

A humorous diversion into an evening meal, ruined by a small matter which prompts a big discussion. Read by Edith MacArthur. From January 2002.

**FRI 18:15 MR James (b00pfljb)**

MR James Stories

Number 13

Dr Anderson's obsessive interest in why the hotel he's staying at doesn't include a number 13 puts him in terrible danger.

Derek Jacobi - as the voice of MR James - introduces classic ghost stories.

Dramatised by Chris Harrald.

Stars Julian Rhind-Tutt as Dr Anderson, Jan Delukowicz as Herr Lund, Simon Treves as Herr Scavenius and Ben Onwukwe as the Voice.

Producer: Gemma Jenkins

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2007.

**FRI 18:30 Soul Music (b0076412)**

Series 2

Amazing Grace



John Newton's near-death experience prompted his hymn  
Amazing Grace.  
With Martin Bell, Judy Collins and Bob Zellner  
Series about music that makes the hairs stand up on the back of  
our necks.  
Producer: Sara Conkey  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2001.  
**FRI 19:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b007jsys)**  
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**FRI 22:00 Instant Sunshine (b00lh3hd)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]  
**FRI 22:25 The Comedy Club Interviews (b06s98h5)**  
From **10.00pm** to midnight, seven days a week, the Comedy  
Club has two hours of comedy. Plus Arthur Smith chats to Rory  
McGrath.  
**FRI 22:30 Absolute Power (b007vkmz)**  
Series 2  
Episode 4  
The prime minister wants Charles and Martin to discredit the  
chancellor. Stars Stephen Fry and John Bird. From February  
2001.  
**FRI 23:00 Meet David Sedaris (b01ng26n)**  
Series 3  
Put a Lid on It  
The multi-award winning American essayist brings more of his  
wit and charm to BBC Radio 4 with a series of audience  
readings. This week we encounter his sister, Tiffany, in a story  
called "Put A Lid On It" and hear some more extracts from his  
diaries.  
Producer: Steve Doherty  
A Boom Pictures Cymru production for BBC Radio 4.  
**FRI 23:30 Bridget Christie Minds the Gap (b01r9swd)**  
Series 1  
Episode 3  
Bridget considers women and their relationship with their  
bodies via a lap dance, TOWIE and a fish called Michael.  
Fred MacAulay helps her remember some of the key incidents  
which brought her to an epiphany and a call to arms.  
Four-part stand-up comedy series on the state of British  
feminism today.  
Producer: Alison Vernon-Smith  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2013.