

## SATURDAY 10 JUNE 2017

**SAT 00:00 Ghost Stories of Walter De La Mare (b00wwd8m)**

The Almond Tree A man looks back on the complex relationship between his parents and a female friend of his father's. It's one that will influence the rest of his life...

Read by Julian Wadhams.

Walter de la Mare (1873-1956) was a popular award-winning poet, short story writer and novelist. He wrote for both children and adults.

Abridged by Doreen Estall.

Producer: Lawrence Jackson

Made for BBC Radio 7 and first broadcast in 2010.

**SAT 00:30 Soul Music (b037hmxj)**

Series 16, Elgar's Dream of Gerontius How the choral work The Dream of Gerontius, by Elgar, has touched and changed people's lives.

We hear from Terry Waite for whom it was the first piece of music he heard as a hostage in the Lebanon, after four years in solitary confinement.

Music writer and broadcaster Stephen Johnson describes how Elgar's own fragile emotional state is written into the music, which describes the journey taken by a dying man.

Singer Catherine Wyn-Rogers explains how Elgar's music helped her come to terms with the loss of her parents.

Martin Firth recalls a life-enhancing performance of the piece in Bristol cathedral.

Jude Kelly, artistic director of the South Bank Centre, explains how she experienced the choir in this piece as a 'spiritual army' when she performed it at university.

Martyn Marsh describes how the music brought him to a realisation about how he would like to end his days.

And Robin Self recalls a life-changing performance of this piece, which enabled him to grieve for his son.

Producer: Melvin Rickarby.

**SAT 01:00 Ballad And Folksong: Romeo And Juliet (b08t3khs)**

Episode 2 Concluding Charles Parker's take on Shakespeare's tale, featuring songs and music by Ewan MacColl and Peggy Seeger. From May 1966.

**SAT 01:30 When Harry Met Sooty (b00759y9)**

Comedian Jack Dee presents the rags-to-riches story of Britain's most famous glove puppet. With Sara Parker. From July 1998.

**SAT 02:00 Book at Bedtime (b008cqlb)**

Burning Bright, Episode 5 Tracy Chevalier's novel, abridged in 10 parts by Jane Greenwood, is set in London in 1792.

5/10. After the funeral, the night closes in. Jem, Maggie and Maisie find themselves wet, lost and frightened in a maze of unfamiliar streets.

Read by Jenny Coverack.

**SAT 02:15 Pier People (b00760pp)**

Blackpool's Piers What does the future hold for Blackpool's piers as visitors demand new forms of entertainment? From February 2001.

**SAT 02:30 John Galsworthy - The Forsyte Saga (b07wgn1)**

The Forsytes Returns, Episode 6 John Galsworthy's epic family saga of love, money and betrayal.

Dramatised for radio by Shaun McKenna

Feelings are running high at Ascot as the Forsytes gather to watch the family horse in its debut race

Original music composed by Neil Brand

Director ..... Gemma Jenkins.

**SAT 02:45 Book of the Week (b01kbltc)**

The Old Ways, Episode 5 Humans are like animals and like all animals we leave tracks as we walk. Pilgrim paths, green roads, drove roads, corpse roads, trods, leys, dykes, drongs, sarns, snickets, holloways, bostles, shutes, driftways, lichways, ridings, halterpaths, cartways, carneys, causeways, herepaths."

Author Robert Macfarlane follows some ancient routes in the UK and overseas. As well as having adventures on the way - as you do on foot - he ponders the creation of old paths, the people who trod them, and how they resonate in today's landscapes.

After various journeys, it's back to the chalk paths for Robert Macfarlane and a ghostly encounter is in store..

Reader Dan Stevens.

**SAT 03:00 Daphne du Maurier - My Cousin Rachel (b0109gdh)**

Episode 2 Philip experiences more than one revelation when he finally faces his guardian's widow. Stars Damien Lewis and Lia Williams.

**SAT 04:00 The 3rd Degree (b07ctvfv)**

Series 6, The University of Glasgow A funny and dynamic quiz show hosted by Steve Punt - this week from the University of Glasgow, with specialist subjects including Earth Science, Medicine and Astrophysics and Cosmology, and the questions ranging from Rudolf Hess to Vaslav Nijinsky via smallpox and syzygys.

The programme is recorded on location at a different University each week, and it pits three Undergraduates against three of their Professors in an original and fresh take on an academic quiz.

The rounds vary between Specialist Subjects and General Knowledge, quickfire bell-and-buzzer rounds and the Highbrow and Lowbrow round cunningly devised to test not only the students' knowledge of current affairs, history, languages and science, but also their Professors' awareness of television, sport, and quite possibly Justin Bieber. In addition, the Head-to-Head rounds see students take on their Professors in their own subjects, offering plenty of scope for mild embarrassment on both sides.

Other Universities featured in this series include Gloucestershire, Chester, Birmingham City, Bath and York.

Produced by David Tyler

A Pozzitive production for BBC Radio 4.

**SAT 04:30 Nikolai Gogol - Three Ivans, Two Aunts and an Overcoat (b00nhw1v)**

The Overcoat A humble Russian civil servant's career is stuck in a dismal rut, until he buys a new coat. With Stephen Moore. From April 2002.

**SAT 05:00 Boogie Up the River (b007jv8w)**

A Curry at Kelmsco Jennifer joins Mark and his mutt's Thames quest, but there is a surprise on their menu. Stars Timothy Spall. From January 1993.

**SAT 05:30 Sketchorama (b01kj9h)**

Series 1, Episode 3 Humphrey Ker with new sketch group talent from the circuit: The Three Englishmen, Max & Ivan and Frisky & Mannish. From July 2012.

**SAT 06:00 John Galsworthy - The Forsyte Saga (b08px3ff)**

The Forsytes Concludes, Episode 1 based on the novels of John Galsworthy dramatised by Lin Coghlan

It's 1928 and, after her father's death, Fleur is determined to make a steady life with Michael. But when his young cousin Dinny - lively, determined, and 'not the marrying sort of woman' - struggles to help first a brother accused of war crimes and then a best friend in trouble, can Fleur be of use, as echoes of her own life reverberate?

Original music composed by Neil Brand

Written by John Galsworthy

Dramatised by Lin Coghlan

Director/Producer ..... Marion Nancarrow

Over the last 2 years, BBC Radio 4 has dramatised all 9 of John Galsworthy's Forsyte novels and this series "The Forsytes Concludes" brings us to the last 3 novels, which he wrote at the end of his life. This first 90' drama is based on "Maid in Waiting" and moves to Oxfordshire to introduce the Cherrill family and, in particular, Dinny Cherrill, who, aged 24 in 1928, is full of excitement for the life ahead of her. She is Michael & Fleur's cousin and, unbeknown to either of them, their lives are to have parallels neither could have predicted.

With her father Soames dead, Fleur has resolved to put her love for Jon behind her and live a good life with husband Michael and son Kit. But Dinny's brother is in trouble and as things escalate, both Fleur and Michael are pushed to try to find ways they can help the besieged brother and sister.

Joining Jessica Raine, Ben Lambert and Brian Protheroe from the original cast are Nina Sosanya, Allan Corduner, Jonathan Aris and Sarah Ridgeway in this episode, with Max Bennett, Chloe Pirrie and John Heffernan arriving later.

This 90' Saturday Drama is followed by 5 x 15' episodes to tell the story of "Flowering Wilderness" (which sees an unexpected return) and a Saturday and Sunday Drama at the end of the week conclude the story and all 9 novels.

**SAT 07:30 Hardeep's Sunday Lunch (b01p9g44)**

Series 1, Episode 4 For this week's Sunday Lunch Hardeep Singh Kohli visits a beautiful valley in Lancashire to meet the volunteers who run Clarion House. With it's red flag waving and a sign outside saying 'Socialism Our Hope', Clarion House is the last Independent Labour Party socialist tea room in the country. Visited several times by Keir Hardie, the tea room was set up at the end of the 19th century to encourage mill workers into the countryside every Sunday. Over pint mugs of tea, visitors were encouraged to make friends, discuss the issues of the day and spread the message of socialism. And as Hardeep finds out, today Clarion House still attracts lots of cyclists and walkers every Sunday in search of a pint of tea and a chat even though the social message is diminished.

Producers: Dawn Bryan

Amanda Hancox.

**SAT 08:00 Charles Parker Prize (b08thh35)**

2017 Sara Parker presents four features crafted by students, to win Bronze, Silver and Gold prizes dedicated to her father's memory. Charles Parker was a talented radio producer who worked with Ewan MacColl and Peggy Seeger over 50 years ago to create BBC Radio's famous series of 'Radio Ballads'.

Each year a team of radio professionals meet to decide the winners of an award dedicated to his memory. The Charles Parker Award is presented each year to the best feature made by students studying radio at universities and colleges throughout the UK. Sara Parker, herself an award-winning radio producer, reviews this year's competition, meets the prize-winners and plays their winning features.

A Soundscape Production for BBC Radio 4 Extra.

**SAT 09:00 Suburbia (b05n3vjq)**

What created suburbia, when and how?

In the 19th century the first suburban districts sprang up around city centres (at first London and Manchester) to accommodate those who wanted to escape the squalid conditions of the industrial town. From the mid-19th century the development of the railways (like the Metropolitan line to Middlesex and then Bucks), made it possible for the majority of the city's population to reside outside the city and to commute into the centre for work. The railway could take you from Middlesex to The City, from Bucks to Baker Street. It was the birth of Metroland, as celebrated by poet Sir John Betjeman.

But the suburbs were more than just about planning and building; they developed a culture set apart from the metropolitan influence of the sinful city. In the suburbs grew a whole lifestyle of

refinement, respectability and aspiration. And along with their distance from the city came the disdain of the fashionable non-suburbanites: "How very suburban!" became synonymous with a sneering disdain for conventionality.

Simon Fanshawe explores Suburbia as a place of both continuity and change. Through poems, TV sitcom, history and commentary he traces the story of the suburbs - how they came to be - and also their cultural influence on British lifestyle from fashion, architecture, music, morals, gardening and social one-upmanship. From Betjeman to Reggie Perrin through, amongst other things, Mike Leigh's Abigail's Party, Sue Townsend's Adrian Mole, TV sitcom The Good Life, the sketches of Monty Python, and the birth of punk rock.

Simon explores what the suburbs were originally, what they have become and how; despite changes in demographics and social mobility, they still typify a very British set of values. The programme also features exclusive interviews with the likes of Michael Palin, Terry Jones and Penelope Keith.

Producer Mike Greenwood

Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra by Pier Productions.

**SAT 12:00 Lucky Heather (b0075rtn)**

For a Few Dollars More Just this side of nosy, Heather is western movie-mad. She's also the Sherlock Holmes of the rundown Sutter Estate.

With the aid of daughter Natalie and her boyfriend Ryan, she's determined to help her local community.

For starters, Heather tries to help a family with a sick child, but events take an unexpected turn...

Sue Teddem's six-part comedy series star Lindsey Coulson as Heather. (Lindsey played Carol Jackson in BBC TV's EastEnders until 2015)

With Abigail Hart as Natalie, Ben Crowe as Ryan, Dearbhla Molloy as Maev, Tom George as Craig and Beth Chalmers as Lisa.

Director: David Hunter

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2000.

**SAT 12:30 Steptoe and Son (b007jmf4)**

Series 5, Men of Letters Albert butts in on Harold's church magazine article.

Starring Wilfrid Brambell as Albert and Harry H Corbett as Harold. With Anthony Sharp as the Vicar.

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 was set in a house with a yard full of junk, featuring the lives of rag and bone men Albert Steptoe and his son Harold and it was the spark for a run of 8 series for TV.

Written for TV and adapted for radio by Ray Galton and Alan Simpson.

Produced by Bobby Jaye

First broadcast on the BBC Radio 2 in June 1974.

**SAT 13:00 That Was Then: Omnibus (b08thjcb)**

Anna is an inner city vicar who logs her secrets on her phone.

Tense murder mystery starring Rosie Cavaliero and Johann Myers.

**SAT 14:10 Frankly Speaking (b05p6lk7)**

Tennessee Williams American playwright Tennessee Williams faces a three-way interview with John Freeman, John Bowen and Peter Duval Smith.

Recorded during a visit to England in 1959, Tennessee had by then written all his major plays - but despite that was seriously questioning his future in the commercial theatre. He talks candidly of the misery of waiting for the reviews after opening night.

Launched in 1952 on the BBC Home Service, Frankly Speaking was a novel, ground breaking series. Unrehearsed and unscripted, the traditional interviewee/interviewer pairing was initially jettisoned for three interviewers firing direct questions - straight to the point.

Early critics described it as 'unkempt', 'an inquisition' and described the guest as prey being cornered, quarry being pursued - with calls to axe the unscripted interview. But the format won out and eventually won over its detractors.

Unknown or very inexperienced broadcasters were employed as interviewers, notably John Freeman, John Betjeman, Malcolm Muggeridge, Harold Hobson, Penelope Mortimer, Elizabeth Beresford and Katherine Whitehorn.

Only about 40 of the original 100 programmes survive.

First broadcast on the BBC Home Service in 1959.

**SAT 14:45 Marriot's Monologues (b00sp44k)**

Roy Castle Roy Castle proves that dedication is what you need, with Marriot Edgar's 'Goalkeeper Joe' and 'The Magna Charter'.

**SAT 15:00 Charles Parker Prize (b08thh35)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

**SAT 16:00 John Galsworthy - The Forsyte Saga (b08px3ff)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

**SAT 17:30 Hardeep's Sunday Lunch (b01p9g44)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

**SAT 18:00 Doctor Who (b08thzv7)**

The Lost Stories: Paradise 5, Episode 1 When the Sixth Doctor and his companion, Peri check in on an old friend, Professor Albrecht Thompson, they discover he's vanished - and last sighted taking a shuttle to the eerie holiday resort planet of Paradise 5...

An adventure originally written for the BBC's Doctor Who TV series but never made.

Colin Baker stars as the Sixth Doctor.

With Nicola Bryant as Peri, Alex Macqueen as Gabriel, James D'Arcy as Michael, Helen Goldwyn as Stella/ Bella, Andree

Bernard as Lorelei, Teddy Kempner as Elohim, Claire Wyatt as Mrs Aht and Richard Earl as Mr Tapp.  
Written by PJ Hammond and Andy Lane.  
Director: Barnaby Edwards  
Made by Big Finish and reversed for broadcast by BBC Radio 4 Extra.

**SAT 19:00 Suburbia (b05n3vjg)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

**SAT 22:00 The Ape That Got Lucky (b0081sw3)**

Man or Monkey Chris Addison's spoof lectures exploring human evolution. With Geoffrey McGivern as Professor Austin Herring. From August 2005.

**SAT 22:30 The Jason Byrne Show (b00mlxk9)**

Series 1, Relationships Exploring a fresh theme each week, the Irish comedian hosts stand-up and sketches. With guest Ivan Brackenbury. From July 2008.

**SAT 23:00 Trevor Noah: The Racist (b01rg22v)**

Coming of age in post-apartheid South Africa, Trevor Noah shares his story with this exploration of race and place.

Following on from a ground breaking total sell-out season at the Edinburgh Festival Fringe, South African comedian Trevor Noah brings his critically acclaimed show, The Racist, to the BBC Radio Theatre for a one off recording for BBC Radio 4.

Trevor's explosion onto the South African entertainment scene has been nothing short of meteoric. His sharp wit, intelligent commentary, unmistakable charm and clinical delivery have established him as an extremely popular performer with undoubted world class potential.

"Slick, intelligent, blissfully funny....This is insightful, warm, classy comedy." \*\*\*\*\* Time Out

Written and Performed by Trevor Noah

Produced by Katie Tyrrell.

**SAT 23:30 Mark Watson Makes the World Substantially Better (b00dhhg7k)**

Series 2, Humility The comedian ponders the virtue of living more modestly. With poetry and songs by Tim Key and Tom Basden. From September 2008.

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**SUN 05:30 Hardeep's Sunday Lunch (b01p9g44)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Saturday]

**SUN 06:00 China Girl: Omnibus (b01p6nb1)**

Childless Nick and Naomi adopt a baby from a Chinese orphanage. Inspired by author Tom Fry's own story. With Sophie Thompson.

**SUN 07:15 EJ Howard - Summer Picnic (b08tj1vl)**

A woodland glade, a perfect picnic... a girl grows up, a woman grows old. Perfectly observed short story. Read by June Barrie.

**SUN 07:30 Believe It! (b03mg87c)**

Series 2, Episode 4 Jon Canter's "radiography" of Richard Wilson returns for a second series.

Celebrity autobiographies are everywhere. Richard Wilson has always said he'd never write one. Based on glimmers of truth, Believe It is the hilarious, bizarre, revealing (and, most importantly, untrue) celebrity autobiography of Richard Wilson. He narrates the series with his characteristic dead-pan delivery, weaving in and out of dramatised scenes from his fictional life-story. He plays a heavily exaggerated version of himself: a Scots actor and national treasure, unmarried, private, passionate about politics, theatre and Manchester United (all true), who's a confidant of the powerful and has survived childhood poverty, a drunken father, years of fruitless grind, too much success, monstrosity, addiction, charity work and fierce rivalry with Sean Connery and Ian McKellan (not true).

The title - in case you hadn't spotted - is an unashamed reference his famous catchphrase.

Written by Jon Canter

Produced and Directed by Clive Brill

A Pacificus production for BBC Radio 4.

**SUN 08:00 Educating Archie (b01s4cwl)**

From 07/12/1952 Archie tries to be helpful and gets a surprise after turning his hand to sculpting...

Radio ventriloquism from Peter Brough and schoolboy, Archie Andrews.

With Max Bygraves, Harry Secombe, Beryl Reid, Hattie Jacques and Peter Madden.

Running from 1950- 1958, Educating Archie introduced a number of soon-to-be household names to listeners, including Tony Hancock, Benny Hill, Harry Secombe, Dick Emery, Hattie Jacques, Bruce Forsyth and Max Bygraves - all taking a turn in tutoring Archie.

Script by Eric Sykes and Walter Ridley

With Ronald Chesney and the BBC Revue Orchestra conducted

by Charles Shadwell.

Producer: Roy Speer

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in December 1952.

**SUN 08:30 Whack-O! (b06164z4)**

From 20/06/1961 When faced with a financial shortfall, Professor Jimmy Edwards' plans are scuppered unless he can find a wife.

With June Whitfield.

Starting life on BBC TV before transferring to radio, Chiselbury School is run "for the sons of gentfolk".

Headmaster, Professor James Edwards, M.A. never misses a trick when it comes to exploiting the students and their parents. Sports pitches are given over to growing vegetables, which the boys nurture for their head to sell. Classes never exceed 95 pupils - 50 if private tuition is paid for at five guineas extra. It's only thanks to the efforts of the devoted deputy head, Mr Pettigrew, that the school exists at all.

Written by Frank Muir and Denis Norden and adapted for radio by David Climie.

Producer: Edward Taylor

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in June 1961.

**SUN 09:00 The Surreal Life of Leonora Carrington: Omnibus (b08tj37v)**

Joanna Moorhead tells the remarkable story of her father's cousin, the Surrealist artist and writer. Read by Juliet Stevenson.

**SUN 10:10 The Listening Project (b04n695w)**

Adam and Jayden - A Metaphorical Angelfi Glover with a conversation between a 10 year old and his youth worker which ranges from haircuts, through making things and writing poetry, to angels - metaphorical or otherwise.

The Listening Project is a Radio 4 initiative that offers a snapshot of contemporary Britain in which people across the UK volunteer to have a conversation with someone close to them about a subject they've never discussed intimately before. The conversations are being gathered across the UK by teams of producers from local and national radio stations who facilitate each encounter. Every conversation - they're not BBC interviews, and that's an important difference - lasts up to an hour, and is then edited to extract the key moment of connection between the participants. Most of the unedited conversations are being archived by the British Library and used to build up a collection of voices capturing a unique portrait of the UK in the second decade of the millennium. You can learn more about The Listening Project by visiting [bbc.co.uk/listeningproject](http://bbc.co.uk/listeningproject)

Producer: Marya Burgess.

**SUN 10:15 Desert Island Discs Revisited (b08tj381)**

The Great Outdoors, Richard Mabey 4 Extra Debut. From The Kinks to Vaughan Williams. Naturalist Richard Mabey shares his castaway choices with Sue Lawley. From October 1997.

**SUN 11:00 Radiolab (b08tj4v1)**

Words! It's almost impossible to imagine a world without words.

Jad Abumrad and Robert Krulwich explore the possibility.

Radiolab is a Peabody-award winning show about curiosity.

Where sound illuminates ideas, and the boundaries blur between science, philosophy, and the human experience.

First broadcast on public radio in the USA.

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**SUN 14:15 EJ Howard - Summer Picnic (b08tj1vl)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:15 today]

**SUN 14:30 Arundhati Roy - The Ministry of Utmost Happiness: Omnibus (b08tj60f)**

Episode 1 Aftab finds a place to belong in the House of Dreams. A mesmerising journey from Old Delhi to Kashmir. Read by Indira Varma.

**SUN 15:45 The Cazalets - Omnibus (b01r5497)**

Marking Time, Episode 31940: Louise goes to her first dance in wartime London and meets the famous painter, Michael Hadleigh.

Elizabeth Jane Howard's family saga of 'The Cazalets' vividly catalogues the lives and loves of three generations.

Starring Penelope Wilton as the narrator, Alix Wilton Regan as Louise, Harry Hadden-Paton as Michael, Hannah Taylor Gordon as Stella and Liza Sadovy as Zee.

Dramatised by Lin Coghlan

'The Cazalets' saga consists of The Light Years, Marking Time, Confusion and Casting Off published between 1990-1995 and the fifth, All Change, in 2013.

Produced and directed by Sally Avens and Marion Nancarrow

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2013.

**SUN 17:00 Poetry Extra (b08tj766)**

Fine Lines- Selima Hill and Matthew Sweeney BBC Radio 4's Poet in Residence, Daljit Nagra revisits the BBC's radio poetry with 'Fine Lines' with Selima Hill and Matthew Sweeney.

Tales of surreal suitcases, flying wardrobes and a bizarre poker game with a corpse. Poetry and conversation with Christopher Cook and Whitbread poetry prize winner, Selima Hill, and Irish poet Matthew Sweeney.

Producer: Susan Roberts

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2002.

**SUN 17:30 Believe It! (b03mg87c)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

**SUN 18:00 Jerome K Jerome - The Dancing Partner (b08tj7rs)**

"All I ask of a partner is that he shall hold me firmly, take me

round steadily, and not get tired before I do."

When a group of young women complain about a lack of dance partners, a toymaker gets creative...

Jerome K Jerome eerie tale adapted by Michael and Mollie Hardwick.

Starring James Hayter as Papa Geibel, Rolf Lefebvre as Brendl, Sheila Grant as Trudi, Shirley Cooklin as Olga, Peter Pratt as Colonel Lens, Malcolm Hayes as Hans / Fritz, Patricia Clapton as Irma, Anthony Hall as Hoffmeier, Austin Trevor as Wensel and Allan McClelland as MacShaugnasay.

Special effects by the BBC Radiophonic Workshop.

Music arranged and conducted by Denya Barlow.

Signature tune by Ron Grainer.

Producer: Charles Lefeaux

First broadcast on the BBC Home Service in January 1963.

**SUN 18:30 Mysterious Tales By Wilkie Collins (b08tj8xs)**

"Was I mad? Or was the top of the bed really moving down, sinking slowly, silently horribly right down upon me as I lay beneath?"

A young man is tricked into staying the night in a disreputable gambling house.

Read by Paul Daneman.

Adapted by Michael Bakewell

Producer: Rosemary Hart

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 1989.

**SUN 18:55 Jane Gardam - Somebody (b08tj9mf)**

Mary assumes she lives alone in a rambling old house. Her god-daughter Lucy knows she doesn't. Read by Gillian Bevan.

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**SUN 22:30 The Brig Society (b04bs0m9)**

Series 2, MEPUh-oh - Marcus Brigstocke has been put in charge of a thing! Each week, Marcus finds he's volunteered to be in charge of a big old thing and each week he ends up by thinking "Well, it can't be that difficult, surely?" and starts out with "Oh - turns out it's utterly difficult and complicated. Who knew...?"

This week, Marcus Brigstocke has got himself elected as a Member of the European Parliament. So it's off to Brussels to meet Europe's finest parliamentary minds and also UKIP.

Along the way he'll be examining the history of the EU, its legislative structure, the democratic burden that must be shouldered to promulgate a more humane society and why so many UKIP members wear yellow trousers.

Helping him to publish the answers in up to 31 languages will be Rufus Jones (W1A, Holy Flying Circus), William Andrews (Sorry I've Got No Head) and Margaret Cabourn-Smith (Miranda)

The show is produced by Marcus's long-standing accomplice, David Tyler who also produces Marcus appearances as the inimitable as Giles Wembley Hogg - as well as Jeremy Hardy Speaks To The Nation, Cabin Pressure, Thanks A Lot, Milton Jones!, Kevin Eldon Will See You Now, Armando Iannucci's Charm Offensive, The Castle, The 3rd Degree, The 99p Challenge, My First Planet, Radio Active and Bigipedia. Written by Marcus Brigstocke, Jeremy Salsby, Toby Davies, Nick Doody, Steve Punt and Dan Tetsell.

Produced by David Tyler

A Pozzitive production for the BBC.

**SUN 23:00 Political Animals (b01m5nt0)**

Series 1, Sybilby Tony Bagley.

The third in a series of four scurrilous talks given by well-known, if unreliable, Downing Street cats, relating their trials and tribulations under four different Prime Ministers.

Sybil, Chief Mouser to the Cabinet Office 2007 to 2008, reflects on her troubled life with Gordon and Alistair.

Directed by Marc Beeby.

**SUN 23:15 Before They Were Famous (b01m5nt2)**

Series 1, Episode 3 Ian Leslie presents a new Radio 4 comedy show which brings to light the often surprising first literary attempts of some of the world's best known writers. A project of literary archaeology, Leslie has found evidence in the most unlikely of places - within the archives of newspapers, periodicals, corporations and universities - showcasing the early examples of work by writers such as Jilly Cooper during her brief and unfortunately unsuccessful foray into the world of war reporting, and Hunter S Thompson in his sadly short-lived phase working in the customer relations department for a major American Airline.

These are the newspaper articles, advertising copy, company correspondence and gardening manuals that allow us a fascinating glimpse into the embryonic development of our best loved literary voices - people we know today for their novels or poems but who, at the time, were just people with a dream...and a rent bill looming at the end of the month.

Produced by Anna Silver and Claire Broughton

A Hat Trick production for BBC Radio 4.

**SUN 23:30 On the Town with the League of Gentlemen (b0080p90)**

Go to Joan Glover An educational theatre troupe with an unusual agenda visit the school in the remote northern town.

The first incarnation of the award-winning black comedy, about the "local people" of Spent - before it hit TV.  
Starring Mark Gatiss, Reece Shearsmith and Steve Pemberton. Written by the cast and Jeremy Dyson.  
The League of Gentlemen won a Perrier Edinburgh Festival award in 1997 and this radio series debuted in the same year. They also won a Sony Radio Award. The cult series switched to TV for three series on BBC 2 from 1999, plus stage shows and a feature film.  
Producer: Sarah Smith  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 1997.

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**MON 03:45 The Cazalets - Omnibus** ([b01r5497](#))

[Repeat of broadcast at [15:45 on Sunday](#)]

**MON 05:00 Poetry Extra** ([b08tj766](#))

[Repeat of broadcast at [17:00 on Sunday](#)]

**MON 05:30 Believe It!** ([b03mg87c](#))

[Repeat of broadcast at [07:30 on Sunday](#)]

**MON 06:00 The Radio Detectives** ([b007jp6f](#))

Series 1, Send for Paul TempleBy Timothy! A world of carbombs, poison cocktails, gentlemen and rogues - where the villains had better watch out!

Detective aficionado and expert, Professor Jeffrey Richards recalls the indomitable husband and wife team, Paul and Steve Temple, who battled criminals and scoundrels.

Affectionate five-part series about popular radio detectives.

Featuring the definitive Paul Temple actor, Peter Coke, plus vintage recordings from the legendary series.

Producer: Jon Rolph

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1998.

**MON 06:30 The Kiss at 100** ([b007yv19](#))

Rowan Pelling visits Vienna to explore the enduring appeal of Gustav Klimt's The Kiss, which has become one of the world's most reproduced paintings since it was first exhibited 100 years ago. Who are the couple depicted in the famous clinch?

**MON 07:00 Charles Dickens** ([b00s7fbg](#))

Sketches by Boz - Series 2, The Boarding HouseMrs Tibbs owns a most respectable establishment, until the arrival of a mysterious new lodger. Stars Imelda Staunton.

**MON 07:30 Just a Minute** ([b08sltcb](#))

Series 78, 05/06/2017Just A Minute is 50 years old this year!

Nicholas Parsons has been hosting since day one, and presides over the following all-star panel: Paul Merton, Josie Lawrence, Graham Norton and Stephen Fry.

The panel have to talk on a given subject for sixty seconds without repetition, hesitation or deviation. How much does Paul know about the Norfolk Broads? What happens when Josie's gloves come off? If Graham could change a law, which one would it be and we hear about Stephen's favourite dance.

PLUS one of our panelists talks for a full minute - which one? You'll have to tune in to find out...

Hayley Sterling blows the whistle and it was produced by Matt Stronge.

Just A Minute is a BBC Studios production.

**MON 08:00 The Burkiss Way** ([b007js9k](#))

Series 4, Avoid Like the Plague the Burkiss WayThe Grim Reaper arrives, keen to spread the Red Death.

Starring Fred Harris, Jo Kendall, Nigel Rees and Chris Emmett.

Cult sketch comedy series which originally ran from 1976 to 1980.

Scripted by David Renwick and Andrew Marshall.

Producer: David Hatch

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1979.

**MON 08:30 Dad's Army** ([b00qmbkv](#))

Series 2, A Soldier's FarewellA cinema trip and some illicit cheese sparks Captain Mainwaring's own Battle of Waterloo.

Starring Arthur Lowe as Captain Mainwaring, John Le Mesurier as Sergeant Wilson, Clive Dunn as Corporal Jones, John Laurie as Private Frazer, Ian Lavender as Private Pike, Arnold Ridley as Godfrey and Bill Pertwee as Hodges.

Adapted for radio from Jimmy Perry and David Croft's TV scripts by Harold Snoad and Michael Knowles.

Producer: John Dyas

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1975.

**MON 09:00 Quote... Unquote** ([b06fkjm4](#))

Quote ... Unquote, the popular quotations quiz, returns for its 51st series.

In almost forty years, Nigel Rees has been joined by writers, actors, musicians, scientists and various comedy types. Kenneth

Williams, Judi Dench, PD James, Larry Adler, Ian KcKellen, Peter Cook, Kingsley Amis, Peter Ustinov... have all graced the Quote Unquote stage.

Join Nigel as he quizzes a host of celebrity guests on the origins of sayings and well-known quotes, and gets the famous panel to share their favourite anecdotes.

Episode 5

Writer Jeremy Front

Comedian Sarah Kendal

Writer, critic and broadcaster Nicolette Jones

Comedian and Red Dwarf actor Norman Lovett

Presenter ... Nigel Rees

Producer ... Carl Cooper.

**MON 09:30 The Change** ([b0076p6t](#))

Series 3, Episode 4With George's big birthday looming, he gets two surprises - one from his wife and the other from his mother. Starring Lynda Bellingham as Carol, Philip Jackson as George, Maureen Beattie as Maureen, Marcia Warren as Violet, Emma Kennedy as Sonia and James Vaughan as Ken.

Series 3 of the sitcom about a married couple's attempts to smooth over their singularly troubled midlife funk - Carol is hormonal and 15-stone George is a transvestite. Onlookers can't quite agree on the nature of their dynamic.

Written by Jan Etherington and Gavin Petrie.

Producer: Elizabeth Freestone

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2004.

**MON 10:00 Charles Dickens** ([b0081s0d](#))

Hard Times, Episode 1Hard facts are all that provincial businessmen, Mr Gradgrind and Mr Bounderby feel are necessary in life. But the arrival of Sleary's circus in Coketown shows another way...

Charles Dickens's classic about struggles in the industrial north, dramatised in four parts by Doug Lucie.

Stars Kenneth Cranham as Thomas Gradgrind, Philip Jackson as Josiah Bounderby, Eleanor Bron as Mrs Sparsit, Thelma Barlow as Mrs Gradgrind, Derek Waring as Sleary, Helen Longworth as Louisa, Becky Hindley as Rachael, Alan Williams as Stephen,

Marcia Warren as Mrs Pegler, Francis Jeater as Mrs Blackpool and Stephen Crichtlow as Mr M'choakumchild.

Music by Nina Perry.

Director: Janet Whitaker

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2003.

**MON 11:00 Helen Simpson - A Bunch of Fives** ([b01m7tjd](#))

Café SocietyA raw and poignant short story about motherhood and the elusive work-life balance. Read by Tamsin Greig.

**MON 11:15 Afternoon Drama** ([b009twj1](#))

Judith Adams - I Believe I Have GeniusJudith Adams's play is based on the writings and letters of Charlotte Bronte describing her experiences when she travelled to Brussels to study at a girls' school, as humble and obscure as the heroines of her later novels.

Charlotte Bronte 1, or Reason ..... Laura Molyneux

Charlotte Bronte 2, or Passion ..... Rosie Cavaliero

Constantin Heger ..... Julian Rhind-Tutt

Priest ..... David Shaw-Parker

Chappelle ..... Mark Meadows

Mme Heger ..... Elaine Claxton

Mary Taylor ..... Anne-Marie Piazza

Directed by Jonquil Panting.

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[Repeat of broadcast at [06:00 today](#)]

**MON 13:30 The Kiss at 100** ([b007yv19](#))

[Repeat of broadcast at [06:30 today](#)]

**MON 14:00 Book at Bedtime** ([b008dm2k](#))

Burning Bright, Episode 6Tracy Chevalier's novel, abridged in 10 parts by Jane Greenwood, is set in London in 1929.

6/10. Maisie has taken a shine to John Astley, the local circus owner's son. A chance encounter leads the innocent girl into danger.

Read by Jenny Coverack.

**MON 14:15 On the Map** ([b00rd8sv](#))

The Map MakersSelf-confessed mad addict Mike Parker explores modern cartography. If a picture paints a thousand words, a map can paint a million. They help us navigate our way through unfamiliar landscapes and cities, entice us into new places and give us a bigger picture of the world we inhabit.

Mike considers the maps he first fell in love with as a teenager - Ordnance Survey maps.

**MON 14:30 John Galsworthy - The Forsyte Saga** ([b08q3xnx](#))

The Forsytes Concludes, Episode 2John Galsworthy's epic family saga of love, money and betrayal.

Dramatised for radio by Lin Coghlan

It's 1930 and two years have passed since Dinny Cherrell saved the day, rescuing her brother's beleaguered reputation. Her best friend, Diana, is in love and travelling the world with her new husband leaving Dinny to wonder if she's ever going to experience true love herself.

Original music composed by Neil Brand

Directors ..... Marion Nancarrow and Gemma Jenkins

Today's play marks the start of the eighth novel in the series, Flowering Wilderness.

**MON 14:45 Book of the Week** ([b01k1lp3](#))

Damn His Blood, Peter Moore - Damn His Blood'Damn him!' he swore. 'There is no more harm in shooting him than a mad dog!'

The brutal murder of the Reverend George Parker in the rural

village of Oddingley on Midsummer's Day in 1806 gripped the nation. It was a strange and stubborn case in an isolated Worcester village still bound by superstition and folklore. The investigation, in a time before Robert Peel's police force, lasted nearly a quarter of a century, and involved inquests, judges and coroners, each more determined than the last to solve Oddingley's most gruesome crime - or crimes, as it transpired.

Peter Moore's account of the infamous case is also a fascinating glimpse into the darker side of English rural life at the beginning of the nineteenth century, far away from the civilised drawing rooms of Jane Austen. The country was exhausted and nervous: dogged by Pitt's war taxes, mounting inflation and the lingering threat of a French invasion, violence was rife, particularly in rural communities where outsiders were regarded with deep suspicion.

With a cast of characters straight out of Hardy, 'Damn His Blood' is also a gripping true story of brutality, greed and ruthlessness in a rural community gone wild astray.

Peter Moore is a young literary historian and journalist, who is currently teaching Creative Writing at City University in London.

Abrider: Viv Beely

Producer: Justine Willett

The Reader is Alex Jennings, who is currently appearing in The Collaborators as Mikhail Bulgakov at the National Theatre and is currently starring in Silk on BBC One.

**MON 15:00 Charles Dickens** ([b0081s0d](#))

[Repeat of broadcast at [10:00 today](#)]

**MON 16:00 Quote... Unquote** ([b06fkjm4](#))

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[Repeat of broadcast at [07:00 today](#)]

**MON 17:30 Just a Minute** ([b08sltcb](#))

[Repeat of broadcast at [07:30 today](#)]

**MON 18:00 Robert Easby - Oneira** ([b007ww76](#))

The Big Chill!The surreal quest of a young museum attendant named Oneira to learn the secrets of the Universe with the help of Nicholai, a 400-year-old Dutch alchemist.

Robert Easby's sci-fi comedy serial stars Lyndsey Marshal as Oneira, Peter Marinker as Nicholai, Joseph Kloska as Pete, Mark Straker as the Salesman and Bethan Walker as the Visitor.

Producer: Liz Webb.

Made for BBC Radio 7 and first broadcast in 2007.

**MON 18:30 A Good Read** ([b0076110](#))

Jancis Robinson & Peter PrestonSue MacGregor and her guests - wine writer, Jancis Robinson and former Guardian editor, Peter Preston - discuss their favourite books by Max Hastings, Richard Yates and Elizabeth David. From 2004.

An Omelette and a Glass of Wine by Elizabeth David

Publisher: Penguin

The Easter Parade by Richard Yates

Publisher: Methuen

Editor- A Memoir by Max Hastings

Publisher: Pan.

**MON 19:00 The Burkiss Way** ([b007js9k](#))

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[Repeat of broadcast at [11:15 today](#)]

**MON 22:00 Just a Minute** ([b08sltcb](#))

[Repeat of broadcast at [07:30 today](#)]

**MON 22:30 The Consultants** ([b007k3fh](#))

Series 3, Episode 4The boys of St Battery's get their own back on the school bully. Sketches and songs with Justin Edwards. From January 2005.

**MON 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews** ([b08vxbzv](#))

The best in contemporary comedy. Andrew O'Neill chats to Bilal Zafar.

**MON 23:00 News Quiz Extra** ([b08ltwv](#))

Series 20, Episode 8Mark Steel, Hugo Rifkind, Rich Hall and Katy Brand join Miles to find the funny in all things general election.

Recorded at lunchtime on Friday, the team tackle the small matter of a general election, an intriguing hearing in the USA and an unorthodox life-guard recruitment drive.

Producer: Richard Morris

A BBC Studios Production.

**MON 23:45 Hearing With Hegley** ([b0075svm](#))

Series 3, Episode 8Recorded in Manchester, John's guests are comedian Andrew Bailey, and presenters Mark Radcliffe and Marc Riley. From March 2000.

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**TUE 00:30 A Good Read** ([b0076110](#))

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Series 1, The Voice of Sherlock Holmes Armed with pipe, hansom cab and violin, Professor Jeffrey Richards probes the varied incarnations of Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's most celebrated Baker Street creation, Sherlock Holmes.

Featuring interviews and classic recordings by Orson Welles, Basil Rathbone, Sir John Gielgud, Carleton Hobbes and Clive Merrison.

Affectionate five-part series about popular radio detectives hosted by the aficionado and expert.

Producer: Jon Rolph

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1998.

**TUE 06:30 Inside Intuition (b007w2w3)**

Neuroscientist and intuition septic Dr Mark Lythgoe attempts to find out what constitutes intuition and when we should use it. His journey takes him to a Nottinghamshire farmers' market for a jam-tasting experiment and into a London wine bar for an evening of speed dating.

**TUE 07:00 Lucky Heather (b0075rz9)**

Wild Bunch Heather helps a neighbour who is being harassed on the estate and also tries line dancing. From February 2000.

**TUE 07:30 Alexei Sayle's Imaginary Sandwich Bar (b080tynb)**

Pretending & Sandwiches The Godfather of Alternative Comedy delivers a mixture of stand-up, memoir and philosophy from behind the counter of his Imaginary Sandwich Bar.

Episode 1 - Pretending & Sandwiches

Alexei explores his impulse to pretend and love of sandwiches.

Along the way he reveals the little known origin of the prawn cocktail, debunks the myth that the Earl of Sandwich was the first person to put a bit of meat between two slices of bread and discusses the hidden depths of Taylor Swift.

Written and performed by Alexei Sayle

Original music and lyrics by Tim Sutton

Produced by Joe Nunnery

A BBC Studios Production.

**TUE 08:00 Steptoe and Son (b007inj1)**

Series 6. Loathe Story Sleepwalking Harold gives dad Albert a fright.

Starring Wilfrid Brambell as Albert and Harry H Corbett as Harold. With Graham Stark, Margot Boyd and Jo Manning Wilson.

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 was set in a house with a yard full of junk, featuring the lives of rag and bone men Albert Steptoe and his son Harold and it was the spark for a run of 8 series for TV.

Written for TV and adapted for radio by Ray Galton and Alan Simpson.

Produced by Bobby Jaye

First broadcast on the BBC Radio 2 in February 1976.

**TUE 08:30 The Men From the Ministry (b00zfp31)**

The Ship That Wagged Its Tail The bumbling bureaucrats are all at sea making headlines in a mix-up over dogs and boats.

A weekly tribute to all those who work in government departments.

Stars Richard Murdoch and Deryck Guyler.

With Norma Ronald and John Graham.

Written by Edward Taylor and John Graham.

'The Men from the Ministry' ran for 14 series between 1962 and 1977. Deryck Guyler replaced Wilfrid Hyde-White from 1966.

Sadly many episodes didn't survive in the archive, however the BBC's Transcription Service re-recorded 14 shows in 1980 - never broadcast in the UK, until the arrival of BBC Radio 4 Extra.

Producer: Edward Taylor.

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in April 1969.

**TUE 09:00 News Quiz Extra (b081twy)**[Repeat of broadcast at [23:00 on Monday](#)]**TUE 09:45 Hearing With Hegley (b0075svm)**[Repeat of broadcast at [23:45 on Monday](#)]**TUE 10:00 Charles Dickens (b0081t1f)**

Hard Times, Episode 2 With Tom at his bank, Bounderby weds Louisa while Stephen angers the union. Dickens adaptation stars Kenneth Cranham and Eleanor Bron.

**TUE 11:00 Helen Simpson - A Bunch of Fives (b01m7w37)**

The Phlebotomist's Love Life A short story in which a woman, who despairs of the Iraq war, forces her lover to a moment of truth. Read by Clare Corbett.

**TUE 11:15 Glyn Hughes - Glorious John (b007jtm9)**

A music-loving retired lecturer rekindles a childhood sweetheart in his imagination. Stars David Hargreaves and Charlie Ryan.

**TUE 12:00 Steptoe and Son (b007inj1)**[Repeat of broadcast at [08:00 today](#)]**TUE 12:30 The Men From the Ministry (b00zfp31)**[Repeat of broadcast at [08:30 today](#)]**TUE 13:00 The Radio Detectives (b007jp6v)**[Repeat of broadcast at [06:00 today](#)]**TUE 13:30 Inside Intuition (b007w2w3)**[Repeat of broadcast at [06:30 today](#)]**TUE 14:00 Book at Bedtime (b008dm1j)**

Burning Bright, Episode 7 Tracy Chevalier's novel, abridged in 10 parts by Jane Greenwood, is set in London in 1792.

7/10. Maisie has been seduced by John Astley but Maggie enlists the help of the Blakes to save her from utter ruin. Read by Jenny Coverack.

**TUE 14:15 On the Map (b00rgbim)**

Mapping the Metropolis Self-confessed map addict Mike Parker explores modern cartography.

How do you make sense of a strange city and turn a bewildering maze of streets into a map that's instantly informative to a confused visitor? Mike Parker hits the city streets to find out what makes the ideal map for steering us through the urban jungle. He meets the man who has made it his mission to single-handedly create a new map of Manchester, and discovers how digesting the entire London A to Z makes cabbies' brains bigger.

**TUE 14:30 John Galsworthy - The Forsyte Saga (b08q5wy1)**

The Forsytes Concludes, Episode 3 John Galsworthy's epic family saga of love, money and betrayal.

Dramatised for radio by Lin Coghlan

The return of poet Wilfrid Desert from the Middle East is the talk of London high society and his declaration of love for Dinny Cherrell ruffles a few feathers closer to home too.

Original music composed by Neil Brand

Directors ..... Marion Nancarrow and Gemma Jenkins.

**TUE 14:45 Book of the Week (b01kl1vc)**

Damn His Blood, Episode 2 'Damn him!' he swore. 'There is no more harm in shooting him than a mad dog!'

The brutal murder of the Reverend George Parker in the rural village of Oddingley on Midsummer's Day in 1806 gripped the nation. It was a strange and stubborn case in an isolated Worcester village still bound by superstition and folklore, involving an investigation, in a time before Robert Peel's police force, that lasted nearly a quarter of a century. It turned out to be a gripping true story of brutality, greed and ruthlessness in a rural community gone wildly astray.

Damn His Blood is also fascinating glimpse into the darker side of English rural life at the beginning of the nineteenth century, far away from the civilised drawing rooms of Jane Austen, with a cast of characters straight out of Hardy.

Today: two months before the murder, Oddingley village is a hotbed of feuds, oaths and superstition.

Peter Moore is a young literary historian and journalist, who is currently teaching Creative Writing at City University in London.

Abrider: Viv Beeby

Producer: Justine Willett

The Reader is Alex Jennings, who is currently appearing in The Collaborators as Mikhail Bulgakov at the National Theatre and is currently starring in Silk on BBC One.

**TUE 15:00 Charles Dickens (b0081t1f)**[Repeat of broadcast at [10:00 today](#)]**TUE 16:00 The Museum of Curiosity (b00kdr57)**

Series 2, Episode 3 John Lloyd and Sean Lock host a panel show in which three distinguished guests donate fascinating exhibits to a vast imaginary museum.

Chris Addison, Rupert Sheldrake and Bettany Hughes donate objects of extreme interest to the world's most eclectic museum.

**TUE 16:30 The Six Mothers-in-Law of Henry VIII (b0076hy9)**

Episode 2 The mother of Anne Boleyn has a gentleman admirer.

Why should that threaten danger for the Queen?

An unreliable history, created and written in six parts by Barry Grossman.

Starring Jonathan Coy as Henry VIII, Diane Fletcher as Lady Boleyn, Lydia Leonard as Anne Boleyn, Milton Jones as Thomas Cromwell, David Holt as Maurice Crumb and Alfred Burke as the Chronicler.

Music by Jim Parker.

Producer: John Fawcett Wilson

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2003.

**TUE 17:00 Lucky Heather (b0075rz9)**[Repeat of broadcast at [07:00 today](#)]**TUE 17:30 Alexei Sayle's Imaginary Sandwich Bar (b080tynb)**[Repeat of broadcast at [07:30 today](#)]**TUE 18:00 Robert Easby - Oneira (b007x08b)**

Sleight of Mind An electricity company official interrogates the museum attendant. But is he actually helping Oneira - or is he an alien?

Robert Easby's sci-fi comedy serial stars Lyndsey Marshal as Oneira, Peter Marinker as Nicholai, Sam Dale as Resistor, Gerard McDermott as Fulcanelli and Mark Straker as the Floor Manager.

Producer: Liz Webb.

Made for BBC Radio 7 and first broadcast in 2007.

**TUE 18:30 Sounds Natural (b08tlz1s)**

Bobby Charlton Football legend Bobby Charlton tells Derek Jones about his little-known interest in ornithology. From Preston's Deepdale stadium.

Grey Lag Greese, Roe Deer and Lesser-Spotted Woodpecker are among is choices of recordings from the BBC Sound Archives.

In 1973, the England World Cup and Manchester United star had just taken over as the manager of Preston North End FC.

Produced in Bristol by John Burton.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1973.

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Series 2, And Yet Even More Trying Times Samuel's aunt leaves him a fortune, subject to her final wish. 1770 America sitcom stars Andy Hamilton. From February 2001.

**TUE 23:00 Simon Evans Goes to Market (b045c0j2)**

Series 1, Oil How do you make economics funny? How do you put the comedy in commodity? Simon Evans has the answer in this new series which asks us to get involved in investment. Rather than being cowed by an apparently complicated and overwhelming system, Simon jumps right in. He takes as his focus four commodities which are so intrinsic to our lives they have an almost elemental significance - land, gold, oil and grain.

Yet, despite the fact we encounter them everywhere we look, very few people have been able to build a fortune on them. All that's about to change as, Simon enlists help from the experts. Each week he will be joined by Tim Harford, Merry Somerset Webb and a guest specialist as they examine the chequered social and economic histories of these commodities. By looking at four such fundamental products, Simon brings us to a closer understanding of how global economic forces have a far-reaching and often surprising impact on our lives.

In this episode, Simon looks at commodities markets in oil or petroleum. How is it produced? Why is this trade different to others? Is our over-reliance on it dangerous?

Performed by ..... Simon Evans, with regular guests Tim Harford and Merry Somerset-Webb, and to talk about Oil markets, Paul Horsnell.

Written by ..... Simon Evans with Benjamin Partridge and Andy Wolton

Researcher ..... Matthew Oldham

Producer ..... Tilusha Ghelani.

**TUE 23:30 Twenty Players (b06kxptb)**

Series 1, Frankie Swoop Forgotten sporting heroes. Barry Davies tells the story of a most precociously talentless footballer. From June 1995.

**TUE 23:45 Steven Appleby's Normal Life (b007jqqw)**

Series 1, The Normal Mind As the cartoonist faces surgery, his feminine side explores his brain's inner workings. Stars Paul McCrink. From August 2001.

**WEDNESDAY 14 JUNE 2017****WED 00:00 Robert Easby - Oneira (b007x08b)**[Repeat of broadcast at [18:00 on Tuesday](#)]**WED 00:30 Sounds Natural (b08tlz1s)**[Repeat of broadcast at [18:30 on Tuesday](#)]**WED 01:00 The Radio Detectives (b007jp6v)**[Repeat of broadcast at [06:00 on Tuesday](#)]**WED 01:30 Inside Intuition (b007w2w3)**[Repeat of broadcast at [06:30 on Tuesday](#)]**WED 02:00 Book at Bedtime (b008dm1j)**[Repeat of broadcast at [14:00 on Tuesday](#)]**WED 02:15 On the Map (b00rgbim)**[Repeat of broadcast at [14:15 on Tuesday](#)]**WED 02:30 John Galsworthy - The Forsythe Saga (b08q5wy1)**[Repeat of broadcast at [14:30 on Tuesday](#)]**WED 02:45 Book of the Week (b01kl1vc)**[Repeat of broadcast at [14:45 on Tuesday](#)]**WED 03:00 Charles Dickens (b0081t1f)**[Repeat of broadcast at [10:00 on Tuesday](#)]**WED 04:00 The Museum of Curiosity (b00kdr57)**[Repeat of broadcast at [16:00 on Tuesday](#)]**WED 04:30 The Six Mothers-in-Law of Henry VIII (b0076hy9)**[Repeat of broadcast at [16:30 on Tuesday](#)]**WED 05:00 Lucky Heather (b0075rz9)**[Repeat of broadcast at [07:00 on Tuesday](#)]**WED 05:30 Alexei Sayle's Imaginary Sandwich Bar (b080tynb)**[Repeat of broadcast at [07:30 on Tuesday](#)]

**WED 06:00 The Radio Detectives (b007jp7b)**

Series 1, Sexton Blake, the Other Baker Street Detective  
Sexton Blake was born and made resident of Baker Street in the very month Sherlock Holmes was "killed off" - and he proved to be an instant hit.

Aficionado and expert, Professor Jeffrey Richards probes the careers of "the poor man's Sherlock Holmes" and his faithful assistant Tinker - that spanned 100 years.

Affectionate five-part series about popular radio detectives.  
Producer: Jon Rolph

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1998.

**WED 06:30 Small Presses, Big Ideas (b008j8vq)**

Phyll Jupitus explores the world of the small press poetry magazine, which allows anyone with a verse and the price of a stamp the chance to rub shoulders and stanzas with the greatest poets. He visits Liverpool to find out what drives the people who produce them and why they have been so important to the development of poetry.

**WED 07:00 An Actor's Life for Me (b008kmmq)**

Series 2, Read All About It  
After his disastrous children's TV appearance, Robert battles to avoid the press. Stars John Gordon Sinclair. From March 1990.

**WED 07:30 John Finnemore's Double Acts (b08snhwp)**

Series 2, Mercy Dash  
Malcolm needs some help. Sue has a spot of time on her hands. Winchester beckons...

Julia McKenzie and Gus Brown star in the second of six two-handers written by Cabin Pressure's John Finnemore.

Written by John Finnemore

Produced by David Tyler

A Pozzitive production for BBC Radio 4.

**WED 08:00 The Navy Lark (b04cg41q)**

Bunging Up A lost toothbrush sparks chaos amongst the crew aboard HMS Troutbridge.

Starring Leslie Phillips as the Sub-Lieutenant, Jon Pertwee as the Chief Petty Officer, Stephen Murray as the Commanding Officer, Richard Caldicot as Captain Povey, Heather Chasen as Heather, Tenniel Evans as the Admiral, Michael Bates as the Commander and Lawrie Wyman as AS Tiddy.

Laughs afloat aboard British Royal Navy frigate HMS Troutbridge. The Navy Lark ran for an impressive thirteen series between 1959 and 1976.

Scripted by Lawrie Wyman.

Producer: Alastair Scott Johnston.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in February 1969.

**WED 08:30 Hancock's Half Hour (b007jsvk)**

Series 5, The Election Candidate  
The electioneering lad battles to represent East Cheam in the Houses of Parliament.

Stars Tony Hancock. 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 March 1958.

**WED 09:00 Genius (b008j2r)**

Series 2, Armando Iannucci  
Dave Gorman and Armando Iannucci chew over ridiculous, brilliant but unworkable ideas, and choose the best. From October 2006.

**WED 09:30 Wally Who? (b08tm1cv)**

All I Want for Christmas "Course I can eat, Eric. It's only a spot of toothache. Of course, I can eat, providing I mash everything up and put it through the blender! I can manage quite a few spoonfuls through a straw, as long as I don't swallow, and just sort of let it slide down..."

Wally's stalling on seeing the dentist. He couldn't be scared, surely?

Starring Tony Brandon as Wally. With Chris Ellison, John Jardine, Nick Maloney and Rosalind Knight.

Tony Brandon's BBC career was mainly as a disc-jockey for Radio 1 and 2 from 1967-1982, but as an actor, he also recorded the comedy series 'The Family Brandon' and 'Wally Who?'.

Written by Rob Grant and Doug Naylor.

Theme and incidental music by Debbie Katz.

Produced by Manchester by Mike Craig.

First broadcast on BBC Radio in December 1982.

**WED 10:00 Charles Dickens (b0081vdy)**

Hard Times, Episode 3  
Blamed for the robbery, Stephen disappears. Harthouse sets his sights on Louisa. Dickens adaptation stars Kenneth Cranham and Philip Jackson.

**WED 11:00 Helen Simpson - A Bunch of Fives (b01m7xph)**

Hurrah for the Hols, pt 1A  
A couple and their three young children struggle to enjoy a summer holiday in a hotel in Cornwall. Read by Tamsin Greig.

**WED 11:15 Julia Blackburn - The Need for Nonsense (b01hn1q4)**

The sad, contradictory tale of Edward Lear, famed Victorian artist and scribe of gleefully silly verse. Stars Andrew Sachs.

**WED 12:00 The Navy Lark (b04cg41q)**

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**WED 13:00 The Radio Detectives (b007jp7b)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

**WED 13:30 Small Presses, Big Ideas (b008j8vq)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

**WED 14:00 Book at Bedtime (b008dm1n)**

Burning Bright, Episode 8  
Tracy Chevalier's novel, abridged in 10 parts by Jane Greenwood, is set in London in 1792.

8/10. When Lambeth holds a public meeting to demonstrate

loyalty to King and Country, Maggie and Jem join forces to warn Mr Blake that he is to be targeted as a revolutionary.

Read by Jenny Coverack.

**WED 14:15 On the Map (b00rghjp)**

Motoring Maps  
Self-confessed map addict Mike Parker explores modern cartography.

The ultimate in cheap and ubiquitous mapping, there's scarcely a vehicle in the land that doesn't contain a dog-eared road atlas.

Road maps and their digital descendent, the sat nav, may guide us efficiently around our nation's highways but they don't tell us much else about the landscape we're speeding through. Mike recalls a bygone age of elegant motoring maps and considers how modern road mapping and its unrelenting emphasis on our motorways and trunk roads has changed our picture of Britain.

**WED 14:30 John Galsworthy - The Forsyte Saga (b08q61nb)**

The Forsytes Concludes, Episode 4  
John Galsworthy's epic family saga of love, money and betrayal.

Dramatised for radio by Lin Coghlan

Dinny's loyalty is put to the test when the truth about Wilfrid's experiences in the Middle East threatens to come out.

Original music composed by Neil Brand

Directors ..... Marion Nancarrow and Gemma Jenkins.

**WED 14:45 Book of the Week (b01k1p8c)**

Damn His Blood, Episode 3  
"Damn him!" he swore. "There is no more harm in shooting him than a mad dog!"

The brutal murder of the Reverend George Parker in the rural village of Oddingley on Midsummer's Day in 1806 gripped the nation. It was a strange and stubborn case in an isolated

Worcester village still bound by superstition and folklore, involving an investigation that lasted nearly a quarter of a century. It turned out to be a gripping true story of brutality, greed and ruthlessness in a rural community gone wildly astray.

Damn His Blood is also fascinating glimpse into the darker side of English rural life at the beginning of the nineteenth century, far away from the civilised drawing rooms of Jane Austen, with a cast of characters straight out of Hardy.

Today: the investigation into the parson's murder begins with a manhunt in nearby Worcester. Meanwhile, local farmers seem strangely untroubled by the brutal killing.

Peter Moore is a young literary historian and journalist, who is currently teaching Creative Writing at City University in London.

Abridger: Viv Beeby

Producer: Justine Willett

The Reader is Alex Jennings, who is currently appearing in The Collaborators as Mikhail Bulgakov at the National Theatre and is currently starring in Silk on BBC One.

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[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

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**WED 17:00 An Actor's Life for Me (b008kmmq)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

**WED 17:30 John Finnemore's Double Acts (b08snhwp)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

**WED 18:00 Robert Easby - Oneira (b007k26v)**

A String of Time  
As her quest to learn the secrets of the Universe continues, museum attendant Oneira ends up in the Texan Desert with a dead American comic - and a 13th century Friar.

Robert Easby's sci-fi comedy serial stars Lyndsey Marshal as Oneira, Peter Marinker as Nicholai, Chas Early as Bill Hicks, Jon Glover as Roger Bacon and Christine Kavanagh as Clock/Alien.

Producer: Liz Webb.

Made for BBC Radio 7 and first broadcast in 2007.

**WED 18:30 Off the Page (b012f6p)**

Neighbours  
When Guy Browning decided to make a film, he roped in his entire village to help keep the costs down. Which makes you wonder - is this the Big Society finally at work? Also joining presenter Dominic Arkwright to discuss the support network of neighbours, both nasty and nice, are Laurie Penny the writer of the Penny Red blog; and Dr Edson Burton, who recalls when living in bedsits didn't just mean your neighbours were in the same street, but under the same roof. The producer is Miles Warde.

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**WED 22:30 What Does the K Stand For? (b04vr5j8)**

Series 2, Turning Cheeks  
The first in a new series of Stephen K Amos' sitcom about his own teenage years, growing up black, gay and funny in 1980s South London.

Written by Jonathan Harvey with Stephen K Amos. Produced by Colin Anderson.

**WED 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (b08vxbzx)**

The best in contemporary comedy. Andrew O'Neill chats to Bilal Zafar.

**WED 23:00 Lionel Nimrod's Inexplicable World (b007t32k)**

Series 1, LoveThe sci-fi star and his crew set sail on a romantic cruise. With Tom Baker, Richard Herring and Stewart Lee. From November 1992.

**WED 23:30 The Big Booth (b007k1pc)**

Series 1, Episode 2  
Tasty monologues and sketches starring Boothby Graffoe. With Kevin Eldon and guitarist Antonio Forcione. From January 2000.

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**THU 02:00 Book at Bedtime (b008dm1n)**

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**THU 02:45 Book of the Week (b01k1p8c)**

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[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Wednesday]

**THU 04:00 Genius (b008j2r)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 on Wednesday]

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[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Wednesday]

**THU 05:30 John Finnemore's Double Acts (b08snhwp)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Wednesday]

**THU 06:00 The Radio Detectives (b007jp7b)**

Series 1, Enter the Saint  
Professor Jeffrey Richards dons his halo to track down the history and various portrayals of the Robin Hood of Crime, Simon Templar, aka The Saint.

With Dick Fiddy and Neville Teller.

Affectionate five-part series about popular radio detectives.

Producer: Jon Rolph

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1998.

**THU 06:30 Children of the Enemy (b00762qs)**

The remarkable story of German children who were fostered by Dutch families after the Second World War. With Martha Kearney. From June 2001.

**THU 07:00 Richard Barton: General Practitioner! (b00757q4)**

Episode 2  
Shimie Kenwood-Gore makes Dick's hackles rise. What kind of pressure is he putting on Amanda Cadwallader with Old Archie only just buried? Richard finds out that Kenwood-Gore has designs on the village, Cadwallader Hall included. But for what? Dick realises there's a connection with a shady character in his past. Could Kenwood-Gore's intentions be as dastardly? Dick intends to find out.

Starring Robert Bathurst as Richard Barton, Moray Watson as Old Dick Barton, Iain Cuthbertson as Jock, Julian Dutton as Young Dick Barton and Matilda Ziegler as Sally Barton.

In 1946, Edward J Mason wrote the first episode of Dick Barton - Special Agent. The BBC Light Programme's hugely popular serial followed the adventures of the ex-Commando and his mates Jock Anderson and Snowy White. Despite facing a series of never-ending cliff-hangers at the hands of dastardly villains, our hero always triumphed. "With one bound Dick was free!"

Half a century later, Edward J's son Lol created Richard Barton, son of Dick, in an affectionate homage to one of BBC Radio's most enduring heroes.

Producer: Jo Clegg

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1998.

**THU 07:30 Ed Reardon's Week (b05y0m0p)**

Series 10, The New Thirty  
Ed is facing a milestone in his life as he's about to turn 60. As he reflects on his life he decides that things aren't half bad. He finally has a bed to lay his head on, his cat is in rude health and he is leading a busy and fulfilling literary life. However, as with all things Ed, this state of equanimity can't last and after a curious encounter with Jeremy Paxman Ed decides to make some changes.

Written by Andrew Nickolds and Christopher Douglas

Produced by Dawn Ellis

Ed Reardon's Week is a BBC Radio Comedy production.

**THU 08:00 Marriage Lines (b04stqbt)**

Series 1, The Move  
Pastures new for Kate and George, but what about their new neighbours?

A series based on the mutual love and mistrust of two newly-weds. Starring Richard Briers as George Starling and Prunella Scales as Kate Starling.

With Charlotte Mitchell, Elizabeth Morgan and Peter Hawkins.

This 1960's newlyweds sitcom brought Richard Briers and Prunella Scales to prominence. Originating on BBC TV, it was adapted for radio due to its popularity. A decade later, Richard

Briers went on to play Tom Good in *The Good Life* and Prunella Scales went on to star as Sybil in *Fawlty Towers*.  
Written by Richard Waring.  
Producer: Charles Maxwell  
First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in July 1965.

**THU 08:30 Play It Cool (b05qdylm)**  
Episode 3 Women's magazines and ballroom dancing inspire comedy characters galore in fast-moving sketches.  
Starring Ian Carmichael, Joan Sims and Hugh Paddick.  
Films like *Private's Progress* and *I'm All Right Jack* helped make Ian Carmichael a major star of both British stage and screen. *Play it Cool* was his first radio comedy series promising a variety of potty and pompous situations.  
Written by Eric Merriman - best known for his work on numerous series of *Beyond Our Ken*.  
With music from Rosemary Squires, The Mike Sammes Singers and The Ken Thorne Orchestra  
Produced by John Simmonds  
First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in August 1964.

**THU 09:00 All the Way From Memphis (b00mb1r1)**  
Series 2, Episode 3 James Walton's pop music history quiz with Andrew Collins, Tracey MacLeod, Danny Kelly and Clare Grogan. From May 2006.

**THU 09:30 Nineteen Ninety-Eight (b01c6sgt)**  
Episode 3 On the run, Edward meets the Leopard - will he survive? Orwellian sitcom with David Threlfall and Hugh Laurie. From April 1987.

**THU 10:00 Charles Dickens (b0081w2g)**  
Hard Times, Episode 4 Stephen is missing. Tom goes on the run and Gradgrind gets Sleary's help. Dickens adaptation stars Kenneth Cranham and Eleanor Bron.

**THU 11:00 Helen Simpson - A Bunch of Fives (b01m81sw)**  
Hurrah for the Hols, pt 2 Funny, sensuous and poignant short story about married love and how children change the rhythm of life.  
Read by Tamsin Greig.

**THU 11:15 Steve Walker - Haunted by More Cake (b04xf4pw)**  
With a tea party going on in his stomach, Lionel has fallen in love with a guest. How can Uncle Ginger help? Stars Graham Crowden.

**THU 12:00 Marriage Lines (b04stqbt)**  
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**THU 13:30 Children of the Enemy (b00762qs)**  
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**THU 14:00 Book at Bedtime (b008dm1s)**  
Burning Bright, Episode 9 Tracy Chevalier's novel, abridged in 10 parts by Jane Greenwood, is set in London in 1792.  
9/10. Maggie confesses her guilty secret to Jem. Despite their growing closeness, when the Kellaways decide to return to Dorset he goes with them.  
Read by Jenny Coverack.

**THU 14:15 On the Map (b00rgbhr)**  
Social Mapping Self-confessed map addict Mike Parker explores modern cartography.  
There's no more effective way of representing our lives than a map: social and political conditions, health trends and the movements of goods and ideas have far greater impact when they're plotted in multicoloured cartography. Mike asks how society is now being analysed online in cartographic mash-ups and crowd-sourced data. He also discovers how mapping the human condition, its needs and habits, its highs and its lows, goes back to way before the digital age.

**THU 14:30 John Galsworthy - The Forsyte Saga (b08q71z2)**  
The Forsytes Concludes, Episode 5 John Galsworthy's epic family saga of love, money and betrayal.  
Dramatised for radio by Lin Coghlan  
Against Michael's advice, Wilfrid publishes his poem and waits for society's reaction. Dinny fights to remain loyal to Wilfrid without unduly hurting her family.  
Original music composed by Neil Brand  
Directors .... Marion Nancarrow and Gemma Jenkins.

**THU 14:45 Book of the Week (b01k2bvb)**  
Damn His Blood, Episode 4 'Damn him!' he swore. 'There is no more harm in shooting him than a mad dog!'  
The brutal murder of the Reverend George Parker in the rural village of Oddingley on Midsummer's Day in 1806 gripped the nation. It was a strange and stubborn case in an isolated Worcester village still bound by superstition and folklore, involving an investigation that lasted nearly a quarter of a century. It turned out to be a gripping true story of brutality, greed and ruthlessness in a rural community gone wildly astray.  
Damn His Blood is also fascinating glimpse into the darker side of English rural life at the beginning of the nineteenth century, far away from the civilised drawing rooms of Jane Austen, with a cast of characters straight out of Hardy.  
Today: with the prime suspect still on the loose, suspicion falls on the local farmers, whose stories don't seem to add up...  
Peter Moore is a young literary historian and journalist, who is currently teaching Creative Writing at City University in London.  
Abridger: Viv Beeby  
Producer: Justine Willett  
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**THU 17:30 Ed Reardon's Week (b05v0m0p)**  
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**THU 18:00 Robert Easby - Oneira (b007k284)**  
The Thing With Two Cappuccinos When museum attendant Oneira forgets to pay for her coffee, she's chased by a multiplying hoard of waitresses...  
Robert Easby's sci-fi comedy serial stars Lindsey Marshal as Oneira. Peter Marinker as Nicholai. Bethan Walker as Tannoy, Sam Dale as Phil and Anna Wing as the Barista.  
Producer: Liz Webb.  
Made for BBC Radio 7 and first broadcast in 2007.

**THU 18:30 Great Lives (b00kf01v)**  
Series 18, Fred Astaire Matthew Parris presents the biographical series in which his guests choose someone who has inspired their lives.  
Physician, journalist and broadcaster Dr Michael O'Donnell discusses celebrated singer, actor and choreographer Fred Astaire. Joining him are Astaire's daughter, Ava Astaire McKenzie, and lifelong Astaire enthusiast and Oxford don Dr Kathleen Riley.

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**THU 22:30 Helen Keen's It Is Rocket Science (b01jhdhr)**  
Series 2, Episode 4 Last in the series of Helen Keen's quirky comic but true look at the past and future of space exploration. This week looks at what we could do if a giant asteroid was heading straight for us and looks at where else we might be able to go in the solar system if Earth was destroyed, and how we might get there. And we ask the most searching of all questions, why didn't the dinosaurs avoid extinction by developing a space programme of their own? And if they had, how could a T Rex have flown a spaceship with those tiny arms?  
With Helen Keen  
Peter Serafinowicz  
Susy Kane  
Written by Helen Keen and Miriam Underhill  
Produced by Gareth Edwards.

**THU 22:45 Where Did it All Go Wrong? (b0076qgt)**  
A member of a ruthless gang tells how religion and films gave them an identity. Stars Simon Munnelly and Kevin Eldon. From March 2005.

**THU 23:00 The Harpoon (b007m747)**  
Series 2, Episode 1A ripping, bumper summer edition of the nostalgic spoof of boys' adventure story papers. With Alistair McGowan. From July 1992.

**THU 23:30 Party (b00r7171)**  
Series 1, Episode 1 Satirical sitcom by Tom Basden about a group of young idealists trying to set up a new political party.  
Simon ..... Tom Basden  
Mel ..... Anna Crilly  
Duncan ..... Tim Key  
Jared ..... Johnny Sweet  
Phoebe ..... Katy Wix.

## FRIDAY 16 JUNE 2017

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**FRI 06:00 The Radio Detectives (b007jp7r)**  
Series 1, The Shadow Knows Professor Jeffery Richards unravels the history and portrayals of Walter Gibson's pulp fiction force against evil, The Shadow.  
Featuring the classic Orson Welles portrayal and an interview with Simon Callow.  
Affectionate five-part series about popular radio detectives.  
Producer: Jon Rolph  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1998.

**FRI 06:30 There is Business Like Show Business (b01dhn6r)**  
Some of the most lavish and expensive musicals ever staged were in praise of photocopyers, kitchen appliances, insurance salesmen and even tractors... They were made in the 50s, 60s and later by companies to motivate their staff. The people who wrote them were huge Broadway names including Sheldon Harnick and Jerry Bock the men who gave us *Fiddler on the Roof*. They were private performances staged at sales conventions and the music was never made available to the public. They were a hidden part of the business world and the only reason we now know about them is that some shows were recorded as souvenirs for the employees - and these have been discovered by a couple of enthusiastic record collectors, Steve Young and Jonathan Ward. They tell Will Young about their favourite shows - Detroit Diesel's "Diesel Dazzle" and "A Musical Introduction to 1958 - The Shape of Tomorrow" from Westinghouse Appliances. There were also industrial shows in the UK. We speak to choreographer and director Gillian Lynne who produced the Lyon's Maid musical "With Lyon's Maid, You're Laughing!" in 1973. And Herb Kanzell who, following his triumph with The Westinghouse Appliances show of 1958 wrote musical shows for British Rail, Oxo and British Airways.  
Music played in the programme:  
Somewhere over the Rainbow - Judy Garland from "The Wizard of Oz" soundtrack  
"Tractor Drivin' Man" by Hank Beebe and performed by Bill Shirley - who also sang "On the Street Where You Live" on the "My Fair Lady" soundtrack and provided the voice for Prince Phillip in Disney's "Sleeping Beauty". Tractor Drivin' Man was used in several Ford Tractor Shows in the 1960s.  
"My Insurance Man" from the Continental Assurance Company 1968 show. Written by Arnold Midlash and Robert WeDyck. Performed by Beverly Lacke.  
"Golden Harvest" from the Ford Tractor Show 1959 "Ford-i-f-y Your Future" written by Sheldon Harnick and Jerry Bock.  
"Big and Beautiful" from the 1966 American Motors show  
"Music from AM Route 66" written by Hank Beebe and Bill Heyer, performed by Chuck Green.  
"Tomorrow, Today" from "the shape of tomorrow, a musical introduction to 1958" from Westinghouse Appliances, written by Herb Kanzell and John Wyman, performed by Marilyn Ross.  
"Nightmare", also from "the shape of tomorrow", written by Herb Kanzell and John Wyman performed by Martin Green.  
"Oh What a Beautiful Morning" from Oklahoma! written by Rodgers and Hammerstein.  
"Monroe Man" from the Monroe Calculator Show 1969, music written by Sonny Kippe, lyrics by Joe Lapidus & Glenn Moore, performed by Diane Findlay.  
"Tele op blues" from the Lyon's Maid 1973 show, "With Lyon's Maid You're Laughing" written by Denis Norden and Malcolm Mitchell and performed by Julia Sutton.  
"The Latest" from Cole National Annual Sales Meeting Show "A Fairy Tale" 1965, performed by Liz Seneff  
"I Never Enjoyed my Operation More" from the Converters Inc show "The Spirit of '78". No composition credits. Cast: Carol Steffen, Renee Kalen, Alice Dodd, Lee Pely, and Mike Arquette  
"We Were There" from the Detroit Diesel 1966 show "Diesel Dazzle" written by Hank Beebe and Bill Heyer.  
"The Answer" from General Electric's Silicon Division's 1973 show "Got to Investigate Silicones" written by Hank Beebe and Bill Heyer, performed by Ron Young, Paul Eichel, & Joy Garrett. Special cameo vocal appearance by lyricist Bill Heyer.  
Producer: Rachel Ross.

**FRI 07:00 Boogie Up the River (b007jz40)**  
Lechlade, Twinned with Zanzibar Mark is celebrating, but with dog hair in the champers. Can a living legend save the day? Stars Timothy Spall. From January 1993.

**FRI 07:30 Sketchorama (b01ks531)**  
Series 1, Episode 4 Award-winning character comedian and doyen of sketch comedy Humphrey Ker presents the pick of the best live sketch groups currently performing on the UK comedy circuit in this brand new showcase - with character, improv, broken and musical sketch comedy.  
Humphrey Ker is himself an established sketch performer, writer, actor and comedian who won the Fosters Edinburgh Comedy Award for Best Newcomer at the Edinburgh festival in 2011. For five years he was part of the much-loved sketch trio The Penny Dreadfuls, with whom he wrote and performed in a string of Edinburgh festival smashes, two series on BBC7 and two plays for Radio 4.  
The sketch groups featured in episode four of Sketchorama are:

How Do I Get Up There? Scotland's fastest rising sketch group heralding a new era for Scottish comedy. In 2010, the boys made the final of the "Take The Mic" competition at the Edinburgh Festival, and in 2011 enjoyed their Fringe debut show. They also progressed to the finals of the prestigious New Act of The Year competition at the Barbican in London.

The Ginge, The Georgie and The Geek. Since making their debut in 2009, this group featuring Graeme Rooney, Paul Charlton and Kevin O'Loughlin have established themselves as Fringe favourites and sold 10,000 tickets for their 2011 show.

Pappy's. A multi award winning sketch team consisting of comedians Ben Clark, Matthew Crosby and Tom Parry. Established in 2004, Pappy's are firm favourites on the UK live comedy circuit with their hyper-energetic, gag filled monster of a stage presence.

Producer: Gus Beattie  
A Comedy Unit production for BBC Radio 4.

**FRI 08:00 I'm Sorry, I'll Read That Again (b00s6n2b)**  
Series 3, Episode 7 Scary wannabes in 'Opportunity Flops' - and an Agatha Christie flavoured whodunit?  
More quick-fire sketches, terrible puns, humorous songs and parodies.

Stars Tim Brooke-Taylor, John Cleese, Graeme Garden, David Hatch, Jo Kendall and Bill Oddie.

Written by Tim Brooke-Taylor, Brian Cooke & Johnnie Mortimer, Graeme Garden, David Hatch, Alan Hutchinson, Bernard King, and Peter and David Lund.

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 Dave Lee and Bill Oddie.  
Producer: Humphrey Barclay

First broadcast on the BBC Home Service in April 1966.

**FRI 08:30 Doctor at Large (b009pp9l)**  
The Captain's Problem Ship's doctor Simon Sparrow diagnoses trouble ahead with Captain Spratt!  
The misadventures of newly qualified doctor, Simon Sparrow - adapted for radio by Ray Cooney from Richard Gordon's 'Doctor at Large' published in 1955.

Starring Richard Briers as Simon Sparrow, Geoffrey Sumner as Captain Spratt, Ray Cooney as First Mate Jock Hornbeam, Edward Cast as Colonel Smith and Peter Jones as Easter.  
Producer: David Hatch

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 1969.

**FRI 09:00 The 3rd Degree (b07dklqc)**  
Series 6, Birmingham City University A funny and dynamic quiz show hosted by Steve Punt - this week from the Birmingham City University, with specialist subjects including Visual Communication, English Literature and Sociology, and questions ranging from Squash and Stretch to Roger McGough via Clement Attlee and the Duckworth-Lewis Method.

The programme is recorded on location at a different University each week, and it pits three Undergraduates against three of their Professors in an original and fresh take on an academic quiz.

The rounds vary between Specialist Subjects and General Knowledge, quickfire bell-and-buzzer rounds and the Highbrow and Lowbrow round cunningly devised to test not only the students' knowledge of current affairs, history, languages and science, but also their Professors' awareness of television, sport, and quite possibly Justin Bieber. In addition, the Head-to-Head rounds see students take on their Professors in their own subjects, offering plenty of scope for mild embarrassment on both sides.

Other Universities featured in this series include Gloucestershire, Chester, York, Bath and Glasgow.  
Produced by David Tyler

A Pozzitive production for BBC Radio 4.

**FRI 09:30 Nikolai Gogol - Three Ivans, Two Aunts and an Overcoat (b00nm9sg)**  
Ivan Fyodorovich Shponka and His Aunt Home from military service, Ivan finds his aunt's efforts to marry him off intolerable. With Griff Rhys Jones. From April 2002.

**FRI 10:00 Robert Graves - I, Claudius (b01jrt6g)**  
Augustus Young Claudius grows up in the turbulent household of Augustus, the first Roman Emperor, and Livia, the wife who matched his achievements with her ambition. The Imperial Couple disregard their young grandson as they inch towards absolute power. But that won't save Claudius from heartbreak. Robert Graves' scandalous histories of Roman political vice dramatised in six-parts by Robin Brooks.

Claudius ..... Tom Goodman-Hill  
Augustus ..... Derek Jacobi  
Livia ..... Harriet Walter  
Tiberius ..... Tim McInnerny  
Julia ..... Alison Pettit  
Athenodorus ..... Sam Dale  
Cato ..... Jude Akuwudike  
Thrasylus ..... Sean Baker  
Young Claudius ..... Harvey Allpress  
Young Herod ..... Felix Zadek-Ewing  
Young Germanicus ..... Harry Child  
Camilla ..... Lauren Mote  
Young Postumus ..... Ryan Watson  
Young Livilla ..... Holly Gibbs

Other parts played by Adeel Akhtar, Tony Bell, Christine Kavanagh, and Sally Orrock.  
Specially composed music by David Pickvance.  
Director: Jonquil Panting.  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2010.

**FRI 11:00 Helen Simpson - A Bunch of Fives (b01m850d)**  
ScanIntimate and moving story about a young woman on the brink of romance, who goes alone for a brain scan. Read by Clare Corbett.

**FRI 11:15 Afternoon Drama (b00hvgbt)**  
Brett Goldstein - Success Story When Ray's low-budget film is picked up by a major studio his dreams of Hollywood start to become a reality. Then, held up in a hotel room doing endless publicity interviews, he finds the past coming back to bite him. By Brett Goldstein.

Ray ..... Geoffrey Streetfield  
Tara ..... Caroline Catz  
Emily ..... Sasha Pick  
Kristen ..... Laurel Lefkow  
Directed by Toby Swift.

**FRI 12:00 I'm Sorry, I'll Read That Again (b00s6n2b)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

**FRI 12:30 Doctor at Large (b009pp9l)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

**FRI 13:00 The Radio Detectives (b007jp87)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

**FRI 13:30 There is Business Like Show Business (b01dhn6r)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

**FRI 14:00 Book at Bedtime (b008dm1x)**  
Burning Bright, Episode 10 Tracy Chevalier's novel, abridged in 10 parts by Jane Greenwood, is set in London in 1792.

10/10. Maggie discovers that the pregnant Maisie has stayed behind and is being cared for by the Blakes. She takes charge of the situation and soon both girls are on the road to Dorset.  
Read by Jenny Coverack.

**FRI 14:15 On the Map (b00rghjt)**  
The Lie of the Land Self-confessed map addict Mike Parker explores modern cartography.

There are lies, damned lies, statistics - and then there are maps. Borders can be moved and countries expanded, shrunk or even left off the map altogether. We'd like to believe that maps are a purely factual representation of the world with no bias or agenda, but in fact every cartographer decides what to include on their map and what to exclude. Mike Parker discovers how maps can be used as tools of power, politics and propaganda.

**FRI 14:30 John Galsworthy - The Forsyte Saga (b08q79q5)**  
The Forsytes Concludes, Episode 6 John Galsworthy's epic family saga of love, money and betrayal.  
Dramatised for radio by Lin Coghlan  
Convinced he's a coward, Wilfrid hurtles towards self-destruction and Dinny tries to save him

Original music composed by Neil Brand  
Directors ..... Marion Nancarrow and Gemma Jenkins  
Tomorrow's Saturday drama sees the conclusion of Flowering Wilderness where Michael hopes to persuade Wilfrid to stand by Dinny. It also marks the start of the final book in the series, Over The River, when Dinny's sister Clare (Chloe Pirrie) makes an unexpected return to England declaring her marriage is over.

**FRI 14:45 Book of the Week (b01k2f7l)**  
Damn His Blood, Episode 5 'Damn him!' he swore. 'There is no more harm in shooting him than a mad dog!'  
The brutal murder of the Reverend George Parker in the rural village of Oddingley on Midsummer's Day in 1806 gripped the nation. It was a strange case in an isolated Worcester village still bound by superstition and folklore, involving an investigation that lasted nearly a quarter of a century. It turned out to be a gripping true story of brutality, greed and ruthlessness in a rural community gone wildly astray.

In today's final episode, nearly a quarter of a century has passed, and the case has still not been solved. But a gruesome discovery leads to a new inquest, and Oddingley village finally learns the truth.

Peter Moore is a young literary historian and journalist, who is currently teaching Creative Writing at City University in London.  
Abridger: Viv Beebey  
Producer: Justine Willett

The Reader is Alex Jennings, who is currently appearing in The Collaborators as Mikhail Bulgakov at the National Theatre and is currently starring in Silk on BBC One.

**FRI 15:00 Robert Graves - I, Claudius (b01jrt6g)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

**FRI 16:00 The 3rd Degree (b07dklqc)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

**FRI 16:30 Nikolai Gogol - Three Ivans, Two Aunts and an Overcoat (b00nm9sg)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

**FRI 17:00 Boogie Up the River (b007jz40)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

**FRI 17:30 Sketchorama (b01ks53l)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

**FRI 18:00 Robert Easby - Oneira (b007k29f)**  
Mind the Gap Battling to complete her epic surreal quest, Oneira literally ends up talking to herself - and finds her other self very rude.

Robert Easby's sci-fi comedy serial stars Lyndsey Marshal as Oneira, Peter Marinker as Nicholai, Joseph Kloska as Pete, Gerard McDermott as Elias and Saikat Ahamed as the Courier.  
Producer: Liz Webb.  
Made for BBC Radio 7 and first broadcast in 2007.

**FRI 18:30 Soul Music (b01r0g4h)**  
Series 15, Shipbuilding The song from 1982 was written by Elvis Costello and Clive Langer for Robert Wyatt and has been recorded in several versions by Elvis Costello himself, Suede,

June Tabor, Hue and Cry, Tamsin Archer and The Unthanks. The blend of subtle lyrics and extraordinary music makes this a political song like no other. It transcends the particular circumstances of its writing: the Falklands War and the decline of British heavy industry, especially ship-building.

Clive Langer and Elvis Costello describe how the song came to be written and how the legendary jazz trumpeter and flugelhorn player, Chet Baker, came to perform on Costello's version. Richard Ashcroft is a philosopher who wants the song, which he describes as a kind of secular hymn, played at his funeral because it gives a perfect expression of how he believes we should think about life. Not being able to feel the emotion of the song would, he feels, be like being morally tone-deaf. If you don't like this song, he'd find it hard to be your friend.

The song's achingly beautiful final couplet about "diving for pearls" makes the MP Alan Johnson cry and has also inspired an oral history and migrant integration project in Glasgow. Chris Gourley describes how the participants found a way to overcome their lack of English and communicate through a shared understanding of ship-building practice.

Other contributors include Hopi Sen, a political blogger who was an unusually political child, and the Mercury Prize winning folk group The Unthanks. They toured their version to towns with ship-building connections as part of a live performance of a film tracing the history of British ship-building using archive footage.  
Producer: Natalie Steed.

**FRI 19:00 I'm Sorry, I'll Read That Again (b00s6n2b)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

**FRI 19:30 Doctor at Large (b009pp9l)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

**FRI 20:00 The Radio Detectives (b007jp87)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

**FRI 20:30 There is Business Like Show Business (b01dhn6r)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

**FRI 21:00 John Galsworthy - The Forsyte Saga (b08qxd08)**  
The Forsytes Concludes, Episode 7 John Galsworthy's epic family saga of love, money and betrayal  
Dramatised for radio by Lin Coghlan & Shaun McKenna  
Wilfrid has tried to do the right thing by leaving Dinny, but as Fleur & Michael try to help each other, unexpected echoes of their own past return.

Then an unexpected arrival changes Dinny's world.  
Original music composed by Neil Brand  
Director ..... Marion Nancarrow  
from the novels of John Galsworthy  
dramatised by Lin Coghlan & Shaun McKenna  
Tomorrow you can hear the very final part of the story. As repercussions of Clare's unhappy past begin to hit home, is there a chance of happiness for Dinny herself?

Over the last 2 years, BBC Radio 4 has dramatised all 9 of John Galsworthy's Forsyte novels and this series "The Forsytes Concludes" brings us to the last 3 novels, which he wrote at the end of his life. Across this week, we've had the 90' drama based on "Maid in Waiting" which introduced the Cherrill family and Dinny Cherrill in particular who, aged 24 in 1928, was full of excitement for the life ahead of her. She is Fleur & Michael's cousin and, unbeknown to either of them, their lives are to have parallels neither could have predicted.

Through the week, 5 x 15' episodes tell the story of "Flowering Wilderness" (which sees an unexpected return and a new love for Dinny) and now two 60 minute Dramas - today and tomorrow - end the story.

Joining Jessica Raine, Max Bennett, Ben Lambert and Brian Protheroe from the original cast are Sarah Ridgeway, Nina Sosanya, Allan Corduner, Jonathan Aris, Chloe Pirrie and John Hefferman.

**FRI 22:00 Sketchorama (b01ks53l)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

**FRI 22:30 Laura Solon: Talking and Not Talking (b00c1d22)**  
Series 2, Episode 4 'China Lion', pepping up your sex life and why it is not a good idea to tell lies on your CV. With Ben Willbond. From June 2008.

**FRI 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (b08vxc00)**  
The best in contemporary comedy. Arthur Smith chats to Naz Osmanoglu.

**FRI 23:00 Mark Steel's in Town (b01p720p)**  
Series 4, Handsworth Comedian Mark Steel returns with a new series, looking under the surface of some of the UK's more distinctive towns to shed some light on the people, history, rivalries, slang, traditions, and eccentricities that makes them unique.

Creating a bespoke stand-up set for each town, Mark performs the show in front of a local audience.

As well as examining the less visited areas of Britain, Mark uncovers stories and experiences that resonate with us all as we recognise the quirkiness of the British way of life and the rich tapestry of remarkable events and people who have shaped where we live.

During this 4th series of 'Mark Steel's In Town', Mark will visit Tobermory, Whitehaven, Handsworth, Ottery St Mary, Corby, and Chipping Norton.

This week, Mark takes a trip to Handsworth in Birmingham to explore reggae and riots, white supremacist gardening, and how takeaway food affects the time space continuum.  
Additional material by Pete Sinclair.  
Produced by Sam Bryant.

**FRI 23:30 Chain Reaction (b00l5p7l)**  
Series 1, Johnny Vegas Interviews Stewart Lee Up front comic,

Johnny Vegas and prickly comedian, Stewart Lee in the tag talk show, where this week's guest is next week's interviewer.  
Producer: Tilusha Ghelani  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2005.