

**SATURDAY 03 AUGUST 2024**

**SAT 00:00 BBC News (w172zgf68zyfpqs)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SAT 00:06 Unexpected Elements (w3ct5q23)**  
Can I eat it?

Champagne has been discovered in a 100+ year old shipwreck. It's an amazing find. But can you drink it? Speaking of bubbly, we learn more about the physics of bubbles, and why understanding it is crucial for the climate. Also on the show, a 2,000 year-old mystery about a navigation device that persists up to the present day.

**SAT 01:00 BBC News (w172zgf68zyftgx)**  
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**SAT 01:06 Business Matters (w172zbfkhl8s2ms)**  
Kamala Harris will be the democratic nominee

Kamala Harris is to be the Democratic candidate for the 2024 presidential election  
AC Milan is to introduce a new maternity policy for its female players, which it described a "first among Europe's elite clubs"  
And what's behind the boom in storage companies?

**SAT 02:00 BBC News (w172zgf68zyfy71)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SAT 02:06 The Newsroom (w172zbdq61x74mc)**  
The world's Newsroom brings you global events as they happen

**SAT 02:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg0qqk49hf)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**SAT 02:32 Stumped (w3ct5wgy)**  
Sri Lanka's momentous moment and Mexico bring cricket into prisons

Alison Mitchell, Brett Sprigg and Charu Sharma debate who will be the next coach of the England white ball team after Matthew Mott stepped down following two years in charge.

Plus we are joined by Colombo cricket journalist Estelle Vasudevan, who was in Dambulla when Sri Lanka women won their first ever Asia Cup title in front of their home fans. She tells us what the atmosphere was like and whether this could be the springboard for the women's team ahead of the T20 World Cup.

Can cricket help rehabilitate prisoners? We hear from the President of Mexico Cricket Ben Owen and Ana Cecilia Septien Godard who plays for the women's national team. They tell us about their Cricket in Prisons programme.

Image: The Sri Lanka team pose with the trophy for a group picture after the 2024 Women's T20 Asia Cup Final match between Sri Lanka and India at Rangiri Dambulla International Cricket Stadium on July 28, 2024 in Dambulla, Sri Lanka. (Credit: Getty Images)

**SAT 03:00 BBC News (w172zgf68zyg1z5)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SAT 03:06 Outlook (w3ct6991)**  
Outlook Mixtape: Lost boys, teen tech star and the red bike

In 1985 11-year-old Salva Dut was away at school when the Sudanese civil war reached him and separated him from his family. For weeks he walked and walked covering thousands of kilometres to reach safety in a refugee camp in Ethiopia. Facing violence, disease and loss, Salva's will to survive and keep going has taken him a long way in life.

Building smartphone apps aged 12, Michael Sayman was making enough money to keep the family's chicken restaurant afloat. But his schoolwork was starting to suffer and the pressure was taking a toll. And then came an email from Mark Zuckerberg that would change everything.

Mevan Babakar and her parents fled Iraq when she was only an infant. Over the next five years they travelled through and lived in multiple countries including the Netherlands. Mevan has limited memories of that time but the kindness of a Dutch stranger who gifted her a red bicycle stands out. As an adult Mevan retraced her childhood footsteps from Iraq to Europe, which involved an unplanned and moving reunion.

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Presenter: Asya Fouks  
Producer: Tommy Dixon

(Photo: Cassette tape. Credit: Getty Images)

**SAT 03:50 Witness History (w3ct5ydt)**  
Ice Bucket Challenge

In 2014, the ice bucket challenge craze took over the internet.

Millions of people including sports stars and celebrities filmed themselves being doused in ice cold water for charity.

Nancy Frates' son Pete helped to make the ice bucket challenge become a phenomenon. Nancy tells Gill Kearsley the poignant story of how the challenge went from a simple idea to world news.

Eye-witness accounts brought to life by archive. Witness History is for those fascinated by the past. We take you to the events that have shaped our world through the eyes of the people who were there. For nine minutes every day, we take you back in time and all over the world, to examine wars, coups, scientific discoveries, cultural moments and much more.

Recent episodes explore everything from football in Brazil, the history of the 'Indian Titanic' and the invention of air fryers, to Public Enemy's Fight The Power, subway art and the political crisis in Georgia. We look at the lives of some of the most famous leaders, artists, scientists and personalities in history, including: visionary architect Antoni Gaudi and the design of the Sagrada Familia; Michael Jordan and his bespoke Nike trainers; Princess Diana at the Taj Mahal; and Görel Hanser, manager of legendary Swedish pop band Abba on the influence they've had on the music industry. You can learn all about fascinating and surprising stories, such as the time an Iraqi journalist hurled his shoes at the President of the United States in protest of America's occupation of Iraq; the creation of the Hollywood commercial that changed advertising forever; and the ascent of the first Aboriginal MP.

(Photo: Pete Frates takes part in the ice bucket challenge. Credit: Barry Chin/The Boston Globe via Getty Images)

**SAT 04:00 BBC News (w172zgf68zyg5q9)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SAT 04:06 Unexpected Elements (w3ct5q23)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 00:06 today]

**SAT 05:00 BBC News (w172zgf68zyg9gf)**  
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**SAT 05:06 The Newsroom (w172zbdq61x7hrv)**  
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**SAT 05:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg0qqk4nqt)**  
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**SAT 05:32 Dear Daughter (w3ct585c)**  
Healing letters

The 'Queen of Letters', Isabel Allende, on writing, processing grief and a full garage. The best-selling author wrote to her late daughter, Paula, when she was in a coma. She then turned the letters into a book. She says writing "allowed me to understand what had happened and deal with it". Isabel has a garage full of her daily correspondence with her own mother. Her novels include The House of the Spirits, City of the Beasts and Eva Luna.

Letter writer: Isabel Allende  
Isabel is reading an extract from her book Paula. Please send Namulanta your letter. Go to [www.bbcworldservice.com/dearddaughter](http://www.bbcworldservice.com/dearddaughter) and click on "Send us your letters".  
#DearDaughter

**SAT 05:50 More or Less (w3ct5tqf)**  
Does a language die every two weeks?

Researchers have catalogued 7,164 languages spoken around the world - some are used daily by billions. Half are spoken by less than 8000 people. The death of a language, when it's no longer spoken as a first language by anyone living is a deeply significant moment in the cultural life of communities.

Multiple sources including the UN and National Geographic magazine have claimed this happens every two weeks. But we have reasons to be suspicious about that statistic.

Gary Simons, executive editor of the Ethnologue language catalogue, explains where this idea came from.

Presenter: Kate Lamble  
Producer: Natasha Fernandes  
Series producer: Tom Colls  
Production co-ordinator: Brenda Brown  
Sound mix: Nigel Appleton  
Editor: Richard Fenton-Smith

**SAT 06:00 BBC News (w172zgf68zyg6k)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SAT 06:06 Weekend (w172zcx23zkfp3d)**  
Plea deal for 9/11 suspects revoked by US Defense Secretary

US Defense Secretary Lloyd Austin has revoked a pre-trial agreement reached with men accused of plotting the 11 September terrorist attacks. We speak to a woman who lost her husband in the attacks.

Also on the programme: Tensions are high as Israelis anticipate counterattack from Iran after the assassination of Hamas leader Ismail Haniyeh; and we reflect on one of the stars of the Olympics so far, French swimmer Leon Marchand.

Joining presenter Julian Worricker are London Correspondent for National Public Radio in the United States, Lauren Frayer, and John Lyons, Global Affairs Editor for the Australian Broadcasting Corporation.

(Photo: US Secretary of Defense Lloyd Austin speaks at a press conference at the Pentagon in Arlington, Virginia, USA. Credit: JIM LO SCALZO/EPA-EFE/REX/Shutterstock)

**SAT 07:00 BBC News (w172zgf68zygjyp)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SAT 07:06 Weekend (w172zcx23zkfsvj)**  
Alleged leader of 9/11 attack has plea deal revoked by US government

The US government has revoked a plea deal agreed earlier this week with Khalid Sheikh Mohammed, the man accused of masterminding the September 11th terror attacks. The decision reinstates a potential death penalty.

Also on the programme: British tennis player, Sir Andy Murray, has retired after he lost the men's doubles quarter final in the Paris Olympics; and Vice President Kamala Harris is due to announce who her new running mate will be ahead of their US tour next week.

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(Photo: This photo obtained 01 March, 2003, shows, Khalid Sheikh Mohammed, alleged organizer of the September 11, 2001, attacks, shortly after his capture. Credit: HO/AFP via Getty Images)

**SAT 08:00 BBC News (w172zgf68zygnpt)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SAT 08:06 Weekend (w172zcx23zkfxln)**  
US deploys forces to Israel ahead of potential attack by Iran

The US will send additional warships and fighter jets to Israel to help defend the country after Iran threatened to attack. This response comes after the assassination of Hamas leader Ismail Haniyeh in Iran.

Also on the programme: we reflect on this week's deal swap prisoners between the United States and Russia and its potential consequence; and we head to Paris for a preview of another exciting set of races in the pool at the Paris Olympics.

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(Photo: A photo taken on 7 August, 2019, shows the US Navy USS Donald Cook class guided missile destroyer during an exercise. Credit: Jack Guez/AFP)

**SAT 09:00 BBC News (w172zgf68zygsfy)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SAT 09:06 BBC OS Conversations (w3ct5rbw)**  
Protests in Bangladesh

It began as a peaceful student protest against the way some government jobs are reserved for war veterans and their families. The violence that followed is some of the worst the country has witnessed in recent years. More than 200 people are reported dead, with most blamed on police gunfire.

Host James Reynolds speaks with those in Bangladesh and hears stories of what they have witnessed; their fears for their safety and that of friends and family. They describe being afraid to leave their homes and being unable to sleep and eat. We also bring together Bangladeshis living abroad and hear about the difficulty of being thousands of miles from loved ones.

Anika, who is living in the UK, learnt from a relative in the United States that her uncle in Bangladesh had been shot and killed while on his way to the mosque to pray.

"I couldn't do anything," said Anika. "I couldn't attend the funeral. I just kept asking myself how can I help his family. They don't really need money but they just need mental support and I can't even call them. There's no way to call them. I'm sad here too."

A Boffin Media production in partnership with the BBC OS team.

(Photo: Anti-quota protesters call for nationwide 'March for Justice' in Bangladesh, Dhaka - 31 Jul 2024. Credit: MONIRUL ALAM/EPA-EFE/REX/Shutterstock)

**SAT 09:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg0qk54qb)**  
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**SAT 09:32 Pick of the World (w3ct5v0s)**  
Your view on India's mega wedding

Anant Ambani and Radhika Merchant's three-day spectacular cost a reported \$600m. Plus the wind turbines that stop for birds and how did you learn to be kind?

**SAT 09:50 Over to You (w3ct5tt0)**  
Fake news and conspiracy theories explored

Fake news and conspiracy theories are explored in the series Whose Truth - we get your feedback and hear from its presenter, Babita Sharma.

Plus with The Olympics underway, it is proving to be a busy summer of sport. So what do listeners think of the World Service's coverage on this and other sporting events?

Presenter: Rajan Datar  
Producer: Howard Shannon  
A Whistledown production for the BBC World Service

**SAT 10:00 BBC News (w172zgf68zygx62)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SAT 10:06 Sportshour (w3ct5q9y)**  
Old dog, new Olympic tricks

Meet a sport's icon making his mark at the Olympics in Paris. After the biggest grind, Andy MacDonald will represent Team GB at the grand old age of 50. This is a man who holds the record for the most X Games medals in a skateboarding discipline - the pinnacle championships of extreme sports - and he has also been named World Champions skateboarder nine times. He has even invented tricks that will feature in the Games but even for him, going to Paris is something special.

(Photo: Andrew Macdonald of Great Britain competes during the Skateboarding during the Olympic Qualifier Series. Credit: Fred Lee/Getty Images)

**SAT 11:00 BBC News (w172zgf68zyh0y6)**  
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**SAT 11:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqd61x87bj)**  
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**SAT 11:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg0qk5d6l)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**SAT 11:32 Health Check (w3ct5t8w)**  
World's first Oropouche deaths in Brazil

The world's first deaths from the mosquito-borne Oropouche

virus have been recorded in Brazil. Two women have died from the illness in the state of Bahia in the northeast of the country.

Claudia Hammond is joined by Dr Ayan Panja to discuss the implications of outbreaks of Oropouche across South and Central America.

We also hear about the latest developments with Alzheimer's drug lecanemab as it's rejected for use by the EU's health regulator. The European Medicines Agency says the benefits of the drug don't counterbalance the risk of serious side effects, despite it being approved in the US earlier this year.

Claudia and Ayan also look at both the psychology of languishing and whether loneliness leads to a higher risk of having a stroke.

And we look at the research suggesting cycling to work can lead to an almost 50% lower risk of dying.

Presenter: Claudia Hammond  
Producer: Dan Welsh

**SAT 12:00 BBC News (w172zgf68zyh4pb)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SAT 12:06 World Book Club (w3ct5r3r)**  
Paul Auster: New York Trilogy

Another chance to hear Harriett Gilbert talking to bestselling American writer Paul Auster, who died earlier this year on 30 April 2024.

Paul Auster joined Harriett in 2012, with a literary festival audience and readers from around the world, to discuss his acclaimed work The New York Trilogy. In three brilliant variations on the classic detective story, Auster makes the well-traversed terrain of New York City his own. Each interconnected tale exploits the elements of standard detective fiction to achieve an entirely new genre that was groundbreaking when it was published four decades ago.

In each story the search for clues leads to remarkable coincidences in the universe as the simple act of trailing a man ultimately becomes a startling investigation of identity and what it means to be human.

Hear what readers made of Paul and his novel and what happened when another Paul Auster stood up to introduce himself to the Paul Auster on the stage – a very New York Trilogy occurrence.

Presenter: Harriett Gilbert  
Producer: Allegra McIlroy

(Photo: Paul Auster interview with Stephen Sackur in New York, 2021)

**SAT 13:00 BBC News (w172zgf68zyh8fg)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SAT 13:06 Newshour (w172zb8zr7hf3xf)**  
September 11 pardon revoked by US authorities

The September 11 pardon given to the perpetrators has been revoked as torture was used against them in Guantanamo Bay. Also in the programme: a Druze eyewitness recounts last week's attack in the Golan Heights which killed 12 children; and we hear from the prisoners released from Russia.

(Photo: Woman in the 9/11 memorial in New York. Credit: Reuters)

**SAT 14:00 BBC News (w172zgf68zyhd5l)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SAT 14:06 Sportsworld (w172zbxvw36p9l)**  
Live Sporting Action

On Sportsworld this Saturday, the Olympics continue in Paris and Lee James, Ed Harry and Ade Adedoyin will be live from the French capital to build up to the Men's 100 metre final and to react to the first night of athletics.

John Bennett will be speaking to two Olympic gold medallists in Pauline Ferrand-Prévoit of France and Australia's Jessica Fox about winning the mountain biking and canoe slalom medals.

There will also be live updates from the tennis, football, golf and gymnastics. There will also be a chance to hear the latest edition of On the Podium and the documentary 'Olympics out of Cobb County', the inspiring story of a small campaign group who took on the IOC and forced change.

Image: A general view as athletes race in the swim leg of the Women's Individual Triathlon during Women's Individual Triathlon on day five of the Olympic Games Paris 2024 at Pont Alexandre III on July 31, 2024 in Paris, France. (Credit: Getty Images)

**SAT 18:00 BBC News (w172zgf68zyhw53)**  
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**SAT 18:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqd61x92kf)**  
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**SAT 18:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg0qk67fh)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**SAT 18:32 Dear Daughter (w3ct585c)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 05:32 today]

**SAT 18:50 Sporting Witness (w3ct5wdp)**  
Bringing breaking to the world stage

Breaking makes its debut at the Paris 2024 Olympics, but its origins as a sport go back to 1970s New York.

Michael Holman formed a group of the most talented breakdancers in the city called 'The New York City Breakers'.

He remembers when the crew performed at a salute for the US Olympic team in 1984, where they wrote a proclamation backstage - proposing it should be a future event at the games, with a set of rules to go with it.

This is a Whistledown production for the BBC World Service.

(Photo: Breakdancers in 1984 in New York, Brooklyn. Credit: Getty Images)

**SAT 19:00 BBC News (w172zgf68zyhzx7)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SAT 19:06 BBC Proms on the World Service (w3ct6t4w)**  
Beethoven's Fifth

The opening of Beethoven's Fifth symphony is perhaps the most instantly recognisable piece of classical music: it has been reused and remixed in film and pop music, sent into interstellar space on board of the Voyager spacecraft and immortalised in wartime BBC broadcasts. But can that familiarity sometimes obscure the groundbreaking nature and emotional power of the work?

The Hong-Kong-born conductor Elim Chan opens the 2024 Proms season with the BBC Symphony Orchestra, BBC Singers and BBC Symphony Chorus in a programme that also includes a brand new work from a young British/Japanese composer. Andrew McGregor and conductor Alice Farnham introduce this concert from the Royal Albert Hall in London.

Broadcast programme:  
Ben Nobuto - Hallelujah Sim. (BBC commission, world premiere)  
Ludwig van Beethoven - Symphony No. 5 in C minor

(Photo: Conductor Elim Chan at the 2024 BBC Proms. Credit: BBC/Chris Christodoulou)

**SAT 20:00 BBC News (w172zgf68zyj3nc)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SAT 20:06 The Arts Hour (w3ct5qjq)**  
Film director and actor Pamela Adlon

Comedian, writer, actor and director, Pamela Adlon talks to Nikki Bedi and cultural critic Rhianna Dhillon about her new film Babes.

Hollywood icon Keanu Reeves and British author China Miéville on their new futuristic novel The Book of Elsewhere.

Movie star Josh Hartnett on playing a serial killer in M Knight Shyamalan's latest film Trap.

The Nigerian-born writer Irenosen Okojie talks about playing with history and time in her latest book, Curandera.

Plus film director Lee Isaac Chung explains how he directed the actors and the weather in his new blockbuster, Twisters.

Presenter: Nikki Bedi  
Producer: Paul Waters

(Photo: Pamela Adlon in Austin, Texas, 9 March 2024. Credit: Corey Nickols/Getty Images)

**SAT 21:00 BBC News (w172zgf68zyj7dh)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SAT 21:06 Newshour (w172zb8zr7hg2wg)**

Venezuela's opposition leader urges supporters to continue protesting in peace

Venezuela's opposition leader, Maria Corina Machado, has turned up at a mass rally in Caracas, defying government calls for her arrest.

Also in the programme: there has been international condemnation after an attack in Somalia's capital Mogadishu. At least 37 people were killed on Friday in a suicide attack carried out by al-Shabab militants; and the US rock band Aerosmith have announced their immediate retirement from touring due to Steven Tyler's vocal injury. (Photo: Venezuelan opposition leader Maria Corina Machado attends a protest in Caracas. Credit: REUTERS/Leonardo Fernandez Vilorio)

**SAT 22:00 BBC News (w172zgf68zyj4m)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SAT 22:06 The Documentary (w3ct6r9z)**

Las Patronas

We visit the Las Patronas women 30 years on from when the young Romero Vazquez sisters first threw a loaf of bread onto the infamously dangerous La Bestia train. A train meant only for cargo, but which by brutal necessity has become an extraordinarily dangerous mode of transport for more than 400,000 migrants every year. It begins from near the border of Guatemala, and along its 2000 mile journey migrants from Guatemala, Honduras, El Salvador, Nicaragua and Mexico itself cling to its roof, heading north to America.

Norma Romero Vazquez guides us through the last 30 years since her and her sister first made the decision to help the passing migrants. Four generations of women work to cook implausible amounts of food in the kitchen of Las Patronas every day, and amid the sound of cooking and layers of female voices we unpack what this endeavour means to them.

We share the stories of those who are receiving the help. The migrants attempting to make the dangerous journey right now and find out what this oasis of calm and kindness in the midst of what can be a traumatic journey, truly means to them.

Producer: Mansi Vitlani and Becky Green  
Executive producer: Ailsa Rochester  
Sound designer: Craig Edmondson  
An Audio Always production for BBC World Service

(Photo: The leader of Las Patronas, Norma Romero Vázquez, poses for a picture in Las Patronas town, Veracruz State, Mexico, 9 August, 2018. Credit: Ronaldo Schemid/AFP/Getty Images)

**SAT 22:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg0qqk6qf0)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**SAT 22:32 This Is Africa (w3ct5y56)**

DBN Gogo

We catch up with multi-platinum selling DBN Gogo, the South African DJ and producer who's just released her latest track, Balimele.

DBN Gogo, who took her stage name from her home city, Durban, is one of only a few female DJs and producers at the heart of South Africa's massive Amapiano scene. She shot to global stardom in 2021, when the video of her debut track Khuzo Gogo went viral. Her tracks Love and Loyalty and Jele featured on the soundtrack of the Black Panther: Wakanda Forever film.

But for the first three years she hid her DJing from her mother because the industry – with its late nights and male domination – can be risky for women. We trace her journey from warm-up DJ to international stardom.

Image: DBN Gogo (Credit: Mini Photography)

**SAT 23:00 BBC News (w172zgf68zyjgwr)**

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**SAT 23:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqd61x9p92)**

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**SAT 23:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg0qqk6v54)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**SAT 23:32 Assignment (w3ct5mt0)**

A slogan and a land: Part two

In this second part of his journey from the River Jordan to the Mediterranean Sea, across the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Israel, reporter Tim Whewell continues his exploration of the physical and human reality behind the slogan "From the River to the Sea", a phrase which creates intense controversy.

In this podcast he descends from the high ridge of the West Bank hills to the Israeli Mediterranean coast at Herzlia, known for its beaches and high-tech industry – and then continues along the sea, to end his journey at the ruined ancient city of Caesarea. Along the way, on the West Bank, he encounters a Palestinian dry stone waller and an Israeli hairdresser – and then, crossing into Israel, he talks to Jewish Israelis including teachers, activists and a journalist – and to Palestinian citizens of Israel. Finally, he meets a group of young Israelis who have recently finished their military service. Some of them have been fighting in Gaza. What future do all these people hope for, in the 90 kilometres between the River and the Sea?

Presenter/producer: Tim Whewell  
Sound mixing: Neil Churchill  
Production co-ordinator: Gemma Ashman  
Editor: Penny Murphy

(Photo shows some of the people Tim meets in the two parts of the series. Clockwise from top left: Ben Levy, Israeli nature ranger; Sulieman Mleahat, Palestinian development worker; Susie Becher, Israeli political activist; Okayla Shehadi, retired Palestinian citizen of Israel.)

This programme was edited on 19th July 2024.

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**SUN 00:06 BBC OS Conversations (w3ct5rbw)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:06 on Saturday]

**SUN 00:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg0qqk6yx8)**

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**SUN 00:32 Dear Daughter (w3ct585e)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 05:32 on Saturday]

**SUN 00:50 Sporting Witness (w3ct5wdp)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:50 on Saturday]

**SUN 01:00 BBC News (w172zgf68zyjqd0)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SUN 01:06 The Inquiry (w3ct5xhk)**

Can the statues of Easter Island survive climate change?

Hundreds of monumental human shaped statues are motionless, and exposed to the elements, on Rapa Nui - also known as Easter Island. A name that dates back to 1722, when a Dutch explorer first saw it on Easter Sunday.

The statues, or Moai, were there centuries before that and are sacred to the Rapa Nui people.

They have also become a world famous tourist attraction and can be found in multiple outdoor locations across the small island. They are heavy and huge - sizes range from 1 to 20 metres tall. Some are upright on platforms, others are toppled over and broken.

Over the years, global weather has become more extreme and is having a devastating effect. Can the statues of Easter Island survive climate change?

Contributors:  
Sonia Haoa Cardinali, Archaeologist with the Mata Ki Te Rangi Foundation and coordinator of Easter Island's national monuments, Rapa Nui  
Roberto Rondanelli, Meteorologist and Climate Scientist at the Department of Geophysics, University of Chile  
Jo Anne Van Tilburg, Archaeologist and the Director of the Easter Island Statue Project  
Pilar Vicuña, culture programme officer, Unesco (Santiago de Chile),

Presenter: Charmaine Cozier  
Producers: Lorna Reader and Jill Collins  
Production co-ordinators: Liam Morrey and Tim Fernley  
Editor: Tara McDermott

**SUN 01:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg0qqk72nd)**

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**SUN 01:32 The Six Billion Dollar Gold Scam (w3ct6r3b)**

2. The believers

It's gold fever. Estimates put the Bre-X discovery at four times the size of the biggest known gold deposit — and investors are trying to cash in. A small Canadian town is swept up in the gold rush. But others are asking questions, including a hedge fund manager who goes to extraordinary lengths to get inside the Indonesia gold site.

Since this episode was recorded, John McBeth has sadly passed away. We are very grateful for his contribution to this story.

**SUN 02:00 BBC News (w172zgf68zyjv44)**

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**SUN 02:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqd61xb1jg)**

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**SUN 02:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg0qqk76dj)**

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**SUN 02:32 Health Check (w3ct5t8w)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:32 on Saturday]

**SUN 03:00 BBC News (w172zgf68zyjw8)**

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**SUN 03:06 World Book Club (w3ct5r3r)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 on Saturday]

**SUN 04:00 BBC News (w172zgf68zyk2md)**

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**SUN 04:06 From Our Own Correspondent (w3ct5sjo)**

Venezuela's disputed election

Max Pearson introduces correspondents' and writers' dispatches from Venezuela, Zimbabwe, Turkey and France.

For the third time, Nicolas Maduro has been announced as the winner of Venezuela's presidential election. But many voters - and outside observers - say the electoral process was neither free nor fair. Ione Wells describes what it was like to report from Caracas on the election and its aftermath.

Zimbabwe has just begun a series of public hearings on the events of 1983-87 in its southwestern Matabeleland region - a time when government-trained troops killed thousands of people as part of a move to root out the ZAPU movement, a rival to then-President Mugabe's ZANU-PF. Shingai Nyoka talked to witnesses to and survivors of the carnage and considers whether the new enquiry can really bring healing.

Turkey's parliament this week passed new laws which could have drastic consequences for the country's street dogs. Under the new rules, they must be caught and kept in shelters - and put down if they're diseased, injured or dangerous. Victoria Craig has had her own close encounters with aggressive strays in Ankara, and hears from campaigners for animal and human safety on the streets.

And after a grumpy - and bumpy - start, says Andrew Harding, the Paris Olympics have found their fizz. Despite the controversies - over drag-queen tableaux, a French-Malian singer or the water quality in the Seine - the experience has reflected a new image of France, and projected it to the world.

Producer: Polly Hope  
Editor: Tom Bigwood  
Production Co-ordinator: Katie Morrison  
(Image: Demonstrators bang pots during protests against election results in Venezuela, in Puerto La Cruz. Credit: REUTERS/Samir Aponte)

**SUN 04:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg0qqk7fws)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**SUN 04:32 The Explanation (w3ct5y3r)**

The global arms trade

Which countries supply weapons and which countries buy them? We learn how uncertainty, tension and conflict are leading to increasing military spend across the world. Host Claire Graham talks to the BBC's defence correspondent Jonathan Beale, about the big industry players and their geopolitical ties. Produced by Cathy Young for the BBC World Service.

**SUN 04:50 Sporting Witness (w3ct5wdp)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 18:50 on Saturday]

**SUN 05:00 BBC News (w172zgf68zyk6c)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SUN 05:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqd61xbdrv)**  
The world's Newsroom brings you global events as they happen

**SUN 05:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg0qqk7kmx)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**SUN 05:32 The Documentary (w3ct6r9z)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 22:06 on Saturday]

**SUN 06:00 BBC News (w172zgf68zyk3n)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SUN 06:06 Weekend (w172zcx23zkj10h)**  
Opposition leader joins Venezuela protests against President Maduro's election win

Thousands of people protested in Venezuela's capital on Saturday against the election results. Opposition leader Maria Corina Machado joined her supporters in Caracas for the protests despite the government calling for her arrest. Venezuela's president, Nicolas Maduro, has warned against people taking part in anti-government demonstrations as they could face 'maximum punishment'.

Also in the programme: We discuss Nigeria's cost-of-living crisis protests that has left at least seven people dead across the country since Thursday; and the latest in the Middle East as Lebanese militant group, Hezbollah, says it launched dozens of rockets into northern Israel.

Joining presenter Julian Worricker are Francoise Boucek, a visiting research fellow at the School of Politics and International Relations at Queen Mary, University of London and Michael Carson, a British-American writer and broadcaster based in the UK.

(Picture: Venezuelan opposition leader Maria Corina Machado gestures during a march amid the disputed presidential election, in Caracas, Venezuela August 3, 2024. REUTERS/Fausto Torrealba)

**SUN 07:00 BBC News (w172zgf68zykfv)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SUN 07:06 Weekend (w172zcx23zkjprm)**  
Violent riots sparked across UK cities after Southport stabbing of three young girls

Three girls were stabbed at a children's dance class in Southport on Monday and the 17-year-old charged with the murders appeared at Liverpool Crown Court on Thursday. The incident sparked protests across the UK but have since turned violent with more than eighty arrests on Saturday, several police officers injured, and reports of arson. Demonstrations are still ongoing with many protesters from far-right and anti-immigration groups. In Portsmouth, for example, protesters were seen some carrying placards with anti-immigration messages and in Hull, protesters threw objects at a hotel housing asylum seekers.

Also in the programme: Iran's Revolutionary Guard Corps say Hamas leader Ismail Haniyeh was killed with a "short-range projectile" from outside of his guesthouse in Tehran; and opposition leader Maria Corina Machado joined the thousands of people protesting in Venezuela's capital on Saturday against the election results.

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(Picture: Protestors throw fireworks as the riots continue into the night in Liverpool, Britain, August 3, 2024. REUTERS/Belinda Jiao)

**SUN 08:00 BBC News (w172zgf68zykklx)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SUN 08:06 Weekend (w172zcx23zkjthr)**  
Renewed protests in Bangladesh with two rival activist groups

Students activists in Bangladesh have begun protesting again - declaring a new step in their campaign. The group behind the anti-government demonstrations, Students Against Discrimination, has called on prime minister Sheikh Hasina to resign and they announced they will start all out non-cooperation starting Sunday. This includes not paying taxes and utility bills and strikes of government workers.

Also in the programme: Nigerian security forces have fired shots and tear gas at protesters in the capital Abuja on the third day of cost-of-living protests; and applications for the new manager of the England's men's football team are now closed, following the resignation of Gareth Southgate after England's Euro final loss.

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(Picture: Bangladeshi Students, teachers, parents, artist, representatives of civil society and leaders of various student organizations join a mass demonstration in Dhaka, Bangladesh, 02 August 2024. Photo by MONIRUL ALAM/EPA-EFE/REX/Shutterstock)

**SUN 09:00 BBC News (w172zgf68zykpc1)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SUN 09:06 From Our Own Correspondent (w3ct5sj0)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 04:06 today]

**SUN 09:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg0qqk81mf)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**SUN 09:32 The Food Chain (w3ct5xn2)**  
What is 'super sweet' corn?

Have you heard of 'super sweet' sweetcorn?

If you've purchased fresh, frozen or tinned sweetcorn in the last few decades there's a good chance its the super sweet variety. It's an example of how our fruit and vegetables have been bred over time to make them sweeter, or less bitter. Its partly about appealing to consumer tastes, but can have other advantages such as better storage and reducing food waste.

In this programme Ruth Alexander finds out how and why the taste of our fresh produce is changing, and asks if we're gaining sweetness, what are we losing?

Ruth visits Barfoots farm on the south coast of England, the biggest supplier of fresh sweetcorn in the UK, all of it super sweet varieties. Plant breeder Dr Michael Mazourek at Cornell University in the United States explains how selective breeding works, and what sort of characteristics have been prioritised by the food industry. Dr Sarah Frith, vet at Melbourne Zoo in Australia explains why they've stopped giving fruit to the animals. And Dr Gabriella Morini, chemist at the University of Gastronomic Sciences in Italy explains the latest research on bitter flavours, and why they might be good for us.

If you'd like to contact the programme email [thefoodchain@bbc.co.uk](mailto:thefoodchain@bbc.co.uk)

Presented by Ruth Alexander.

Produced by Beatrice Pickup.

(Image: corn on the cob in the husk, with a background image of a field of sweetcorn plants. Credit: BBC)

**SUN 10:00 BBC News (w172zgf68zykt35)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SUN 10:06 People Fixing The World (w3ct5tw8)**  
Greener ways to keep cool

Climate change is affecting us all. When the temperature goes up, many of us reach for the air conditioning. But that in itself is making things worse. AC units use a huge amount of electricity and most use hydrofluorocarbon refrigerants - also known as HFCs which contribute to climate change.

The International Energy Agency says over the next three

decades demand for air conditioning is set to soar. But what's the alternative?

We'll hear from the Irish engineers who say they have the technology to revolutionise air conditioning and refrigeration by doing away with planet-warming HFC gases completely.

And we'll talk to one of Africa's leading architects, Francis Kéré, about how he combines traditional materials with modern designs - removing the need for air conditioning completely in his native Burkina Faso.

Plus we'll hear from an American lawyer who helped craft the law in the US to keep in line with the international mandate to reduce the harm caused by refrigerant gases. He'll tell us about alternatives to HFCs and how regulations have encouraged innovation.

Presenter: Myra Anubi  
Producer/reporter: Claire Bowes  
Editor: Jon Bithrey

(Image: Leo Health Centre, Burkina Faso)

**SUN 10:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg0qqk85ck)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**SUN 10:32 The Fifth Floor (w3ct69ht)**  
Three years of Taliban rule

Three years ago the Taliban took control of Afghanistan. BBC Afghan journalists Shekiba Habib and Shoab Sharifi were living and following the events as they unfolded and continue to do so.

Produced by Caroline Ferguson and Alice Gioia.

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

**SUN 11:00 BBC News (w172zgf68zykxv9)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SUN 11:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqd61xc47m)**  
The world's Newsroom brings you global events as they happen

**SUN 11:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg0qqk893p)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**SUN 11:32 The Explanation (w3ct5yzz)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 04:32 today]

**SUN 11:50 More or Less (w3ct5tqf)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 05:50 on Saturday]

**SUN 12:00 BBC News (w172zgf68zy11lf)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SUN 12:06 BBC Proms on the World Service (w3ct6t4w)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 19:06 on Saturday]

**SUN 13:00 BBC News (w172zgf68zy15bk)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SUN 13:06 Newshour (w172zb8zr7hj0tj)**  
Bangladesh protests turn deadly

At least 25 people have been killed in Bangladesh in worsening clashes between police and anti-government protesters who are demanding that Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina step down. We hear from a student and a government minister.

Also in the programme: Riots and looting in several British towns and cities; and life becomes easier for breastfeeding athletes at the Paris Olympics.

(Photo: Demonstrators shout slogans after occupying a street during a protest. Dhaka, Bangladesh, August 4, 2024. Reuters/Mohammad Ponir Hossain)

**SUN 14:00 BBC News (w172zgf68zy192p)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SUN 14:06 The Climate Question (w3ct5wrz)**  
The Climate Question meets People Fixing The World

In this special programme, the Climate Question team join

forces with our World Service colleagues from People Fixing The World to share some of our favourite ways of fighting the impacts of climate change.

Jordan Dunbar and Myra Anubi discuss solutions big and small - from tidal power in Northern Ireland to floating solar panels in Albania. Plus, we hear about pioneering community initiatives to protect forests in Borneo and Colombia

Production team: Osman Iqbal, Zoe Gelber, Craig Langran, Tom Colls, Jon Bithrey and Simon Watts  
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Got a question for The Climate Question? Email us: [theclimatquestion@bbc.com](mailto:theclimatquestion@bbc.com) or Whatsapp +44 8000 321 721, starting your message with "climate"

**SUN 14:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg0qqk8nc2)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**SUN 14:32 Happy News (w3ct5spt)**  
The Happy Pod: The blood test that could spot Alzheimer's early

A new blood test for Alzheimer's appears to be able to spot the disease up to 10 years before symptoms develop. It is hoped it could lead to earlier treatment and slow progression of the disease, giving patients better quality of life for longer.

Also, the 50-year-old X Games champion, Andy MacDonald, who is aiming to outdo the teenagers in Olympic skateboarding. How Platypus Rescue HQ is hoping to help the animals make more babies, called puggles. Why a travel blogger in Germany woke up to dozens of messages from students in China. And, in a country famous for its food, what is on the menu for Olympic and Paralympic athletes?

Presenter: Nick Miles  
Music composer: Iona Hampson

**SUN 15:00 BBC News (w172zgf68zlydt)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SUN 15:06 Sportsworld (w172zbxmw39py8)**  
Live Sporting Action

Delyth Lloyd and Sportsworld will keep across all of the main Olympic stories on day nine of the Games.

The team will be live at the Stade de France to review the women's 100 metre final and preview the men's 100 metre final, and they'll relive some of the greatest ever 100m finals with Mike Costello.

We'll also preview the action from the final night of the swimming at La Defense Arena. There's the final day of the men's golf and tennis medals on the line, as well as golds to be won in gymnastics.

Plus, we'll be inside France's football factory.

Image: A general view of Paris seen from the Eiffel Tower during day seven of the Olympic Games Paris 2024 at Eiffel Tower on August 2, 2024 in Paris, France. (Credit: Pool/Getty Images)

**SUN 19:00 BBC News (w172zgf68zylwtb)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SUN 19:06 The Newsroom (w172zbdq61xd36n)**  
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**SUN 19:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg0qqk982q)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**SUN 19:32 The Cultural Frontline (w3ct6rb1)**  
Write Off: Screenwriters Versus AI

AI is considered one of the biggest threats to the film and television industry in decades. It might even be the greatest threat to the livelihood of many people working there. And it's one of the reasons why actors and writers went on strike in the United States in 2023. Screenwriters, in particular, believed that Artificial Intelligence could be used by studio bosses to replace them. The strike went on for 148 days and was only resolved when certain concessions were agreed. However, as Jennifer Davidson, Chair Of The International Affiliation Of Writers Guilds, explains, these concessions only applied to America, not to the rest of the world. She tells Antonia Quirke why AI might

replace soap opera writers within five years.

Aside from the ethical questions, there are other issues, most obviously: can AI really write a decent script? Antonia tests this hypothesis with the help of writer/directors Carol Morley and Hossein Amini. The results are enlightening and unexpected. One man, though, who's not convinced that AI can be the writer's friend is author and screenwriter Andy Riley. He regards the use of AI as part of a larger plot to take screenwriters out of the picture.

On a more positive note, Tobias Queisser believes that although AI can't write scripts, it could review them. With his company Cinelytic, he argues that in only a matter of minutes his software can tell a good script from a bad one, even awarding points for plot structure and dialogue. And this, he argues, will help movie executives, who have to wade through hundreds of scripts every week, to find the diamond in the rough.

Presenter: Antonia Quirke  
Producer: Stephen Hughes

(Photo: Antonia Quirke. Credit: Paul Fegan)

**SUN 20:00 BBC News (w172zgf68zym0kg)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SUN 20:06 Unexpected Elements (w3ct5q23)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 00:06 on Saturday]

**SUN 21:00 BBC News (w172zgf68zym49l)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SUN 21:06 Newshour (w172zb8zr7hjsk)**  
Death toll increases in Bangladesh protests

More than ninety people have been killed in Bangladesh in clashes between police and anti-government protesters demanding the resignation of the prime minister, Sheikh Hasina. Also in the programme: Saudi Arabia is one of the latest countries urging their citizens to leave Lebanon immediately amid fears of an all-out war between Israel and the Iranian backed militant group Hezbollah; and exports of the South Korean staple kimchi are on a record rise worldwide. (Picture: Mass Students' Procession in Dhaka, Bangladesh. Credit: MONIRUL ALAM/EPA-EFE/REX/Shutterstock)

**SUN 22:00 BBC News (w172zgf68zym81q)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SUN 22:06 The Climate Question (w3ct5wrz)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:06 today]

**SUN 22:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg0qqk9mb3)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**SUN 22:32 Pick of the World (w3ct5v0s)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:32 on Saturday]

**SUN 22:50 Over to You (w3ct5tt0)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:50 on Saturday]

**SUN 23:00 BBC News (w172zgf68zymc5v)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**SUN 23:06 The Newsroom (w172zbdq61xd165)**  
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**SUN 23:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg0qqk9r27)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**SUN 23:32 The Fifth Floor (w3ct69ht)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:32 today]

## MONDAY 05 AUGUST 2024

**MON 00:00 BBC News (w172zgf68zymhjz)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**MON 00:06 From Our Own Correspondent (w3ct5sj0)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 04:06 on Sunday]

**MON 00:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg0qqk9vtc)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**MON 00:32 The Explanation (w3ct5yzz)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 04:32 on Sunday]

**MON 00:50 More or Less (w3ct5tqf)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 05:50 on Saturday]

**MON 01:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87rgk8)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**MON 01:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqdkb6jnyl)**  
The world's Newsroom brings you global events as they happen

**MON 01:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zvfntn)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**MON 01:32 Discovery (w3ct5rmx)**  
Fed: The fast food trap

Like many of us, Dr Chris van Tulleken is always trying to eat better food: healthy, high welfare, good for the environment. This kind of consumer demand is making the chicken industry better, in tiny increments. So why do so many of us give ourselves a pass when it comes to the food we know we should not be eating - fast food?

Chicken is at the very heart of this industry. As a cheap meat that does not have a strong taste, can easily take on other flavours and does not have any religious restrictions, it's the ideal takeaway ingredient; from nuggets to chow mein to tikka masala.

And although we might be careful about chicken choices when buying it raw, somehow we don't seem to mind turning a blind eye to the origins and nutritional content of our fast food favourites, especially if we're hungry.

Chris discovers just how bad this food can be for both us and the planet, and why we are powerless to resist it.

**MON 02:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87r19d)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**MON 02:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqdkb6jspq)**  
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**MON 02:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zvfyks)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**MON 02:32 CrowdScience (w3ct5rhd)**  
Why is my handwriting so messy?

CrowdScience listener Azeddine from Algeria has had bad handwriting since he was a child. In fact, it was so untidy that, when he later became a chemistry lecturer, his university students complained that they couldn't read his lecture notes. That was when he decided he had to do something about it.

And it got him wondering... why do some of us have very neat handwriting while other people's is almost unreadable? Why do his sisters all write beautifully when his natural style is quite the opposite?

Presenter Alex Lathbridge – who admits that his handwriting isn't always the tidiest – sets out to answer Azeddine's question. He explores the different factors which determine how well we write. How much of it is inherited? What part does family and education play? And what's actually going on in our brains when we apply pen to paper?

Alex talks to anthropologist Monika Saini in Delhi who has analysed writing styles within families and in different regions across India. She tells him about the genetic and cultural factors which seem to influence our handwriting.

We also hear from neuroscientist Marieke Longcamp who uses MRI scanning to find out which parts of our brains are involved when we write by hand. She's looked at what's happening in the brains of people who write in more than one script – for example in French and Arabic, like Azeddine.

Another neuroscientist, Karin Harman James, has been looking at the link between learning something by writing it down compared to typing it on a tablet or laptop.

And Alex meets handwriting tutor Cherrell Avery to find out if it's possible to improve your writing – even as an adult.

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**MON 03:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87rq1j)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**MON 03:06 People Fixing The World (w3ct5tw8)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:06 on Sunday]

**MON 03:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zyg29x)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**MON 03:32 Pick of the World (w3ct5v0s)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:32 on Saturday]

**MON 03:50 Over to You (w3ct5t10)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:50 on Saturday]

**MON 04:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87rtsn)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**MON 04:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqdkb6k15z)**

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**MON 04:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zyg621)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**MON 04:32 The Conversation (w3ct5wzs)**

Women, bats and meerkats

Datshiane Navanayagam speaks to two women from Costa Rica and Switzerland about how animal behaviour is studied and what it reveals about life on our planet.

Marta Manser from Switzerland is a Professor of Animal Behaviour at the University of Zurich. She is the project director of the Kalahari Meerkat Project and has studied the species for nearly thirty years. Marta's work has significantly improved our understanding of meerkat social structures, vocal communication, and group coordination.

Dr Gloriana Chaverri is an Associate Professor at the University of Costa Rica and a Research Associate at the Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute. She began her work with bats by investigating their mating systems and social organization. Recently she has been focusing on bat vocal communication.

Produced by Emily Naylor

(Image: (L) Marta Manser courtesy of Marta Manser. (R) Gloriana Chaverri courtesy of Gloriana Chaverri.)

**MON 05:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87ryjs)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**MON 05:06 Newsday (w172zbn3mngl26c)**

Freed Russian dissident was certain he would die in jail

Russian dissident Vladimir Kara Murza tells us about his detention and liberation days after he walked free from a Russian jail as part of a prisoner exchange.

There have been several days of violence in the United Kingdom as far-right protesters have clashed with the police. We'll look at what is behind the tensions.

Financial markets have fallen sharply in Asia, amid fears the United States could be heading into a recession.

And Isaac Fanin at the Olympic Games in Paris has news of a spectacular 100 metre men's final.

**MON 06:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87s28x)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**MON 06:06 Newsday (w172zbn3mngl5yh)**

More than ninety people killed in Bangladesh protests

The United Nations human rights chief has urged the government in Bangladesh to stop targeting protesters, after a day of unrest in which more than ninety people were killed, in the deadliest day in weeks of anti-government demonstrations. We'll get the latest from our reporter monitoring what's going on there.

The number of people arrested in anti-immigration violence that's swept across England and Northern Ireland has risen to at least two hundred and fifty. Two hotels housing asylum seekers were attacked by crowds on Sunday. We'll take you to North-West England and hear from the former Imam of the Southport Mosque.

And we'll hear from Isaac Fanin, our man at the Olympic Games in Paris and from Teddy Riner, France's most popular sports star, who won his historic fifth Olympic gold in Judo.

**MON 07:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87s611)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**MON 07:06 Newsday (w172zbn3mngl9pm)**

Britain's government to hold emergency meeting over riots

The number of people arrested in anti-immigration violence that's swept across England and Northern Ireland has risen to at least two hundred and fifty. Two hotels housing asylum seekers were attacked by crowds on Sunday. We'll hear from a migration researcher.

Anti-government protesters in Bangladesh say they'll march on the capital Dhaka, after nearly a hundred people were killed during clashes on Sunday.

Asian stock markets have suffered heavy losses in response to fears about the health of the US economy. We'll bring you the latest.

And we'll have the latest from the Olympic Games from Newsday's Isaac Fanin who is in Paris.

**MON 08:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87s9s5)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**MON 08:06 HARDtalk (w3ct5szw)**

The whistleblowers

In a special edition of HARDtalk, Stephen Sackur looks back at Interviews with guests who have risked their personal freedom to disclose secret information. What motivates these whistleblowers?

**MON 08:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zygp1k)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**MON 08:32 Business Daily (w3ct5z6q)**

Panama's troubled copper mine

The sudden closure of the huge open pit copper mine, Cobre Panamá, has created a dramatic economic fallout, with its loss of jobs and damage to the country's reputation for investors.

It was shut down by Panama's Supreme Court after months of protests against it.

We look at the impact, and also ask what could happen next?

Produced and presented by Jane Chambers  
Additional sound mixing by Grant Cassidy

(Image: The Cobre Panama mine. Credit: Reuters)

**MON 08:50 Witness History (w3ct5yh3)**

The Situation Room photograph

Pete Souza was Chief Official White House Photographer during Barack Obama's presidency. His photo from when Bin Laden was killed by US soldiers in 2011 has become one of his most famous.

He tells Uma Doraiswamy what that day was like leading up to the moment when he took the photo.

Eye-witness accounts brought to life by archive. Witness History is for those fascinated by the past. We take you to the events that have shaped our world through the eyes of the people who were there. For nine minutes every day, we take you back in time and all over the world, to examine wars, coups, scientific discoveries, cultural moments and much more.

Recent episodes explore everything from football in Brazil, the history of the 'Indian Titanic' and the invention of air fryers, to Public Enemy's Fight The Power, subway art and the political crisis in Georgia. We look at the lives of some of the most famous leaders, artists, scientists and personalities in history, including: visionary architect Antoni Gaudi and the design of the Sagrada Família; Michael Jordan and his bespoke Nike trainers; Princess Diana at the Taj Mahal; and Görel Hanser, manager of legendary Swedish pop band Abba on the influence they've had on the music industry. You can learn all about fascinating and surprising stories, such as the time an Iraqi journalist hurled his shoes at the President of the United States in protest of America's occupation of Iraq; the creation of the Hollywood commercial that changed advertising forever; and the ascent of the first Aboriginal MP.

(Photo: President Barack Obama, Vice President Joe Biden, Secretary of State Hillary Clinton and members of the national security team receive an update on the mission against Osama bin Laden. Credit: Getty Images / Pete Souza, White House)

**MON 09:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87sfj9)**

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**MON 09:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqdkb6kmxm)**

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**MON 09:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zygssp)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**MON 09:32 CrowdScience (w3ct5rhd)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 02:32 today]

**MON 10:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87sk8f)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**MON 10:06 The History Hour (w3ct5n20)**

Ice Bucket Challenge and Bulgaria's dancing bears

A warning for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander listeners - this programme contains the names and voices of people who have died.

Max Pearson presents a collection of the week's Witness History episodes.

We take a look at the Ice Bucket Challenge, the viral fundraising sensation that took over the internet in 2014.

Our guest Professor Sander van der Linden breaks down the psychology behind virality and outlines the challenges facing those who conquered the algorithm.

Plus, how one man smuggled punk rock over the Berlin Wall.

Also, we meet the man who found a retirement home for Bulgaria's dancing bears.

We hear the remarkable story of Australia's Freedom Riders who campaigned against indigenous discrimination.

Finally, we relive the mountain top escape of the Yazidi's who were fleeing Islamic State Militants.

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Nancy Frates – Pete Frates mother.  
Sander van der Linden - Professor of Social Psychology at Cambridge University.  
Mark Reeder - smuggled punk rock over the Berlin Wall.  
Dr Amir Khalil – founded the sanctuary for dancing bears.  
Darce Cassidy and Gary Williams – involved in the Freedom Rides.  
Mirza Dinnayi - helped evacuate the Yazidi's.

(Photo: Ice Bucket Challenge. Credit: Getty Images)

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**MON 11:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqdkb6kwdw)**

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**MON 12:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87srp)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**MON 12:06 Outlook (w3ct5nqc)**

Is Anybody Out There? Secrets for surviving solitary

This is the first programme of our series Is Anybody Out

There? Revealing the exceptional lengths people go to make connections with others.

Accused of spying and jailed in Iran for over two years, Kylie Moore-Gilbert used toilet paper, pink trousers, and pot plants to communicate with other prisoners, undetected by the guards. These ingenious methods of communication helped her endure long periods in solitary confinement. For the first year, the public weren't aware that Kylie had been held captive at all, it was only after letters she had written to the Iranian judiciary were leaked to the international press that her plight became known. Thanks in no small part to the help she received through secretive communications with other inmates, she came to realise that she was a hostage being used as a bargaining chip.

Presenter: Jo Fidge  
Producer: Julian Siddell

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**MON 13:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zv8s6)**  
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**MON 13:32 The Conversation (w3ct5wzs)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 04:32 today]

**MON 14:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87t17y)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**MON 14:06 Newshour (w172zb903hsqwx)**  
Bangladesh's PM resigns and flees country

The long-serving prime minister of Bangladesh, Sheikh Hasina, has resigned and fled the country in a military helicopter. In the morning, tens of thousands of people defied curfew orders and marched towards the capital, Dhaka. Crowds cheered in the street upon hearing the news about the PM stepping down. Also on the programme: the International Boxing Association weighs in on the controversy surrounding Olympic boxers Imane Khelif of Algeria and Taiwan's Lin Yu-ting; and the British government holds an emergency meeting after anti-immigration riots.

(Photo: Bangladesh Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina addresses a meeting with foreign observers and journalists in Dhaka, 8th January 2024. Credit: Monirul Alam/EPA-EFE/REX/Shutterstock)

**MON 15:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87t502)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**MON 15:06 HARDtalk (w3ct5szw)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:06 today]

**MON 15:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zv8j8g)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**MON 15:32 World Business Report (w3ct5zy9)**  
Global stock markets fall

It's been a torrid day on the world's stock markets. Japan's Nikkei index leads the sell-off with a fall of over 12 percent. European and US markets are also down.

And in Bangladesh, the prime minister resigns and flees the country just before protesters storm her official residence. What happens next, and will Bangladeshi businesses now be able to get back on their feet?

**MON 16:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87t8r6)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**MON 16:06 BBC OS (w172zbj4tqbfxtk)**  
Bangladeshi PM resigns and flees the country

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina, who has led Bangladesh since 2009, has resigned and fled the country after weeks of protests against her government. We hear from protesters and speak to our reporters about today's dramatic developments.

We also look back at Sheikh Hasina's rule and her legacy, and we explain how the student protests spiralled into demands for her resignation. Doctors say at least 56 people have been killed in today's violence and many had bullet wounds. More than 300 have died since the unrest began.

We get reaction from the people in the UK to the anti-immigration violence that has been spreading across towns and cities.

Presenter: James Reynolds

(Photo: Bangladeshi people gather outside the prime minister's house in Dhaka, Bangladesh, 05 August. Credit: MONIRUL ALAM/EPA-EFE/REX/Shutterstock)

**MON 17:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87tdhb)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**MON 17:06 BBC OS (w172zbj4tqbg1kp)**  
Almost 400 arrested in UK riots

Courts in England and Wales are to be allowed to sit up to 24 hours a day to deal with an expected surge of prosecutions from anti-immigrant violence. In the past week, people have attacked several mosques and hotels housing asylum seekers, as well as looting shops and hurling bricks at police officers. We speak to two British Muslims who share their concerns and fears for their safety.

The prime minister of Bangladesh, Sheikh Hasina has resigned and fled the country after weeks of unrest - ending her 15 years in power. The army chief says he will form an interim government. We hear from two people who have been taking part in the anti-government protests.

Fears are growing in the Middle East that there will be a major escalation of the conflict in the region. We speak to our correspondent and hear from American citizen who was struggling to leave the country.

Vice-President Kamala Harris has interviewed potential contenders to be her running mate. We hear more from our correspondent in Washington.

We have the latest on the Paris Olympics.

Presenter: James Reynolds.

(Photo: Protestors throw a garbage bin on fire outside a hotel in Rotherham, Britain, August 4, 2024. Credit: Stringer/Reuters)

**MON 18:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87tj7g)**  
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The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**MON 19:32 Sport Today (w3ct5w3p)**  
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BBC sports correspondents tell the story behind today's top sporting news, with interviews and reports from across the world.

**MON 20:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87trqg)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**MON 20:06 From Our Own Correspondent (w3ct5sj0)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 04:06 on Sunday]

**MON 20:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zv8j403)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**MON 20:32 Discovery (w3ct5rmy)**  
Fed: Big Chicken

We're a planet addicted to chicken - and our appetites fuel a massive global industry... but is it one we should support?

As Chris wrestles with how he personally feels about this weird and wonderful bird, he decides to take a look at the business as a whole: a global industry that's cited by some as a shining example of a super-efficient food production system, one that could help drive food security around the world.

But others say it's a cruel, destructive and outdated structure that makes a few people richer while exploiting others - along with animals and the environment.

In Brazil, one of the world's biggest chicken and soya producers, our reporter Leonardo Milano hears accusations of threats and pollution relating to the feed sector; while in Africa, Chris learns about poultry-farming initiatives helping to make struggling nations more food-secure.

And then there are the other challenges that the industry is wrestling with: from antimicrobial resistance to the threat of another major global pandemic, potentially stemming from chicken farms...

So is there a 'big business bad guy' to blame - or does responsibility lie closer to home, with unquestioning consumers like Chris?

**MON 21:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87twgv)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**MON 21:06 Newshour (w172zb903hsrqyt)**  
Euphoria in Bangladesh after PM flees country

The prime minister of Bangladesh, Sheikh Hasina, has resigned and fled to India after weeks of unrest - the army chief says an interim government will be formed. Also on the programme, Nearly 400 people have been arrested after a series of violent protests erupted across the UK last Tuesday; and, a presidential candidate solves a ten-year bear mystery.

(Photo: People climb the statue of Sheikh Mujibur Rahman at the Bijoy Sarani area, as they celebrate the resignation of the Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina in Dhaka, Bangladesh, August 5, 2024. REUTERS/Mohammad Ponir Hossain TPX)

**MON 22:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87v06z)**  
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**MON 22:06 HARDtalk (w3ct5szw)**  
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**MON 22:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zv8jchc)**  
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**MON 22:32 The Conversation (w3ct5wzs)**  
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**MON 23:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87v3z3)**  
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**MON 23:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqdkb6mbcf)**  
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**MON 23:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zv8jh7h)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**MON 23:32 World Business Report (w3ct600k)**  
Global Markets Meltdown

Weak economic data from the US has fuelled speculation that the world's largest economy is slowing. In London, the FTSE 100 fell and stocks in Asia have tumbled. We take a look at what's perplexing investors around the world.

The Bangladesh Prime Minister resigns following weeks of deadly anti-government protests we find out how the garment and textiles industry has been impacted.

And we hear how product placement is being used at the Olympic Game after one brand became highly visible during the opening ceremony.

**TUESDAY 06 AUGUST 2024****TUE 00:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87v7q7)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**TUE 00:06 The History Hour (w3ct5n20)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:06 on Monday]

**TUE 01:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87vcgc)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**TUE 01:06 Business Matters (w172zbfkvv15mm7)**

What is going on with global stock markets?

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And how product placement is being used at the Olympic Games in Paris after one brand became highly visible during the opening ceremony.

**TUE 02:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87vh6h)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**TUE 02:06 The Newsroom (w172zbfkvv15mm7)**

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**TUE 02:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zvjpgw)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**TUE 02:32 Assignment (w3ct5mt1)**

The Italian town where praying is a political issue

The Italian town of Monfalcone on the Adriatic coast has an ethnic make-up unique to the country. Of a population of just over thirty thousand, more than six thousand are from Bangladesh. They've come to help construct huge cruise ships, providing labour to do the type of manual jobs which Italians no longer want to do.

For years, they worshipped at two Islamic centres in the town. Then, in November, the town's far right mayor, Anna Maria Cisint, tried to effectively ban collective prayer there, along with stopping cricket - the Bangladeshi national sport - from being played within the town.

She says she is defending Christian values. Her critics say she is building walls rather than bridges. For Assignment, Sofia Bettiza travels to Italy to discover how the country is dealing with the increasing numbers of legal migrants coming to work in a country which needs their labour.

Producer: Bob Howard

Presenter: Sofia Bettiza

Studio Manager: Rod Farquhar

Production Coordinator: Gemma Ashman

Editor: Penny Murphy

(Image: Bangladeshi woman in the main square of the northern Italian town of Monfalcone – looking at the mayor's office. Credit: Sofia Bettiza/BBC)

**TUE 03:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87vlym)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**TUE 03:06 Outlook (w3ct5nqc)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 on Monday]

**TUE 03:50 Witness History (w3ct5yh3)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 on Monday]

**TUE 04:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87vqpr)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**TUE 04:06 The Newsroom (w172zbfkvv15mm7)**

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**TUE 04:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zvjk2z4)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**TUE 04:32 In the Studio (w3ct5tky)**

B-girl Raygun: Breaking into the Olympics

Known to many as breakdancing, breaking sprung up in the economic and social unrest of 1970s New York, as a form of expressive protest. Today, it's also a globalised and dizzyingly virtuosic competitive dancesport - and now it's making its debut at the Olympics.

We follow Australian competitor Rachael Gunn (b-girl Raygun) as she hits pause on her day-job as a university lecturer and prepares for her debut on the Olympics stage. In conversations across the final 100 days, as she practises at home in Sydney, tests out new moves in the UK, and gets settled in Paris, we hear about the challenges of training, experimenting, and honing her performance.

Breaking competitions aren't about crafting and replicating a routine: during one-minute, one-to-one battles, you have to respond creatively to what your opponent does and foster your own style. So what techniques can she use to prepare for the unknown? Can you practice personality? And where does sport end and art begin?

Image: Rachael 'Raygun' Gunn poses in the Sydney central business district in April 2024 (Credit: Cameron Spencer/Getty Images)

**TUE 05:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87vfw)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**TUE 05:06 Newsday (w172zbfkvv15mm7)**

Bangladesh: Interim government to be formed

In Bangladesh, the army chief is to meet student protest leaders, after weeks of mass demonstrations led the Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina to resign and flee the country. We'll speak to a member of the opposition.

A court in the United States has ruled that Google acted illegally to maintain a monopoly on internet searches. So what does this mean for the internet giant?

And Isaac Fanin will be bringing us the latest from the Paris Olympic Games.

**TUE 06:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87vz60)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**TUE 06:06 Newsday (w172zbfkvv15mm7)**

Interim government to run Bangladesh

Euphoria and celebrations on the streets of Bangladesh after weeks of increasingly violent unrest forced the prime minister, Sheikh Hasina, to step down, ending fifteen years in power. What's next for the country? A leading human rights group in Israel says conditions inside prisons holding Palestinian detainees run by the Israeli military and prison service amount to torture. At the Paris Olympic Games, it was double disappointment in the men's football for Algeria and Morocco. And we'll hear from the Turkish shooter who won silver and then became a social media sensation.

**TUE 07:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87w2y4)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**TUE 07:06 Newsday (w172zbfkvv15mm7)**

Euphoria in Bangladesh after prime minister resigns

Euphoria and celebrations on the streets of Bangladesh after weeks of increasingly violent unrest forced the prime minister, Sheikh Hasina, to step down, ending fifteen years in power. We'll speak to a Bangladeshi activist.

Asia's markets rebound after worldwide plunge on Monday, amid fears the United States may be in recession.

And we'll look ahead to the day's action at the Paris Olympic Games; fifteen gold medals to be won, including the women's 200m final and women's skateboarding.

**TUE 08:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87w6p8)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**TUE 08:06 People Fixing The World (w3ct5tw9)**

Switching off our smartphones

Concerns are growing about the effects of smartphones on both adults and children, so we're looking at ways to reduce our dependence on these ubiquitous devices.

Presenter Myra Anubi attempts to ditch her smartphone for a week, while she finds out about a fast-growing campaign in which local parents get together to agree to delay buying them for their children. But Myra and her own daughter don't quite see eye-to-eye on the topic.

Plus Anna Holligan visits an innovative project called The Offline Club in Amsterdam, where people hand in their phones in exchange for a dose of good old real-life interaction.

Presenter: Myra Anubi

Producer: William Kremer

Netherlands reporter: Anna Holligan

Editor: Jon Bithrey

Sound mix: Hal Haines

**TUE 08:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zvkkyn)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**TUE 08:32 Business Daily (w3ct5zhr)**

When will we see a female billionaire athlete?

Four sportsmen have reached 10 figures according to financial magazine Forbes.

However the wealthiest sportswoman, tennis star Serena Williams, could triple her wealth and not get there.

We speak to agent Stuart Duguid, who looks after four-time Grand Slam winner Naomi Osaka, who tells us how elite sportswomen are investing their money and what barriers there are to growing their fortunes.

We ask if, and when it might happen, and what that would mean for women's sport.

Presenter: Sam Fenwick

Producer: Matt Lines

(Serena Williams playing in the 2022 US Open. Credit: Al Bello/Getty Images)

**TUE 08:50 Witness History (w3ct5ymm)**

Bush v Gore: The election decided in the Supreme Court

The US presidential election of 2000 was one of the closest and most contested in history.

It was more than a month before the result was decided after a Supreme Court decision. It all came down to the vote in Florida, where irregularities and technical problems added to the confusion.

In the end it's thought there were just a few hundred votes in it but the result still divides opinion.

Callie Shell was the official photographer for Al Gore's presidential campaign and documented the dramatic events behind closed doors in pictures. She tells Rebecca Kesby what it was like to be there.

This programme was first broadcast in 2020.

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Recent episodes explore everything from football in Brazil, the history of the 'Indian Titanic' and the invention of air fryers, to Public Enemy's Fight The Power, subway art and the political crisis in Georgia. We look at the lives of some of the most famous leaders, artists, scientists and personalities in history, including: visionary architect Antoni Gaudi and the design of the Sagrada Familia; Michael Jordan and his bespoke Nike trainers; Princess Diana at the Taj Mahal; and Görel Hanser, manager of legendary Swedish pop band Abba on the influence they've had on the music industry. You can learn all about fascinating and surprising stories, such as the time an Iraqi journalist hurled his shoes at the President of the United States in protest of America's occupation of Iraq; the creation of the Hollywood commercial that changed advertising forever; and the ascent of the first Aboriginal MP.

(Photo: Al Gore and George Bush. Credit: Getty Images)

**TUE 09:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87wbfdf)**

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**TUE 09:06 The Newsroom (w172zbfkvv15mm7)**

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**TUE 09:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zvkkps)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**TUE 09:32 Assignment (w3ct5mt1)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 02:32 today]

**TUE 10:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87wg5j)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**TUE 10:06 The Arts Hour (w3ct5qjq)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 20:06 on Saturday]

**TUE 11:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87wknx)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**TUE 11:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqdkb6ns9z)**  
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**TUE 11:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zvky61)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**TUE 11:32 The Global Story (w3ct6fb3)**  
'Unwanted': Australia and disabled migrants

Australia is a proud 'migration nation' with a third of its population born abroad. But many foreigners with disabilities or medical conditions are often denied a visa – and those already living in Australia face the threat of being made to leave. Campaigners are now pressuring ministers over policies that the UN has labelled as discriminatory.

Lucy Hockings speaks with our Australia correspondent Katy Watson about the country's migration policies and how they have affected her own family.

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**TUE 12:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87wpns)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**TUE 12:06 Outlook (w3ct5p4x)**  
Is Anybody Out There? Love, stars and a travelling telescope

Susan Murabana's life was transformed when, aged 22, she looked through a telescope for the first time. She was struck by the way it connected her to the cosmos and changed her perspective on the world. Susan made it her mission to share this experience with others and later organised a trip to northern Kenya's Lake Turkana to see a solar eclipse. A man called Daniel 'Chu' Owen asked if he could document her and the trip – and as the moon slipped in front of the sun, they fell in love. The couple decided to launch a travelling telescope project together to bring the stars closer to Kenyans. Humberto Restrepo from Medellín in Colombia is a locksmith by day, but outside his working hours he plays Cupid by writing love letters for other couples. As Outlook's Clayton Conn found out, Humberto has saved many relationships in trouble. First broadcast in 2018.

Luca Parmitano is an Italian astronaut who became the first DJ in orbit, after playing a live set from the International Space Station to a cruise ship of clubbers in Ibiza. First broadcast in 2015.

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Producer: Sarah Kendal

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**TUE 14:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87wy51)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**TUE 14:06 Newshour (w172zb903hstsn0)**  
Kamala Harris announces her Vice President

The US Vice-President Kamala Harris has chosen the governor of Minnesota, Tim Walz, as her running mate for November's presidential election. We hear from one of his old friends.

Also on the programme: the president of Bangladesh has dissolved parliament to enable a new government to be formed, a day after the prime minister, Sheikh Hasina, was ousted by protesters. And the British government condemns Elon Musk's comments that civil war is inevitable in Britain as unrest continues across the country.

(Picture: VP Candidate Tim Walz, the current governor of Minnesota. Credit: Reuters)

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**TUE 15:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zvlf5k)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**TUE 15:32 World Business Report (w3ct607b)**  
Kamala Harris picks Tim Walz as running mate in US elections

Kamala Harris has picked Minnesota Governor Tim Walz as running mate in the US presidential elections. The former high school teacher will be vice-president if she wins. We get the latest.

Students in Bangladesh want the country's Nobel Peace Prize winner, Muhammad Yunus, to be named chief adviser of a new interim government. This comes a day after Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina fled the country in the face of a popular uprising. We hear about Yunus's work and the state of the nation's economy.

A US judge has ruled Google acted illegally to crush its competition and maintain a monopoly on online search and related advertising. We take a look at the consequences of the ruling.

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**TUE 16:06 BBC OS (w172zbj4tqbjtqn)**  
Kamala Harris chooses her running mate

We're live in Washington DC as Kamala Harris has picked Tim Walz as her running mate for the presidential election. The Minnesota Governor and former high school teacher will become vice-president if Harris beats Donald Trump in November. We put Democrats in conversation with each other and hear from a close friend of Tim Walz.

Bangladesh's parliament has been dissolved, a day after prime minister Sheikh Hasina was forced from power. The dissolution of parliament, a key demand of protesters, paves the way for establishing an interim government. We hear from some of the students who've been involved.

Tension at the Paris Olympics - before Algerian boxer Imane Khelif, who is at the centre of a gender eligibility dispute, competes in a crucial semi final our sports correspondent Ade Adedoyin joins us live from Paris.

Imagine climbing one of the world's highest and deadliest mountains in record time...that's exactly what French climber Benjamin Vedrines did. He made the fastest-ever ascent of K2 - which is on the border of Pakistan and China - in 10 hours, 59 minutes and 59 seconds and speaks to us from Islamabad.

(Photo shows: Minnesota Governor Tim Walz speaks to the press after attending a meeting with U.S. President Joe Biden and other Democratic governors at the White House in Washington, U.S., July 3, 2024. Credit: REUTERS/Elizabeth Frantz)

Presenter: James Reynolds in Washington DC, USA

**TUE 17:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87x9df)**  
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**TUE 17:06 BBC OS (w172zbj4tqbjygs)**  
What's next for Bangladesh?

Bangladesh's parliament has been dissolved, a day after the prime minister fled to India. Sheikh Hasina resigned and fled the country after weeks of student-led protests spiralled into deadly unrest. We hear from some of the students who've been involved and ask what lies ahead for the country.

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After an action-packed day in the boxing and gymnastics at the Olympics, our sports reporter Laura Garcia updates us live on the show from Paris.

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(Photo shows Dhaka, following Bangladeshi prime minister's resignation, Bangladesh, 06 Aug 2024. Credit: MONIRUL ALAM/EPA-EFE/REX/Shutterstock)

Presenter: James Reynolds in Washington DC, USA.

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**TUE 19:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zvlx52)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**TUE 19:32 Sport Today (w3ct5w86)**  
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BBC sports correspondents tell the story behind today's top sporting news, with interviews and reports from across the world.

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**TUE 20:06 Assignment (w3ct5mt1)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 02:32 today]

**TUE 20:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zvm0x6)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**TUE 20:32 Tech Life (w3ct5wmh)**  
Turning the tables on online romance scammers

It's called Pig Butchering - a cruel romance scam which has victims around the world. The BBC's Cyber correspondent, Joe Tidy, was targeted online. He played along to learn about the con and then turned the tables on the scammer, known as Jessica. Joe tells us what happened. Also on Tech Life, we find out about a digital detox. And we hear about the role played by artificial intelligence in discovering an important new antibiotic.

Presenter: Chris Vallance  
Producers: Imran Rahman-Jones and Tom Quinn  
Editor: Monica Soriano

(Photo: A red paper cut-out of a heart shape, torn in the middle, resting on a computer keyboard. Credit: Pla2na/Getty Images)

**TUE 21:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87xscy)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**TUE 21:06 Newshour (w172zb903hsvmvx)**

Tim Walz announced as Democrats' VP pick

The US Vice-President, Kamala Harris, has chosen the Minnesota governor, Tim Walz, as her running-mate for the presidential election in November. Also on the programme: the president of Bangladesh has dissolved parliament, paving the way for the formation of an interim government; and a high-wire artist remembers the day he walked between the Twin Towers in New York.

(Photo: Photo by SHAWN THEW/EPA-EFE/REX/Shutterstock Minnesota Governor Tim Walz walks out of the West Wing to deliver remarks to the news media following his meeting with US President Joe Biden at the White House in Washington, DC, USA, 03 July 2024.)

**TUE 22:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87xx42)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**TUE 22:06 People Fixing The World (w3ct5tw9)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:06 today]

**TUE 22:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zvm8dg)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**TUE 22:32 In the Studio (w3ct5tky)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 04:32 today]

**TUE 23:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87y0w6)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**TUE 23:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqdkb6q78j)**

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**TUE 23:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zvm4d)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**TUE 23:32 World Business Report (w3ct6091)**

How Tim Walz might change the US economy?

A major Democratic party donor in the US tells us why adding Minnesota Governor Tim Walz to the Harris presidential ticket is the right pick for the party.

We find out who is being lined up as Bangladesh's interim leader and what they want for their economy.

And Uber was once a company synonymous with government rows but have managed to ride out the market storm - one taxi ride at a time.

**WEDNESDAY 07 AUGUST 2024**

**WED 00:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87y4mb)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**WED 00:06 The Arts Hour (w3ct5qjq)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 20:06 on Saturday]

**WED 01:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87y8cg)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**WED 01:06 Business Matters (w172zbfkvvl8jbb)**

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**WED 02:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87yd3l)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**WED 02:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqdkb6qlhx)**

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**WED 02:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zvmrcz)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**WED 02:32 The Climate Question (w3ct5wrz)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:06 on Sunday]

**WED 03:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87yhvq)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**WED 03:06 Outlook (w3ct5p4x)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 on Tuesday]

**WED 03:50 Witness History (w3ct5ymm)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 on Tuesday]

**WED 04:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87ymlv)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**WED 04:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqdkb6qv05)**

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**WED 04:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zvmzw7)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**WED 04:32 The Six Billion Dollar Gold Scam (w3ct6r3c)**

3. The battle for Busang

As the value of the Indonesian gold discovery skyrockets, it's not just everyday investors who want in. Powerful players are drawn into the fight for the gold in Busang. But Bre-X, a small company, has only ever traded as a penny stock. Can it stand up to powerful rivals and play in the big leagues?

**WED 05:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87yrbz)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**WED 05:06 Newsday (w172zbn3mnggrw0k)**

Harris and Walz hold first rally together

Democratic supporters at a rally in the United States have given a raucous welcome to Kamala Harris and her new running mate for November's presidential election, Tim Walz. The Minnesota governor used his first speech to attack Donald Trump -- saying he was too selfish to serve Americans.

Also, the Nobel Peace Prize winner, Muhammad Yunus, has been named as the head of Bangladesh's interim government. The economist's appointment was announced a day after Sheikh Hasina was ousted as prime minister.

**WED 06:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87yw33)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**WED 06:06 Newsday (w172zbn3mnggrzrp)**

Harris unveils Walz as her running mate

The Minnesota governor, Tim Walz, has made his first appearance as Kamala Harris's running mate in the race for the White House -- describing their Republican opponents as "weird as hell". The pair were given a raucous welcome by Democrats at a rally in Philadelphia. He also accused Donald Trump of being too selfish to serve the American people.

In other news, Israel has repeated its intention to eliminate the new overall leader of Hamas, Yahya Sinwar, whom they accuse of masterminding the October 7th attacks.

**WED 07:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87yzv7)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**WED 07:06 Newsday (w172zbn3mngs3ht)**

Walz attacks Trump in first rally as vice president pick

Kamala Harris has made her first public appearance alongside Tim Walz, her new running mate for November's US presidential election. The Minnesota governor used his speech at a packed rally to attack Donald Trump describing him as

"weird" and too selfish to serve Americans.

Also, as outbreaks of disorder in the United Kingdom continue, Prime Minister Keir Starmer warns that rioters can expect rapid sentencing.

**WED 08:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87z3lc)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**WED 08:06 HARDtalk (w3ct544d)**

Garry Conille: What can he do for Haiti?

Stephen Sackur speaks to Haiti's interim Prime Minister Garry Conille. His mission is to rescue Haiti from an unfolding catastrophe characterised by gang violence, mass hunger, corruption and a broken economy. Given Haiti's recent history, what chance has he got?

**WED 08:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zvmgvr)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**WED 08:32 Business Daily (w3ct5zn8)**

When should you retire?

Have you decided when you'd like to retire? Will it be your choice, or is there a set age in your country or profession?

More than a million people took part in protests in France last year when the government proposed an increase to the retirement age without a vote.

Age has also played a big factor in the replacement of Joe Biden as the Democratic presidential candidate.

So is a fixed retirement age a good idea – or workplace outdated? Should it be more fluid – a matter of personal choice?

Presenter: David Harper

Producer: Victoria Hastings

(Image: Two women holding up placards that read, '64years it's no' march during a nation wide strike called for by French trade unions, in Rennes, northwest France on January 19, 2023. Credit: Damien Meyer/AFP via Getty Images)

**WED 08:50 Witness History (w3ct5ypw)**

Ronald Reagan and the Moral Majority

In 1979, the Moral Majority was launched and changed the course of US politics.

It was set up to promote family values by religious conservatives from Catholic, Jewish and evangelical Christian communities.

It urged Protestants, in particular, to go against the tradition of separating politics and religion. It encouraged them to vote Republican.

Richard Viguerie was one of the driving forces behind the movement.

He spoke to Claire Bowes in 2016.

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Recent episodes explore everything from football in Brazil, the history of the 'Indian Titanic' and the invention of air fryers, to Public Enemy's Fight The Power, subway art and the political crisis in Georgia. We look at the lives of some of the most famous leaders, artists, scientists and personalities in history, including: visionary architect Antoni Gaudi and the design of the Sagrada Familia; Michael Jordan and his bespoke Nike trainers; Princess Diana at the Taj Mahal; and Görel Hanser, manager of legendary Swedish pop band Abba on the influence they've had on the music industry. You can learn all about fascinating and surprising stories, such as the time an Iraqi journalist hurled his shoes at the President of the United States in protest of America's occupation of Iraq; the creation of the Hollywood commercial that changed advertising forever; and the ascent of the first Aboriginal MP.

(Photo: Richard Viguerie and Ronald Reagan. Credit: courtesy of ConservativeHQ.com)

**WED 09:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87z7bh)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**WED 09:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqdkb6rfqt)**  
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**WED 09:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zvnllw)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**WED 09:32 The Climate Question (w3ct5wrz)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:06 on Sunday]

**WED 10:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87zc2m)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**WED 10:06 World Book Club (w3ct5r3r)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 on Saturday]

**WED 11:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87zgrt)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**WED 11:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqdkb6rp72)**  
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**WED 11:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zvvv34)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**WED 11:32 The Global Story (w3ct6dr1)**  
Kamala Harris picks Tim Walz as her running mate

How do the Democratic and Republican VP nominees compare and how they will impact the 2024 race. Kamala Harris has chosen the Minnesota governor, Tim Walz, to be her running mate in November's presidential election. Mr Walz is a former teacher and military veteran, who's expected to appeal to rural working-class voters. He's made an impact on social media in recent weeks by labelling former President Trump and his running mate, JD Vance, as "weird". The Trump campaign has dismissed Mr Walz as a dangerously liberal extremist.

In this episode, Caitriona Perry speaks to our US Special correspondent Katty Kay and Jude Sheerin, who has led the BBC's online coverage of the past four presidential elections.

With both tickets now officially set for the Presidential election, you may want to listen back to our episode covering the moment when Trump announced JD Vance as his VP pick. You can listen to it here:  
<https://links.bbcpodcasts.com/oFsJImFd>

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This episode was made by Richard Moran and Alix Pickles. The technical producer was Gareth Jones. The assistant editor is Sergi Forcada Freixas and the senior news editor is Richard Fenton-Smith.

**WED 12:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87zlkw)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**WED 12:06 Outlook (w3ct5pcp)**  
Is Anybody Out There? Learning to love after leaving a cult

Werner and Katharina Schmidtke met in Chile in the notorious German sect, Colonia Dignidad. Growing up behind a massive guarded fence they wondered what they would find in the world outside - would it be a happier life away from the harsh rules and violence of the cult? Women and men were segregated, but they mixed during orchestra rehearsals. When the abusive sect leader, Paul Schäfer, went on the run from the law, the rules relaxed and relationships were permitted, and it was the 'joyful' flautist Katharina who caught Werner's eye. The couple left Colonia Dignidad and had to make sense of the strange new world beyond the fence together.

Please note that this programme contains reference to child sexual abuse.

Presenter: Asya Fouks  
Producer: Louise Morris

Translators: Claas Wuerfel and Florence de Schlichting

(Photo: Werner and Katharina Schmidtke who both played in the orchestra of the secretive German commune Colonia Dignidad; Credit: Werner Schmidtke)

**WED 12:50 Witness History (w3ct5ypw)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 today]

**WED 13:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87zqb0)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**WED 13:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqdkb6rxqb)**  
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**WED 13:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zvp2ld)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**WED 13:32 The Six Billion Dollar Gold Scam (w3ct6r3c)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 04:32 today]

**WED 14:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87zv24)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**WED 14:06 Newshour (w172zb903hsxpk3)**  
Interviews, news and analysis of the day's global events.

**WED 15:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n87zyt8)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**WED 15:06 HARDtalk (w3ct5t4d)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:06 today]

**WED 15:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zvpb2n)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**WED 15:32 World Business Report (w3ct60cv)**  
Glencore ditches plans to sell off coal business

Under pressure from investors, mining giant Glencore is shelving its plans to sell off its coal-mining business. What does that say about the company's commitment to a greener transition?

We examine the cost of living in Nigeria, which has seen a week of protests. And why Elon Musk is suing companies who refused to advertise on his social media platform X.

**WED 16:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n8802kd)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**WED 16:06 BBC OS (w172zbj4tqbmqmr)**  
Bangladesh's interim leader calls for calm

The Bangladeshi Nobel Prize winner, Muhammad Yunus, has called for calm and new elections after agreeing to lead an interim government. He's expected to return to Dhaka from Paris on Thursday. We hear from people who took part in the anti-government protests.

A court in Britain has handed down jail terms to the first people to be convicted of violent disorder since a wave of rioting began more than a week ago. We speak to our reporter and hear some reaction from the British people.

We explain why Thailand's constitutional court has ordered the dissolution of a political party that won the most seats in last year's general election.

Actors from the world of gaming went on strike at the end of July in a row about the use of artificial intelligence (AI) and the threat it poses to their livelihoods. We speak to our reporter about the latest.

Presenter: James Reynolds.

(Photo: Nobel laureate Muhammad Yunus, who was recommended by Bangladeshi student leaders as the head of the interim government in Bangladesh, walks at Paris Charles de Gaulle airport in Roissy-en-France, France August 7, 2024. Credit: Abdul Saboor/Reuters)

**WED 17:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n88069j)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**WED 17:06 BBC OS (w172zbj4tqbmvcw)**  
US elections: Harris and Walz hit the campaign trail

Kamala Harris and her vice presidential running mate, Tim Walz, are due in Michigan later on their campaign trail for November's elections. The pair will attend a rally in Detroit in

the evening. We ask farmers in Wisconsin how they feel about prospects of having Tim Walz as a vice-president in the White House.

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As diplomatic efforts continue to try to prevent a major escalation in the Middle East, we speak to our correspondent about today's developments and about Yahya Sinwar, who has been named as the new head of Hamas's political bureau.

Presenter: James Reynolds.

(Photo: US Vice President Harris and new running mate Governor Tim Walz Campaign in Eau Claire, Wisconsin, USA - 07 Aug 2024. Credit: CRAIG LASSIG/EPA-EFE/REX/Shutterstock)

**WED 18:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n880b1n)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**WED 18:06 Outlook (w3ct5pcp)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 today]

**WED 18:50 Witness History (w3ct5ypw)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 today]

**WED 19:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n880fss)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**WED 19:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqdkb6sn63)**  
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**WED 19:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zvp2t5)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**WED 19:32 Sport Today (w3ct5wbj)**  
2024/08/07 GMT

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

**WED 20:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n880kix)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**WED 20:06 The Climate Question (w3ct5wrz)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:06 on Sunday]

**WED 20:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zvp2t9)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**WED 20:32 Health Check (w3ct5t8x)**  
MPox outbreak worsens

Across the African continent cases of MPox have surged 160% this year. What is behind the spread, and what can be done to stop it?

Also on the programme: the prescription of GLP-1 drugs such as Ozempic and Wegovy is increasing as more health benefits are discovered, but what does that mean for supply issues? And there is a lot of talk about lactic acid and the Olympics, but does that word mean what you think it means?

(Photo: A mother checks the progress of her son after recovering from MPox - an infectious disease caused by the monkeypox virus in North Kivu province, Democratic Republic of the Congo, 18 July, 2024. Credit: Arlette Bashizi/Reuters)

**WED 21:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n880p91)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**WED 21:06 Newshour (w172zb903hsyjs0)**  
Russia declares state of emergency in Kursk

Russia has declared a state of emergency in the Kursk region in response to what Moscow says is a continuing cross-border incursion by the Ukrainian military. Also on the programme, police forces across England are deploying thousands of officers as eight days of unrest continues; and, a Bolivian tribe's secret to reducing the effects of ageing.

(Photo: Russian President Vladimir Putin meets cabinet members after Ukrainian attack in Kursk, Novo Ogaryovo, Russian Federation - 07 Aug 2024. VALERIY SHARIFULIN/SPUTNIK/KREMLIN POOL/EPA-EFE/REX/Shutterstock)

**WED 22:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n880t15)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**WED 22:06 HARDtalk (w3ct5t4d)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:06 today]

**WED 22:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zvq59k)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**WED 22:32 The Six Billion Dollar Gold Scam (w3ct6r3c)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 04:32 today]

**WED 23:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n880xs9)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**WED 23:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqdkb6t45m)**

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**WED 23:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zvq91p)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**WED 23:32 World Business Report (w3ct60g3)**

Inside Out 2 helps Disney's profits, but there is trouble elsewhere

The runaway success of Disney's Inside Out 2 has helped boost the entertainment giant's profits, but there are troubles elsewhere in the Magic Kingdom. Roger Hearing will be finding out why consumer demand seems to be slowing.

We hear how a tribe who live in the Bolivian rainforest may live a far healthier life than people with far more material wealth

And how much do Olympians really get paid if they win a gold, silver or bronze medal?

**THURSDAY 08 AUGUST 2024**

**THU 00:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n8811jf)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 00:06 World Book Club (w3ct5r3r)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 on Saturday]

**THU 01:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n88158k)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 01:06 Business Matters (w172zbfkvvlcff)**

Harris and Walz head to Detroit for rally

The Harris campaign has raised \$36m the day after announcing Walz as her running mate. As they both head to Detroit for their latest rally Roger Hearing finds out how far their momentum is going in the swing state of Michigan.

We hear how a tribe who live in the Bolivian rainforest may live a far healthier life than people with far more material wealth.

And how much do Olympians really get paid if they win a gold, silver or bronze medal?

**THU 02:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n88190p)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 02:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqdkb6thf0)**

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**THU 02:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zvqn92)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**THU 02:32 The Documentary (w3ct6w7n)**

Erasing Hong Kong

Hong Kong's history is being revised and erased - it's early origins, colonial legacy, post 1997 handover period and the crucial years since the mass 2019 democracy protests are being

uprooted, overturned and rewritten by a government guided by the ruling Communist Party in Beijing. This 'rewriting' of history is being enforced in schools, universities, libraries, the local media and online. This process has seen library shelves raided, museums closed for 'review', art galleries censored, media archives wiped, commemorations and memorials banned. Every department of government seems affected - library users asked to scour the shelves for 'banned' books, the arts sector to purge itself of 'anti-China elements', the annual commemorations of the 1989 Tiananmen Square Massacre shut down. Democracy activists, authors of children's books, students, and newspaper owners have been jailed for holding contradictory views, telling alternative narratives. All in the few years since 2019 and Covid-19. Hong Kong is a changed place - a place where memory wars are being fought, where history and your interpretation of it can lead to long prison sentences or exile.

A Soundscape Production

(Photo: Attendees wave Chinese and Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) flags during celebrations of the 27th anniversary of Hong Kong's handover from Britain to China on the Tsim Sha Tsui waterfront in Hong Kong. Credit: Leung Man Hei/EPA-EFE/REX/Shutterstock)

**THU 03:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n881drt)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 03:06 Outlook (w3ct5pcp)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 on Wednesday]

**THU 03:50 Witness History (w3ct5ypw)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 on Wednesday]

**THU 04:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n881jhy)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 04:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqdkb6tqx8)**

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**THU 04:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zvqwsb)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**THU 04:32 The Food Chain (w3ct5xn3)**

First impressions of a new food culture

Strawberries at the airport when meeting your future husband for the first time, finally tasting world famous fish and chips and wondering why on earth the pasta is green.

These are some of this week's stories of first impressions of food in a new country.

Devina Gupta visits a multilingual cooking class in Manchester, UK, to find out how language, culture and food help people find a home in a new part of the world.

She speaks to a chef who fled Ukraine when the war started and now runs a restaurant in the Netherlands. Nathalia adapted to life there very quickly, but still can't comprehend why the Dutch eat toast for every meal.

Mariyam and Marius share their love story from across continents, and talk about the dishes - and those strawberries - which brought them together when they finally met.

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

Presenter: Devina Gupta  
Producer: Hannah Bewley  
Translation: Irena Taranyuk

(Image: Devina Gupta has afternoon tea. Credit: BBC)

**THU 05:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n881n82)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 05:06 Newsday (w172zgb3mngvrxn)**

Mohammed Yunus tasked with leading Bangladesh returns to the country

The Nobel peace prize winner and economist Muhammad Yunus is heading back to Bangladesh to head an interim government, following the ousting of the prime minister, Sheikh Hasina. He has promised an "impartial" investigation into the killings of demonstrators and police during the month-long anti-government protests in which more than four hundred people died.

In other news, in his first interview since withdrawing from the US presidential race, Joe Biden has said he's not at all confident there'll be a peaceful transfer of power if Donald Trump loses November's election.

**THU 06:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n881s06)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 06:06 Newsday (w172zgb3mngvwns)**

Nobel laureate Muhammad Yunus to lead after ousting Sheikh Hasina

Bangladesh prepares to move forward following the protests that toppled long-time ruler Sheikh Hasina. Interim leader, economist and Nobel Laureate Muhammad Yunus, is due to arrive back in the country in the next few hours. What challenges lie ahead for the new caretaker cabinet?

Also in this hour, a state of emergency has been declared in the Kursk region of Russia, as a rare cross-border attack by Ukrainian troops continued on Wednesday.

And in sport, Zambia has won its first medal in over two decades but a loss for a historic Nigerian basketball team here in Paris at the Olympics Our sports presenter Isaac Fanin brings you the latest live from the Olympics in Paris.

**THU 07:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n881wrb)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 07:06 Newsday (w172zgb3mngw0dx)**

Thousands of anti-racism protesters rally in cities and towns across the UK

Thousands of anti-racism protesters took to Britain's streets last night amid reports of more far right rallies. We hear from a London lawyer who's advising his staff to work from home.

Mohammed Yunus, known as 'Banker to the poor' is returning to Bangladesh to become the interim leader.

In other stories, Three Taylor Swift concerts in Vienna are cancelled over fears of an Islamist attack. What is the impact for the pop diva and her legion of devoted fans.

And in sport, it has been a busy day of Olympic action with 27 gold medals up for grabs. We will discuss Modern Pentathlon and the games' new sport.

**THU 08:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n8820hg)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 08:06 The Inquiry (w3ct5xhl)**

Can Canada overcome its drug overdose crisis?

Last year the Canadian province of British Columbia, launched a landmark three-year pilot programme on drug decriminalisation. For a number of years now communities across Canada have been facing their own opioid crisis, as drugs like fentanyl become more easily available.

Vancouver in British Columbia, has always been at the forefront of drug policy change, yet it has seen an explosion in overdose deaths due to toxic drugs in recent years. So the city readily adopted the decriminalisation programme as a measure to try and help reduce the death rates. But now just over a year since its implementation, that pilot programme has been scaled back, and it now means that people found with drugs on their person in public places can be arrested again. Can Canada overcome its drug overdose crisis?

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(Photo: Supervised consumption sites in the DTES. Credit: Gary Coronado/Getty Images)

**THU 08:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zvrvcv)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**THU 08:32 Business Daily (w3ct5zc7)**

US Election: The American housing dream

As prices for homes and rents continue to rise in many towns and cities, it's one of the key issues for voters.

In 2023 the average price of a home in the United States was \$495,100, six per cent higher than a year earlier, though the signs are prices may now be starting to fall.

That's partly because mortgage rates have spiralled as high as 7% for many new buyers – making repayments prohibitive.

We ask business owners working in housing to tell us why, and what's the fix?

Presenter: Ed Butler  
Producer: David Cann

(Image: A "Now Leasing" sign outside the Willows at Valley Run, an affordable housing development, in Coatesville, Pennsylvania. Credit: Getty Images)

**THU 08:50 Witness History (w3ct5ykc)**

President Richard Nixon resigns

On 8 August 1974, Richard Nixon became the first US president in history to resign from office, following the Watergate scandal.

This scandal began with a break-in at the Democratic National Committee headquarters at the Watergate office complex in 1972, which was linked to Nixon's re-election campaign.

The release of tapes from within the White House, dubbed the Nixon Tapes, revealed Nixon's involvement in the cover-up, leading to a loss of political support and impending impeachment proceedings.

In 2014, Farhana Haider spoke to journalist Tom DeFrank, who watched the drama unfold minute by minute.

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(Photo: Richard Nixon. Credit: Getty Images)

**THU 09:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n88247f)**

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**THU 09:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqdkb6vbm)**

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**THU 09:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zvrhzh)**

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**THU 09:32 The Documentary (w3ct6w7n)**

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**THU 10:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n8827zq)**

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**THU 10:06 The Explanation (w3ct6plw)**

The Media Show: Online rumours and real-world consequences

In parts of the UK, violent protests broke out after the fatal stabbing of three young girls in the English town of Southport – rumours had spread that the suspect was an asylum seeker. Maria Breslin, editor of The Liverpool Echo, Priyanka Raval, reporter at The Bristol Cable and Stephanie Stacey, technology reporter at The Financial Times, have all been reporting the story.

Also, a development in the ongoing saga of the Netflix show Baby Reindeer. The alleged subject of the drama is suing the streamer in a huge defamation lawsuit. Now Netflix's lawyers have fired back – and the court documents are every bit as dramatic as the show itself. Jake Kanter, investigations editor at Deadline, has the details.

And what qualities do you need to be a journalist? The National Council for the Training of Journalists say the younger generation lacks confidence when it comes to tasks like cold calling and phone interviews.

Presenter: Katie Razzall  
Assistant producer: Lucy Wai  
Producer: Simon Richardson

**THU 10:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zvrn83)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**THU 10:32 The Global Jigsaw (w3ct6r7j)**

The Taliban's war on women

The Taliban's return to power in Afghanistan has led to the erasure of women from public life. There's a UN-led campaign to recognise it as "gender apartheid", but the international community is divided and lacking leverage. Three years after the group took the capital Kabul, our experts explain what life is like for half of the population and why women have become a proxy for the nation's image of itself.

Producer: Kriszta Satori, Elchin Suleymanov  
Presenter: Krassi Twigg

**THU 11:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n882cqy)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 11:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqdkb6v145)**

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**THU 11:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zvr07)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**THU 11:32 The Global Story (w3ct6dt9)**

What's behind the UK riots?

Violent anti-immigration protests have been taking place in cities across the UK for more than a week, leading to hundreds of arrests. The unrest has been linked to the online spread of misinformation about the fatal stabbing of three young girls in the seaside town of Southport in late July. With more protests expected, police have insisted the situation is "manageable" and praised the thousands who have turned out in counter-demonstrations. But how did an isolated attack lead to riots throughout the country?

On this episode Caitriona Perry is joined by the BBC's investigations correspondent, Daniel De Simone, to explain what's been happening both on the ground and online, and examine how far-right groups looked to capitalise on uncertainty following the tragic events in Southport.

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This episode was made by Alice Aylett Roberts, Laurie Kalus, Peter Goffin, and Beth Timmins. The technical producer was Phil Bull. The assistant editor is Sergi Forcada Freixas and the senior news editor is Richard Fenton-Smith.

**THU 12:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n882hgz)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 12:06 Outlook (w3ct5ny4)**

Is Anybody Out There? My journey to meet my birth parents

Darragh Graham grew up in Wicklow, on the east coast of Ireland. He always knew he was adopted, but until he became a father himself, he didn't feel an urgency to find out more about his heritage. Then, in his 30s, Darragh decided to make contact with his birth mother in Ireland. Their reunion was a happy one. And she gave him some vital clues about his birth father, who was from Trinidad. Now Darragh had a name and a picture, he turned to Trinidadian genealogist, and former Outlook guest, Shamsu Deen, for help. The only thing was, Darragh's father didn't know of his existence.

Presenter: Mobeen Azhar

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(Photo: Darragh Graham on a beach; Photo credit: Darragh Graham)

**THU 12:50 Witness History (w3ct5ykc)**

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**THU 13:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n882m73)**

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**THU 13:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqdkb6vtmf)**

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**THU 13:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zvrzh)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**THU 13:32 The Food Chain (w3ct5xn3)**

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**THU 14:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n882qz7)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 14:06 Newshour (w172zb903ht0lg6)**

Muhammad Yunus returns to Bangladesh to lead interim government

Nobel laureate Muhammad Yunus - a longtime political foe of Bangladesh's ousted prime minister Sheikh Hasina - has been named the country's interim leader. The 84-year-old was appointed a day after Ms Hasina fled the country following weeks of deadly protests that brought her resignation.

Also on the programme: The former president of Catalonia, in Spain, pops up briefly in Barcelona but is at risk of arrest; and the two astronauts struggling to find a way back to earth.

(Picture: Nobel laureate Muhammad Yunus attends a press briefing along with student leaders in Dhaka. Credit: Reuters/Mohammad Ponir Hossain)

**THU 15:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n882vqc)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 15:06 The Inquiry (w3ct5xhl)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:06 today]

**THU 15:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zvs6zr)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**THU 15:32 World Business Report (w3ct602t)**

Bangladesh welcomes a new leader

After the celebrations on the streets and jubilant return to Bangladesh for Muhammad Yunus - we hear the economic reality facing the interim leader and his country...

Also, we hear from Professor Lorna Woods, from the University of Essex as the UK authorities grapple with the part social media played in widespread anti-immigration riots.

**THU 16:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n882zgh)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 16:06 BBC OS (w172zbj4tqbqjmv)**

Bangladesh's interim leader being sworn in

The Nobel peace laureate Muhammad Yunus is being sworn in as interim leader of Bangladesh. The country has been in turmoil for weeks, with hundreds killed during anti-government protests. We hear from protesters and our reporter in the capital.

Catalan police are searching for the separatist leader Carles Puigdemont, after he returned from exile to make a surprise address in Barcelona. Our reporter in the newsroom gives the latest.

The Austrian authorities say a teenager they've arrested has confessed to planning a suicide attack on a Taylor Swift concert in Vienna. We speak to our security correspondent, a local reporter and hear from Taylor Swift fans.

Presenter: Luke Jones.

(Photo: Nobel laureate Muhammad Yunus meets student leaders as he arrives at the Hazarat Shahjalal International Airport, in Dhaka, Bangladesh, August 8, 2024. Credit: Mohammad Ponir Hossain/Reuters)

**THU 17:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n88336m)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 17:06 BBC OS (w172zbj4tqbqr8z)**

Fighting continues in Russia's Kursk region

Ukraine's president, Volodymyr Zelensky, has praised his army, three days into a cross-border assault on the Russian region of Kursk. He didn't directly acknowledge the operation, but said his troops had shown they could spring a surprise. We find out more about the developments.

Muhammad Yunus has been sworn in as the head of a military-backed caretaker government in Bangladesh. He has pledged to restore order after the unrest that toppled Sheikh Hasina. We hear from people who took part in the anti-government protests.

The fatal stabbing of three young girls at a dance class in the seaside town of Southport, in the north of England, has been followed by the worst unrest the UK has seen in more than a decade. The BBC's disinformation and social media correspondent Marianna Spring has been investigating one of the sources that has been accused of fuelling riots.

Two American astronauts, Barry Wilmore and Sunita Williams, might have to spend more than eight months, rather than eight days, in space. We speak to somebody who knows Barry well about how he might cope with the mission.

Presenter: Luke Jones.

(Photo: Russia's President Vladimir Putin speaks with Acting Governor of the Kursk region Alexei Smirnov via a video link outside Moscow, Russia August 8, 2024. Credit: Sputnik/Gavrill Grigorov/Kremlin via Reuters)

**THU 18:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n8836yr)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 18:06 Outlook (w3ct5ny4)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 today]

**THU 18:50 Witness History (w3ct5ykc)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 today]

**THU 19:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n883bpw)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 19:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqdkb6wk36)**

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**THU 19:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zvzspz8)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**THU 19:32 Sport Today (w3ct5w5y)**

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

**THU 20:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n883gg0)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 20:06 The Documentary (w3ct6w7n)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 02:32 today]

**THU 20:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zvstqd)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**THU 20:32 Science In Action (w3ct5vd3)**

Detecting undetected bird flu cases

Cases of bird flu in farm workers in the US may be going unreported, due to supposed poor surveillance and lack of testing. We hear from Amy Maxmen of KFF Health News who has been reporting on a study in Texas.

We hear from Bradley Moore, Professor of Marine Chemical Biology at University of California, San Diego about marine algae using massive enzymes, dubbed PKZILLAs to

biosynthesize fish-killing toxins.

BBC Science Correspondent Jonathan Amos gives us the latest on the two American astronauts who blasted off on a test mission to the International Space Station on 5 June, expecting to be back home in a matter of days. But the pair are still there, floating high above the Earth two months later - stuck indefinitely - now facing the sudden prospect of missing the summer entirely and even spending Christmas and New Year in space.

And sea lion camera crews are helping researchers explore previously unmapped ocean habitats in southern Australia. Nathan Angelakis of the University of Adelaide tells us about working with the animal camera operators and what we can learn from viewing their movements.

Presenter: Roland Pease  
Producer: Jonathan Blackwell

Production co-ordinator: Jana Bennett-Holesworth

(Image: Young Farmer and Cows on Dairy Farm. Credit: EyeJoy via Getty Images)

**THU 21:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n883164)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 21:06 Newshour (w172zb903ht1fp3)**

Muhammad Yunus sworn in as interim Bangladesh leader

Muhammad Yunus has been sworn in as Bangladesh's interim leader. He flew into Dhaka after Sheikh Hasina - who ruled the country for 15 years - fled to India following weeks of student-led protests. We hear from someone who worked with Mr Yunus in microfinance - the field that led him to win a Nobel peace prize in 2006.

Also in our programme: as Kamala Harris draws closer in the polls, Republican presidential candidate Donald Trump held his first conference since her nomination as his Democratic opponent; and the Norwegian Foreign Minister responds to Israel's decision to strip eight Norwegian diplomats of their diplomatic accreditation.

(Photo: Muhammad Yunus signs the oath book as the country's head of the interim government in Bangladesh. Credit: Reuters / Mohammad Ponir Hossain)

**THU 22:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n883py8)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 22:06 The Inquiry (w3ct5xhl)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:06 today]

**THU 22:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zvt26n)**

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**THU 22:32 The Food Chain (w3ct5xn3)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 04:32 today]

**THU 23:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n883tpd)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**THU 23:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqdkb6x12q)**

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**THU 23:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zvt5ys)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**THU 23:32 World Business Report (w3ct6052)**

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The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**FRI 00:06 The Explanation (w3ct6plw)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:06 on Thursday]

**FRI 00:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zvt9px)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**FRI 00:32 Happy News (w3ct5spt)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:32 on Sunday]

**FRI 01:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n88425n)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**FRI 01:06 Business Matters (w172zbfkvvlgbj)**

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Roger Hearing discusses these and more business stories with two guests on opposite sides of the world: Zyma Islam, a journalist for The Daily Star in Dhaka, Bangladesh, and Alexander Kaufman, a senior reporter with the Huffington Post in New York.

**FRI 02:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n8845xs)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**FRI 02:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqdkb6xdb3)**

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**FRI 02:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zvtk65)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**FRI 02:32 Tech Life (w3ct5wml)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 20:32 on Tuesday]

**FRI 03:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n8849nx)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**FRI 03:06 Outlook (w3ct5ny4)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 on Thursday]

**FRI 03:50 Witness History (w3ct5ykc)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 on Thursday]

**FRI 04:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n884ff1)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**FRI 04:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqdkb6xmtc)**

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**FRI 04:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zvtspf)**

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**FRI 04:32 Heart and Soul (w3ct5tff)**

Digital grief

New digital technologies including AI have started to find a place in the grieving process, sometimes alongside more traditional religious rituals. 'Grief tech' concepts are springing up across the world, aiming to mask the finality of death for those left behind.

Nkem Ifejika, who lost his mother three years ago, samples some of the products of the grief tech industry. He meets Stephen Smith, creator of StoryFile, a system which enables him to interact with his late mother almost as if he was interviewing her on video in the here and now.

He also talks to Japanese media artist and fantasy inventor Etsuko Ichihara, who has developed a robot that mirrors the physical personality, speech and gestures of a person who has died.

And Nkem hears from Justin Harrison, who has been working on recreating the essence of his late mother's personality. Nkem tries this system for himself and hears a voice that does remind him of his own mother, saying what she might have said. But how useful is the illusion that a loved one is still around?

Presenter: Nkem Ifejika  
Producer: Rosie Dawson  
A ATVC production for BBC World Service

(Photo: Japanese designer Etsuko Ichihara with her humanoid robot. Credit: Tom Mestic)

**FRI 05:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n884k55)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**FRI 05:06 Newsday (w172zkb3mngytr)**  
Trump and Harris to debate in September

ABC News has confirmed that Donald Trump and the US vice president, Kamala Harris, will take part in an election debate on its channel on the 10th of September. It's the first confirmed TV showdown between the two presidential candidates. Mr Trump also said he wanted two additional debates in September - the first of them on Fox News.

In other news, Nobel laureate Muhammad Yunus has been sworn in as Bangladesh's interim leader, vowing to "uphold, support and protect the constitution".

**FRI 06:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n884nx9)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**FRI 06:06 Newsday (w172zkb3mngyskw)**  
Harris and Trump sign up to TV showdown

ABC News has said it will host the first debate between Donald Trump and Kamala Harris on 10 September. It comes after Mr Trump said that he would be open to debating his Democratic rival multiple times before November's election. National and battleground state polls suggest the Democrats campaign has gained ground after Ms Harris replaced President Biden on the ticket, but the race for the White House remains a close contest.

In other news, the United States, Egypt and Qatar have issued a joint statement calling on Israel and Hamas to resume negotiations over a ceasefire and hostage-release deal in Gaza.

**FRI 07:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n884snf)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**FRI 07:06 Newsday (w172zkb3mngyxb0)**  
Harris and Trump agree to debate as presidential race tightens

Donald Trump and Kamala Harris have agreed to a presidential debate on the US news channel ABC on September 10. As campaigning continues, Kamala Harris and her running mate Tim Walz have been addressing autoworkers in Detroit. In Florida, Mr Trump insisted there would be a peaceful transfer of power after November's vote.

In other news, the son of Bangladesh's former prime minister, Sheikh Hasina, has told Indian media that his mother plans to return to the country when the new caretaker government holds elections

**FRI 08:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n884xdk)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**FRI 08:06 HARDtalk (w3ct5svc)**  
Chris Ruddy: Is Trump's team worried?

Stephen Sackur speaks to Newsmax Media CEO Chris Ruddy, a key influencer on the American right and a longtime friend of Donald Trump. Polls have Democratic candidate Kamala Harris narrowly ahead of the former president in the race for the White House. Is Team Trump worried?

**FRI 08:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zvv8ny)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**FRI 08:32 Business Daily (w3ct4mqg)**  
Business Daily meets: Ben Ainslie

Sir Ben Ainslie is the most decorated Olympic sailor of all time, winning medals at five consecutive Olympic Games.

Since then, he's been sailing in the America's Cup and more recently in the new SailGP league.

Now, he's stepping back from some of his sailing responsibilities to concentrate on being a CEO.

For this episode of Business Daily, Sam Fenwick talks to Sir Ben about what it takes to run a sailing team, how to monetise the sport, and where he sees its future.

(Picture: Sir Ben Ainsley. Credit: Emirates GBR)

Presenter: Sam Fenwick  
Producer: Hannah Mullane

**FRI 08:50 Witness History (w3ct5ydv)**  
The first televised US presidential debate

In 1956, the two largest US parties agreed to participate for the first time in a televised debate ahead of the presidential elections. But instead of incumbent President Dwight D. Eisenhower and his Democratic opponent Adlai Stevenson, the audience watched two female representatives defending their candidates.

Former first lady Eleanor Roosevelt and Senator Margaret Chase Smith took the stage to represent the Democratic and Republican candidates. It was a 30-minute format in which speakers focused on international affairs and civil rights. A panel of journalists asked questions and both women were allowed to render a final statement, setting the path for future debates.

Historians Kate Scott and Janann Sherman tell Stefania Gozzer how the event took place.

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(Photo: Eleanor Roosevelt and Margaret Chase Smith. Credit: CBS News)

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**FRI 09:06 The Newsroom (w172zbdqkb6y7k0)**  
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**FRI 09:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zvvdf2)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**FRI 09:32 Science In Action (w3ct5vd3)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 20:32 on Thursday]

**FRI 10:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n8854wt)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**FRI 10:06 Unexpected Elements (w3ct5q24)**  
Let them eat crab

This week we're inspired by the price of a lobster dinner fit for a king. The recently revealed price tag for President Macron's banquet back at the end of 2023, about half a million dollars, kickstarts an Unexpected Elements challenge – can the team create something similar and manage to save not only cash, but an Italian ecosystem from an American invader?

And waste not want not as we discover how the bits of a crustacean dinner you'd usually throw in the bin may be the key

to a new generation of rechargeable batteries.

We'll also be exploring the science of spices with Dr Stuart Farrimond and singing the praises of a blue-blooded crab that's really a giant spider, which has been helping out the medical industry for decades.

That plus many other Unexpected Elements.

Bon appétit!

**FRI 11:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n8858my)**  
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**FRI 11:06 The Newsroom (w172zbdqkb6yh18)**  
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**FRI 11:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zvvmb)**  
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

**FRI 11:32 The Global Story (w3ct6dwk)**  
Paris 2024: Breaking makes its Olympic debut

How a street dance from New York made it to the Games. Breaking is an art form, a cultural touchstone, and now an Olympic sport. So what does it take to be a champion? And can breakers use this moment in the spotlight to inspire the next generation of b-girls and b-boys?

On this episode Azadeh Moshiri is joined by BBC Sport Correspondent Katie Gornall and Zack "Cracker Zacks" Slusser, the vice president of Breaking DanceSport for USA Dance.

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**FRI 12:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n885dd2)**  
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**FRI 12:06 Outlook (w3ct6992)**  
Outlook Mixtape: Love under the stars, finding dad and surviving solitary

This week's mixtape brings you stories of the exceptional lengths people go to to make connections with others.

Kenyan astronomer Susan Murabana's life was transformed when she first looked through a telescope at the age of 22. She was immediately struck by the way it connected her to the cosmos and changed her perspective on the world. Making it her mission to share the experience with others, she organised a trip to northern Kenya to see a solar eclipse. There, under the stars, she met and fell in love with British documentary maker Daniel 'Chiu' Owen.

Growing up in Ireland Darragh Graham always knew he was adopted, but it wasn't until he became a father himself that he felt an urgency to learn more about his birth parents. After being reunited with his birth mother in Ireland, Darragh set out to look for his father with Trinidadian genealogist, and former Outlook guest, Shamshu Deen by his side.

When Australian Kylie Moore-Gilbert was jailed for two years in an Iranian prison after being accused of spying, she used toilet paper, pink trousers, and pot plants to communicate with other prisoners, undetected by the guards. These creative methods of communication helped Kylie cope with long periods spent in solitary confinement and, thanks to her fellow inmates, she came to realise that she was a hostage being used as a bargaining chip.

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**FRI 12:50 Witness History (w3ct5ydv)**

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**FRI 13:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n885j46)**

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**FRI 13:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqdkb6yqjj)**

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**FRI 13:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zvvwdl)**

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**FRI 13:32 Heart and Soul (w3ct5tff)**

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**FRI 14:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n885mwb)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**FRI 14:06 Newshour (w172zb903ht3he9)**

More villages evacuated in Russia after Ukrainian offensive

Over the past few days Ukrainian forces have launched a ground offensive inside Russia in the Kursk region. Russia's defence ministry says it's sending reinforcements and so far, four villages have been evacuated near the area. Military analyst Alexander Lord talks us through Ukraine's change in strategy. Also in the programme: A victory for press freedom in the Philippines today. Rappler, the news organisation run by Nobel prize winner Maria Ressa, will have its corporate license restored. We hear from her. And in Brazil, deforestation in the Amazon has decreased by 46% compared to the past year. (Credit: Photo by Russian Emergencies Ministry HANDOUT/EPA-EFE/REX/Shutterstock)

**FRI 15:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n885rmg)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**FRI 15:06 HARDtalk (w3ct5svc)**

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**FRI 15:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zvw3vv)**

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**FRI 15:32 World Business Report (w3ct5zss)**

A rollercoaster week in markets

An update on the rollercoaster week in global markets

British Airways has become the latest international airline to drop its direct flights to China

And we hear from the BBC's Adrienne Murray from Copenhagen on the new trend of responsible tourism

**FRI 16:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n885wcl)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**FRI 16:06 BBC OS (w172zbj4tqbtjfy)**

Russia sends reinforcements to Kursk

Russia's defence ministry says it's rushing reinforcements to the Kursk region to try to repel an ongoing incursion by Ukrainian troops. There's been heavy fighting in the area since Ukraine launched a surprise attack on Tuesday. We hear from our correspondent in Ukraine and from BBC Russian.

We have the latest on the Paris Olympics and hear from Botswana where a half-day national holiday has been declared to celebrate the country's first Olympic gold.

We speak to Bangladeshis around the world about the dramatic week with the new interim government now in charge of the country.

Presenter: Luke Jones.

(Photo: Russia says 3,000 evacuated amid Ukrainian offensive in Kursk region, Oryol, Russian Federation - 09 Aug 2024. Credit: Russian Emergencies Ministry HANDOUT/EPA-EFE/REX/Shutterstock)

**FRI 17:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n88603q)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**FRI 17:06 BBC OS (w172zbj4tqbtm62)**

Paris Olympics: Medals and memories

A half-day national holiday has been declared in Botswana to celebrate the sprinter Letsile Tebogo winning the country's first Olympic gold. We hear from jubilant citizens and speak to President Mokgweetsi Masisi of Botswana about the historic win.

We also speak about Pakistan's and India's sporting heroes in javelin, and hear from Olympic superfans about their best experiences in Paris.

Russia's defence ministry says its rushing reinforcements to the Kursk region to try to repel an ongoing incursion by Ukrainian troops. There's been heavy fighting in the area since Ukraine launched a surprise attack on Tuesday. We hear from our correspondent in Ukraine.

Reports from Lebanon say a senior Hamas official and his bodyguard have been killed in an alleged Israeli drone strike on a vehicle near the city of Sidon. We get more details from our correspondent in Beirut.

Presenter: Luke Jones.

(Photo: Letsile Tebogo of Botswana celebrates with his national flag after winning gold - August 08, 2024. Credit: Kai Pfaffenbach/Reuters)

**FRI 18:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n8863vv)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**FRI 18:06 Outlook (w3ct6992)**

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**FRI 18:50 Witness History (w3ct5ydv)**

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**FRI 19:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n8867lz)**

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**FRI 19:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqdkb6zg09)**

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**FRI 19:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zvwlwc)**

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**FRI 19:32 Sport Today (w3ct5wlf)**

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

**FRI 20:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n886cc3)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

**FRI 20:06 BBC OS Conversations (w3ct5rbx)**

Gen Z and power change in Bangladesh

After weeks of student-led demonstrations and violence across the country – which caused the deaths of hundreds of people – prime minister Sheikh Hasina has fled to India and resigned after 15 years of controversial rule. Many of those left behind are celebrating what they are describing as a second independence.

The man brought in to temporarily lead the country – the Nobel Peace Prize laureate Muhammad Yunus – has called on young people to help rebuild the South Asian country. Generation Z, who are mostly in their teens and 20s, have played a large role in forcing political change. Hosts Luke Jones and James Reynolds bring some of those young voices together to hear their thoughts and hopes for the future.

“This entire movement was wonderfully led by the student protesters and the coordinators,” said Plabani, a student who's from the minority Hindu community and lives in the capital Dhaka. “I think having some new students or some new young faces in the leadership would not harm the country.”

We also hear from Bangladeshis living in the US, Germany and Australia about following the events from afar and their thoughts on returning home to both family and a new democratic government.

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(Photo: Nobel laureate Muhammad Yunus, who was recommended by Bangladeshi student leaders as the head of the interim government in Bangladesh in Dhaka, Bangladesh.

August 8, 2024. Credit: Mohammad Ponir Hossain/Reuters)

**FRI 20:30 BBC News Summary (w172zgg12zvwqmh)**

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**FRI 20:32 CrowdScience (w3ct5rnf)**

How do fish survive in the deep ocean?

When listener Watum heard about the Titan submersible implosion in the news in 2023, a question popped up in his mind: if a machine that we specifically built for this purpose cannot sustain the water pressure of the deep ocean, how do fish survive down there?

In this episode, we travel with marine biologist Alan Jamieson to the second deepest place in our oceans: the Tonga trench. Meanwhile, presenter Caroline Steel speaks to Edie Widder about the creatures that illuminate our oceans, and travels to Copenhagen to take a closer look one of the strangest deep sea creatures and its deep sea adaptations.

But even fish have their limits! Scientist Paul Yancey correctly predicted the deepest point that fish can live, and it all comes down to one particular molecule.

So is there anything living beyond these depths? Well, there is only one way to find out...

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(Image: Deep-sea fish - stock photo, Credit: superjoseph via Getty Images)

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**FRI 21:06 Newshour (w172zb903ht4bl6)**

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

**FRI 22:00 BBC News (w172zgf6n886lvc)**

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**FRI 22:06 HARDtalk (w3ct5svc)**

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