

SATURDAY 08 FEBRUARY 2025**SAT 00:00 BBC News (w172zgfkkxy326c)**

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 00:06 Unexpected Elements (w3ct5q34)

All by myself

French president Emmanuel Macron recently announced that Leonardo da Vinci's famous Mona Lisa painting will be moved to her very own room at the Louvre, as part of a plan to renovate the iconic museum.

And that got us thinking. Once the crowds have gone home every night, the Mona Lisa will be all by herself, with no other paintings to smile at enigmatically across the room.

So this week, we are talking all things isolation. We start things off by finding out about a key cognitive skill that may have been impacted by COVID-19 lockdowns.

Next, we discover more about the history of loneliness and the impact it can have on your health, before discussing what evolutionary roads isolated island species will go down.

Plus, we're joined by Professor Jonathan Harrington from the University of Munich. He reveals how our accents can be affected by isolation. That, plus many more Unexpected Elements.

Presenters: Marnie Chesterton, with Christine Yohannes and Affelia Wibisono.
Producers: Alice Lipscombe-Southwell, with Dan Welsh, William Hornbrook and Imaan Moin.

SAT 01:00 BBC News (w172zgfkkxy35yh)

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SAT 01:06 Business Matters (w172zbfy458fg3c)

USAID: Will staff be put on leave?

A federal court is pausing President Trump's plan put thousands of USAID staff on leave

The UK government has demanded access to Apple users' encrypted data.

The Cook Islands Prime Minister says New Zealand is asking for too much oversight over its deal with China, which is expected to be penned in Beijing next week.

And the US Super Bowl is kicking off in New Orleans this weekend. What will this mean for the economy there?

Global business news, with live guests and contributions from Asia and the USA.

SAT 02:00 BBC News (w172zgfkkxy39pm)

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SAT 02:06 The Newsroom (w172zqbqtmwvj2y)

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SAT 02:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdc9jsnz0)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SAT 02:32 Stumped (w3ct5whz)

'How long will you ignore Afghanistan girls?'

Alison Mitchell, Clint Wheelton and Charu Sharma are joined by the captain of the Afghanistan women's XI who played an exhibition match last week in Melbourne. Nahida Sapan tells us about the day itself, whether the team have felt supported and tells us her thoughts on whether she would support a boycott of Afghanistan men's matches.

In a recent statement the ICC said "The ICC remains closely engaged with the situation in Afghanistan and continues to collaborate with our members... The governing body added it was their intention to "support the Afghanistan Cricket Board (ACB) in fostering cricket development and ensuring playing opportunities for both men and women in Afghanistan".

An ICC working group, set up after the Taliban takeover in 2021, has met with representatives of the Afghanistan government and is keen to use its position and the sport of cricket to influence change in the country.

Plus, Clint Wheelton tells us how the Aussie triumph in the Women's Ashes has been received in Australia and about the influence of spinner Alana King. We also hear from the

Managing Director of England Women's Cricket Clare Connor on what she believes went wrong.

And we ask if India coach Gautam Gambhir is beating England coach Brendon McCullum at his own game after their risky approach in the white ball series.

Photo: Nahida Sapan, captain of Afghanistan Women's XI, leads out her teammates before the cricket match between Afghanistan Women's XI and Cricket Without Borders XI at Junction Oval in Melbourne on January 30, 2025. (Photo by MARTIN KEEP/AFP via Getty Images)

SAT 03:00 BBC News (w172zgfkkxy3ffr)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 03:06 Outlook (w3ct69b2)

Outlook Mixtape: The museum of memories and dreams

Bosnian Edis Kolar guarded a life-saving tunnel built in the basement of his family home during the siege of Sarajevo. The secret passage provided a safe way to move people and supplies in and out of the surrounded city. Edis tells Outlook's Mariana Des Forges how he lived in the tunnel house for the whole war, helping the thousands who crossed through the passage every day. When the war ended Edis turned his home into a museum to honour the 'Tunnel of Hope'. This interview was first broadcast in 2020.

At his day job as a security officer at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York, Egyptian Armia Malak Khalil spends his time guarding precious artworks, including paintings from great masters like Rubens, Caravaggio and Rembrandt. By night Armia works in a studio in New Jersey making his own artworks – sculptures carved out of wood. One day while at work, Armia thought he was having a conversation with just another museum visitor but this chat would catapult him to an opportunity he could only dream of.

Aparecida Vilaça is a Brazilian anthropologist who spent years in the Amazon recording the stories of Brazil's indigenous Wari' people. Many of them were told by the elderly storyteller, Paletó. Aparecida's original recordings of Paletó were held in Rio de Janeiro in the Indigenous Language collection at the National Museum but were destroyed when the museum burned down in 2018. And Brazilian Beatriz Hörmanseder is a paleontologist who lost all her work in the fire but came up with a unique way to cope with the trauma of that loss. She got a tattoo of the building's facade and set up a project where other students and staff could do the same. Outlook's Maryam Maruf reports. This interview was first broadcast in 2019.

Presenter: India Rakusen
Producer: May Cameron

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(Photo: Cassette Tape. Credit: Getty Images)

SAT 03:50 Witness History (w3ct5yfv)

Heathers: The making of a cult classic

In 1989, a dark teen comedy exploring self-harm and suicide flopped at cinemas.

Heathers would have to wait years before achieving cult status through home video tape releases.

Its stark portrayal of teenage life launched an age of more radical teen movies.

Actress Lisanne Falk played one of the 'Heathers', a titular trio of girls who ruled their school, until someone started taking them down.

She tells Drew Hyndman about Heathers' journey to cult classic.

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 Gaudí 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.

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SAT 05:06 The Newsroom (w172zqbqtmwvbb)

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SAT 05:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdc9jt16d)

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SAT 05:32 Diddy On Trial (w3ct7m4s)

BBC exclusive: 'Women flown in for sex'

As Sean 'Diddy' Combs awaits trial on charges of kidnapping, drugging and sex trafficking women, industry insiders who knew him during his meteoric rise in the 1990s speak exclusively to the BBC about their experiences.

Daniel Evans, who worked at Bad Boy Records between 1994 and 1997, has told the BBC's Investigations team that women were flown in for sex.

He and other employees also recall a culture of big money, threats of violence and sex in the studios of Diddy's Bad Boy record label. Diddy denies all the allegations.

Anoushka Mutanda-Dougherty hears about the findings from BBC Investigations Correspondent Rianna Croxford.

The Diddy on Trial podcast is here to investigate the rumours, confront the theories, and give you the answers that you need.

We also want YOU to be part of the conversation. Have you any burning questions about the cases or the upcoming trial? Heard a theory that doesn't sit right with you? Get in touch now via WhatsApp: +44330 123 555 1.

Presenter: Anoushka Mutanda-Dougherty
Investigations Producer: Larissa Kennelly
Series Producer: Laura Jones
Sound Design: Richard Hannaford
Production Coordinator: Hattie Valentine
Editor: Clare Fordham

Commissioning Editor: Rhian Roberts

SAT 05:50 More or Less (w3ct5trg)

Are black babies in the US really more likely to die under the care of white doctors?

Babies born in the US to Black Hispanic or African American mothers are more likely to die than any other ethnic group in America.

That is a fact.

But the reason why this happens is unclear. In 2020 a study came out that claimed that black babies attended by white doctors after birth were twice as likely to die than white babies attended by white doctors.

People jumped to the conclusion that the race of the doctor was leading to the different outcomes. But when you delve into the numbers, a very different picture starts to emerge.

Presenter: Lizzy McNeill
Series producer: Tom Colls
Production coordinator: Brenda Brown
Sound mix: Steve Greenwood
Editor: Richard Vadon

SAT 06:00 BBC News (w172zgfkkxy3sp4)

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SAT 06:06 Weekend (w172zcxfrkk31kz)

Thousands of USAID jobs on hold after a judge blocks Trump plan

A judge has temporarily blocked President Donald Trump from placing 2,200 workers at the US Agency for International

Development on paid leave, hours before it was due to happen. In the Middle East, Hamas is expected to release a fifth group of Israeli hostages. Eli Sharabi, Ohad Ben Ami, and Or Levy were those named by Hamas – hours after the list was originally due to be published.

The UK government wants to be able to access encrypted data stored by Apple users worldwide in its cloud service. Currently only the Apple account holder can access data stored in this way. The tech giant itself cannot view it. The news was first reported by the Washington Post, quoting sources familiar with the matter, and the BBC has spoken to similar contacts. To discuss this and more, Yasmeen Serhan, an American-British journalist and digital features editor for the Reuters news agency and Matthew Phillips, a campaigner for the Global Optimism climate and environment organisation. CREDIT PICTURE: A person leaves flowers, next to a USAID sign / REUTERS.

SAT 07:00 BBC News (w172zgfkkxy3xf8)

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SAT 07:06 Weekend (w172zcxfrkk35b3)

Foreign aid cuts could have serious consequences on the African continent

A judge issued a temporary restraining order to prevent thousands of USAID staff to be placed on administrative leave. Rhoda Odhiambo, who is a senior journalist for the BBC's Focus on Africa programme, told us about the scale of USAID's operations on the continent and the potential ramifications of their scaling-back.

European Union scientists at the Copernicus Climate Service said this January was 1.75 degrees hotter than pre-industrial times - extending the persistent run of history-making highs in 2023 and 2024.

The first complete opera known to have been written by a Black American has been introduced to audiences, including descendants of the composer's family.

To discuss this and more, Yasmeen Serhan, an American-British journalist and digital features editor for the Reuters news agency and Matthew Phillips, a campaigner for the Global Optimism climate and environment organisation
PICTURE CREDIT: A notice outside a clinic states that Wits RHI Key Population Programme is unable to provide services until further notice following a USAID notification to pause the programme in Cape Town, South Africa, January 28, 2025. REUTERS

SAT 08:00 BBC News (w172zgfkkxy415d)

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SAT 08:06 Weekend (w172zcxfrkk3927)

Hamas set to release three more Israeli hostages under Gaza ceasefire deal

Three more Israeli hostages are to be released by Hamas on Saturday, in return for the freeing of Palestinian prisoners held in Israel.

It's just four years since the Covid-19 pandemic brought the world to a halt and killed an estimated 20-30 million people. But what's the future for global health policy now that Argentina has followed the United States in withdrawing from the World Health Organisation? We discussed the issue with Anders Nordström who served as the WHO's acting director-general in 2006.

Also voters in the South American country of Ecuador will go to the polls on Sunday February 9th.

The incumbent president Daniel Noboa, faces a tough challenge from his left-wing rival, Luisa Gonzalez. The impact of the drug war between rival crime cartels meant last year more than seven-thousand people were killed out of a population of 18 million - the highest murder rate in South America.

Domenica Avila-Luna is an expert on Ecuador and a research associate at the Policy Institute at King's College, in London and she joined us in the studio.

Also part of the discussion, our guests Yasmeen Serhan, an American-British journalist and digital features editor for the Reuters news agency and Matthew Phillips, a campaigner for the Global Optimism climate and environment organisation
CREDIT PICTURE: People embrace as families and supporters gather on the day of the expected release of Ohad Ben Am / REUTERS

SAT 09:00 BBC News (w172zgfkkxy44xj)

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SAT 09:06 BBC OS Conversations (w3ct5rcx)

Donald Trump and the future of Gaza

Many countries have condemned President Trump in recent days for his proposal to "take over" the Gaza strip while "resetting" Palestinians in neighbouring countries.

In our conversations we hear from two women in Gaza, returning to what's left of their homes. Weam shares with us an audio diary of her recent experiences and we bring her together with Farida to discuss why they want to stay where they are.

"The people of Gaza have always endured suffering, facing hunger and displacement," Weam tells host Mark Lowen. "We have never had a say in our fate."

Donald Trump's proposal for Gaza would be the largest shift in US policy on the Middle East in decades. Many other nations still support the two-state solution, which would create two separate states – Israel and an independent Palestine – something the Netanyahu government of Israel is against. For our second conversation, we bring together two Israelis who have been involved in past peace talks. What do they think of Donald Trump's plan?

Presenter: Mark Lowen.

BBC producers: Laura Cress, Iqra Farooq and Kira Fomenko. Boffin Media producer: Richard Hollingham.

An EcoAudio certified Boffin Media production in partnership with the BBC OS team.

(Photo: Weam in Gaza. Credit: Weam)

SAT 09:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggde9jtj5x)

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SAT 09:32 Pick of the World (w3ct5v1t)

Your responses to our extreme weather reporting

As 2024 was the hottest year on scientific record, lots of you think there is too much talk about weather events and the link to climate change. Plus, a "miracle" baby born 15 months after her father's death, China's dam building, the end of "canned" lion hunting and the sweatshirt that tells people around you how you feel.

SAT 09:50 Over to You (w3ct5tv1)

The financial pressures facing BBC World Service English

The BBC World Service says that despite a recent increase in grant-aid support from the UK government, the extra cash is not enough to maintain all its English language service programmes. As a result some shows are facing the axe later this year. We'll tell you which programmes are involved - and also hear listeners' reactions.

Presenter: Rajan Datar

Producer: Howard Shannon

A Whistledown production for BBC World Service

SAT 10:00 BBC News (w172zgfkkxy48nn)

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SAT 10:06 Sportshour (w3ct5qbx)

Sportshour at Super Bowl LIX: New Orleans edition

Sportshour comes from New Orleans on the eve of Super Bowl LIX with Katie Smith in the city to bring you the atmosphere and the stories ahead of Philadelphia Eagles against Kansas City Chiefs.

Katie Smith meets Jackie Wallace who had it all, but the three-time Super Bowl star had a demon he couldn't deal with. After retirement, he slipped into addiction and lost everything. Ted Jackson was a photojournalist assigned to head to skid row and "find a story". Whilst taking pictures, Jackie came up to him and asked what he was doing. "I've been asked to find a story down here," Ted said. "Well," Jackie responded, "Have I got a story for you!" Amazed by who he was speaking with and saddened by the state he found Jackie in; he resolved to help him. That started a long friendship which has seen its difficulties, but Jackie now lives a clean life off the streets and the bond between the two is no small part of the reason.

New Orleans is the home of Jazz, and the father of Jazz is Fats Waller. Well, his great grandson, Darren Waller was a big name in the NFL. He retired last year to turn his mind to music. We catch up with him to talk about football, fame and his family's musical heritage.

Plus, New Orleans is known as the party capital of the South, synonymous with warm welcomes, Mardi Gras, and all that Jazz. But in August 2005 that all changed, now when people think of New Orleans, they think of Hurricane Katrina. The Super Dome, where the Super Bowl will be played, was the city's "shelter of last resort" in 2005. So, if you did not have the means of escaping, or had nowhere to go, you could find sanctuary at the Super Dome. What happened next at the Super Dome would define the misery, suffering and devastation the hurricane would cause. What happened there just over two

years later symbolised the city's resolution, recovery, and rebirth, and at the very heart of it would be Doug and Denise Thornton. Doug was, and still is, the manager of the Super Dome, through their eyes we will learn what it was like to be in the Super Dome when Katrina hit and how it was rebuilt.

(Photo: The Super Bowl LIX logo, the Kansas City Chiefs logo and the Philadelphia Eagles logo projected onto St. Louis Cathedral, Jackson Square, 5 February, 2025, New Orleans, Louisiana. Credit: Getty Images)

SAT 11:00 BBC News (w172zgfkkxy4dds)

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SAT 11:06 The Newsroom (w172zqbtrmwxtl3)

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SAT 11:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggde9jtrp5)

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SAT 11:32 Unspun World with John Simpson (w3ct5yxb)

Donald Trump's whirlwind start to his second term

John Simpson, in discussion with the BBC's unparalleled range of experts across the world, examines Donald Trump's first few weeks in office, analyses whether the United States is going to start a trade war, and looks at how Mexico is dealing with the new administration in Washington.

(Photo: President Donald Trump. Credit: Jim Lo Scalzo/EPA)

SAT 12:00 BBC News (w172zgfkkxy4j4x)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 12:06 World Questions (w3ct5yyp)

Lithuania

It is the NATO frontline, but three years after the invasion of Ukraine, Lithuanians worry their country could be next. Defence spending is rising fast, NATO has committed a permanent brigade and Lithuanians are organising themselves into rifle clubs and citizen defence forces. The rights of minorities, US designs on Greenland and relations with Denmark all feature as Jonny Dymond and a high power panel debate Lithuania's biggest issues at the Palace of the Grand Dukes in Vilnius.

The panel:

Eugenijus Sabutis: Minister of Transport and Communications and Member of the Seimas for the Social Democrat
Ingrida Šimonytė: Former Prime Minister and Member of the Seimas for the Homeland Union – Lithuanian Christian Democrats

Ignas Vegėlė: Former Presidential Candidate and Member of the Seimas for Farmers and Greens Union
Andrius Tapinas: Journalist, Author and Founder of Freedom TV

Presenter: Jonny Dymond

Producer: Charlie Taylor

(Photo: Military parade in Vilnius commemorating the restoration of Lithuanian Armed Forces. Credit: Flavijus/Getty Images)

SAT 13:00 BBC News (w172zgfkkxy4mx1)

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SAT 13:06 Newshour (w172zbn9ccth2hd0)

Three more Israeli hostages released in Gaza

Three more Israeli hostages are released in Gaza: we hear from the brother-in-law of one of the hostages and about the medical challenges that lie ahead.

Also in the programme: African leaders call for an immediate ceasefire in the Democratic Republic of Congo; and as the Trump administration slashes the 'indirect' element of all National Institute of Health grants, how will this affect medical science in the US?

(IMAGE: Or Levy, Eli Sharabi and Ohad Ben Ami, hostages held in Gaza since the deadly October 7, 2023 attack, are released by Hamas militants as part of a ceasefire and a hostages-prisoners swap deal between Hamas and Israel in Deir Al-Balah in the central Gaza Strip, February 8, 2025 / CREDIT: Reuters/Hatem Khaled)

SAT 14:00 BBC News (w172zgfkkxy4rn5)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 14:06 Sportsworld (w172zbn9hg2w1rm)

Live Sporting Action

It's FA Cup fourth round weekend on Sportsworld and Lee James will be alongside former Everton and Bournemouth midfielder Dan Gosling at Goodison Park as the two sides face off in an all Premier League tie.

Sportsworld's live full match commentary game is the 2013 FA Cup winners Wigan Athletic against Fulham, and the team will keep you up to date with all the action from across the other ties as well. There will also be a preview to the Madrid derby in La Liga with leaders Real hosting second place Atletico on Saturday night.

Away from football, it's France versus England in the second round of the Six Nations and it's the eve of Super Bowl LIX. We'll join our team out in New Orleans to preview Kansas City Chiefs and Philadelphia Eagles' clash for the Vince Lombardi Trophy.

Photo: A general view of the FA Cup trophy before the FA Cup Fourth Round match between Accrington Stanley and Leeds United at Wham Stadium on January 28, 2023 in Accrington, England. (Credit: Offside via Getty Images)

SAT 18:00 BBC News (w172zgfkkxy57mp)

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SAT 18:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqtrmwgy10)

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SAT 18:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdc9jvlx2)

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SAT 18:32 Diddy On Trial (w3ct7m4s)

[Repeat of broadcast at 05:32 today]

SAT 18:50 Sporting Witness (w3ct5wfq)

The Super Bowl helmet catch

In the final minutes of Super Bowl 42, the trailing New York Giants pulled off a move later described as "an insult to physics and Albert Einstein".

Quarterback Eli Manning sent the ball hurtling forward towards wide receiver David Tyree.

As he leapt to make the catch, Tyree was under such intense pressure from the New England Patriots' Rodney Harrison, that it was nearly impossible to get both hands on the ball.

Instead, he used one hand to grab it, then pressed it tightly against his helmet as he fell, twisting his body as he did so the ball didn't touch the ground as he landed.

The 'helmet catch' changed the game and two minutes later, the underdog Giants had won.

Osi Umenyiora was part of the winning team. He tells Patrick Kiteley about that incredible play.

Eye-witness accounts brought to life by archive and testimony. Sporting Witness is for those fascinated by sporting history. We take you to the events that have shaped the sports world through the eyes of the people who were there. For nine minutes, you become a fan in the stands as we take you back in time to examine memorable victories and agonising defeats from all over the world. You'll hear from people who have achieved sporting immortality, or those who were there as incredible sporting moments unfolded.

Recent episodes explore the forgotten football Women's World Cup, the plasterer who fought a boxing legend, international football's biggest ever beating and the man who swam the Amazon river. We look at the lives of some of the most famous F1 drivers, tennis players and athletes as well as people who've had ground-breaking impact in their chosen sporting field, including: the most decorated Paralympian, the woman who was the number 1 squash player in the world for nine years, and the first figure skater to wear a hijab. You can learn all about fascinating and surprising stories, such as the tennis player who escaped the Nazis, how a man finally beat a horse in a race, and how the FIFA computer game was created.

(Photo: David Tyree pulls off the helmet catch. Credit: Getty Images)

SAT 19:00 BBC News (w172zgfkkxy5ct)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SAT 19:06 The Inquiry (w3ct5xjl)

Where are we in the battle against inflation?

In the decade that followed the Great Financial Crisis, inflation rates remained low and steady, and in some cases even threatened to turn negative, as economies around the world struggled to recover.

This era came to an abrupt end in recent years following the double economic shocks of the Covid pandemic and Russia's invasion of Ukraine. Many central banks and senior policymakers were caught on the back foot as inflation rates soared to levels not seen for nearly half a century in some countries.

Although rates have since come down from those highs, they are still proving tricky to completely get under control, causing concern among some observers. We explore what inflation is, where it comes from, what has been happening in recent years and what the outlook might be. Our panel includes Stephen D. King, author and senior economic adviser at HSBC, Vicky Pryce, chief economic adviser at the Centre for Economics and Business Research, Marieke Blom, chief economist and global head of research at ING and Manoj Pradham, author and chief economist at Talking Heads Macroeconomics.

Presenter: Tanya Beckett
Producer: Ben Cooper
Researcher: Katie Morgan
Sound engineer: Richard Hannaford

SAT 19:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdc9jvqn6)

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SAT 19:32 Happy News (w3ct5sqv)

The Happy Pod: The volunteer vet travelling the world

We meet a volunteer vet who helps animals in need around the world. He says it's taught him to love life, and accept people. Also: an 88 year old foster dad; the joy of rare baby frogs; and why a pub gave away 300 pints.

Presenter: Alex Ritson
Music: Iona Hampson

SAT 20:00 BBC News (w172zgfkkxy5h3y)

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SAT 20:06 The Arts Hour (w3ct5qkr)

Film director Christopher Andrews

Nikki talks to director Christopher Andrews about his film Bring Them Down and is joined by the cultural critic Hanna Flint

Oscar nominated director Brady Corbet and actor Felicity Jones talk about their epic film The Brutalist

Actor and co-creator of the TV series Shrinking, Brett Goldstein shares his views about on-screen therapy

American conductor Marin Alsop explains the qualities you need to lead an orchestra

Taiwanese megastar Eddie Peng reveals how he trained to work with his canine co-stars in the film Black Dog

New Zealand actor Lucy Lawless discusses her debut documentary Never Look Away

And there's music from Korean-Australian singer Rosé

(Photo: Still from Bring Them Down; Credit: Patrick Redmond / MUBI)

SAT 21:00 BBC News (w172zgfkkxy5lw2)

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SAT 21:06 Newshour (w172zb9ceth3gc1)

Red Cross urging hostages to be freed in private

The Red Cross says it's uncomfortable with the way the exchange of hostages for prisoners under the Gaza deal is handled. It's urged both sides to conduct future exchanges in a private and dignified way.

Also in the programme: Why Baltic nations are only now joining the European energy grid – we hear from Latvia's energy minister; and a Spanish member of the European Parliament tells us why the new Patriots Group of radical parties of the right believe they can change Europe.

(Photo: Hamas fighters escort Ohad Ben-Ami, one of the three

Israeli hostages released today, onto the stage before handing them over to the Red Cross. Credit: Haitham Imad / Shutterstock)

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SAT 22:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqtrmwyy0j)

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SAT 22:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdc9jw2w1)

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SAT 22:32 This Is Africa (w3ct5y67)

Felo Le Tee

Felo Le Tee – real name Tsholofelo Mokhine- is a dynamic young producer who's taking the South African amapiano music scene to even greater heights. He got his first big breakthrough when he produced the 2020 Thokoza Café album of the multi-platinum selling DBN Gogo.

Born in a small town in the eastern province of Mpumalanga, in his teens Felo Le Tee moved to the big city of Pretoria, the home of amapiano. He started his musical career at the age of 14 when he DJ'd at family parties, playing cassette tapes of songs he'd recorded off the radio.

His artist name comes from the last four letters of his first name Tsholofelo, and the Le Tee is a tribute to his grandmother, Lettie.

SAT 23:00 BBC News (w172zgfkkxy5vcb)

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SAT 23:06 The Documentary (w3ct7m69)

Germany: Rebellion on the Rhine

After talks in Germany on government spending collapsed, chancellor Olaf Scholz was forced to dissolve his coalition and call for snap elections, to be held on 23 February. The new chancellor looks like a foregone conclusion - opposition leader Friedrich Merz. But there is so much more at stake in these elections than the next few years in the chancellor's seat.

The bigger question is what this vote will tell us about Germany's post-war political "firewall" against anti-democratic parties. Germany has long resisted the influence of the far-right and left in their coalitions, but as politics around the world realigns, could Germany's famously staid political culture be about to get a whole lot less boring overnight? Jeremy Cliffe goes to Ludwigshafen to find out.

Producer: Jeanny Gering
Executive producer: Robert Nicholson
A Whistledown production for BBC World Service

(Photo: A flag reading "No neighbourhood for racism" is mounted on a canoe during a protest against right-wing extremism on the Rhine river, Cologne, Germany. Credit: Thilo Schmuegen/Reuters)

SAT 23:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdc9jw6mq)

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SAT 23:32 Assignment (w3ct5mv1)

Spain: 'Liquid gold' under pressure

Spain is the world's largest producer of olive oil. But successive, brutal droughts have led to plummeting production, whilst prices have reached record highs. For 2024 / 2025, the weather's been better - Spain's predicted to increase the quantity of olives harvested. Even so, this remains a stressed industry. Climate change hasn't gone away - as we saw so devastatingly last year in Valencia. And in some areas of Spain, the scarcity of water has persisted, with predictions of a near 90% drop in olive production. Critics say super-intensive farming - the rise of the olive 'mega-farm' - may also further threaten depleted water resources. Meanwhile, the soaring price of the olives that produce 'liquid gold' means rural law enforcement is taken up with cases of theft by criminal gangs targeting this precious commodity.

For Assignment, Linda Pressly and Esperanza Escibano report from the olive groves of Spain at harvest time.

Sound Mix: Neva Missirian
Production Co-ordinator: Gemma Ashman
Editor: Penny Murphy

(Image: Maria Miro, olive grower, and Dr Raul de la Rosa

Navarro of the Institute of Sustainable Agriculture. Credit: BBC)

SUNDAY 09 FEBRUARY 2025

SUN 00:00 BBC News (w172zgfkkxy5z3g)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 00:06 BBC OS Conversations (w3ct5rcx)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:06 on Saturday]

SUN 00:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdc9jwbcv)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 00:32 Diddy On Trial (w3ct7m4s)

[Repeat of broadcast at 05:32 on Saturday]

SUN 00:50 Sporting Witness (w3ct5wfq)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:50 on Saturday]

SUN 01:00 BBC News (w172zgfkkxy62vl)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 01:06 The Inquiry (w3ct5xjl)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:06 on Saturday]

SUN 01:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdc9jwg3z)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 01:32 The Fifth Floor (w3ct69jv)

An Afghan love story

Aalia Farzan of BBC Afghan Services left her life in Afghanistan after the Taliban retook the country in 2021 and came to London, and it was there she met her now husband. She speaks about this unlikely love story and sheds some light on what Afghan courtship entails. Plus, Ilona Hromliuk of BBC Ukrainian has spoken to women who travel thousands of miles across Ukraine to go on a date with their husbands who are fighting on the frontlines.

Presented by Faranak Amidi. Produced by Caroline Ferguson and Alice Gioia.

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

SUN 02:00 BBC News (w172zgfkkxy66lq)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 02:06 The Newsroom (w172zqbqrmwzf01)

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SUN 02:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdc9jwk3)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 02:32 Health Check (w3ct5t9x)

Guinea eliminates sleeping sickness

As Guinea becomes the latest country to eliminate sleeping sickness, how close are we to defeating the disease completely?

Also on the program, what does a massive shakeup at the US Agency for International Development mean for global health? And a new discovery is shedding a bit more light on a neural fossil in our ears.

Presenter: Claudia Hammond
Producer: Margaret Sessa-Hawkins
Assistant Producer: Katie Tomsett

SUN 03:00 BBC News (w172zgfkkxy6bbv)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 03:06 World Questions (w3ct5ypp)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 on Saturday]

SUN 04:00 BBC News (w172zgfkkxy6g2z)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 04:06 From Our Own Correspondent (w3ct5sk1)

Rebuilding lives in DR Congo

Max Pearson introduces stories from DR Congo, Ecuador, Guatemala and Malaysia.

Hundreds of thousands of people have been displaced by the ongoing conflict in the DR Congo. Amid the violence, a clinic in Goma is helping civilian casualties recover and rehabilitate. Hugh Kinsella Cunningham met some of the people trying to rebuild their lives.

Ecuador goes to the polls this weekend, in a vote which is seen by many as a referendum on President Daniel Noboa's headline war on the country's criminal gangs, which critics say has led to innocent people arrested and detained. Ione Wells reports from the city of Guayaquil.

Many of Guatemala's indigenous communities live outside the major cities, and the stress of living isolated lives has fuelled mental health problems. A group of indigenous women is trying to change that - Jane Chambers went to Lake Atitlan to meet them.

The Malaysian state of Sabah, in northern Borneo is a mountainous region covered in dense rainforest. On a recent visit there, Stephen Moss came across the increasingly rare black hornbill - and a new generation of keen birdwatchers.

(Image: Naomi at the Shirika La Umoja centre in Goma. Taken by Hugh Kinsella Cunningham)

SUN 04:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdc9jwctc)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 04:32 Trending (w3ct5y9v)

School for scammers: Inside Nigeria's hustle kingdoms

There's growing concern about cybercrimes like romance scams and sextortion targeting victims around the world. Hiding behind fake or hacked accounts, fraudsters bombard their targets with messages in the hope of extracting money or compromising personal information.

In Nigeria, these operations are often honed in dedicated training academies. Known as Hustle Kingdoms, they help con artists stay up-to-date with the most effective techniques for carrying out digital fraud. BBC Trending explores how these schools operate - both in person and on social media - to train the next generation of scammers.

Presenter/producer: Dan Hardoon
Additional reporting: Chigozie Ohaka
Editor: Flora Carmichael

SUN 04:50 Sporting Witness (w3ct5wfq)

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SUN 05:00 BBC News (w172zgfkkxy6kv3)

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SUN 05:06 The Newsroom (w172zqbqrmwz7f)

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SUN 05:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdc9jwy3h)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 05:32 The Documentary (w3ct7m69)

[Repeat of broadcast at 23:06 on Saturday]

SUN 06:00 BBC News (w172zgfkkxy6p17)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 06:06 Weekend (w172zcxfrkk5yh2)

Thai hostages freed from Gaza return home

Five Thai farmworkers held hostage by Hamas in Gaza have arrived home ten days after they were released to Israel. They were kidnapped during the October seventh attack on Israel and spent nearly five hundred days in captivity.

Also in the programme: we hear from Kosovo, Europe's newest country where people are voting to elect a new parliament on Sunday.

And authorities in Greece have declared a state of emergency on the island of Santorini - a popular tourist destination - after a series of near-constant tremors and undersea earthquakes have been recorded there this week.

Our guests today: Tom Nuttall, the Economist's chief Germany correspondent and Emma Beals, a Senior advisor at the European Institute of Peace.

PHOTO CREDIT: Five Thai hostages released by Hamas return to Thailand / EPA

SUN 07:00 BBC News (w172zgfkkxy6tbc)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 07:06 Weekend (w172zcxfrkk6276)

The future of Gaza by two former peace negotiators

Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu is to send a delegation to Qatar to continue Gaza ceasefire negotiations. We hear from two former peace negotiators- Jonathan Kuttub, a member of the Palestinian legal team who negotiated the Oslo Peace Accords, and Gilead Sher, a former Israeli senior peace negotiator during the 1999-2000 peace summit at Camp David about the possibility of peace in Gaza.

Also, we talk to Israel's Deputy Foreign Minister Sharren Haskel.

And the Belarus Free Theatre is the only theatre in Europe to be banned by its own government. For 20 years now it performs mainly abroad, but also sometime secretly, in Belarus itself.

Their most recent play is entitled KS6: Small Forward and it stars an unlikely actor: Belarusian basketball player, Katya Snytsina, who lives in exile in London.

Our guests today: Tom Nuttall, the Economist's chief Germany correspondent and Emma Beals, a Senior advisor at the European Institute of Peace.

PHOTO CREDIT: Palestinians make their way after Israeli forces withdrew from the Netzarim Corridor, near Gaza City / REUTERS

SUN 08:00 BBC News (w172zgfkkxy6y2h)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 08:06 Weekend (w172zcxfrkk65zb)

Former Ukrainian minister says Trump won't end war quickly

Speaking exclusively to Weekend five months after resigning, Ukraine's former Foreign Minister Dmytro Kuleba tells us a deal to end the war would be difficult because of Vladimir Putin's conviction that Russia is winning. He said the 10-day target set by President Trump's envoy to Ukraine was unlikely to be met.

Also in the programme: we hear from Wafa al Mustafa, a Syrian activist living in exile in Germany, who has just returned from her first visit to her homeland in years.

And Led Zeppelin was arguably the biggest rock band of the 1970s. A new documentary Becoming Led Zeppelin has been released detailing the band's early years that set them up for stardom.

Our guests today: Tom Nuttall, the Economist's chief Germany correspondent and Emma Beals, a Senior advisor at the European Institute of Peace.

PHOTO CREDIT: Ukrainian serviceman near the frontline town of Pokrovsk / REUTERS

SUN 09:00 BBC News (w172zgfkkxy71tm)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 09:06 From Our Own Correspondent (w3ct5sk1)

[Repeat of broadcast at 04:06 today]

SUN 09:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdc9jxf30)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 09:32 The Food Chain (w3ct5xp3)

The world's oldest restaurants

People have been eating out in restaurants and bars for hundreds of years, and some of those early establishments are still open today.

This week Ruth Alexander meets the people running some of the world's oldest restaurants. When so many close within the first 12 months of opening, what's the secret to centuries-old success?

Antonio Gonzales Gomez runs Botin, in the Spanish capital Madrid. The restaurant is judged as the oldest by the Guinness World Records, and he tells us how he and his family have kept it going for so long.

Ruth heads to the east of England to Nottingham, where the battle to claim the title of 'world's oldest pub' is fierce. Buildings archaeologist Dr James Wright explains what evidence he's found to declare the winner.

We hear how a 200-year-old tavern in Missouri, in the United States, has been battling to stay open, and the man who runs the "oldest sausage restaurant in the world" tells us why being located of an historic German town boosts business.

SUN 10:00 BBC News (w172zgfkkxy75kr)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 10:06 People Fixing The World (w3ct5tx9)
Improving our eyesight

Many agricultural workers don't have the eyesight they need for the work they do, affecting both their comfort and their ability to earn more money. They're among the billion plus people who have visual impairments but can't get the assistance they need. We visit a coffee plantation in southern India where workers are being given glasses on the spot. As well as easing eye strain, the intervention has been shown to increase workers' pay significantly.

People Fixing The World from the BBC is about brilliant solutions to the world's problems. We'd love you to let us know what you think and to hear about your own solutions. You can contact us on WhatsApp by messaging +44 8000 321721 or email peoplefixingtheworld@bbc.co.uk. And please leave us a review on your chosen podcast provider.

Presenter: Myra Anubi
Producer: William Kremer
Editor: Jon Bithrey
Sound mix: Annie Gardiner

(Image: An Indian worker being given an eye test, Shruti Kulkarni/Vision Spring)

SUN 10:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdc9jxv4)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 10:32 The Fifth Floor (w3ct69jv)
[Repeat of broadcast at 01:32 today]

SUN 11:00 BBC News (w172zgfkkxy799w)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 11:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqtrmx0hq6)
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SUN 11:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdc9jxnl8)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 11:32 Trending (w3ct5y9v)
[Repeat of broadcast at 04:32 today]

SUN 11:50 More or Less (w3ct5trg)
[Repeat of broadcast at 05:50 on Saturday]

SUN 12:00 BBC News (w172zgfkkxy7f20)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 12:06 BBC OS Conversations (w3ct5rcx)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:06 on Saturday]

SUN 12:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdc9jxsbd)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 12:32 Assignment (w3ct5mv1)
[Repeat of broadcast at 23:32 on Saturday]

SUN 13:00 BBC News (w172zgfkkxy7jt4)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 13:06 Newshour (w172zb9ccth5d93)
Israeli forces withdraw from Netzarim Corridor in Gaza

Israeli forces withdraw from a corridor bisecting the Gaza Strip - will they now commit to pulling out of Gaza entirely? We hear from an Israeli government minister.

Also in the programme: President Trump accuses South Africa of seeking to seize white-owned land with a new law - we ask the minister responsible if that's true; and the joys of going to a concert in the dark.

(IMAGE: Palestinians wait to cross through a checkpoint run by U.S. and Egyptian security contractors after Israeli forces withdrew from the Netzarim Corridor, allowing people to travel in both directions between southern and northern Gaza, February 9, 2025 / CREDIT: Reuters / Dawoud Abu Alkas)

SUN 14:00 BBC News (w172zgfkkxy7nk8)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 14:06 The Climate Question (w3ct5wt0)
Is Climate Change ruining your relationship?

How can you have a successful relationship with someone if you believe passionately in climate action, but they don't? The fate of our planet can be a divisive, emotive, even frightening issue. It's something that's tearing more and more couples and families apart, experts have told us.

It's not easy getting past those differences with the ones we love, but it is possible. We speak to a couple, as well as a mother and daughter, to find out how. And we ask whether the way we talk to our loved ones about climate change might offer important lessons on how we discuss the issue more broadly.

Presenter Graihgh Jackson is joined by:

Daze and Antonia Aghaji, from London
Caroline Hickman, researcher at the University of Bath in the UK and psychotherapist
Mohini and Sam Pollock, from Campbell, California

Thanks to Jasmine Navarro, founder of Nava, for her help with this episode, which was first broadcast in 2023.

Producer: Simon Tulett
Series Producer: Alex Lewis
Editor: China Collins
Sound engineer: Tom Brignell
Production co-ordinators: Debbie Richford and Sophie Hill

If you have a question, email us at theclimatequestion@bbc.com or leave a WhatsApp message at + 44 8000 321 721

SUN 14:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdc9jy0tn)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 14:32 Happy News (w3ct5sqv)
[Repeat of broadcast at 19:32 on Saturday]

SUN 15:00 BBC News (w172zgfkkxy7s9d)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 15:06 Sportshour (w3ct5qzb)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:06 on Saturday]

SUN 16:00 BBC News (w172zgfkkxy7x1j)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 16:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqtrmx13fv)
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SUN 16:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdc9jy89x)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 16:32 In the Studio (w3ct4yfn)
Ken Loach: The Sequel

The shooting starts on The Old Oak and Sharuna Sagar is there to witness Ken Loach's unique style of directing. Throughout his career from *Kes* to *The Wind That Shakes The Barley* to *I, Daniel Blake*, the 87-year-old film-maker does not like to tell the cast what is going to happen in the next scene. He explains his reasons, while star Dave Turner reveals what it is like to be surprised every day on set.

Presented by Sharuna Sagar.
Executive produced by Stephen Hughes.

(Photo: Ken Loach. Credit: Courtesy of Ken Loach)

SUN 17:00 BBC News (w172zgfkkxy80sn)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 17:06 Sportsworld (w172zbn9hg2z9x3)
Live Sporting Action

Sportsworld has FA Cup commentary as Aston Villa take on Tottenham Hotspur for a place in the fifth round. The former Spurs defender Stephen Kelly joins Delyth Lloyd to look ahead to the game. There will also be reaction to Sunday's other fourth round ties between Plymouth Argyle and Liverpool; and Blackburn Rovers and Wolves. You can also hear the fifth round draw in full, and find out all the latest from around Europe in EuroStars.

Sportsworld will also be live in New Orleans as the city prepares for Super Bowl LIX. Can the Philadelphia Eagles win

only their second Vince Lombardi Trophy, or will the Kansas City Chiefs become the first side to win it three years in a row?

And there'll be all the latest sport from around the world, including rugby union's Six Nations and cricket's one-day series between India and England.

Photo: A general view of the match ball prior to the Emirates FA Cup First Round match between Scarborough Athletic and Forest Green Rovers at Flamingo Land Stadium on December 12, 2023 in Scarborough, England. (Credit: Getty Images)

SUN 21:00 BBC News (w172zgfkkxy8hs5)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 21:06 Newshour (w172zb9ccth6c84)
Palestinians return to northern Gaza after Israeli withdrawal from corridor

Israeli forces have withdrawn from a military zone cutting off northern Gaza from the rest of the territory, allowing hundreds of Palestinians to return home. The Netzarim Corridor had effectively cut the Gaza strip in two, trapping hundreds of thousands of people in the south. Meanwhile, Israeli negotiators have returned to Qatar to continue talks on the ceasefire agreement with Hamas. We speak to our correspondent in the region as well as an analyst on Middle Eastern conflict resolution.

Also on the programme: An expert on human trafficking in Libya takes us through the motivations of smugglers, after the bodies of more than 50 migrants were found in a mass grave in the south-east of the country; and Donald Trump expected to make history as the first sitting US president to attend the Super Bowl.

(Picture: Palestinians travel from the southern Gaza Strip towards the north following the withdrawal of Israeli troops from the Netzarim Corridor, central Gaza Strip Credit: Mohammed Saber/EPA-EFE/REX/Shutterstock)

SUN 22:00 BBC News (w172zgfkkxy8mj9)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 22:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqtrmx1txm)
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SUN 22:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdc9jyzp)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 22:32 The Fifth Floor (w3ct69jv)
[Repeat of broadcast at 01:32 today]

SUN 23:00 BBC News (w172zgfkkxy8r8f)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

SUN 23:06 The Climate Question (w3ct5wt0)
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:06 today]

SUN 23:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdc9jz3jt)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

SUN 23:32 Pick of the World (w3ct5vt1)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:32 on Saturday]

SUN 23:50 Over to You (w3ct5tv1)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:50 on Saturday]

MONDAY 10 FEBRUARY 2025

MON 00:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7dq8q)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 00:06 From Our Own Correspondent (w3ct5sk1)
[Repeat of broadcast at 04:06 on Sunday]

MON 00:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdqkv32k3)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 00:32 Trending (w3ct5y9v)
[Repeat of broadcast at 04:32 on Sunday]

MON 00:50 More or Less (w3ct5trg)
[Repeat of broadcast at 05:50 on Saturday]

MON 01:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7dv0v)

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MON 01:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqs5x661f5)

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MON 01:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdqkv3697)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 01:32 Discovery (w3ct5rny)

Uncharted: The golden spike

At a conference in Mexico, one scientist's outburst sparks a global quest to find a 'golden spike' - the boundary marking the shift into a new geological period dominated by humans, not volcanoes or asteroids. From plastics and concrete to nuclear fallout, the data they uncover reveals a planet profoundly altered. But can they convince their colleagues and the world of the extent of this transformation? Meanwhile, in a small Italian city nestled in the Apennine mountains, a series of low-level tremors raise the question: Is this just a passing phase, or a warning of something much more devastating?

MON 02:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7dyrz)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 02:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqs5x66559)

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MON 02:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdqkv3b1c)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 02:32 CrowdScience (w3ct5rjf)

Why can't I remember my early childhood?

Some of our biggest achievements happen in the first years of our lives. Taking our first steps, picking up a complex language from scratch, and forming relationships with some of the most important people we'll ever meet. But when we try to remember this period of great change, we often draw a blank.

After losing his Dad aged four, CrowdScience listener Colin has grappled with this. Why can't he recall memories of such a monumental figure in his life, yet superficial relationships from his teens remain crystal clear in his mind? Colin takes presenter Marnie Chesterton to visit some of the significant locations of his childhood, places he would have spent many hours with his late father; and he recounts his earliest memories.

On this trip down memory lane, Marnie discovers the psychological reason behind our lack of early childhood memories comes down to a phenomenon known as infantile amnesia. Tomás Ryan, neuroscientist at Trinity College Dublin, discusses some of the theories behind this universal experience, and Sarah Power from the Max Planck Institute for Human Development discusses her groundbreaking study exploring this form of forgetting in real time. Elaine Reese from the University of Otago digs into how our environment and culture can influence the age of our earliest memories, and why some of the first things we remember might not be the big, huge events you'd expect. And we hear about fascinating new insights from animal studies that hint these memories could still be lurking inside our heads...

Presenter: Marnie Chesterton

Producer: Julia Ravey

Content Editor: Cathy Edwards

Production Co-ordinators: Ishmael Soriano & Josie Hardy

Technical producer: Emma Harth

(Photo: Marnie Chesterton and CrowdScience listener, Colin, on the swings in Belfast.)

MON 03:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7f2j3)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 03:06 People Fixing The World (w3ct5tx9)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:06 on Sunday]

MON 03:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdqkv3fsh)

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MON 03:32 Pick of the World (w3ct5v1t)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:32 on Saturday]

MON 03:50 Over to You (w3ct5tv1)

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MON 04:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7f687)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 04:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqs5x66dtk)

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MON 04:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdqkv3kjm)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 04:32 The Conversation (w3ct5x0t)

Women providing prosthetics

Datshiane Navanayagam talks to two women about prostheses for amputees in Ukraine and children with limb difference in the UK.

Following Russia's invasion of Ukraine, Olga Rudnieva felt she had to do something to help those wounded in the conflict. She set up the Superhumans trauma centre in Lviv, which she runs as CEO alongside a team of specialists, providing prosthetic limbs to patients. It has also launched a rehabilitation centre. Olga is featured on the BBC 100 Women list 2024 of inspiring and influential women.

When she was just a student in the UK Kate Allen inspired by the child of a family friend designed a prosthetic that can actually grow with children. She went on to found ExpHand Prosthetics providing affordable, life-changing upper limb prosthetics that give children their independence back.

Produced by Jane Thurlow

(Image: (L) Olga Rudnieva credit Superhumans Trauma Centre. (R) Kate Allen courtesy Kate Allen.)

MON 05:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7fb0c)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 05:06 Newsday (w172zbkh87g7fny)

Paris hosts global AI summit

How should we regulate artificial intelligence? That's a key question facing global leaders and technology bosses at a global summit in Paris. We'll get the views from Amazon, one of the companies investing billions of dollars in AI tools.

Donald Trump promises more trade tariffs; this time on all steel and aluminium imports.

Ecuador's president Daniel Noboa has taken an early lead in elections. We'll go to Quito for the latest results.

Why the BBC World Service is expanding its broadcasting in Arabic for children.

China has imposed retaliatory tariffs on the United States, raising fears that the world's two largest economies are on the brink of a trade war. We'll speak to an economist in China and ask how the rest of the world is likely to be affected.

We'll hear how the Trump administration's moves to cut international development funding are already being felt in Africa.

And the Philadelphia Eagles demolished the Kansas City Chiefs, soaring to a 40 – 22 victory in the Super Bowl, the premier event in American football.

(Photo: President Emmanuel Macron attends an interview ahead of the AI summit, 09 February 2025; Credit: EPA-EFE/REX/Shutterstock)

MON 06:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7ffrh)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 06:06 Newsday (w172zbkh87g7kf2)

AI summit kicks off in Paris

France is hosting a two-day global summit on artificial intelligence, bringing together world leaders and technology executives looking at AI's impact on society and the environment, and how to regulate it. Our business presenter will bring us the latest.

It's off to the second round in Ecuador's presidential election as there was no clear winner between the incumbent Daniel Noboa and his left-wing challenger, Luisa Gonzales.

Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania pull the plug from Russia's electricity grid - moving on to the European Union's network. We'll be speaking to a high ranking EU official

And Eagles soar high at the Super Bowl as they beat the holders Kansas City chiefs 40 to 22....

(Photo: DeepSeek and ChatGPT applications on a mobile device, Denmark, 07 February 2025; Credit: REX/Shutterstock)

MON 07:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7fkhm)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 07:06 Newsday (w172zbkh87g7p56)

Trump to announce new tariffs

US president Donald Trump promises more trade tariffs, this time on all steel and aluminium imports.

Ecuador will choose its next president in a runoff in April, after the incumbent Daniel Nebo and his closest challenger Luisa González received nearly the same number of votes. We'll speak to our correspondent in Quito.

We'll hear why three Baltic nations have disconnected their electricity systems from Russia.

How should we regulate Artificial Intelligence? That's a key question facing global leaders and technology bosses at a global summit which kicks off in Paris. We'll get the views from Amazon, one of the companies investing billions of dollars in AI tools.

And, the BBC World Service launches a new Arab radio programme aimed at children in war zones.

(Photo: President Trump speaks at the White House, February 5, 2025; Credit: Reuters)

MON 08:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7fp7r)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 08:06 HARDtalk (w3ct5f0x)

Dhananjaya Chandrachud: Justice and the rule of law

Stephen Sackur is in New Delhi for an exclusive interview with the recently retired Chief Justice of India and Supreme Court judge, Dhananjaya Chandrachud. With Indian politics dominated by Narendra Modi and the Hindu nationalist BJP, have the courts successfully protected the country's secular constitution?

MON 08:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdqkv41j4)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 08:32 Business Daily (w3ct5z7r)

The threat to sabotage undersea cables

Countries considered hostile to the West are threatening to cut under sea cables, which carry 95 percent of the world's data.

China, Iran and Russia are suspected of threatening to sabotage cables, carrying 95% of the world's data, which makes the network vital to the global economy.

Russell Padmore examines how the lines laid on ocean floors are the backbone of the internet, so they need to be protected, but international military cooperation is limited.

Produced and presented by Russell Padmore

(Image: An undersea cable between Helsinki and Rostock which was laid in 2015. Credit: Getty Images)

MON 08:50 Witness History (w3ct5y1j)

La Pasionaria: Heroine of the Spanish civil war

Dolores Ibárruri was nicknamed La Pasionaria for her fiery speeches to the anti-fascist forces during the Spanish civil war. The fighting had begun in July 1936. Troops, led by General Francisco Franco, launched an uprising against the democratically-elected government. These Nationalist rebels were backed by Adolf Hitler in Germany and Benito Mussolini in Italy.

On the other side were supporters of the Republican government, including Spain's communist party, and Dolores was one of its leaders. She was already known for her speeches against fascism, but it was the civil war that sealed her reputation as a passionate and persuasive speaker. Her favourite

phrase even became a battle cry for the Republicans: "No pasaran! They shall not pass!" Jane Wilkinson has been looking through the archives to find out more.

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MON 10:06 The History Hour (w3ct5n31)
Cult films and a 'rockstar' philosopher

Max Pearson presents a collection of the week's Witness History interviews from the BBC World Service. Our guest is film critic and journalist Helen O'Hara who dissects what makes a cult film classic, after we hear about the making of the 1989 American film *Heathers*.

We also learn about the French philosopher behind the theory of deconstruction and how the world first became aware of coral bleaching in the 1980s.

As the climax of the American Football season approaches we look back at one of the most memorable moments from Super Bowl history.

Contributors:
Lisanne Falk - American star of the film *Heathers*.

Helen O'Hara - film critic and journalist.

Helene Cixous - lifetime friend of French philosopher Jacques Derrida.

Agathe Hébras - granddaughter of Robert Hébras, survivor of the Oradour Massacre.

Clive Wilkinson - the former co-ordinator for the Global Coral Reef Monitoring Network.

Osi Umenyiora - two-time Super Bowl winner with the New York Giants.

(Photo: Winona Ryder, Kim Walker, Lisanne Falk, and Shannen Doherty on the set of *Heathers* 1988, New World Pictures/Getty Images)

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MON 11:32 The Global Story (w3ct6dmk)
The World Cup kiss that's gripping Spain

Luis Rubiales, the former president of Spain's football federation, is on trial accused of sexual assault for kissing the player Jenni Hermoso at the 2023 World Cup medal ceremony.

Hermoso told the trial last week that the incident "stained one of the happiest days of my life". Rubiales, who has denied any wrongdoing, is expected to give evidence in the coming days.

Host Lucy Hockings speaks to The Global Story's very own Sergi Forcada Freixas about how the incident stole headlines from the World Cup win. And our gender and identity correspondent Sofia Bettiza explains how the case has fuelled a conversation on sexual assault and consent that has been simmering in Spain for years.

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MON 12:06 Outlook (w3ct5nrd)
For the love of smell

Professor Luca Turin has always been interested in how perfumes smell. But he's also interested in how we smell perfumes. Because how we are able to experience smell is still unknown.

In the early 1980s, Professor Luca Turin caught a whiff of the Shiseido fragrance *Nombre Noir* in a department store in Nice, France. That catapulted him into an obsession with fragrances. He amassed a huge collection and eventually wrote a perfume guide that described their scents in an almost poetic form. Luca became arguably the world's first fragrance influencer. That's how he met his wife, editor Tania Sanchez. She read his blog and was also a perfume enthusiast.

But Luca's interest in smells didn't stop at cosmetics. Luca is also intrigued by the biological functions in the nose that allow us to smell. Because no-one fully knows how this works. In the 90s, there was one prevailing theory: that our noses have a way to sense the shapes of molecules and therefore we experience their scent. Luca didn't think this theory made sense and then revived an old and unpopular idea: that the nose detects smells through the vibration of molecules. Because of his unorthodox beliefs, Luca has faced opposition in the olfaction community.

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(Photo: Luca Turin and Tania Sanchez. Credit: Derek Pelling)

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MON 14:06 Newshour (w172zb9cr2sd86h)
Trump threatens tariffs on all US steel and aluminium imports

President Trump has said he'll announce further tariffs on America's trading partners in the coming days, including a 25% charge on all steel and aluminium imports. We'll hear from the country most exposed - Canada.

Also on the programme: Can an Artificial Intelligence summit in Paris deliver new global rules; and the East Jerusalem bookshop raided by Israeli police, and its owners in court, over disrupting public order. One of their brothers says it's an assault on free speech.

(File Picture: Workers weld steel at Steelcon, a structural steel design and fabrication company, January 31, 2025. REUTERS/Carlos Osorio)

MON 15:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7gjn)
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MON 15:06 HARDtalk (w3ct5t0x)
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MON 15:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdqkv4wr1)
The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

MON 15:32 World Business Report (w3ct5zzb)
Trump to impose 25% tariffs on steel and aluminium

US President Donald Trump says he will impose 25% tariffs on all steel and aluminium imports on Monday—a move that will have the biggest impact on Canada.

Is tech failure at a multinational corporation and putting customers offline for a few hours worse than a cyberattack at a small company in one city? We hear about major disruptions to IT systems and how difficult it is to assess the most damage.

The US Treasury Secretary, Scott Bessent, has been told to stop minting one-cent coins, or pennies, by US President Donald Trump in an announcement on social media. So, is this the end of the one-cent coin, and what difference does that make if one cent won't buy you very much? We hear experts' thoughts.

MON 16:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7gn6s)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 16:06 BBC OS (w172zbj9b3994)
Global AI summit in Paris

Politicians and executives attending a summit on artificial intelligence in Paris have been urged to broaden development and use of the technology beyond advanced economies. Our AI expert answers audience questions and explains what the summit is trying to achieve.

We hear from two people from either side of the US-Canada border to discuss whether the risk of trade war has already caused a rift in the US-Canada relationship.

We speak to our correspondent who has recently returned from Goma in the DRC. The M23 rebel group has taken control of the city, and we hear about the effect of the takeover on the ground.

The BBC World Service has launched an Arabic edition of the award-winning education programme "Dars" - meaning lesson - to help young people in the region stay connected to learning. We speak to the programme-makers behind the project.

Presenter: Luke Jones.

(Photo: View of the logo of the Artificial Intelligence (AI) Action Summit at the Grand Palais in Paris, France, February 10, 2025. Credit: Benoit Tessier/Reuters)

MON 17:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7gryx)
The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

MON 17:06 BBC OS (w172zbj9b3f18)
Hamis suspends release of hostages

The armed wing of the Palestinian militant group Hamas has said that the release of more Israeli hostages will be delayed until further notice. It said that the handover, originally planned for Saturday under the terms of the ceasefire deal, would not go ahead due to "Israeli violations". We have the latest from our correspondent.

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<p>AI.</p> <p>We hear from two people from either side of the US-Canada border to discuss whether the risk of trade war has already caused a rift in the US-Canada relationship.</p> <p>We speak to our correspondent in Germany about the support for the far-right Alternative for Germany party ahead of next week's elections.</p> <p>We look at some of the biggest talking points at Sunday's Super Bowl.</p> <p>Presenter: Luke Jones</p> <p>(Photo: Hostages released amid Israel-Hamas truce in Deir al-Balah, 8 Feb, 2025. Credit: Haitham Imad/EPA-EFE/REX/Shutterstock)</p> <p>MON 18:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7gwq1) The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p>MON 18:06 Outlook (w3ct5nrd) [Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 today]</p> <p>MON 18:50 Witness History (w3ct5y4) [Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 today]</p> <p>MON 19:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7h0g5) The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p>MON 19:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqs5x686vh) The world's Newsroom brings you global events as they happen</p> <p>MON 19:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdqkv5cqk) The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.</p> <p>MON 19:32 Sport Today (w3ct5w4q) 2025/02/10 GMT</p>	<p>kidnapped during the October 7th attacks in Israel on February 10, 2025. Credit: REUTERS/Shir Torem)</p> <p>MON 22:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7hcpk) The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p>MON 22:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqs5x6812w) The world's Newsroom brings you global events as they happen</p> <p>MON 22:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdqkv5qyy) The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.</p> <p>MON 22:32 World Business Report (w3ct6011) Musk bids to purchase Open AI</p> <p>Elon Musk has bid to purchase the non profit tech firm, Open AI</p> <p>President Donald Trump says he's going to impose a 25% import tax on imports of steel and aluminium from abroad</p> <p>And we hear from the directors of the Oscar nominated short film A-Lien</p> <p>MON 23:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7hhfp) The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p>MON 23:06 HARDtalk (w3ct510x) [Repeat of broadcast at 08:06 today]</p> <p>MON 23:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdqkv5vq2) The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.</p> <p>MON 23:32 The Conversation (w3ct5x0t) [Repeat of broadcast at 04:32 today]</p>	<p>weapons, as well as stories of Ghanaian fighters joining the Islamist uprising in the north.</p> <p>Producer and presenter: Ed Butler Studio Manager: James Beard Production Coordinator: Gemma Ashman Editor: Penny Murphy</p> <p>(Image: Saafiya Karim, a refugee from Burkina Faso now living in Ghana. Credit: Ed Butler/BBC)</p> <p>TUE 03:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7hzhf6) The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p>TUE 03:06 Outlook (w3ct5nrd) [Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 on Monday]</p> <p>TUE 03:50 Witness History (w3ct5y4) [Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 on Monday]</p> <p>TUE 04:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7j35b) The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p>TUE 04:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqs5x699kn) The world's Newsroom brings you global events as they happen</p> <p>TUE 04:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdqkv6gfg) The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.</p> <p>TUE 04:32 In the Studio (w3ct5tlz) Bárbara Sánchez-Kane: Re-imagining men's fashion</p> <p>Bárbara Sánchez-Kane is a Mexican fashion designer with eclectic influences: from quinceañera dresses to BDSM harnesses, Jesus's loincloth to lucha libre wrestlers in lingerie. Bárbara revels in the camp and complexity of everyday gender performance. Resisting traditional notions of masculine and feminine, Bárbara creates spaces of tension between these contrasting costumes.</p>
<p>BBC sports correspondents tell the story behind today's top sporting news, with interviews and reports from across the world.</p> <p>MON 20:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7h469) The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p>MON 20:06 From Our Own Correspondent (w3ct5sk1) [Repeat of broadcast at 04:06 on Sunday]</p> <p>MON 20:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdqkv5hgp) The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.</p> <p>MON 20:32 Discovery (w3ct5rnz) Uncharted: A Different Kind of Justice</p> <p>A small, informal survey leads to shocking revelations about the US justice system, with its truths only uncovered decades later. Meanwhile, an ambitious portfolio manager discovers a perfect graph outlining eye-watering profits. But something doesn't seem right. Could the graph be accurate, or is it hiding a far more sinister truth? This story delves into the power of data, the hidden forces behind it, and the unexpected revelations that can change everything</p> <p>MON 21:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7h7yf) The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p>MON 21:06 Newshour (w172zb9cr2sf3fd) Hamas says it's delaying the release of Israeli hostages</p> <p>The Palestinian militant group accused Israel of "delaying the return of displaced persons to northern Gaza", "targeting them with shelling and gunfire in various areas of the Strip", and of breaching the agreement on aid supplies. In response, Israel accused Hamas of a "complete violation of the ceasefire agreement and the deal to release the hostages."</p> <p>Also on the programme: A global AI summit has kicked off in Paris- we'll hear from one of French President Emmanuel Macron's tech advisers; and we'll speak to Oscar-nominated actor René Zellweger on her reprise of the character of Bridget Jones for the film Mad About The Boy.</p> <p>(Photo: Einav Zangauker, mother of hostage Matan Zangauker, attends a protest in Tel Aviv in support of the hostages</p>	<p>TUESDAY 11 FEBRUARY 2025</p> <p>TUE 00:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7hm5t) The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p>TUE 00:06 The History Hour (w3ct5n31) [Repeat of broadcast at 10:06 on Monday]</p> <p>TUE 01:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7hqxy) The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p>TUE 01:06 Business Matters (w172zbfyhfkv02t) Musk bids to purchase Open AI</p> <p>Elon Musk has bid to purchase the non profit tech firm, Open AI</p> <p>President Donald Trump says he's going to impose a 25% import tax on imports of steel and aluminium from abroad</p> <p>And New Zealand has loosened their visa rules to attract foreign money. We hear from their Immigration Minister, Erica Stanford</p> <p>TUE 02:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7hvp2) The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p>TUE 02:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqs5x6922d) The world's Newsroom brings you global events as they happen</p> <p>TUE 02:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdqkv66yg) The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.</p> <p>TUE 02:32 Assignment (w3ct5mv2) Ghana: Militants in the Sahel</p> <p>For years now, an Islamist insurgency in the Sahel region has been claiming thousands of lives and displacing millions of people. There are fears that it's spreading to one of West Africa's most stable countries. For Assignment, Ed Butler investigates some new and disturbing indications that fighting on Ghana's northern border with Burkina Faso has the potential to spread south as well. It's not just the Islamist insurgency, but homegrown conflicts inside Ghana that have the potential to spread. And we hear accounts of smuggled livestock, fuel and</p>	<p>We join Bárbara in Mexico City to follow the creation of her next line, from studio sketches to final fittings.</p> <p>Producer: Alice McKee</p> <p>(Photo credit: Fabián Martínez)</p> <p>TUE 05:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7j6xg) The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p>TUE 05:06 Newsday (w172zbkh87gbb1l) Hamas suspends hostage releases</p> <p>Is the peace deal between Israel and Hamas in serious danger? President Trump says if all the hostages are not released by Saturday afternoon he would advise Israel to cancel the ceasefire and let all hell break loose. We'll speak to a senior Palestinian politician.</p> <p>Two planes carrying deported migrants from the US to Venezuela have touched down in Caracas, as part of a new deal between two countries with a difficult relationship. We'll head to Caracas to find out more.</p> <p>We have an investigation into the death of a Saudi trans woman</p> <p>We'll speak to a scientist studying the earth's core who has come to the conclusion that it has changed shape. So what does that mean?</p> <p>What's it like living in Goma, two weeks after the rebel M23 movement seized the eastern Congolese city?</p> <p>We'll look at that and find out what next for South African peacekeepers in the DR.</p> <p>And we'll head to northern Ghana, where there are growing concerns that jihadist violence in neighbouring Burkina Faso is spreading over the border.</p> <p>(Photo: Fighters from Hamas's Izz ad-Din al-Qassam Brigades escort Israeli hostage Ohad Ben-Ami, 08 February, 2025; Credit: EPA-EFE/REX/Shutterstock)</p> <p>TUE 06:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7jbnl) The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.</p> <p>TUE 06:06 Newsday (w172zbkh87ggb5)</p>

Trump issues Gaza ceasefire ultimatum

Hamas says it will postpone hostage release saying Israel has violated terms of the ceasefire deal. In response Israel said the militant group was breaking the agreement. President Trump said Israel should 'let all hell break out' if Hamas doesn't release all the remaining hostages by Saturday.

The King of Jordan is due to meet with President Trump in Washington later today. King Abdullah's visit comes amid tensions following the American president's comments on relocating Palestinians in Gaza to neighbouring countries, including Jordan.

Why has the new head of the US Consumer Financial Protection Bureau instructed staff not to show up for work?

And the ongoing insecurity in eastern Democratic Republic of Congo is raising fears of the possible spread of the Mpox virus.

(Photo: People wait to watch a live stream of three Israeli hostages, 08 February 2025; Credit: EPA-EFE/REX/Shutterstock)

TUE 07:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7jgdq)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 07:06 Newscast (w172zbkh87gbl29)

Gaza ceasefire deal at risk

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Meanwhile, the King of Jordan is expected to voice his concerns in Washington over Mr Trump's plan to relocate Palestinians to neighbouring countries, an idea that Jordan, alongside other Arab countries, has strongly rejected.

Three Ghanaians have told us about their involvement in the Islamist insurgency in Burkina Faso.

And how will artificial intelligence affect jobs? We'll head to the international AI summit in Paris to speak to a trade unionist attending the conference.

(Photo: Palestinians walk past the rubble of buildings destroyed during the Israeli offensive in Gaza, February 6, 2025; Credit: Reuters)

TUE 08:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7jl4v)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 08:06 People Fixing The World (w3ct5txb)

Making money go further

Billions of people struggle to make ends meet a lot of the time. We look at ways in which people who don't have much money or are in financial distress can make what they do have go further. We visit savings and credit groups which are helping women to start businesses in Guatemala and see how a cooking at home scheme is helping to save cash - and improve diets - among some of the most vulnerable people in the UK.

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(Image: Glendy Mendez and her food stall, Jane Chambers/BBC)

TUE 08:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdqkv6y7f)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

TUE 08:32 Business Daily (w3ct5zjs)

The fight for Guatemala's lakes

We're in the Central American country to hear a tale of two lakes.

One, Lake Amatitlan, is badly polluted and there's concerns that the other - Lake Atitlan - once nominated as one of the seven new wonders of the world and - is in danger of going that way

too.

We hear about the costs needed to clean up these important tourist attractions, and hear about the loss of income for local businesses.

Produced and presented by Jane Chambers

(Image: A worker picks up rubbish on the shore of Lake Amatitlan, Guatemala, during a voluntary clean up day in August 2024. Credit: Getty Images)

TUE 08:50 Witness History (w3ct5ynn)

Eisenhower's farewell address

In January 1961, US President Dwight Eisenhower ended his time in the White House with a farewell address regarded as one of the greatest speeches made by a US president.

He warned Americans against the "military-industrial complex", a phrase that he coined.

In 2018, Louise Hidalgo looked back on the speech with Dwight Eisenhower's grandson, David Eisenhower, and one of his speechwriters, Stephen Hess.

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(Photo: President Dwight Eisenhower. Credit: Bettmann/Contributor via Getty Images)

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TUE 10:06 The Arts Hour (w3ct5qkr)

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TUE 11:32 The Global Story (w3ct6fc4)

Are the US and Canada still friends?

Will Canadians sour on this special relationship amid Trump's tariff threats? Canada and the US share the world's longest undefended border and one of the closest alliances in the world. But President Trump's new tariffs on Canadian steel and aluminium, and his comments about making Canada the 51st US state, have strained those longstanding ties. Can the

friendship last?

On this episode, presenter Jonny Dymond speaks to Jayme Poisson, host of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation podcast Front Burner, and The Global Story's reporter Peter Goffin.

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TUE 12:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7k24c)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 12:06 Outlook (w3ct5p5y)

The reinvention of a pioneering reggae artist

Born to a Jamaican mother, Sutura Gayle grew up in Brixton in south London in the 1970s. An area with a strong Caribbean identity, Brixton was home to a thriving reggae music scene. Sutura, or Lorna Gee as she was called then, became a well-known name as a female presence on male-dominated sound systems such as Saxon, Small Axe, Coxson and Nasty Rockers.

At a time of high racial tension, the extreme right-wing National Front group were a heavy presence in Sutura's life growing up. Then in 1985 her sister Cherry Groce was shot by police which led to the Brixton riots, or the Brixton uprising, against racism in the police force. Music helped Sutura through that time culminating in a hit called Gotta Find A Way.

After performing across Europe and in New York Sutura retrained in acting. This led to a successful career in film and television, including the Batman film The Dark Knight and the long-running British TV soap Eastenders. In the midst of all this she found herself on a silent retreat in India led by her brother Mooji where she changed her name to Sutura. Most recently she has written and performed a play about her life called The Legends of Them and has released an album of her greatest hits.

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TUE 14:06 Newshour (w172zb9cr2sh53l)

Trump to host Jordan's king after threatening to withhold aid over Gaza plan

As the Gaza ceasefire comes under increasing strain, the King of Jordan prepares for a tough meeting in the White House with President Donald Trump insisting Jordan, like Egypt, should make room for two million evicted Gazans.

Also on the programme: at an international summit on Artificial Intelligence in Paris, the UK and the US refuse to sign the final communique; and we will hear from the governor of Kentucky on how his state could be caught in a new international trade war.

(Photo: Palestinians make their way after Israeli forces withdrew from the Netzarim Corridor amid a ceasefire between Israel and Hamas, near Gaza City, February 9, 2025. Credit: Reuters)

TUE 15:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7kfer)

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TUE 15:32 World Business Report (w3ct608c)

EU plans to retaliate against US steel and aluminium tariffs

Meanwhile, European Commission President Ursula von der Leyen said, "Unjustified tariffs on the EU will not go unanswered". We get reaction from the European Steel Association.

The UK and US have not signed an international agreement on artificial intelligence (A.I.) at a global summit in Paris; meanwhile, Sam Altman, the CEO of OpenAI, has rebuffed a \$97.4bn bid to take over the firm from a consortium of investors led by Elon Musk.

And Will Bain hears whether oil giants are scaling back from renewable projects, as BP says it will "fundamentally reset" its strategy as profits dropped sharply last year, and is widely expected to say later this month that it will scale back renewables projects and increase oil and gas production.

TUE 16:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7kk3w)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 16:06 BBC OS (w172zbj1jg9b6667)

US and UK refuse to sign AI declaration

The UK and US have not signed an international agreement on artificial intelligence (AI) at a global summit in Paris. The statement, signed by France, China and India among other countries, pledges an "open", "inclusive" and "ethical" approach to the technology's development. So what does this mean for the future of AI? We hear the latest from the summit, and speak to three people who are already using AI everyday in their jobs.

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Presenter: Luke Jones

(Photo: US Vice President JD Vance delivers a speech during a plenary session of the Artificial Intelligence Action Summit at the Grand Palais, Paris, 11 February, 2025. Credit: Mohammed Badra/EPA-EFE/REX/Shutterstock)

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Photo: A demonstrator holds a sign with a picture of Jordan's King Abdullah during a protest against U.S. President Donald

Trump's plan to resettle Palestinians from Gaza to Jordan, near the U.S. embassy in Amman, Jordan, February 7, 2025.

Credit: REUTERS/Alaa Al Sukhni

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TUE 19:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqs5x6c3rl)

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TUE 19:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdqkv88mn)

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TUE 19:32 Sport Today (w3ct5w97)

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

TUE 20:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7l13d)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 20:06 Assignment (w3ct5mv2)

[Repeat of broadcast at 02:32 today]

TUE 20:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdqkv8dcs)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

TUE 20:32 Tech Life (w3ct5wnj)

Decoding the brain

Artificial intelligence can pick out the words we're typing from analysis of our brainwaves. Could it give a voice to those who can't speak because of brain injury or illness? We interview an expert leading the research.

Also on this week's edition of Tech Life, will AI and 3D printing revolutionise the shoe business? And the hot and cold solution to keep fish fresh in Kenya.

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Presenter: Chris Vallance

Producer: Tom Quinn

Editor: Monica Soriano

(Image: A photo of a female volunteer typing words onto a keyboard while her brain is being scanned. Credit: Meta)

TUE 21:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7l4vj)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

TUE 21:06 Newshour (w172zb9cr2sj0bh)

American school teacher released from prison in Russia

American schoolteacher and former diplomat Marc Fogel has been released from prison in Russia and is on the way home to the US. The sixty-three year old teacher was detained in 2021 after he was found to be carrying a small amount of medical marijuana. He was then given a fourteen year prison sentence. Newshour speaks to his sister, Anne Fogel.

Also in the programme: Donald Trump faces Jordan's King Abdullah in The White House in their first meeting since the US president proposed moving Gaza's population to Jordan; the European Union says it will respond "firmly" to Trump's new proposed steel tariffs while also adding the EU is committed to finding a mutually beneficial solution; and mounting concerns over the Covid-19 whistleblower's health in a Chinese prison as reports suggests she's on hunger strike.

(Photo: Marc Fogel (right) pictured with his sisters. Credit: Anne Fogel)

TUE 22:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7l8ln)

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TUE 22:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqs5x6cgzz)

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TUE 22:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdqkv8mw1)

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TUE 22:32 World Business Report (w3ct60bm)

Palestinian resettlement key to US Jordan aid

King Abdullah of Jordan met with Donald Trump at the White House after the American president had threatened to withhold \$1.45 billion a year in US aid if Jordan did not agree to scheme

Also, as Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau says tariffs imposed by Donald Trump are "unacceptable," a food market entrepreneur in Ottawa says they have seen shoppers boycott US goods

And, how diss tracks in a feud between Kendrick Lamar and Drake have raised an estimated \$15 million.

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TUE 23:06 People Fixing The World (w3ct5txb)

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TUE 23:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdqkv8rm5)

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TUE 23:32 In the Studio (w3ct5tlz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 04:32 today]

WEDNESDAY 12 FEBRUARY 2025

WED 00:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7lj2x)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 00:06 The Arts Hour (w3ct5qkr)

[Repeat of broadcast at 20:06 on Saturday]

WED 01:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7lmv1)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 01:06 Business Matters (w172zb1yfhkxwzx)

Palestinian resettlement key to US-Jordan aid

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We hear from the CEO of the Canadian Steel Producers Association on how Canada's steel industry will be hit hard by tariffs.

And, how diss tracks in a feud between Kendrick Lamar and Drake have raised an estimated \$15 million.

WED 02:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7lrl5)

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WED 02:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqs5x6cyzh)

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WED 02:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdqkv93vk)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

WED 02:32 The Climate Question (w3ct5wt0)

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WED 03:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7lwb9)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 03:06 Outlook (w3ct5p5y)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 on Tuesday]

WED 03:50 Witness History (w3ct5ynn)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 on Tuesday]

WED 04:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7m02f)

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WED 04:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqs5x6d6gr)

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WED 04:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdqkv9cbt)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

WED 04:32 Good Bad Billionaire (w3ct6xkz)

Peter Jackson: Lord of the Films

How did Lord of the Rings director Peter Jackson become one of only four filmmakers worth a billion dollars, and one of just three billionaires from New Zealand? BBC business editor Simon Jack and journalist Zing Tsjung find out how a childhood obsession with movies led to a booming film industry in Jackson's homeland. From Bad Taste to King Kong and The Hobbit, he went from shooting home movies and directing low budget horror films to running a major special effects house and creating some of cinema's biggest hits. Simon and Zing look back at the life of a Wellywood legend, before deciding if they think he's good, bad, or just another billionaire.

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WED 05:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7m3tk)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 05:06 Newsday (w172zbkh87gf7h4)

Jordan insists on two state solution

President Donald Trump has once again insisted the US will take control of the Gaza Strip, as he met Jordan's King Abdullah at the White House on Tuesday.

We'll speak to a former Jordanian minister on how his country can deal with this delicate issue - and hear from Mr Trump's former deputy national security adviser.

Our reporter looks into the reusable bottle industry, which is growing massively as the negative impact of single use plastics becomes ever more apparent.

(Pic: U.S. President Donald Trump and Jordan's King Abdullah shake hands, after their meeting; Credit: Reuters)

WED 06:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7m7kp)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 06:06 Newsday (w172zbkh87gfc78)

Trump says US will take Gaza

Speaking to reporters in the Oval Office, with King Abdullah seated to his right, Trump signalled he would not shift on his idea of Gaza takeover which triggered global condemnation when he unveiled it last week.

A BBC investigation has revealed allegations that British oil giant Shell ignored repeated warnings that a 1-billion-dollar clean-up operation of polluted land in southern Nigeria has been beset with problems and corruption.

(Pic: US President Donald J. Trump stands outside the West Wing of the White House, after having met with the King of Jordan; Credit: EPA-FE/REX/Shutterstock)

WED 07:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7mc9t)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 07:06 Newsday (w172zbkh87gfgzd)

Gaza ceasefire under threat

Israel says Gaza ceasefire will end if Hamas does not free hostages by Saturday. Hamas responded by saying it remained committed to the ceasefire deal and that Israel was "responsible for any complications or delays".

US and UK refuse to sign Paris summit declaration on 'inclusive' AI. So what did the summit achieve?

All the tears belonged to Man City and their supporters after a

trademark smash-and-grab late surge gave Real a potentially decisive advantage.

(Pic: Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu speaks to reporters; Credit: Reuters)

WED 08:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7mh1y)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 08:06 HARDtalk (w3ct5t5f)

Omar Abdullah: Can he bring peace to Jammu and Kashmir?

Stephen Sackur speaks to Omar Abdullah, chief minister of Jammu and Kashmir. This mountainous territory neighbouring Pakistan has long been a source of political tension and violence. Can the chief minister work with Delhi to find a pathway to peace and stability?

WED 08:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdqkv9vbb)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

WED 08:32 Business Daily (w3ct5z9p)

Reusable water bottles: The new fast fashion?

Reusable bottles are everywhere – on your desk at work, at the gym, on a day out, doing a job in the fight against single-use plastic. But if we have multiple versions of refillable water bottles, are they just becoming fast fashion?

The global, refillable water bottle industry is worth \$10 billion and it is growing at a rate of about 5% a year. Several brands have become household names with international offices across continents.

But these types of bottles are energy-intensive. Research suggests manufacturing a single reusable bottle can produce more emissions than producing a single-use plastic version, but that it works out better for the environment once it has been used multiple times. We look at the enormous growth in refillable bottles, and how celebrities and influencers have driven sales.

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

Producer/presenter: Rick Kelsey

(Photo: A young woman drinks from a water bottle in Central Park, NYC. Credit: Getty Images)

WED 08:50 Witness History (w3ct5yqx)

Mary Fisher's 'A Whisper of Aids' speech

When Mary Fisher was diagnosed with HIV in 1991 she did not represent the typical stereotype of someone HIV-positive. She was white, heterosexual and contracted the disease in marriage. She used her platform at the Republican National Convention in Texas in 1992 to try and change people's treatment of those carrying the Aids virus.

The speech was broadcast live to millions of people via the major US TV outlets. She argued that she did not want her sons, aged four and two, to face stigma from the "whisper of Aids" once she had died.

It is ranked as one of the most important speeches in the US in the 20th Century. Mary Fisher recalls the moment she delivered the speech to Josephine McDermott.

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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: Mary Fisher delivers her speech in 1992. Credit: AP)

WED 09:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7m12t)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 09:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqs5x6dt6d)

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WED 09:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdqkv9z2g)

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WED 09:32 The Climate Question (w3ct5wt0)

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WED 10:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7mqk6)

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WED 10:06 World Questions (w3ct5yyp)

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WED 11:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7mv9b)

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WED 11:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdqkv6kq)

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WED 11:32 The Global Story (w3ct6ds2)

El Salvador: Defeating the drug gangs, but at what cost?

President Bukele has offered to house US criminals in El Salvador's mega-jail, built as part of his crackdown on drug gangs. Since taking office he has arrested thousands of people, but many remain in jail without facing trial.

Host Jonny Dymond speaks to BBC Mundo's Leire Ventas who is one of the few journalists to have been inside the mega prison. Our correspondent in Central America, Will Grant, tells us the story of two mothers - one who welcomes President Bukele's approach and another who says it has torn her family apart.

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WED 12:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7mz1g)

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WED 12:06 Outlook (w3ct5pdq)

The childhood injury that turned me from singing to surgery

Prema Dhanraj wanted to be a singer but as an eight-year-old she suffered terrible burns and almost died. The accident also damaged her vocal chords and she had to give up her singing dream. However her mother had other plans; praying for Prema's life she bargained with God to save her, promising that Prema would become a doctor.

Prema fulfilled her mother's wishes and much more. She became a pioneering plastic surgeon, studying in the US, training other surgeons around the world and winning numerous awards. On returning to India she set up an organisation, Agni Raksha, in her home town Bengaluru, to offer free medical treatment and social care to burns survivors.

Presenter: Jo Fidgen
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(Photo: Dr. Prema Dhanraj. Credit: Dr. Prema Dhanraj)

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WED 14:06 Newshour (w172zb9cr2sl20p)

US says Ukraine return to pre-war borders 'unrealistic'

The new US defence secretary has delivered an uncompromising message to Ukraine three years after Russia's full-scale invasion began, saying Nato membership is unrealistic. We get a response from Ukraine's former prime minister.

Also on the programme: A BBC investigation has uncovered allegations that the energy giant Shell ignored repeated warnings that a one-billion-dollar clean-up operation of polluted land in southern Nigeria has been beset by problems and corruption and why a Dublin city councillor is campaigning for the removal of key lockboxes.

(Photo: US Defence Secretary Pete Hegseth speaks at a meeting of the Ukraine Defence Contact Group on the eve of a Nato defence ministers' meeting at the alliance's headquarters in Brussels, Belgium, 12 February, 2025. Credit: Johanna Geron/Reuters)

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Mobile data price hike in Nigeria sparks anger

Nigerians are expressing outrage over a big jump in the price of mobile data charged by some of the country's major phone networks after a government announcement three weeks ago said it would be capped at a 50% price rise.

Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi visits Washington and meets President Donald Trump later this week, and there will be some warm hugs and shared laughs. But what do Indian businesses expect from the meeting? We hear from the Indo-American Chamber of Commerce.

And David Harper hears from the boss of the legendary German toy company, Playmobil. The company might be a much-loved memory for many people, but it has been struggling in a competitive toy markets.

WED 16:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7ng0z)

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WED 16:06 BBC OS (w172zbj9g9b933b)

Sudan fighters accused of storming famine-hit camp

A paramilitary force in Sudan has stormed the country's largest displacement camp, looting and setting fire to the market and several homes, a local refugee group has said. We explain what the fighting in Sudan is about and what's known about the attack on the replacement camp.

Elon Musk denied leading a "hostile takeover" of the US government and defended his cost-cutting plans in a surprise first appearance at the White House press event on Tuesday. Our colleague from BBC Verify joins to talk through some of the things he said.

A sperm donor in the UK, who claims to have fathered more than 180 children, has been used by a judge to warn of the dangers of unregulated sperm donation. Our reporter explains.

We speak to our tech editor who attended the two-day AI

summit in Paris. What were the biggest takeaways? .

Presenter: Mark Lowen

(Photo: Zamzam camp near el-Fasher is hosting an estimated 500,000 people, who are living in famine condition. Credit: APF)

WED 17:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7nks3)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

WED 17:06 BBC OS (w172zbj9g9b96vg)

Trump speaks to Putin about Ukraine war

Pete Hegseth, the US Defence Secretary, says it is "unrealistic" to expect Ukraine to return to its pre-2014 borders, when Russia first captured Crimea and Moscow-backed proxies pushed into eastern Ukraine. It comes just before President Trump said he had had a phone call with President Putin about the war. We speak to our correspondent in Ukraine.

A senior Egyptian source has been telling the BBC that Egypt and Qatar are "intensifying their diplomatic efforts" to salvage the Gaza ceasefire agreement. We speak to our correspondent in Jerusalem.

British comedian Peter Kay says he had "no choice" but to eject two hecklers from his show last weekend because their "repeated disruptions". We speak to other comedians about how they deal with hecklers.

We have the latest on the fighting in the Democratic Republic of Congo.

We find out why the San Remo music festival in Italy is so popular and has been trending on social media today.

Plus, we have the latest on the assault trial case against rapper ASAP Rocky.

Presenter: Mark Lowen

(Photo: US President Trump in Washington, USA. 11 February, 2025. Credit: Aaron Schwartz/EPA-EFE/Rex/Shutterstock)

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WED 20:32 Health Check (w3ct5t9y)

The psychology of nostalgia

Do you look back on the past with rose-tinted spectacles, memories of the good old days accompanied by warm, fuzzy feelings? Or when you reflect on the past is it hard to do so without a tinge of sadness? Whether you fall on the more bitter

or more sweet side, this is the bittersweet feeling of nostalgia.

But nostalgia was not always just a feeling. Historian Agnes Arnold Forster tells Claudia and the panel that once it was viewed as a disease so deadly that it appeared on thousands of death certificates. And now this poignant emotion stirs political action, bonds us to others, and guides our very understanding of ourselves.

Our expert panel of psychologists; Peter Oltusoga, senior lecturer in psychology at Sheffield Hallam University, Daryl O'Connor, professor of psychology at the University of Leeds, and Catherine Loveday, professor of cognitive neuroscience at the University of Westminster, join Claudia in the studio to discuss how leaning into nostalgia can help us feel better, reduce pain, and even inject a bit of romance into life.

Presenter: Claudia Hammond

Producer: Lorna Stewart

Assistant Producer: Katie Tomsett

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Trump announces negotiations to end Ukraine war will start 'immediately'

Donald Trump has announced that talks to end the war in Ukraine will start immediately. The US President had 'a lengthy and highly productive' phone call with Russian President Vladimir Putin, followed by a call to Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky. We hear from a former NATO Deputy Secretary General and a Ukrainian MP about the path going forward.

Also in our programme: is the United States in the midst of a constitutional crisis? And we hear about a historic raid targeting the Sicilian mafia.

(Photo: US President Trump Welcomes Released Russian Prisoner Mark Fogel. Credit: Shutterstock)

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WED 22:32 World Business Report (w3ct60h4)

What impact could high inflation in the US have?

President Donald Trump promised to bring prices down, but egg and energy prices in the US rose by its highest for six months in January. What does it mean for consumers and interest-rates?

Roger Hearing speaks to a giant Indian tyre maker on doing business in an America wedded to tariffs.

And Brazil's plan to become a major exporter of... cannabis.

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

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THU 01:06 Business Matters (w172zbfyhf10sx0)

Inflation: Why is it higher than expected in the US?

With inflation in the US rising in January at its highest rate for six months, how can President Donald Trump stop energy and egg prices from going up and forcing the cost of living to rise across America?

We hear from a former Fed official on how the central bankers are dealing with political pressure on interest rates, and a farmer who's seeing his costs rise and is having to pass them on to customers.

Elsewhere, we find out about the Refillable bottle boom and how Brazil wants to become a giant of global production in... cannabis.

Global business news, with live guests and contributions from Asia and the USA.

THU 02:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7pnh8)

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THU 02:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqs5x6gvwl)

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THU 02:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdqkvd0rn)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 02:32 The Documentary (w3ct7mch)

World Wide Waves '25: Whispers in the air

The Nuxalk people of Canada's Pacific north-west were almost wiped out by colonisation. Now a community radio station is reviving their language and culture. Nuxalk Radio came on air 10 years ago, inspired by the indigenous Idle No More movement. For World Radio Day 2025, we celebrate this tiny outfit broadcasting from a trailer in the town of Bella Coola, British Columbia, to help an ancient nation recover its mother tongue, suppressed for decades by the Canadian government, as well as its identity and self-respect.

Teaching the language through playful lessons, bilingual weather forecasts and recordings of Nuxalk elders, the station's young staff are immersing themselves in a culture their grandparents were too traumatised to pass on, and bringing the community with them. For Sits'iani, Qwaxw, Tatala and their colleagues, "broadcasting the laws of the lands and the waters" is much more than a linguistic exercise. It is the recovery of a resilient way of living shaped over centuries to withstand catastrophes and dedicated to the health of future generations. Their mission to build a bridge from the past to the future sings out through their music too. An album of new songs made by the radio station blends old and new musical forms, deer hooves and saxophones, antlers and synthesisers.

Presenter: Maria Margaronis

Producer: David Goren

A Storyscape production for BBC World Service

(Photo: Tatala and Ximximana. Credit: Sits'iani Banchi Hanuse/Nuxalk Radio)

THU 03:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7ps7d)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 03:06 Outlook (w3ct5pdq)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 on Wednesday]

THU 03:50 Witness History (w3ct5yqx)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 on Wednesday]

THU 04:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7pwzj)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 04:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqs5x6h3cv)

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THU 04:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdqkvd87x)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 04:32 The Food Chain (w3ct5xp4)

How to make a TV cooking show

We find out the secret recipe that goes into some of the TV food shows watched by millions around the world.

From hiring snake wranglers in South Africa to fending off flies in Sweden, three top producers lift the lid on what it takes to serve up a feast of culinary entertainment.

Seasoned professionals Avril Beaven (Great British Menu), Irene Wong (Man Fire Food) and Jane Kennedy (Masterchef South Africa and My Kitchen Rules South Africa) explain the people skills needed to manage big personalities. And open up about the gruelling schedule that goes into creating televised cooking shows.

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

Presenter: Ruth Alexander

Producers: Sam Clack and Hannah Bewley

(Image: Jane Kennedy, Irene Wong and Avril Beaven)

THU 05:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7q0qm)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 05:06 Newsday (w172zbkh87gj4d7)

Trump 'plans' to meet Putin in person

In a post on his Truth Social platform, US President Trump said he and the Russian president had "agreed to have our respective teams start negotiations immediately on Ukraine"

India's prime minister is in Washington for talks expected to focus on trade and threatened US tariffs.

U.S. Secretary of State Marco Rubio is in the Middle East, visiting Israel, the United Arab Emirates, Qatar, and Saudi Arabia.

(Pic: Russia's President Vladimir Putin and U.S. President Donald Trump attend a meeting in Osaka, 2019; Credit: Reuters)

THU 06:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7q4gs)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 06:06 Newsday (w172zbkh87gj84c)

Russia and US agree to work on Ukraine

President Donald Trump says he had a "lengthy and highly productive" phone call with Vladimir Putin in which the leaders agreed to begin negotiations to end the war in Ukraine.

As US Secretary of State Marco Rubio heads to the Middle East - Egypt and Qatar are upping their efforts to make sure the fighting in Gaza doesn't resume. We'll get into what Egypt's plan might be - with a former assistant to its Foreign Ministry

We'll take a look at today's business news - and the state of play with coal-fired power plants in China.

(Pic: A serviceman of 24th Mechanized brigade named after King Danylo of the Ukrainian Armed Forces; Credit: Reuters)

THU 07:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7q86x)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 07:06 Newsday (w172zbkh87gjcwj)

Trump: Ukraine unlikely to join Nato

Trump wrote on social media: "It is time to stop this ridiculous War, where there has been massive, and totally unnecessary, DEATH and DESTRUCTION"

We also bring you a report from our correspondent in Kramatorsk close to the front line with Russia.

Scientists say China's construction of coal-fired power plants is at its highest level in almost a decade.

(Pic: U.S. President Donald Trump gestures in the Oval Office at the White House in Washington; Credit: Reuters)

THU 08:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7qcz1)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 08:06 The Inquiry (w3ct5xjm)

How can Panama satisfy President Trump?

The Panama Canal, a crucial artery for global trade, is at the centre of growing tensions between the United States and China. Donald Trump has claimed that Chinese companies exert undue influence over the waterway, accusing Panama of overcharging US businesses. But does the US still have a legitimate stake in the canal?

With Trump demanding action, Panama faces a difficult choice. Could a renegotiation of tolls or a review of Chinese port contracts ease US concerns?

Contributors:

Will Freeman, Fellow for Latin American studies at the Council on Foreign Relations

Andrew Thomas, Academic and Author of The Canal of Panama and Globalisation

Dr Yu Jie, Senior Research Fellow on China in the Asia-Pacific Programme at Chatham House

David Young, President of the Committee for Economic Development

Presented by Gary O'Donoghue

Produced by Louise Clarke

Researched by Katie Morgan

Technical producer Matthew Dempsey

Production Coordinator Liam Morrey

Editor Tara McDermott

Image credit: Getty Images via MARTIN BERNETTI

THU 08:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdqkvd7f)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 08:32 Business Daily (w3ct5zd8)

What it takes to become a digital nomad

The digital nomad lifestyle sounds like a dream - working from a beach in Bali or a café in Barcelona. But how do you actually make it happen?

In this episode, we meet the people who've taken the plunge and hear about the ups and downs of life on the move. Hear from employers managing a remote global workforce and investigate why the lifestyle isn't always what you see on social media.

Plus - we also look at the tax implications.

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

(Picture: Woman sitting by a beach, looking at her laptop. Credit: Getty Images)

Presented and produced by Sam Gruet

THU 08:50 Witness History (w3ct5yld)

Paul Keating's Redfern speech

On 10 December 1992, Australia's Prime Minister, Paul Keating, addressed a crowd in a Sydney suburb called Redfern, to mark the UN's International Year of the World's Indigenous People. What started as a low-key affair, is remembered as one of the most powerful speeches in Australian history. It was the first time an Australian Prime Minister took moral responsibility for the horrors committed against Indigenous Australians.

The speech received significant backlash, but it's often credited with paving the way for a later Australian Prime Minister, Kevin Rudd, to issue a formal apology to Indigenous Australians. In 2007, ABC radio listeners voted it the third most unforgettable speech in history behind Martin Luther King's 'I have a dream' speech and Jesus' Sermon on the Mount.

Don Watson wrote the speech. He speaks to Ben Henderson.

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.

(Audio of Redfern speech: National Archives of Australia)

(Photo: Prime Minister Paul Keating at Redfern. Credit: Pickett/The Sydney Morning Herald/Fairfax Media via Getty Images)

THU 09:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7qh5)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 09:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqs5x6hq3h)

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THU 09:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdqkvdvzk)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 09:32 The Documentary (w3ct7mch)

[Repeat of broadcast at 02:32 today]

THU 10:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7qmg9)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 10:06 The Explanation (w3ct6pmx)

The Media Show: Understanding the attention economy

Elon Musk's presence at a White House press conference surprised journalists when President Trump gave him the stage to address questions about his growing governmental influence. Jeff Mason, White House correspondent for Reuters, who asked Musk about claims of a "hostile takeover" of government, describes the experience.

The Trump administration has announced significant cuts to the United States Agency for International Development (USAID), which provides funding to independent media organisations worldwide. Max Tani, reporter for Semafor, explains how this decision affects news outlets, particularly those operating in countries where press freedom is under threat.

BBC Media Action, the BBC's international charity, has been affected by the cuts, with USAID previously providing millions in funding. Its CEO, Simon Bishop, clarifies the organisation's role and responds to Elon Musk's claim that USAID funds the BBC directly.

The attention economy is reshaping the way people engage with media and technology. Chris Hayes, host of MSNBC's All In, draws comparisons between Big Tech's monetisation of attention and the Industrial Revolution's transformation of labour. He discusses the social and political consequences of mass digital engagement and offers insight into potential regulatory solutions.

Presenter: Katie Razzall

Producer: Simon Richardson

Assistant producer: Lucy Wai

THU 10:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdqkvdzqp)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 10:32 Happy News (w3ct5sqv)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:32 on Saturday]

THU 11:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7qr6f)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 11:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqs5x6hylr)

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THU 11:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdqkfv3gt)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 11:32 The Global Story (w3ct6dvb)

Antibiotics: A casualty of war?

Antimicrobial drugs like antibiotics have saved countless lives and transformed the health of humanity. Before these drugs were discovered, even something as simple as a papercut could be life-threatening. Some of the greatest advances in the development of these drugs have been forged in wartime. But now those same wars threaten the progress that has been made.

Host Jonny Dymond speaks with the BBC's Global Health correspondent Dominic Hughes about the hidden threat that wars around the world pose to modern medicine. And also the BBC's Abduljalil Abdurasulov who has been speaking to soldiers and hospital staff in Ukraine to see how antimicrobial resistance is affecting their ability to treat casualties.

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Senior news editor: China Collins

THU 12:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7qvyk)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 12:06 Outlook (w3ct5nz5)

The making of a Nollywood special effects superstar

Nollywood special effects artist Hakeem Onilogbo - aka Hakeem Effect - had a privileged early life. But when his dad lost his job, the family fell on hard times and Hakeem had to hawk goods on the street to survive. It was a loss of status that Hakeem found hard to stomach. So when some older boys - supposed friends - turned up promising him a job and good money in Lagos, the temptation to restore his family's fortunes proved too much. But instead of a job, he found himself facing the brutal reality of broken promises, poverty and sharing a single room flat with 15 drug dealers. In despair he turned to religion, and soon afterwards was visited by a white-robed figure in his dreams. He taught Hakeem how to create severed hands and mould plaster on to human faces, which made little sense, until he was unexpectedly asked to take charge of special effects for his church theatre group. His creations created a sensation and started him on a path that ended in Nollywood fame and fortune.

Presenter: Asya Fouks

Producer: Anna Lacey

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(Photo: Hakeem Onilogbo applying fake fur and make up to an actor's face. Credit: Hakeem Onilogbo)

THU 12:50 Witness History (w3ct5yld)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 today]

THU 13:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7qzpp)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 13:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqs5x6j630)

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THU 13:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdqkfvbz2)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 13:32 The Food Chain (w3ct5xp4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 04:32 today]

THU 14:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7r3ft)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 14:06 Newshour (w172zb9cr2snyxs)

Trump cuts Europe out of Ukraine talks

European countries are left reeling after Donald Trump cuts them out of negotiations with Russia over Ukraine: we speak to Estonia's foreign minister, and hear from Kyiv on how Ukraine sees its future.

Also in the programme: unearthing a major piece of Roman history in an office basement in London; and we get the latest after a man drives a car into a crowd in Munich.

(IMAGE: Estonian Minister of Foreign Affairs Margus Tsahkna speaks to the media as he attends Foreign Affairs Council at the EU headquarters in Brussels, Belgium, 27 January 2025 / CREDIT: Olivier Hoslet/EPA-EFE/REX/Shutterstock)

THU 15:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7r75y)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 15:06 The Inquiry (w3ct5xjm)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:06 today]

THU 15:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdqkvlfgb)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 15:32 World Business Report (w3ct603v)

Honda-Nissan merger talks collapse

The Japanese car giants Honda and Nissan have abandoned plans for a merger, and in a joint statement, the manufacturers say they'll continue to work together on electric car production as they try to fight off competition from Chinese producers.

David Harper hears about whether AI regulation is holding back development in Europe. We ask an executive at one of the big players in the industry.

Also, shares in the low-cost airline Norwegian jumped on Thursday as markets reacted to the company's fourth-quarter financial results, which surpassed revenue expectations despite a net loss.

THU 16:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7rby2)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 16:06 BBC OS (w172zbj9gd00f)

Suspected car ramming attack in Germany

A car has been driven into a trade union rally in the German city of Munich, injuring at least 28 people, some seriously. Police say the driver was a 24-year-old Afghan asylum seeker. He was overpowered by emergency services who were on duty for the rally. We speak to our reporter in Munich.

The European Union's foreign policy chief, Kaja Kallas, has accused President Trump of appealing Russia over Ukraine. Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky says Kyiv will not accept any peace deal agreed by Russia and the US without its involvement.

Our reporters from BBC Ukraine and BBC Russian explain the reaction in the region, and we bring together Ukrainians to share their views on the developments.

Presenter: Mark Lowen.

(Photo: Dozens injured after car drives into a crowd in Munich, Germany - 13 Feb 2025. Credit: RONALD WITTEK/EPA-EFE/REX/Shutterstock)

THU 17:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7rgp6)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 17:06 BBC OS (w172zbj9gd3rk)

Zelensky warns against trusting Putin

Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky says he has warned world leaders "against trusting Putin's claims of readiness to end the war". This comes after the Kremlin confirmed Ukraine will "of course" take part in any peace deal negotiations. Donald Trump spoke to Vladimir Putin on Wednesday before announcing they agreed talks to end the Ukraine war could start "immediately".

We bring together Ukrainians to share their views on the developments, and we hear from our correspondents in the US, Russia and Germany.

A man has driven a car into a crowd of pedestrians in the German city of Munich, injuring at least 28 people. We have the latest from Munich.

Presenter: Mark Lowen.

(Photo: Daily life in frontline city of Orikhiv amid Russian invasion, Ukraine - 12 Feb 2025. Credit: OLEG MOVCHANIUK/EPA-EFE/REX/Shutterstock)

THU 18:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7r1fb)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 18:06 Outlook (w3ct5nz5)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 today]

THU 18:50 Witness History (w3ct5yld)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 today]

THU 19:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7rq5g)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 19:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqs5x6jxks)

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THU 19:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdqkvg2fv)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 19:32 Sport Today (w3ct5w6z)

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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 (w172zgf18v7rtxl)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 20:06 The Documentary (w3ct7mch)

[Repeat of broadcast at 02:32 today]

THU 20:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdqkvg65z)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 20:32 Science In Action (w3ct5vf4)

Hits from space

This week the recently spotted asteroid 2024 YR4 had its odds of missing us "spectacularly" slashed by 1 percentage point. Still nothing to worry about maintains Patrick Michel of the International Asteroid Warning Network, and he expects that with better tracking data in the next few months (even courtesy of the JWST) that tiny chance of collision will fall further. However, as he explains, it's very comforting to know that we now have such a sophisticated tracking network, and even better, thanks to NASA's DART mission, even a demonstrable method for doing something about it if the numbers go the other way...

But other extraterrestrial bombardments are harder to detect at all. This week scientists of the KM3NeT collaboration report in the journal Nature their detection of the most energetic neutrino ever noticed. Almost countless numbers travel through the earth – and us – every second, but this little beauty arrived from deep space, plummeting through hundreds of miles of rock and sea (via Malta) to collide with a single molecule of water in the Mediterranean sea. As Paschal Coyle of Aix Marseille University happens to run a cubic kilometre of neutrino observatory in that area explains their huge instrument was barely begun when the record breaker smashed through the area in February 2023.

Finally, years of breeding rice cultivars for higher yield may have subtly changed the plants relationship with the microbes in the paddies in which they grow, inadvertently boosting the amount of methane released into our atmosphere. New research, including 3 years of field trials in China have produced a new cultivar, breeding in some of the older stocks, with just as high yields yet up to 70 percent lower methane released. This could make a serious difference to global methane emissions, as Microbiologist Anna Schnürer of Uppsala BioCenter in Sweden describes.

Presenter: Roland Pease
Producer: Alex Mansfield
Production Coordinator: Josie Hardy

(Photo: Asteroid 2024 YR4 as observed by the Magdalena Ridge 2.4m telescope Credit: AFP/NASA/New Mexico Institute of Technology)

THU 21:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7ryng)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 21:06 Newshour (w172zb9cr2spt4p)

EU chief accuses Trump of appeasing Russia over Ukraine

The European Union's foreign policy chief, Kaja Kallas, has accused President Trump of appeasing Russia over Ukraine. Newshour hears from NATO's former Deputy Supreme Allied Commander for Europe, Gen. Sir. Richard Shirreff.

Also in the programme: Israel's hostage families speak of captivity ordeal; and the rise of Germany's AfD.

(Picture: U.S. Defence Secretary Pete Hegseth holds a press

conference during a NATO Defence Ministers meeting at the Alliance's headquarters in Brussels. credit: Reuters)

THU 22:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7s2dv)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 22:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqs5x6k8t5)

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THU 22:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdqkvgfp7)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 22:32 World Business Report (w3ct6063)

Trump tariffs: What does this mean for businesses?

President Donald Trump announced reciprocal tariffs on all US imports.

So how will the tariffs affect businesses in the US who import and export products? That's what we ask them.

And Mexico is threatening to sue Google if the company refuses to change the name of the Gulf of America back to the Gulf of Mexico for Maps users in the US.

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

THU 23:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7s64z)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

THU 23:06 The Inquiry (w3ct5xjm)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:06 today]

THU 23:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdqkvgkfc)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

THU 23:32 The Food Chain (w3ct5xp4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 04:32 today]

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FRI 00:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7s9x3)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 00:06 The Explanation (w3ct6pmx)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:06 on Thursday]

FRI 00:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdqkvgp5h)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 00:32 Unspun World with John Simpson (w3ct5ycc)

Is Western support for Ukraine holding firm?

John Simpson, in discussion with the BBC's unparalleled range of experts across the world, examines whether western support for Ukraine is holding firm, analyses Donald Trump's plan for a Middle East Riviera in Gaza and looks at whether Artificial Intelligence is still a danger to us.

FRI 01:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7sfn7)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 01:06 Business Matters (w172zbfyhf13pt3)

India's Prime Minister visits President Trump

Present Trump makes the case for tariffs and the Indian Prime Minister pays a visit.

So how will the tariffs affect businesses in the US who import and export from India?

And Mexico is threatening to sue Google if the company refuses to change the name of the Gulf of America back to the Gulf of Mexico for Maps users in the US.

Elsewhere, countries including China, Iran and Russia are suspected of threatening to sabotage the under-sea cables which carry 95 percent of the world's data.

Global business news, with live guests and contributions from Asia and the USA.

FRI 02:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7skdc)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 02:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqs5x6krsp)

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FRI 02:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdqkvgxnr)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 02:32 Tech Life (w3ct5wnj)

[Repeat of broadcast at 20:32 on Tuesday]

FRI 03:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7sp4h)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 03:06 Outlook (w3ct5nz5)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:06 on Thursday]

FRI 03:50 Witness History (w3ct5yld)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 on Thursday]

FRI 04:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7sswm)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 04:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqs5x6l08y)

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FRI 04:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdqkvh550)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 04:32 Heart and Soul (w3ct5tgg)

The caretaker of Bukhara

Abram Iskhakov is the caretaker of the oldest synagogue in Bukhara, one of the sacred cities of Islam. He is keeper of a Torah inscribed on deer velum and kept safe for 1000 years, or so the story goes. Abram has a powerful voice and recites for us a very special prayer, the Haqqoni, recited at both Jewish and Muslim mourning services in Persian, the language of his city and of Central Asian Jews from Samarkand to the borders of China. What does Haqqoni tell us about the culture of Central Asia? And as the Bukharan Jewish population migrates across the world, what is becoming of the Haqqoni?

With thanks to Benjamin Yusupov and Meitar for their recording of Haqqoni, Abram Tolmasov for use of his Samarkand recording from 1987, and Grigory Manyuk and Magrifilm for their Bukhara wedding recording of 1997. Recording of Rakhimkhan Mazokhidova by kind permission of Paul Balmer at Music on Earth Productions.

Producer/presenter and by Monica Whitlock

(Photo: Abram Iskhakov, caretaker of the oldest synagogue in Bukhara. Credit: Zilola Saidova)

FRI 05:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7sxmr)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 05:06 Newsday (w172zbkh87gm19b)

Zelensky: No peace deal without Ukraine

President Trump has now suggested that Russian representatives will meet Americans on Friday in Munich, which is hosting a security conference. Ukrainian president's adviser Dmytro Lytvyn told reporters that "talks with Russians in Munich" were "not expected".

Hamas says it will release three Israeli hostages on Saturday. We'll hear from parents of hostages who have already been released on what their time in captivity was like

India's Prime Minister Narendra Modi hails a 'mega partnership' with the US, after agreeing a trade deal with President Trump.

(Pic: Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky briefs the media; Credit: EPA-EFE/REX/Shutterstock)

FRI 06:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7t1cw)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 06:06 Newsday (w172zbkh87gm51g)

Ukraine top of the agenda at Munich conference

America's Nato allies are still reacting to Trump's surprise announcement this week that he and Russian President Vladimir Putin had agreed in a phone call to begin talks to end the war.

Joy for hundreds of millions of Americans as TikTok is once again available from US app stores... this comes as President Donald Trump postponed enforcement of a ban of the Chinese-owned social media platform until 5 April.

(Pic: A participant with flowers in her hair holds a placard reading partially 'ever day...'. Credit: EPA-EFE/REX/Shutterstock)

FRI 07:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7t540)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 07:06 Newsday (w172zbbk87gm8sl)

Trump announces three way talks on Ukraine

The US president announced the three-way meeting in Munich during a press conference on Thursday, without giving any further details. However, Zelensky adviser Dmytro Lytvyn told reporters the Ukrainian delegation had no plans to attend such a meeting.

Hamas says it will release three Israeli hostages on Saturday. We speak to a mother whose son is still held hostage.

(Pic: US President Donald Trump attends a press conference at the White House. Credit: EPA-EFE/REX/Shutterstock)

FRI 08:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7t8w4)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 08:06 HARDtalk (w3ct5swd)

Jake Sullivan: The legacy of the Biden White House

Stephen Sackur is in Washington D.C. for an exclusive interview with Jake Sullivan, who was National Security Adviser in the Biden White House. From Afghanistan to Ukraine to Gaza, he faced a series of rolling crises. Did the failings of the Biden administration prepare the ground for Trump 2.0?

FRI 08:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdqkvhn4j)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 08:32 Business Daily (w3ct5z37)

Business Daily meets: Applied Nutrition's Tom Ryder

We speak to a boss whose business has bulked up on the global wellness trend.

Tom Ryder got into fitness supplements as a side-hustle when he was a scaffolder for Liverpool City Council — now he runs Applied Nutrition, which is valued at more than £350million.

He tells Sean Farrington how growing up with his grandparents in public housing shaped his entrepreneurial spirit.

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Presenter: Sean Farrington

Producer: Josh Martin

(Image: Tom Ryder)

FRI 08:50 Witness History (w3ct5yfw)

Eva Peron: Argentina's Evita

Eva Peron – otherwise known as Evita - became an icon in 1940s Argentina, famous for her passionate speeches and populist rhetoric.

Born into poverty, she moved to Buenos Aires at the age of 15 to become an actress, and was soon starring in radio soap operas.

In 1945, she married Colonel Juan Peron, a rising figure in the Argentinian military, and supported his campaign to become president.

After he won the election, she set up the Eva Perón Foundation, to distribute money, food and medicines to the poor. It won her the adulation of Argentina's working classes, although some believed she exploited her position for personal gain.

Eva fell ill with cancer, and on 17 October 1951, she made her last major public appearance from the presidential palace balcony. It was to be her most famous speech, later inspiring the

award-winning song, Don't Cry for Me Argentina, from the musical Evita.

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 Gaudí 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: Eva Peron in 1951. Credit: Bettmann/Getty Images)

FRI 09:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7tdm8)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 09:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqs5x6lm0l)

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FRI 09:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdqkvrwn)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 09:32 Science In Action (w3ct5vf4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 20:32 on Thursday]

FRI 10:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7tjcd)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 10:06 Unexpected Elements (w3ct5q35)

Let's talk about love

Valentine's Day is here - the one day of the year where you can be unashamedly romantic and splash out on posh dinners, flowers and chocolates for your beloved. So we dig into the science of love.

First, we find out about a monogamous rodent that has a special way of forming lifelong bonds with its partner. Next, we discover how to apply maths to your love life, before delving into the technology behind AI chatbots, and find out if a new dating app can help shine a light on the science of compatibility.

Plus, we are joined by Bianca Acevedo, a research scientist at the University of California, Santa Barbara, who studies the neuroscience of love. She reveals what's going on in our brains when we are infatuated with someone and what purpose love serves.

Presenters: Marnie Chesterton, with Tristan Ahtone and Edd Gent

Producers: Alice Lipscombe-Southwell, William Hornbrook, Debbie Kilbride, Imaan Moin and Noa Dowling

FRI 11:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7tn3j)

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FRI 11:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqs5x6lvhv)

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FRI 11:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdqkvj0cx)

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FRI 11:32 The Global Story (w3ct6dxi)

Has one phone call sealed Ukraine's fate?

In a surprise move this week, US President Donald Trump announced that his Russian counterpart Vladimir Putin had agreed to begin negotiations to end the war in Ukraine. The pair held what Washington described as a "lengthy and highly productive" phone call, ending an effective boycott of high-level diplomatic dialogue with the Kremlin by western leaders. Ukrainian president Volodymyr Zelensky, who spoke separately with President Trump, has emphasised his scepticism about Russia's readiness for peace. So, does this moment mark the

first step towards formal talks?

On this episode, Jonny Dymond is joined by the BBC's Chief International Correspondent Lyse Doucet. She dialled in from the Munich Security Conference, where Ukraine looks to be high on the agenda.

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FRI 12:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7trvn)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 12:06 Outlook (w3ct69b3)

Outlook Mixtape: First loves and first dates

In 2003, Rachel Colenso and her partner Jeremy went on a first date climbing Piz Badile in the Swiss Alps. But what was meant to be a romantic getaway ended up being a disaster when they were engulfed in a fierce electrical storm and trapped on a narrow, icy ledge with little food and water for three days. The pair narrowly escaped with their lives, so why did Rachel agree to return to the mountain with Jeremy?

When Syrian Tamim Kharb did a call-out on social media offering to help people improve their curriculum vitae, he had no idea it would change the entire course of his life. An impressive CV from Rahaf Al Iyoni dropped into his inbox and it was love at first resume. But he was in Turkey and she in Syria. It would take a challenging three year journey and a virtual wedding before they finally had their first face to face date.

Jeanne Gustavson met Steve Watts as an undergraduate at university in Chicago in 1971, but her family disapproved of their interracial relationship. The pressure became too much, and Jeanne broke up with Steve, but she never forgot him, and four decades later she tracked him down. Steve was living with disabilities in a nursing home, but they knew immediately that they were still in love. They finally got married in 2022 and are raising funds to make the home and garden they share accessible. This interview was first broadcast in November 2021.

Francesco Pannofino and Emanuela Rossi fell in love across a microphone in an Italian recording studio. The dub artists have become famous for providing the voices for George Clooney and Michelle Pfeiffer to name but a few. They featured in a documentary called Being George Clooney, and are currently appearing in a comedy play in Italy with their son Andrea.

The film clips used in the last story were from: Ocean's Eleven/Warner Bros./Steven Soderbergh Women on the Verge of a Nervous Breakdown/El Deseo, S.A./Pedro Almodóvar The Age of Innocence/Columbia Pictures/Martin Scorsese

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FRI 13:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7twls)

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FRI 13:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqs5x6m303)

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FRI 13:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdqkvj7w5)

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FRI 13:32 Heart and Soul (w3ct5tgg)

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FRI 14:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7v0bx)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 14:06 Newshour (w172zb9cr2srvtw)

JD Vance speaks at European security conference

US Vice President J.D. Vance speaks at the Munich Security Conference. As Ukraine's President Zelensky warns about Vladimir Putin's European ambitions, is Europe now on its own when it comes to defence?

Also in the programme: why did six federal prosecutors resign in protest in New York and D.C. yesterday? And the study explaining why humans feel there IS a separate stomach for pudding.

(IMAGE: US Vice President JD Vance speaks during the 61st Munich Security Conference (MSC), in Munich, Germany, 14 February 2025 / CREDIT: Ronald Wittek/EPA-EFE/REX/Shutterstock)

FRI 15:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7v431)

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FRI 15:06 HARDtalk (w3ct5swd)

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FRI 15:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdqkvjhcf)

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FRI 15:32 World Business Report (w3ct5zt)

What Trump tariffs targeting countries mean for businesses and consumers

US President Donald Trump is sharpening plans to hit exports from countries that he says have trade policies that are unfair to the US. We will look at how each country is focusing on trade negotiations.

African heads of state meeting in Addis Ababa are discussing alternative sources to pay for medical services on the continent following the freezing of USAID funding.

And Will Bain finds out why English cricket's governing body has been selling off stakes in the city-based franchises that make up its Hundred competition.

FRI 16:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7v5)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 16:06 BBC OS (w172zbj18v9bgwxj)

Vance criticises Europe over free speech and democracy

We discuss what's been said so far in the Munich Security Conference. Ukraine's president Volodymyr Zelensky told the conference that the only Russian official that he was prepared to talk to about peace negotiations was President Vladimir Putin. In his speech, US Vice-President JD Vance criticised European leaders over free speech and democracy. Our Europe editor explains.

We hear from two people who are looking to retrain or change careers entirely because of artificial intelligence.

A luxury community built on a wetland in Argentina's capital Buenos Aires is facing the problem of an ever growing population of wild capybaras. We hear more from local people.

As YouTube turns 20 years old, we are joined by one of the very first people to go viral on the platform.

Presenter: Luke Jones.

(Photo: U.S. Vice President JD Vance speaks at the Munich Security Conference (MSC) in Munich, Germany February 14, 2025. REUTERS/Wolfgang Rattay)

FRI 17:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7vc19)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 17:06 BBC OS (w172zbj18v9bh0nn)

Vance says 'there is a new sheriff in town'

President Zelensky has told the Munich Security Conference that the only Russian official he's prepared to discuss peace negotiations with is Vladimir Putin. The US Vice President, JD Vance, told the conference that Washington could impose economic sanctions on Russia if it refuses to agree what he called "a good peace deal" with Ukraine. He warned that military force might be used. Referring to President Trump, Mr Vance said "a new sheriff was in town"; and he repeated Washington's stance that European countries must play a bigger role in the future defence of the continent. We speak to our Russia media analyst.

The new Bridget Jones film is expected to become a box-office megahit but how relevant is the portrayal of a single woman looking for love now? We bring together female commentators around the world to discuss.

We hear from two people who are looking to retrain or change careers entirely because of artificial intelligence.

Hamas has released the names of the three hostages to be released on Saturday in exchange for Palestinian prisoners. Our Middle East regional editor has the latest.

Presenter: Luke Jones.

(Photo: Munich Security Conference 2025, Germany - 14 Feb 2025. Credit: RONALD WITTEK/EPA-EFE/REX/Shutterstock)

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FRI 19:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqs5x6mtgw)

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FRI 19:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdqkvjzby)

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FRI 19:32 Sport Today (w3ct5w2g)

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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 (w172zgf18v7vqtq)

The latest five minute news bulletin from BBC World Service.

FRI 20:06 BBC OS Conversations (w3ct5rcy)

How AI is changing our lives

Thousands of people from all around the world came to Paris this week to talk about the impact of artificial intelligence in society.

The rapidly growing technology can emulate a human response and has the potential to learn quickly. This allows it to generate images and words, for example, and do a range of jobs faster and cheaper than humans.

We hear from three tech entrepreneurs in Ghana, Denmark and Nigeria where AI is making a positive impact on their businesses - from the music industry, preserving indigenous languages and healthcare.

"It has infinite memory. It never needs coffee. It never needs sleep and it's capable of taking fantastic notes, comparing those notes to other patients," says Andreas, the co-founder of a Danish medical AI firm. "Then it will write your summary, so you can review it as a doctor afterwards."

There are other industries, however, where workers fear losing jobs due to AI. Two writers from the UK and the United States share how the technology has reduced some of their work prospects and is forcing them to think of other ways to develop their businesses and careers.

Conversations hosted by Luke Jones and Mark Lowen.

A Boffin Media production with producer Sue Nelson in partnership with the BBC OS team and producers Laura Cress and Angela Sheeran.

(Photo: Katie Thompson. Credit: Katie Lingo)

FRI 20:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdqkvk332)

The latest two minute news summary from BBC World Service.

FRI 20:32 CrowdScience (w3ct5rjg)

Is anything truly random?

CrowdScience listener Dorit has a problem. She wants the tiles in her new bathroom to be arranged randomly but, no matter what she does, it still looks like they form some kind of pattern.

This has got Dorit thinking about randomness – what is it, how do you create it, why do we find it so hard to recognise, and is anything really random at all? And if nothing is truly random, does it mean that everything is theoretically predictable? Tiling your bathroom is a much more existential problem than you might have thought.

Never afraid of a question, whether big (is everything pre-determined?) or small (how do I tile my bathroom?), CrowdScience is on the case.

Anand Jagatia heads to Switzerland to meet Hugo Duminil-Copin, a mathematician at the University of Geneva who specialises in probability theory. On the top floor of an old bank, Hugo has Anand flipping an imaginary coin in a random order. Hugo explains that randomness is something that cannot be predicted by any means – so why is it so easy for Hugo to guess what Anand's next move is?

Meanwhile, at the National Institutes of Mental Health in Maryland USA, Susan Wardle is a cognitive neuroscientist who researches how the human brain processes visual information. Can neuroscience help Dorit with her tiling problem, and is there a reason why the human brain likes to put random objects into some kind of order?

Geneva is also the birthplace of the first Quantum Random Number Generator for smartphones, and CrowdScience has persuaded some of the University of Geneva's finest quantum physicists to hook a photon detector up to a synthesiser. Thanks to Tiff Brydges and Nicolas Brunner, we can actually hear quantum particles behaving randomly. But is quantum randomness truly random, or just a pattern that we can't see? And could quantum physics help Dorit tile her bathroom?

Presenter: Anand Jagatia
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FRI 21:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7vkt)

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FRI 21:06 Newshour (w172zb9cr2ssq1s)

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

FRI 22:00 BBC News (w172zgf18v7vz9y)

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FRI 22:06 The Newsroom (w172zbqs5x6n5q8)

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FRI 22:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdqkvkblb)

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FRI 22:32 World Business Report (w3ct5x2)

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

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FRI 23:06 HARDtalk (w3ct5swd)

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FRI 23:30 BBC News Summary (w172zggdqkvkbg)

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