

Gill Sims' second comic novel about Ellen, a funny, feisty and stressed-out working-mum.
Omnibus of five episodes dramatised by Christine Entwisle.
Ellen Gabriel Quigley
Simon/Gary Stuart McQuarrie
Kathy Sally Reid
Mother Anne Lacey
Alan/Coach Jordan Young
Lydea/Sarah Isobel McArthur
Director: Kirsty Williams.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2020.
SUN 10:00 Home to Roost (m000gtj7)
Series 2
Wedding Bells
William and Olive receive a surprise invitation to a posh wedding.
Starring Molly Sugden and Deryck Guyler.
Sitcom written by Anne Jones.
After 40 years working in the same office, William Wheeler has just retired and battles to adapt to his new life of leisure. His wife Olive, on the other hand, is trying to cope with him her feet all day, for the first time in their marriage.
William Wheeler Deryck Guyler
Olive Wheeler Mollie Sugden
Jack Bailey Norman Rossington
Kath Patricia Greene
Ange Ysanne Churchman
Nev John Baddeley
Theme music composed and played by Alex Walsh and his Band.
Producer: Trafford Whitelock.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 1975 .
SUN 10:30 Drop Me Here, Darling (m000tnd1)
Indefinite Articles
Leslie is offered a job writing a weekly food column. But is it too good to be true?
Starring Leslie Phillips.
Andrew Palmer's comedy about a former property tycoon who's fallen on hard times and is now chauffeur to his wealthy ex-wife.
Leslie Duggan Leslie Phillips
Caroline Duggan Jill Bennett
Claire Norma Ronald
With John Graham, Garard Green and Gordon Clyde
Producer: Edward Taylor
First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in December 1982.
SUN 11:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (m00218ss)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
SUN 11:45 David Attenborough's Life Stories (b00m74rt)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:45 today]
SUN 12:00 Poetry Extra (m00218sv)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]
SUN 12:30 Dark Matter by Michelle Paver (Omnibus) (m00218sx)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
SUN 13:40 Inheritance Tracks (m0021cbe)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:40 today]
SUN 13:50 Why Mummy Swears by Gill Sims (Omnibus) (m00218sz)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 today]
SUN 15:00 Home to Roost (m000gtj7)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]
SUN 15:30 Drop Me Here, Darling (m000tnd1)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:30 today]
SUN 16:00 Fear on 4 (m0008340)
The Hairy Hand of Dartmoor
Alcohol, anger, infidelity and stories of Dartmoor witches are the ingredients in a cocktail party that goes awry for Geoffrey.
Tales of horror and suspense.
Written by Michael McStay.
Geoffrey Struan Rodger
Abigail Angela Pleasence
Kate Emily Richard
Henry Jonathan Oliver
Peter Timothy Carlton
Susan Ludmilla Vuli
Director: Ned Chaillet
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 1999.
SUN 16:30 Agatha Christie (b00jzy3m)
The Dressmaker's Doll
A creepy doll with a mind of its own causes alarm along London's catwalks.
Stars Juliet Aubrey.
Mike Walker revamps Agatha Christie's chilling mystery, first published in 1971.
Octavia Juliet Aubrey
Sally Beth Chalmers
Jeremy Stephen Critchlow
Carrie Gemma Saunders
Model Emma Woolliams
Amber Connie Gurie
Music by Ben Wallfisch.
Director: Ned Chaillet
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2003.
SUN 17:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (m00218ss)
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SUN 22:00 Tim Key's Poetry Programme (m000gbgq)
Accountancy
Tim Key plans to recite poetry high above the Norwegian fjords.
But his cable car has broken down and, worse, his accountant is on his trail.
Written and presented by Tim Key.
Key Tim Key
Lord Tom Basden
Megan Katy Wix
Jiffy Mike Wozniak
Producer: James Robinson
A BBC Cymru Wales production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in March 2020.
SUN 22:30 The Simon Day Show (b010t7qt)
Series 1
Dave Angel
1990s Eco-Warrior Dave Angel performs on stage - and a confused delivery man arrives with gifts from a star.
Simon Day and his characters welcome you to The Mallard, a small provincial theatre somewhere in the UK.
Each week one of them comes to perform - with highlights of that night's show plus all the backstage and front-of-house happenings.
Written by Simon Day and Felix Dexter.
Dave Angel / White Van Man Simon Day
Catherine Catherine Shepherd
Goose Felix Dexter
Ron Bone Simon Greenall
Producer: Colin Anderson
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2011.
SUN 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (m0021r2l)
Garrett Millerick 1/3
From 10pm until midnight, seven days a week, the Comedy Club has two hours of comedy. Plus Eysyllt Sears chats to Garrett Millerick.
SUN 23:00 Laura Solon - Talking and Not Talking (b00nvwg8)
Series 3
Episode 1
A surreal take on infuriating call centres and ex-soviet tyrants settling in British suburbs.
The return of award-winning comedian Laura Solon's sketch and character comedy series
With:
Rosie Cavaliero
Ben Moor
Ben Willbond
Written by Laura Solon.
With additional material by Charlie Miller, John-Luke Roberts and Gareth Gwyn
Script Editor: Jeremy Dyson
Producer: Colin Anderson
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2009.
SUN 23:30 The Party Party (b007v1zq)
Episode 2
It's 1993 and the Party Party - a party of the incredibly silly tendency, sweeps to power.
Prime Minister Action Man explains himself to the nation.
Shell-shocked Party Party leader, Action Man, takes control in Downing Street, and immediately appoints Man 3 as his right-hand man and together they set about trying to think of some policies.
Meanwhile, in the tiny village of Microcosm, where several sitcom characters are patiently waiting, it seems like their dream of being in a sitcom is finally about to come true.
Sitcom written by Moray Hunter.
Starring:
Morwenna Banks
Hugh Laurie
Robin Driscoll
Robert Glenister
Clive Mantle
Rory Bremner
Producer: Jamie Rix
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1987.

MONDAY 29 JULY 2024
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MON 06:00 Lord Jim by Joseph Conrad (m0021b6v)
1. The Inquiry
Perhaps it was indeed an act of God that had brought disaster to the SS Patna.
From the moment the mysterious and horrifying cable reached the Harbour Master's Office, the waterside talked of nothing else and an inquiry was set up.
Would it, however, discover anything of Jim's tortured soul? Joseph Conrad's gripping maritime adventure novel, first published in 1900.
Starring Simon Treves and David March.
Dramatised in six episodes by Keith Brakill.
Jim Simon Treves
Marlow David March
"Patna" skipper Bernard Brown
Onslow John Hollis
Avondale Captain David Sinclair
Brierly Clifford Norgate
Ruthvel Brian Smith
Dr McReath Robin Summers
Chandler Christopher Douglas
Lady Wiberley Narissa Knights
Director: Martin Jenkins
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 1985.
MON 06:30 Detective (b0blvc3)
Series 4
5. The Tip-Off
A local villain tells DS Brook that he is going straight and wants to turn informant on some planned break-ins.
Starring Ray Brooks and Stephen Garlick.
Robert Barr's stories of crime and detection in London
Featuring long-serving, ducking-and-diving Detective Sergeant Dave Brook with his new partner, Detective Constable Tully.
DS Dave Brook Ray Brooks
DC Tully Stephen Garlick
DS Harrison Peter Cleall
Chief Inspector Roach Stephen Yardley
Joe Harper Johnny Wade
DS Rigby Christopher Douglas
Producer: Martin Fisher
First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in July 1985.
MON 07:00 Anything Legal (b0084hrs)
Episode 3
Charles and George kick off their secret new business offering anything legal – but at what cost?
Starring Donald Hewlett and Michael Knowles.
'A Tale of Two City Gents' by Wally K Daly.
Charles Donald Hewlett
George Michael Knowles
Publican Douglas Blackwell
Theme music by Jim Parker.
Producer: John Fawcett Wilson
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 1984.
MON 07:30 Stop Messing About! (b00rs7fk)
Series 2
Episode 7
A bona ball tune, and the criminals' five top pop songs.
Starring:
Kenneth Williams
Hugh Paddick
Joan Sims
After the unexpected death of Kenneth Horne in 1969, plans for the next series of Round The Horne were axed. Instead - using an old catchphrase of Kenneth Williams as a series title - Kenneth joined Hugh Paddick to continue the comedy tradition and was also reunited with his "Carry On" film co-star Joan Sims.
Announcer: Douglas Smith
Written by Myles Rudge, David Cumming and Derek Collyer.
With the Max Harris Group.
Producer: John Simmonds
First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in May 1970.
MON 08:00 In and Out of the Kitchen (b01qljh)
Series 2
The Literary Festival
Damien and Anthony arrive at a literary festival to promote Damien's book about the culinary habits of the Great Poets. Despite the charming hotel and the peaceful surroundings, the cookery writer can barely disguise his chagrin at his talk being in a tent smaller to other writers he considers lesser than him. But he soon has the opportunity to get the audience he feels he deserves when a fellow author is knocked unconscious and Damien is asked to fill in.

But can he rise to the occasion?
Siccom written by and starring Miles Jupp, charting the life of cookery writer Damien Trench and his partner Anthony.
Damien Trench Miles Jupp
Anthony MacIlveny Justin Edwards
Gary McDade Ben Crowe
Sound Man Ben Crowe
Bill Trumpetz Toby Longworth
The Lady Sarah Thom
Marion Duffett Lesley Vickerage
Producer: Sam Michell
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2013.
MON 08:30 The Sanest Guy in the Room by Don Black (m000p1vy)
1. Childhood
He was the creative force behind some of the 20th century's biggest hits.
A warm and wonderfully moving memoir from legendary songwriter Don Black.
Black shares the stories behind some of his most iconic numbers, as well as delightful anecdotes of his collaboration with the industry's brightest stars.
It's a celebration of a life in music and a touching tribute to Black's ultimate inspiration, his wife Shirley.
He begins with his childhood - and how he came to manage singer Matt Monro.
Written and read by Don Black.
Abridged in five parts by Polly Coles.
Producer: Clive Brill
A Brill Production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in November 2020.
MON 08:45 Dave Sheasby - Shifting the Leaves (b007jtbl)
1. The Return
Returning to Porthant Bay in Cornwall after 60 years. Marjorie Beaumont rediscovers something of her past.
Written in five parts by Dave Sheasby.
Marjorie Beaumont Elizabeth Bradley
Mrs Nugent June Barrie
Mandy Alison Pettitt
Tilson Tristan Sturrock
Producer: David Hunter
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1998.
MON 09:00 Yesterday in Parliament (m0021cmz)
Susan Hulme reports as a minister announces more help for families of victims of the contaminated blood scandal. Also, new MPs continue to deliver their maiden speeches.
MON 09:30 Wow! How Did They Do That? (b0383jgn)
1. Objects in Perfect Detail
Roger Law goes in search of the entrepreneurs who are behind some of the Britain's best designs and inventions.
Adam Lowe is the man who can recreate any object in perfect detail.
His company Factum Arte has reproduced great works of art, such as Veronese's The Marriage at Cana which was taken by Napoleon's troops from Venice and now hangs in the Louvre.
Adam created an exact replica which is now displayed in the original setting in the Palladian refectory in Venice.
The next challenge was even more ambitious - a life size reproduction of Tutankhamun's tomb.
Roger Law travels to Madrid to discover the secrets behind these extraordinary creations.
Steve Haines also creates great works of art - for other artists.
He is the craftsman behind some of the great monumental pieces of sculpture to be found in the UK and beyond. All this is produced in a modest workshop underneath the railway arches in Deptford, south-east London.
Two contrasting styles and two contrasting characters with one thing in common. Creating objects in perfect detail.
Producer: Mark Rickards
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2013.
MON 09:45 Daily Service (m0021b6x)
First Fruits - Salt & Light
A space for spiritual reflection with a Bible reading, prayer and a range of Christian music.
Theme: First Fruits - Salt & Light
Led by Canon Naomi Starkey
What A Friend We Have In Jesus / Cambrensis and St David's Praise
BBC recording
Reading: Matthew 5: 13-15
O Jesus I Have Promised
CD: BBC Songs of Praise Top 20 hymns
All Creatures Of Our God and King / Cardiff Festival Choir
BBC recording
MON 10:00 Radiolab (m0021cb9)
Series 12
Our Little Stupid Bodies
Radiolab answers listener questions, some seemingly silly but with big ideas behind them.
Sometimes a seemingly silly question gets stuck in your craw and you can't shake the feeling that something big lies behind it. Here at Radiolab, we like to collect those kind of questions and occasionally find answers for them.
So this week, we've rounded up a host of them all relating to our weird and wonderful bodies; we go down throats and get under the skin, we take on evolution and anatomy and molecular cosmetics, and discover some very not-stupid answers to our seemingly stupid questions.
With:

Lulu Mille
Latif Nasser
Radiolab is a Peabody-award winning show about curiosity. Where sound illuminates ideas, and the boundaries blur between science, philosophy, and the human experience.
The Radiolab team investigate a strange world.
From WNYC. First broadcast on public radio in the USA in 2024.
MON 10:55 Inheritance Tracks (b06d19pw)
Frances de La Tour
Actress Frances de La Tour chooses 'La Mer' by Charles Trenet and 'The Summer Wind' by Johnny Mercer.
MON 11:00 Lord Jim by Joseph Conrad (m0021b6v)
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MON 13:45 Dave Sheasby - Shifting the Leaves (b007jtbl)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:45 today]
MON 14:00 Just a Minute (b00m10h9)
Series 55
Episode 4
Nicholas Parsons presides over the devious game where panellists are challenged to speak for one minute without hesitation, deviation or repetition.
With:
Paul Merton
Kit Hesketh-Harvey
Gyles Brandreth
Shappi Khorsandi
Subjects include: What Others Find Irritating About Me, Baggage, A Fool's Paradise, My Expense, F.Scott Fitzgerald, Family Get Togethers and What I Make Lists About
Created by Ian Messiter.
Producer: Claire Jones
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2009.
MON 14:30 Snap (m00051v9)
Series 3
Episode 5
Doug and Molly's attempts to rekindle their romance after divorcing are hampered by his mum who's convalescing after tripping over. Molly is not impressed...
CAST:
Molly Rebecca Lacey
Doug Paul Venables
Kaz Soumaya Keynes
Ryan Jessie Sullivan
Annie Marlene Sidaway
Dawn Robin Weaver
Raymond Jonathan Tafler
Written by Paul Mendelson.
Producer: David Ian Neville
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2005.
MON 15:00 Harriet O'Carroll - Minuet (m00167xz)
The story of novelist Jane Austen's real-life love affair with a romantic young Irishman which fuelled her desire to become a writer.
Starring Helen McCrory as Jane Austen.
Written by Harriet O'Carroll.
Jane Austen Helen McCrory
Tom John Light
Mr Austen John Rowe
Mrs Austen Paula Jacobs
Eliza Geraldine Fitzgerald
With:
Frances Jeater,
Tilly Gaunt
Giles Pagan
Harry Myers
Director: Cherry Cookson
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1999.
MON 16:00 Radiolab (m0021cb9)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]
MON 16:55 Inheritance Tracks (b06d19pw)
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MON 17:00 Lord Jim by Joseph Conrad (m0021b6v)
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[Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 today]
MON 21:00 Harriet O'Carroll - Minuet (m00167xz)
[Repeat of broadcast at 15:00 today]
MON 22:00 Mark Steel's in Town (m0021b1s)
Series 13
Nether Edge
Mark Steel's In Town - Nether Edge
"...a place where all the baristas know your name..."
This week, Mark is in Nether Edge, a leafy suburb of Sheffield which wants to become a village. Here he samples the local honey, visits the local shops and cafes, a rum keg, the bowls club that once threw out Ronnie Wood for inappropriate behaviour, and he talks to the passionate locals about a campaign by the council to make the area less leafy by cutting down half of the trees.
This is the 13th series of Mark's award-winning show where he travels around the country visiting towns that have nothing in common but their uniqueness. After thoroughly researching each town, Mark writes and performs a bespoke evening of comedy for a local audience.
As well as Nether Edge, in this series, Mark will be also be popping to Margate, Malvern, East Grinstead, Stoke-on-Trent and Coleraine in Northern Ireland.
There will also be extended versions of each episode available on BBC sounds.
Written and performed by Mark Steel
Additional material by Pete Sinclair
Production co-ordinator Katie Baum
Sound Manager Jerry Peal
Producer Carl Cooper
A BBC Studios Audio production for Radio 4
MON 23:00 Goodness Gracious Me (b01p1plb)
Series 3
Episode 2
The embarrassing auntie gets hip, and some curious memories of the British Raj.
Starring:
Sanjeev Bhaskar
Kulvinder Ghir
Meera Syal
Nina Wadia
Gold Winner of the Sony Radio Academy Awards. The sketch comedy show originally ran on BBC Radio 4 from 1996 to 1998, later transferring to TV on BBC TWO from 1998 to 2001.
Written by Richard Pinto, Sharat Sardana, Meera Syal, Sanjeev Bhaskar and Sanjeev Kohli.
Script Editor: Sharat Sardana
Producer: Anil Gupta.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1998.
MON 23:00 Catherine Bohart: TL;DR (m0021b6z)
Series 1
We Need To Talk About Kamala
Columns. Analysis. The Guardian's Long Read. Who has time? Catherine Bohart, that's who, and she's going beyond the headlines to give you the lowdown on one of the biggest stories this week, alongside a guest journalist and roving correspondent Sunil Patel.
This week: Biden steps down, Kamala steps up, but what's going to happen next? Puzzled by US politics? We've got you, babes. Katy Balls, political editor of The Spectator, and US politics junkie, is our guide through it all; and Professor Sarah Churchwell joins to look deeper into how a younger candidate might affect the vote.
Meanwhile, in the TL;DR Sidebar, comedian Sunil Patel throws his hat in the ring to be the Vice Presidential nominee. For both Trump and Harris.
Written by Catherine Bohart, with Madeleine Brettingham, Sarah Campbell and Ellen Robertson.
Produced by Victoria Lloyd & Lyndsay Fenner
Recorded at the Museum of Comedy, and Edited by David Thomas
Production Coordinators - Beverly Tagg & Katie Sayer
A Mighty Bunny production for BBC Radio 4
MON 23:30 The Ape That Got Lucky (b0080nk7)
Social Development
The real story of the human brain.
According to scientists, it's developed to help us cope with our unpleasantly complicated social lives.
A spoof exploration of the fascinating subject of human evolution.
Starring Chris Addison.
With:
Professor Austin Herring (aka Geoffrey McGivern)
Jo Enright
Dan Tetsell
Written by Chris Addison and Carl Cooper.
Producer: Simon Nicholls
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2005.

to fame.
 Wisebowl / Dean Steve Whiteley
 Katie Storm Jen Wakefield
 Val Bernstein Joanna Brooks
 Sid Delicious Ricky Grover
 Paul / Martin Andrew Gentilli
 Danielle Olivia Nixon
 Random / Pop-up Guy Luke Nixon
 Created by Steve Whiteley.
 Written with Daniel Audritt and Kat Butterfield.
 Additional material by Dave Tozer and Pete Latham.
 Directed by Alan Nixon.
 Produced by Luke Nixon.
 A Snipper Nixon production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in August 2019.

THURSDAY 01 AUGUST 2024

THU 00:00 Archive on 4 (b07w5tnh)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Wednesday]
THU 01:00 Lord Jim by Joseph Conrad (m0021bv2)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Wednesday]
THU 01:30 Detective (b0bm9tkd)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Wednesday]
THU 02:00 Ballylenon (b007w3j8)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Wednesday]
THU 02:30 Hancock's Half Hour (b007k0xt)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Wednesday]
THU 03:00 Tom Wrigglesworth's Hang-Ups (b03gg7n7)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 on Wednesday]
THU 03:30 The Sanest Guy in the Room by Don Black (m000p1g6)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 on Wednesday]
THU 03:45 Dave Sheasby - Shifting the Leaves (b007jtc0)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:45 on Wednesday]
THU 04:00 Wordaholics (b01s8mns)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Wednesday]
THU 04:30 Elephants to Catch Eels (b00v138x)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Wednesday]
THU 05:00 Joseph Conrad - Falk (m0015v8q)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 15:00 on Wednesday]
THU 06:00 Lord Jim by Joseph Conrad (m002194f)
 4. A New Life in Patusan
 Two years after the Patna affair which had had such a traumatic effect on Jim, Marlow meets up with him again in the sombre wilderness of Patusan, where, as Lord Jim, he now lives with a young Eurasian girl.
 Cast:
 Jim Simon Treves
 Marlow David March
 Jewel Moir Leslie
 Cornelius Sean Barrett
 Dain Waris Robin Summers
 Tamb 'Itam Christopher Douglas
 Doramin David Sinclair
 Written by Joseph Conrad
 Dramatised for radio in six episodes by Keith Darvill
 Directed by Martin Jenkins
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1985.
THU 06:30 Detective (b0mbbrbm)
 Series 4
 8. On the Run
 An armed robbery, a shoot-out and a five-year-old murder to solve - all in a day's work for Brook and Tully.
 Starring Ray Brooks and Stephen Garlick.
 Robert Barr's stories of crime and detection in London
 Featuring long-serving, ducking-and-diving Detective Sergeant Dave Brook with his new partner, Detective Constable Tully.
 DS Dave Brook Ray Brooks
 DC Tully Stephen Garlick
 DS Harrison Peter Cleall
 CI Roach Stephen Yardley
 Mr Latimer Garard Green
 Steve Lockett Ian Brimble
 Tommy Robin Summers
 CI Williams Brian Smith
 DS Mercer Colin Starkey
 Richard Peter Acre
 Sandra Helena Breck
 Producer: Martin Fisher
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in August 1985.
THU 07:00 Our Man at Wembley (b0075j2s)
 Episode 2
 As the FA Cup final looms, it seems Eric will not be able to broadcast from within the stadium.
 Starring Alistair McGowan.
 Bill Matthews' four-part comedy series set in 1947.
 Eric Halliday Alistair McGowan
 Gordon McKay Jon Glover
 Major Shaw Jones Jeremy Child
 Michael John Salthouse
 Dora Jane Whittenshaw
 Alf Dax O'Callaghan
 Chantal Melanie Hudson
 Joe Nicholas Pepper
 Producer: Sally Avens
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 1998.
THU 07:30 Dad's Army (b007jr7l)

Series 3
 Time on my Hands
 The Home Guard platoon try to capture a German pilot hanging off the Town Hall clock in Walmington-on-Sea.
 The comic exploits of a Second World War Home Guard platoon.
 Adapted for radio from Jimmy Perry and David Croft's TV scripts by Harold Snoad and Michael Knowles.
 Captain Mainwaring Arthur Lowe
 Sergeant Wilson John Le Mesurier
 Corporal Jones Clive Dunn
 Private Frazer John Laurie
 Private Godfrey Arnold Ridley
 Private Pike Ian Lavender
 Warden Hodges Bill Pertwee
 Private Walker Larry Martyn
 Vicar Frank Williams
 Mr Parsons Erik Chitty
 German pilot Fraser Kerr
 Announcer/Newsreader John Snagge
 Producer: John Dyas
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 1976.
THU 08:00 My Teenage Diary (m000j812)
 Series 9
 Olly Mann
 Rufus Hound with more honest, intimate and hilarious interviews, with famous guests reading from their genuine teenage diaries.
 In this episode, Rufus talks to podcaster Olly Mann about his teenage diaries, and finds out about boarding school life, Olly's Bar Mitzvah, and his love of the Australian soap Neighbours.
 Producer: Harriet Jaime
 A Talkback production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in May 2020.
THU 08:30 The Sanest Guy in the Room by Don Black (m000nzph)
 4. Olympics
 A warm and wonderfully moving memoir from the legendary songwriter and creative force behind some of the twentieth century's biggest hits.
 Black shares the stories behind some of his most iconic numbers, as well as delightful anecdotes of his collaboration with the industry's brightest stars.
 Don Black talks about how he wrote the lyrics for the theme tune to the 1992 Olympics to the music of Andrew Lloyd Webber. And the search for the new lyricists of today.
 The Sanest Guy in the Room is a celebration of a life in music and a touching tribute to Black's ultimate inspiration, his wife Shirley.
 Read by Don Black
 Abridged by Polly Coles
 Produced by Clive Brill
 A Brill Production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in November 2020.
THU 08:45 Dave Sheasby - Shifting the Leaves (b007jtc7)
 4. The Link
 Marjorie Beaumont discovers a link to her Cornish past, but still feels matters are not yet fully resolved.
 Written by Dave Sheasby.
 Marjorie Beaumont Elizabeth Bradley
 Mrs Nugent June Barrie
 Mrs Lancaster-Fry Shirley Brown
 Producer: David Hunter
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1998.
THU 09:00 The Train at Platform 4 (m002194m)
 Series 2
 1. See It, Say It, Sorted
 A suspect package is discovered, in the return of the comedy set in the claustrophobic carriages of a cross-country rail service.
 Starring Rosie Cavaliero and written by Steve Punt and Hugh Dennis.
 Sam is tired of having to 'sort it' when passengers 'see it' and 'say it', but when an actual suspect package is found, the team leap into action.
 The Train at Platform 4 follows a long-suffering train crew who manage to scrape through every shift like a dysfunctional family - Train Manager, Sam (Rosie Cavaliero; Inside No. 9) First Class Steward, Noel (Hugh Dennis; Outnumbered), and Trolley Operator Tash (Amy Gledhill; Alma's Not Normal). The passengers are made up of a rolling roster of guest stars.
 Sam Rosie Cavaliero
 Noel Hugh Dennis
 Tash Amy Gledhill
 Man Steve Punt
 Woman Gemma Arrowsmith
 Written by Steve Punt and Hugh Dennis
 Producer James Robinson
 A BBC Studios Audio Production for Radio 4
THU 09:30 Wow! How Did They Do That? (b039c5ev)
 4. Pioneers
 Roger Law goes in search of the entrepreneurs who are behind some of the Britain's best designs and inventions.
 Charlie Paton may not be able to turn water into wine but he is working on making seawater turn into a cooling system for hot and arid countries. The invention could increase crop yields in the driest parts of Africa as it uses a natural resource to cool greenhouses. As he says, "It's counter-intuitive to most people. Anybody who knows anything knows you don't have seawater in greenhouses and you don't have greenhouses in arid

countries. On every level it is the opposite of what we do." Yet he believes this system can and will work, as he explains to Roger Law.
 Roger's second guest helped create some of the most useful objects for those with disabilities by recognising what they themselves wanted. Roger Coleman first got involved in a friend's kitchen after she developed multiple sclerosis. 'I asked her what the most important thing was about the design. She said 'I want the neighbours to be jealous!' It was a real light bulb moment for me. That's about being like everyone else.'
 It set Roger on the path of designing a whole range of things that people really wanted, from the big button telephone to brightly coloured seating for kids in special schools which helped integrate them into the classrooms. It also led him to develop medical equipment for the NHS that suited users in hospital, such as a unique design for a resuscitation trolley.

Two contrasting inventors who are changing the world one small design at a time.
 Produced by Mark Rickards.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2013.
THU 09:45 Daily Service (m002194h)
 First Fruit - Five loaves and two fish
 A space for spiritual reflection with a Bible reading, prayer and a range of Christian music.
 Theme: First Fruit
 John 6: 8-14
 Led by Leslie Griffiths
 St Michaels Singers - I am Trusting Thee Lord Jesus
 BBC Young Chorister of the Year 2020 - A grateful heart
 Lou Fellingham - Give Thanks
THU 10:00 Great Lives (b06s9d1w)
 Alvin Hall chooses James Baldwin
 Alvin Hall is the friendly face of financial reality, lecturing, writing and broadcasting on the subject of managing money. But he is also passionately interested in fine art, music and literature, and his nomination for a Great Life is that of writer and Civil Rights activist, James Baldwin.
 Baldwin was born in 1924 in Harlem and his achievements in overcoming a difficult start in life were prodigious. For much of his life he lived outside the United States, returning in the late 1950s to support the nascent Civil Rights movement, though the Movement itself had some problems with his homosexuality. Throughout his life he continued to write about the experiences of being black in 20th century America and is now widely regarded as the pre-eminent African-American writer of the century.
 Dr Douglas Field of the University of Manchester, who has written several books on James Baldwin, discusses Baldwin's life and achievements with Alvin and with Matthew Parris.
 Presenter: Matthew Parris
 Producer: Christine Hall
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2015.
THU 10:30 Sexton's Tales (m002194k)
 6. The Lion King
 George Cole reveals the stories of six extraordinary Victorians buried in London's Highgate Cemetery.
 The story of George Wombwell and his travelling menagerie. Only Prince Albert knew what would tempt Wombwell, who called himself "the man who has everything".
 Written by Emyln Harris.
 George Cole is the Sexton.
 Other parts played by:
 Emyln Harris
 Andrew Melville
 Melanie Hudson
 Jill Graham
 Dan Strauss
 Producer: Neil Rosser

A Rewind and IBN co-production for BBC Radio 2 - first broadcast in September 1995.
THU 11:00 Lord Jim by Joseph Conrad (m002194f)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
THU 11:30 Detective (b0mbbrbm)
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THU 12:00 Our Man at Wembley (b0075j2s)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]
THU 12:30 Dad's Army (b007jr7l)
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THU 13:00 My Teenage Diary (m000j812)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
THU 13:30 The Sanest Guy in the Room by Don Black (m000nzph)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
THU 13:45 Dave Sheasby - Shifting the Leaves (b007jtc7)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:45 today]
THU 14:00 Genius (b00850j1)
 Series 3
 Charlie Brooker
 Speeding motorway services? Two year dogs?
 Dave Gorman asks writer and humourist Charlie Brooker to select the public's best loopy idea.
 Award-winning comedian Dave Gorman and a celebrity guest chew over the ridiculous, unworkable but sometimes genius inventions, schemes and policies of the public.
 Producer: Simon Nicholls
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2007.
THU 14:30 Gilbert Without Sullivan (m00019xk)
 Series 2

The Realm of Joy
A West End play causes such a scandal, that respectable Victorian theatre-goers can't keep away.
Jonathan Coy stars as WS Gilbert in the second series of his short stories dramatised by Stephen Wyatt.
WS Gilbert Jonathan Coy
Jellybag Alexander Delamere
Quisby Jeffrey Harmer
Edgar Tim Hudson
Henrietta Jilly Bond
Joseph Stephen Hogan
Hebe Bella Merlin
Mrs. Spiff Charlotte West-Oram
Playwright and humourist, Sir William Schwenck Gilbert (1836-1911) is best known for his comic opera collaborations with Sir Arthur Sullivan, which first captivated audiences across the English-speaking world in the late 19th century.
Director: Jenny Stephens
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2005.
THU 15:00 The Other Side of the World (m001f4p4)
1958, fresh from reporting around the world, Alan Whicker takes his first trepidatious step into the world of TV instantly finding himself at home when the cameras roll.
To Alan's immense relief and happiness the producers like his natural, amiable style and he becomes BBC Tonight's roving reporter.
But never one to stand still, Alan has an idea for a series of stories about social issues, reporting from the other side of the world. A 30,000-mile world trip, crossing five continents filming more than forty different reports.
But he's proposing to do something never done before. It will be just himself and a two-man crew and Alan will direct, write, and front the pieces. All the rushes flown back to London for film editor Jack Gold to shape into stories for the nightly show.
Soon Alan, cameraman Cyril Moorhead and sound recordist Freddie Downton set out around the world. Going longer, faster and further than any other crew has done before. Alan pushes his tiny crew to the limit as they race around the world at break-neck speed. Has Alan bitten off more than he can chew?
Returning to England Alan and his shattered crew find their efforts have been worthwhile and Alan's reports have gone down a storm.
Tonight's producer, Donald Baverstock has the idea to turn these reports into stand-alone programmes.
A show that will be the making of Alan Whicker and define his unique style to the British public. But no-one can think of a name for the series!
How Alan Whicker reshaped TV and discovered his 'World'.
Alan Whicker ... Jon Culshaw
Cyril Moorhead ... Tom Dussek
Freddie Downton ... Matt Beaumont
Donald Baverstock ... Andy Cresswell
Alasdair Milne ... John David Henshaw
Cynthia Kee ... Amelia Armande
Grace Wyndham Goldie ... Sorcha Brooks
Leonard Miall ... Charlie Buckland
Joy Moorhead ... Penny Scott Andrews
Marguerite Higgins ... Antonia Kinlay
Ned Sherrin ... Doug Devaney
Hong Kong Biggles ... Justin K Hayward
Antony Jay ... Brett Fancy
Jack Gold ... Thomas Grant
Fred Atkinson ... Russell Shaw
Interpreter ... Mei Konski
Cliff Michelmore ... Peter Walsh
American GI ... Jeremy Albret
Producer: Simon Moorhead
Made by TBC Audio, first broadcast on BBC Radio 4 Extra in 2022.
THU 16:00 Great Lives (b06s9d1w)
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[Repeat of broadcast at 15:00 today]
THU 22:00 The Train at Platform 4 (m002194m)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]
THU 22:30 Knowing Me, Knowing You (b007jzxx)
Episode 4
A-ha! Alan Partridge welcomes the Duchess of Stranraer,

impressionist Steve Thompson and MP Sandra Peaks.
Classic chat from On the Hour's supreme sports reporter and his guests from the world of theatre, politics and emotional tragedy.
With thanks to Alan's chief researcher Steve Coogan.
Assistant researchers:
Patrick Marber
Rebecca Front
Doon Mackichan
David Schneider
Producer: Armando Iannucci
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1992.
THU 23:00 Britain in Bits with Ross Noble (m000113w)
Series 1
Episode 2
Ross Noble's surreal magazine show featuring celebrity guests and stories from around Britain - the best bits, the worst bits, the fascinating bits and the downright strange bits.
With Lesley Joseph, who talks about her new one woman show on ice.
Piers investigates the history of advertising and its future, and we find out about the Queen's canine friends.
Written by and starring Ross Noble.
With:
Hadley Fraser
George Fouracres
Emma Sidi
Summer Strallen
Producer: Matt Stronge
A BBC Studios production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in October 2018.
THU 23:30 I've Never Seen Star Wars (b015fk1d)
Series 4
Kathy Burke
Marcus Brigstocke invites actress Kathy Burke to try some new experiences, like visiting Harrods in London.
Whether the experiences are banal or profound, the show is about embracing the new and getting out of our comfort zones.
The title comes from the fact that the show's producer and creator Bill Dare had never seen the film Star Wars.
Producer: Bill Dare
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2011.

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FRI 06:00 Lord Jim by Joseph Conrad (m002194f)
5. Marlow Returns Home
Although Jim is surrounded by threat, he believes his fate to be in his own hands and that he is master of it.
However, although he is jealously guarded and loved, the things that make him master are making him a captive too.
Jim Simon Treves
Marlow David March
Jewel Moir Leslie
Cornelius Sean Barrett
Gentleman Brown Henry Stamper
Dain Waris Robin Summers
Doramin David Sinclair
Stein Ronald Herdman
Tamb 'Itam Christopher Douglas
Pirate Shaun Prendergast
Yank Pirate Bernard Brown
Written by Joseph Conrad
Dramatised for radio in six episodes by Keith Darvill
Directed by Graham Gauld
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1985.
FRI 06:30 Berkely Mather - Returned Without Thanks (m0021946)
A civil engineering explosives specialist Paul Fenton hatches an extreme plan to bring to an end his marriage, in order to start a new life with his mistress.
Will his skills and meticulous preparation pay dividends?
Berkely Mather's play based on the theme of retribution.
Paul Fenton Hector Ross
Chrylla Hilda Schroder
Sir George Hartnell Walter Fitzgerald
Christine Hartnell Patricia Gallimore
Gethin Michael McClain
Brown Lewis Stringer
Cateby Wilfred Babbage
Butler Arthur Lawrence
Manager of Jewellers Geoffrey Matthews
Club Waiter Nigel Green
Phone Operator Ursula Hirst
'Returned Without Thanks' is a tale of retribution penned by Berkely Mather, a prolific British author who wrote for radio and television - including 'Z Cars' and 'The Avengers' - and also has a film credit for 'Dr. No.'
Producer: Martyn C Webster
First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in January 1967.
FRI 07:00 Second Thoughts (b00lqz9s)
Series 4
Just Managing
Bill and Faith face new pressures on their marriage.
Meanwhile Liza shows just how vulnerable she really is.
Starring Lynda Bellingham and James Bolam.
Sitcom about the battles of Bill and Faith, whilst balancing the demands of his ex-wife and her teenage children.
Bill James Bolam
Faith Lynda Bellingham
Liza Belinda Lang
Hannah Julia Sawalha
Joe Mark Denham
Louise Melanie Hudson
Duncan Nick Murchie
Inspired by the real lives of its writers, husband and wife Jan Etherington and Gavin Petrie.
A TV version made by LWT for ITV appeared in 1991.
Producer: Paul Schlesinger
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 1992.
FRI 07:30 Share and Share Alike (m000m6bz)
Missing Persons
Jack's being driven to distraction by his brother Lesley's constant nagging around the home they're forced to share.
So he hatches a scheme to inherit his share of the £50,000 immediately so he can escape their living nightmare.
All he needs to do is fake his own death.
Starring Hugh Paddick and Michael Robbins.
Before two others can share their mum's legacy, they're forced to share a house.
Series written by Harold Snoad and Michael Knowles
Jack Burrows Michael Robbins
Lesley Burrows Hugh Paddick
Solicitor Deryck Guyler
Janice Elizabeth Morgan
Ron Denis Bond
Producer: John Dyas
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 1978.
FRI 08:00 Daliso Chaponda: Citizen of Nowhere (b0b1sycz)
Series 1
The 'Haters'
Daliso Chaponda looks at the relationship between the UK and Africa.
Both countries have had a long a complicated past. Looking at their history, Daliso is our relationship guidance counsellor, helping us navigate the rocky historical waters between the two places.
A Malawian comedian who grew up all over the world, Daliso straddles cultural divides. He will help us all better understand how to sort out our differences. Or not...
Now, Daliso looks at the people on both sides who don't want the relationship to work.
Written and performed by Daliso Chaponda
The Other Guy... James Quinn
Theme music by Lawi.
Image by Steve Ullathorne.
Producer Carl Cooper
A BBC Studios production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in May 2018.
FRI 08:30 The Sanest Guy in the Room by Don Black (m000p0sm)
5. Favourites
A warm and wonderfully moving memoir from the legendary songwriter and creative force behind some of the twentieth century's biggest hits.
Black shares the stories behind some of his most iconic numbers, as well as delightful anecdotes of his collaboration with the industry's brightest stars.
Don Black talks about his favourite musicals including West Side Story and My Fair Lady.
The Sanest Guy in the Room is a celebration of a life in music and a touching tribute to Black's ultimate inspiration, his wife Shirley.
Read by Don Black.
Abridged by Polly Coles.
Produced by Clive Brill.
A Brill Production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in November 2020.
FRI 08:45 Dave Sheasby - Shifting the Leaves (b007jtc7)
5. Help
In her quest to finally come to terms with her Cornish past, Marjorie gets help from some youngsters.
Written by Dave Sheasby.

Marjorie Beaumont Elizabeth Bradley
 Mrs Nugent June Barrie
 Mandy Alison Pettitt
 Tison Tristan Sturrock
 Producer: David Hunter
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1998.
FRI 09:00 Time of the Week (m002194c)
 4. Plastic Surgery, Inducing Childbirth, Sabotage
 Can a song induce labour? Chloe Slack finds out. Also: women in art, plastic surgery, and industrial sabotage.
 Sian Clifford stars as self-important journalist Chloe Slack in this comedy series parodying women's current affairs and talk shows, surrounded by an ensemble cast of character comedians.
 Chloe Slack - Sian Clifford
 Ensemble cast:
 Ada Player
 Alice Cockayne
 Aruhan Galieva
 Em Prendergast
 Jodie Mitchell
 Jonathan Oldfield
 Lorna Rose Treen
 Mofé Akandé
 Sara Segovia
 Created by Lorna Rose Treen and Jonathan Oldfield
 Writing team:
 Alice Cockayne
 Catherine Brinkworth
 Jodie Mitchell
 Jonathan Oldfield
 Lorna Rose Treen
 Priya Hall
 Will Hughes
 Script Editor - Catherine Brinkworth
 Photographer - Will Hearle
 Production Coordinator - Katie Sayer
 Producer - Ben Walker
 A DLT Entertainment Production for BBC Radio 4
FRI 09:30 Wow! How Did They Do That? (b039pdt)
 5. Innovative Designers
 Roger Law goes in search of the entrepreneurs who are behind some of the Britain's best designs and inventions.
 Ross Lovegrove has earned the nickname 'Captain Organic' through his extraordinary designs based on organic shapes and forms. Roger Law visits his studio and finds him inspired by anything from an elephant skull to a honeycomb. As he explains, Lovegrove draws on the experiences of mankind over the ages. "Ten thousand years ago most of our ancestors lived in caves. They made things from organic material and I don't think we've moved far from that." From this starting point Lovegrove has developed the most extraordinarily beautiful objects which can be used in everyday life.
 Hussein Chalayan has created his innovative work in the world of fashion. Roger Law talks to him about how he sees his role. "I am a designer," he says, "but I happen to have a narrative approach". Chalayan has become famous for his bold and daring productions, and he explains his thinking behind the events which showcase his work. Roger gets to discuss dresses that can reconfigure whilst being worn, including one which can disappear completely. "Startling stuff," concludes Roger, "especially if you happen to be wearing it at the time."
 Two contrasting designers, innovators in their respective fields.
 Produced by Mark Rickards.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2013.
FRI 09:45 Daily Service (m0021948)
 St George's Anglican Church, Paris
 A service from St George's Anglican Church in Paris, during the 2024 Summer Olympics. It is led by the Chaplain, Fr Mark Osborne.
 Producer: Andrew Earis
FRI 10:00 Soul Music (b01mk23j)
 Series 14
 The Skye Boat Song
 The Skye Boat Song brings back a wealth of childhood memories for many.
 The words "Speed Bonnie Boat Like a Bird on the Wing" tell the story of Bonnie Prince Charlie's escape to the Isle of Skye - dressed as a maid - after defeat at the battle of Culloden. Originally written by Sir Harold Boulton and Anne MacLeod back in the 1870's, we explore the song's beauty and how it continues to touch people's lives across the world in very different ways.
 The Queen's Piper, who has played it in happy and sad times, recalls his rendition outside the Queen's window and leading Princess Margaret's cortege.
 A New Zealand artist shares his memories of time spent with his father, and the sound of him whistling the song on their way home as dusk fell. A sailor from the Isle of Skye, describes his connection with the spirituality of piece and the Loch on which he sails.
 Acclaimed violinist Tasmin Little shares her own arrangement of the piece and explains why it works so well musically.
 An Australian mum, tells how important this song has been in connecting with the two girls she has adopted from China.
 Gaelic singer Maggie MacInnes tells the history of the piece.
 Featuring music by Julian Lloyd Webber, The Corries and Pete Lashley.
 Series exploring famous pieces of music and their emotional appeal.

Producer: Rachel Matthews
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2012.
FRI 10:30 James Baldwin's Last Amen (b04cfdhm)
 The work of the American writer James Baldwin gained a new audience in the months following the 2020 Black Lives Matter protests in Europe and the USA.
 His observations on race, power and black identity, featured in clips from 1960s chat shows, were widely shared on social media. A spirited performance in a 1965 Cambridge Union debate titled The American Dream is at the Expense of the American Negro is now considered a landmark moment.
 But in the late 1980s, Baldwin's light was fading, and he was living a quiet life in the south of France when theatre producer and director Anton Phillips of Carib Theatre decided to revive his 1954 play The Amen Corner at London's Tricycle Theatre.
 It transferred to London's Lyric Theatre in Shaftesbury Avenue - becoming the first all black production to transfer from Fringe to the West End.
 At Phillips' invitation, Baldwin made the trip to London to meet the cast in final rehearsals and see the production open.
 During the visit he stayed with one of the cast, Clarke Peters, and gave Joan Bakewell what would be one of his last interviews. He died a few months later in December 1987.
 In this programme, Clarke Peters recalls that landmark 1987 production, his relationship with "Jimmy", and the lasting legacy of an extraordinary and insightful writer.
 Producer: Rosemary Laryea
 Editor: David Prest
 A Whistledown production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in April 2021.
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FRI 14:00 All the Way from Memphis (b00j6bh8)
 Series 1
 Episode 3
 James Walton hosts the quiz show covering pop history from the '50s to the early noughties.
 Regulars Tracey MacLeod and Andrew Collins are joined by:
 Writer Richard Curtis
 Broadcaster Anthony Wilson.
 Reader: Beth Chalmers
 Written and researched by James Walton
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2004.
FRI 14:30 Do Nothing 'Til You Hear From Me (b0076sqs)
 Series 2
 Thanks for the Memory
 George is surprised when everyone seems to have forgotten his 70th birthday.
 Roy, concealing his real plans, offers to buy him a bag of chips on the way home from the pub.
 But an evening of celebration brings back some bittersweet memories.
 Starring Don Warrington and George Layton.
 Sitcom written by Marcus Powell, based on cantankerous trombone player Roy Walcott.
 Roy Don Warrington
 Vi Yvonne Brewster
 George Sam Kelly
 Barry George Layton
 Bernadette Caroline Lee Johnson
 Victor Marcus Powell
 Trombonist Mike Kearsey
 Producer: Carol Smith
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2005.
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FRI 22:00 Time of the Week (m002194c)
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FRI 22:30 The Million Pound Radio Show (b008s3js)
 Series 1
 Episode 4
 Reagan rings Gorbachev - and the Daleks at home.
 Andy Hamilton and Nick Revell's sharp-edged topical humour.
 With:
 Jasper Jacob
 Penelope Nice
 Producer: Paul Mayhew-Archer
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 1985.
FRI 23:00 Absolute Power (b007tcept)
 Series 2
 Episode 2
 There's unrest at Prentiss McCabe when an old flame pits spinmeisters Charles and Martin against one another.
 Mark Tavener's comedy about the machievellian doctors of PR spin.
 Charles Prentiss Stephen Fry
 Martin McCabe John Bird
 With:
 Tamsin Greig
 Tony Gardner
 Siobhan Hayes
 Philip Fox
 Producer: Paul Schlesinger
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2001.
FRI 23:30 As Told To Craig Brown (b00b4j53)
 Episode 3
 Craig investigates inventions, being common and the creep of CCTV.
 Satirist Craig Brown presents a bundle of parody, satire, social observation and nonsense.
 Narrated by Juliet Stevenson and Steve Wright.
 With:
 John Humphrys
 Ronni Ancona
 Jon Culshaw
 Lewis MacLeod
 Sally Grace
 Ewan Bailey
 Margaret Cabourn-Smith
 Producer: Victoria Lloyd
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2008.