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SATURDAY 22 FEBRUARY 2025 Dr Haydock Nigel Davenport Inspector Slack John Baddeley Gladys Cram Oona Beeson SAT 00:00 Soul Music (m001g2vt) Killing Me Softly with His Song Mrs Sadler Tina Gray "Strumming my pain with his fingers ... Singing my life with his Constable Dominic Letts Director: Enyd Williams Killing Me Softly with His Song is a song about the pleasure SAT 02:00 Harry Worth (b00rd6p0) and embarrassment of being seen. The feeling that someone has reached into your deepest, most Thirty Minutes Worth private feelings, and laid them bare. It's a song about a singer, The Old Flame and about what music can do and a love song that feels at once happy and sad. The song was a huge hit in two different generations. It won Grammy Awards for The Fugees in 1997 and for Roberta Flack with the same writer. Starring Harry Worth in 1974 Ray Padgett is author of Cover Me: The Stories Behind the Greatest Cover Songs of All Time. He unfolds the layers of the Sitcom written by Vince Powell song's history as a famous cover of a famous cover. With: Jacqueline Clarke Musicologist Nate Sloan explores what the song does harmonically, oscillating between major and minor chords to Joan Sanderson Producer: Mike Craig create a sense of uncertainty and longing. Lori Lieberman tells the story of the Don McLean concert that inspired her lyrics for the song, that she was the first to record as a young singer-songwriter in 1972. (b00glrvd) From 22/03/1971 It's a song that transports Tiff Murray back to the hot New York summer of 1996, when the Fugees version blared out everywhere. For her it was the soundtrack to falling in love psychoanalyst. while far from home. It's also a love song for Julie Daley, but now with a sharp edge. With: Dr Robin Boylorn listened to the Fugees version as a self-Terence Brady conscious teenager and felt a flush of recognition. Pauline Yates Ben heard it the Christmas he first came to the UK from South Pianist: Gordon Langford Africa, played by a busker early one morning in Covent Garden as the first snow he'd ever seen began to fall. Bryant, and Gerald Wiley. Perminder Khatkar has treasured the song since it played in the Producer John Fawcett-Wilson delivery room during the birth of her first child. Producer: Mair Bosworth A BBC Audio production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in Series 1 December 2022. Prof Brian Cox and Zoe Lyons SAT 00:30 In Search Of Beauty (b00p016j) Erin O'Connor, whose beauty defies convention, discusses this knotty subject-area. What is beauty? Where do our ideas about beauty come from? How is our lifeknown to us in the UK. experience affected by how we look? As Erin grew up, she was convinced she was ugly. She would dart across the road diagonally so she wouldn't draw attention to her nose by crossing in front of stationary cars. She was so selfconscious about her flat-chest that she would regularly wear two padded bras. But one day she was told she was beautiful, scooped up by the modelling industry and presented as the uber-elegant catwalk vou. queen, sought after and richly rewarded. What did they see in her that she would never have seen in herself? Beauty? With the help of renowned facial-reconstructive surgeon fire to explore what brings them hygge. Professor Iain Hutchison, who has treated people with severe facial disfigurement; and Professor of Children's Literature, Kim Reynolds who has studied the way beauty is regarded in traditional stories, Erin explores various opinions and Producer: Julia McKenzie experiences of beauty. Erin also goes behind the scenes at London Fashion Week, to an event called 'All Walks Beyond the Catwalk'; it used a wide December 2020 range of models - both in size and age - as a way to broaden the range of catwalk models used at such influential events. (m0028117) Producer: Karen Gregor First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2009. 10. New Beginnings SAT 01:00 Falco (b007wpcl) The Silver Pigs 4. Lessons in Love Falco battles to discover who killed Sosia - and to unmask the bed with thin blankets. plotters against the Emperor. He also discovers that true love can cross the boundaries of the strict Roman class structure. Anton Lesser stars as Ancient Rome's favourite detective. lived a traditional, rural life. Conclusion of Lindsey Davis's gripping, historical mystery. Dramatised by Mary Cutler. Falco Anton Lesser on the Irish speaking Island. Decimus Robert Lister Publius Richard Derrington Falco's Mother Frances Jeater Marcia Helen Monks grandfather. Helena Fritha Goodey Titus Jonathan Keeble Vespasian Michael Tudor Barnes Directed at BBC Birmingham by Peter Leslie Wild. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2004. Concluded by PG Stephens. SAT 01:30 Whodunnits (b007 ipgy) Producer: Maurice Leitch Miss Marple - The Murder at the Vicarage 5. Murderer Unmasked Amateur sleuth Miss Jane Marple battles to unearth the proof she needs to reveal the identity of the murderer. But a few other surprises are in store ... Starring June Whitfield. Smoke, Wind and Soap-Bubbles Agatha Christie's whodunnit dramatised by Michael Bakewell. Miss Marple June Whitfield Rev Leonard Clement Francis Matthews water. Griselda Clement Imelda Staunton Lettice Protheroe . Rachel Atkins Dramatised by Toby Jones from a translation by William Colonel Melchett Richard Todd Weaver.

Narrator Toby Jones Marcovaldo Mackenzie Crook Isolina Isla Johnston Michelino Aaron Gelkoff . Tyler Howitt Pietruccio ... Woman Deborah Mcandrew First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1993. Shopkeeper Mark Bonnar Director: Nadia Molinari First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2021. SAT 04:00 The Unbelievable Truth (m0016811) Just as Harry Worth is feeling lonely, a long lost love turns up. Series 28 This series was the amiable, woolly-minded bumbler's return to Episode 2 BBC radio, using the title of his first TV series 20 years before David Mitchell hosts the panel game in which four comedians are encouraged to tell lies. They compete against one another to see how many items of Co-starring Jack Douglas as Binky Bottomley truth they're able to smuggle past their opponents The panellists are obliged to talk with deliberate inaccuracy on subjects as varied as windows, ants, rice and Ancient Egyptians. With: Henning Wehr Zoe Lyons First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in October 1988. Sindhu Vee SAT 02:30 Lines From My Grandfather's Forehead Marcus Brigstocke Producer: Jon Naismith A Random Entertainment production for BBC Radio 4, first A struggling vicar, a Welsh birthday card poet and a perplexed broadcast in April 2022. SAT 04:30 Meet Mr Mulliner by PG Wodehouse (m002811i) A sequential entertainment for radio starring Ronnie Barker. A Slice of Life Mr Mulliner tells the tale of a beauty cream inventor determined to marry the woman of his dreams Pub raconteur Mr Mulliner enlists regular tipplers of the Written by Chris Allen, David Climie, Allan Scott and Chris Angler's Rest to tell his tales. Starring Richard Griffiths. From a collection of stories written by PG Wodehouse., first First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1971. published in 1927. SAT 03:00 Sandi Toksvig's Hygge (m000qknw) Dramatised by Roger Davenport. Mr Mulliner Richard Griffiths Miss Postlethwaite / Angela / The Cook Matilda Ziegler 'Hygge' (pronounced hoo-ga) along with 'tak' (the word for A Small Bitter / Wilfred Tom George 'thank you' that we learnt from watching Borgen and other A Port / Sir Jasper Peter Acre Scandi dramas) is one of the few Danish words to have become A Pint of Stout / Murgatroyd David Timson A Light Ale / Jenkins Martin Hyder It's a word that means comfort, contentment and cherishing the Director: Ned Chaillet First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2002. simple pleasures in life. In lifestyle magazines it's faux fur throws, cups of hot cocoa and scented candles; but to the SAT 05:00 Parson Harding's Daughter by Joanna Trollope Danish it has simpler and less commercial roots (m0009tcz) As these cold winter nights draw in after a difficult year of 3. The Bargain scant comfort, it feels like we all need some hygge and Caroline's marriage to Johnnie Gates is a charade, but she has legendary Dane, Sandi Toksvig, will do her best to bring it to made a bargain and is determined to stick to her side of it Written by Joanna Trollope under her nom de plume, Caroline Deep in the Danish countryside in her cosy wood cabin, Sandi Harvey. will explore the concept of hygge and the Danish way of life and welcomes celebrity guests who join her in front of the open Conclusion starring Rebecca Egan Dramatised by Eric Pringle. Isobel Grant Emma Gregory Sir Edward Ashton Nicholas Le Prevost In this episode, Professor Brian Cox finds comfort in physics, piano playing and mulled wine and comedian Zoe Lyons who Caroline Harding Rebecca Egan would like nothing more than to clear out ditches all day. Johnnie Gates Charles Simpson Additional material from Simon Alcock and Charlie Dinkin. Nawab of Fultar Badi Uzzaman Ralph Buxby Andrew Wincott A BBC Studios production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in Ranjit Sam Dastor George Carew Stephen Critchlow SAT 03:30 Twenty Years A-Growing by Maurice O'Sullivan John Eyre ... Gavin Muir Bella Rathbone Jillie Meers Ann Wheeler Monica Dolan *** This programme was suggested by Paul Buttle as part of Lady Lennox Jennifer Hilary BBC Radio 4 Extra's All Request Weekend **** With: Having left the island, Maurice applies to join the Guards. He's John Hartley assessed and examined - before having to sleep in a small iron Tessa Worslev Director Jane Morgan First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 1995. Memoirs and reminiscences of life growing up on The Blasket SAT 06:00 Legacy by Leigh Jackson (b062n0lr) Islands off Ireland's Dingle Peninsula. The Islands were evacuated after World War II, but prior to that 150 inhabitants A film producer takes his ex-girlfriend on a nostalgia trip to a beautiful house in the country where he once made a film. He's Maurice O'Sullivan was born on the Islands in 1904, before hoping that the atmosphere of the place will help to resurrect being fostered in Dingle and then returning to his family home their relationship. The house is advertised for sale and other prospective It captures a young boy's growth to early manhood on the great purchasers begin to arrive. But as the day proceeds, an element Blasket, "a truly Gaelic island which lies north-west off the of mystery surrounds the house and its past. coast of Kerry". With stories of his friends, family, father and Recorded on location at Waterplace Farm, near Ware, Hertfordshire and at various locations on the Buxton Estate. Easneye, Ware - including Widfordbury Farm, Widford. 'Did you never hear how the life of man is divided?' says Maurice's grandfather, 'twenty years a-growing, twenty years in Dick Stephen Thorne blossom, twenty years a-stooping, and twenty years declining." Alice Frances Jeater Written by Maurice O'Sullivan and abridged by Ann Rees-Jones Policeman Alex Jennings Warren.....David Buck Ella ...Rosalind Avres First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 1977 Ashley Stuart Milligan Miles..... .Stuart Organ **** To nominate a programme from the archive that you would like to hear again, please email radio4extra@bbc.co.uk Arthur......Hadvn Jones Written by Leigh Jackson. SAT 03:45 Marcovaldo by Italo Calvino (m000v3pt) Directed by Cherry Cookson. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1982. Marcovaldo's children attempt to make money by selling SAT 07:30 The King's Painter: The Life and Times of Hans detergent samples but soon find themselves in deep, bubbly, Holbein by Franny Moyle (Omnibus) (m0028b5j) The extraordinary life of the outstanding artist of the 16th Last of Italo Calvino's enchanting collection of five short stores. Century. Hans Holbein the Younger became court painter to Henry VIII

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and was regarded as a phenomenon in his day for his ability to

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bring the characters he painted to life. [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today] Series 1 His famous portrait of the Tudor King was so life like SAT 12:30 The King's Painter: The Life and Times of Hans Stewart Lee interviews Alan Moore spectators fully expected arms and legs to move. One of his Holbein by Franny Moyle (Omnibus) (m0028b5j) Prickly comedian, Stewart Lee interviews acclaimed writer, paintings of the dead Christ was so alarming that, when the [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 todav] Alan Moore. Russian novelist Fyodor Dostoevsky saw it in 1867, he was so SAT 13:45 The Best of English (m00058h1) This is the tag talk show series where the guest turns interviewer troubled by it that his wife had to drag him away fearing he [Repeat of broadcast at 08:45 today] in the next show. might have an epileptic fit. SAT 14:00 The Men from the Ministry (b007k0dt) Producer: Tilusha Ghelani Holbein observed the extraordinary events of his century up [Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today] First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2005. close and painted the movers and shakers of the age including SAT 14:25 Beyond Our Ken (b0bptthv) [Repeat of broadcast at 09:25 today] Desiderius Erasmus, Thomas More, Thomas Cromwell, Henry SAT 14:55 Writing Yorkshire (m000fnsp) SUNDAY 23 FEBRUARY 2025 VIII, as well as the various women lined up to become the wives [Repeat of broadcast at 09:55 today] of the king, such as Anne of Cleves. He was a contributor to the history of book design as well as SAT 16:00 Geek Gods - Sir Ian Livingstone (m0028b5l) SUN 00:00 Geek Gods - Sir Ian Livingstone (m0028b5l) designing jewellery, and elaborate weaponry Toby Hadoke chats to the fantasy author and entrepreneur Sir [Repeat of broadcast at 16:00 on Saturday] SUN 01:00 Legacy by Leigh Jackson (b062n0lr) With a family in Basel and another in London, his life was as Ian Livingstone [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Saturday] colourful as the times he lived through. Sir Ian is the co-founder of the Games Workshop, and helped SUN 02:30 The King's Painter: The Life and Times of Hans Written by Franny Moyle. bring the game Dungeons and Dragons to the UK Omnibus of five parts abridged by Libby Spurrier. He's a successful fantasy writer, having co-created the Fighting Holbein by Franny Moyle (Omnibus) (m0028b5j) Fantasy choose your own adventure series, and has also worked in video games, launching titles like Lara Croft: Tomb Raider [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Saturday] SUN 03:45 The Best of English (m00058h1) Read by Sir Simon Russell Beale. Producer: Celia de Wolff A Pier production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in May [Repeat of broadcast at 08:45 on Saturday] and Hitman when he was chairman of Eidos PLC. Toby speaks to Sir Ian about his extensive career and asks about SUN 04:00 The Men from the Ministry (b007k0dt) 2021. SAT 08:45 The Best of English (m00058h1) his influences and his love of 'the power of play'. We'll hear [Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 on Saturday] about how Games Workshop began out of a tiny flat, what it 1. It Started in Aldershot SUN 04:25 Beyond Our Ken (b0bptthv) [Repeat of broadcast at 09:25 on Saturdav] Comedian and actor Arthur English reminisces about his life was like working in the early period of video games, and how SUN 04:55 Writing Yorkshire (m000fnsp) and career in show business he's hoping generations going forward can benefit from learning Beginning with the early days as a stand-up comic - he chats to [Repeat of broadcast at 09:55 on Saturday] in different ways. Michael Pointon before a studio audience Producer: Chris Pearson SUN 06:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (m00289jp) Arthur is best remembered as Mr Harman in BBC TV's long-Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra. Brit Award Winners running sitcom 'Are You Being Served?' and as Slugger in SAT 17:00 Legacy by Leigh Jackson (b062n0lr) Guy Garvey Yorkshire TV's 'Follyfoot' shown on ITV. [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today] Musician Guy Garvey is castaway by Kirsty Young Front man of the group "Elbow" Guy's voice and lyrics have SAT 18:30 The King's Painter: The Life and Times of Hans Producer: Edward Taylor First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in January 1988. Holbein by Franny Moyle (Omnibus) (m0028b5j) helped the band win pretty much every music prize going SAT 09:00 The Men from the Ministry (b007k0dt) [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today] headlining Glastonbury too, and playing at the closing ceremony SAT 19:45 The Best of English (m00058h1) Off the Rails of the London Olympics. The blundering civil servants get steamed up over a transport [Repeat of broadcast at 08:45 today] Yet his image is that of an everyday, low key, unassuming bloke SAT 20:00 The Men from the Ministry (b007k0dt) ... except that he isn't, he's penning and performing songs filled mix-up. A weekly tribute to all those who work in government [Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today] with intimacy, optimism and lyricism, that strike a chord with SAT 20:25 Beyond Our Ken (b0bptthv) millions of fans. departments. Written by Edward Taylor and John Graham. [Repeat of broadcast at 09:25 today] For a long while his devotees were well versed in the art of SAT 20:55 Writing Yorkshire (m000fnsp) Lennox-Brown Deryck Guyler delayed gratification - Elbow's debut album was released 11 Lamb Richard Murdoch [Repeat of broadcast at 09:55 today] years after the band members first made music together. Mildred/Emily Norma Ronald SAT 22:00 The Shuttleworths (b01n6yr5) He writes his songs in his journal and has been keeping a diary Sir Gregory Pitkin Ronald Baddiley Series 4 since he was 14. Maybe it was the peace and calm of the blank Wilkins/Pullman John Graham Every Cloud Has a Silver Wedding page that first appealed - one of 7 kids he says he was brought When Joan Chitty calls around unexpectedly, John's silver 'The Men from the Ministry' ran for 14 series between 1962 up: and 1977. Deryck Guyler replaced Wilfrid Hyde-White from wedding plans are thwarted. "in a house full of women that were singing, shouting, arguing, The comic capers continue for Sheffield's favourite singerfighting over the bathroom. I'm ruined by these women, spoilt 1966 Producer: Edward Taylor songwriter John Shuttleworth and his family. rotten" First broadcast on the BBC Radio 4 in July 1976 DISC ONE: Talk Talk - New Grass Written and performed by Graham Fellows SAT 09:25 Beyond Our Ken (b0bptthv) Producer: Dawn Ellis DISC TWO: Sly & the Family Stone - Thank You for Talkin' to From 2/4/1959 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2003. Me, Africa DISC THREE: Ioni Mitchell - A Case of You Kenneth Horne's ripping yarn of Captain 'Poodle' Fawcett and SAT 22:15 Tim Key's Poetry Programme (b03szv8f) DISC FOUR: Public Enemy - Give It Up (edit) 'Hornerama' focuses on timber. Series 2 A madcap mix of sketches and songs written by Eric Merriman Music DISC FIVE: English Chamber Orchestra with Arleen Augér and Barry Took Comedian Tim Key explores the concept of music with a poem and Yan Pascal Tortelier - Joseph Canteloube's Bailero from about an ambitious songbird called Patrick. Chants d'Auvergne Starring: Kenneth Horne Tom Basden attempts to accompany the poet, but Tim threatens DISC SIX: Jolie Holland - Wandering Angus Kenneth Williams to hire a proper musician. DISC SEVEN: Tom Waits - Picture in a Frame Written and presented by Tim Key DISC EIGHT: Joan As Police Woman - Real Life Hugh Paddick CASTAWAY'S FAVOURITE: Talk Talk - New Grass Betty Marsden With: Bill Pertwee Tom Basden BOOK CHOICE: The collected works - J.D. Salinger Music from Pat Lancaster, the Fraser Hayes Four and the BBC LUXURY CHOICE: Bushmills Irish Whiskey and ice Diane Morgan Variety Orchestra conducted by Paul Fenoulhet. Katy Wix Producer: Sarah Taylor First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2014. Announcer: Douglas Smith Producer: James Robinson. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2014. Beyond Our Ken hit the airwayes in 1958 and ran to 1964 -SUN 06:45 David Attenborough's Life Stories (b011ckxz) featuring regulars like Arthur Fallowfield, Cecil Snaith and SAT 22:30 Mitch Benn's Crimes Against Music (b0076yxj) Series 2 Rodney and Charles. Ouetzalcoatlus Series 3 The precursor to 'Round The Horne' - sadly only 15 shows Episode 4 As Sir David Attenborough explains: survive from the original run of 21 episodes in Series 2. Audio "The biggest animal to fly was not a bird, but a reptile." Mitch Benn and his band are stranded on a mysterious desert restored using both home and overseas (BBC Transcription island after an unfortunate in-flight alpaca barbecue incident. It was a Quetzalcoatlus, a pterosaur with at least a 44 foot Service) recordings. This gives Mitch an opportunity to sing a touching love song to wingspan. David, a huge fan of palaeontology, is skilled in Producer: Jacques Brown his own guitar, Kirsty Newton sings about bright new worlds bringing the past natural histories to life through stories about and some of the other survivors have a very dark secret. First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in April 1959. the discovery of key fossils. SAT 09:55 Writing Yorkshire (m000fnsp) What a creature this "terrible lizard" must have been - big It's music, comedy and a harsh fight for existence on a From Haworth to Leeds enough to scavenge the bodies of dead Tyrannosaurus and yet mysterious island. Poet, radio presenter, and Yorkshireman Ian McMillan Starring Mitch Benn and Robin Ince. able to fly, probably in large numbers. And with a twist so typical of Sir David's writing, he brings this pterosaur to life at continues his literary tour around God's Own Country to visit With: Brendon Burns the streets, towns, cities and moors that have inspired so much the very end. Tasha Baylis Written and presented by David Attenborough. classic writing. From Ian's own home town of Barnsley and his own literary Kirsty Newton Producer: Julian Hector hero Barry Hines, to The Moors of Haworth that will forever First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2011. Steven Kvnman Producer: Adam Bromley belong to The Brontës, we're exploring a county bursting at the SUN 07:00 Poetry Extra (m00289jr) First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2006. seams with writers and writing. Poetry Workshop - The Thread by Don Paterson Poet Daljit Nagra revisits the BBC's poetry archive and selects * Ian visits the Bronte Parsonage Cottage in Howarth, Keighley SAT 23:00 Lee and Herring's Fist of Fun (b00804lf) to learn more about the sisters. * WUTHERING HEIGHTS - Episode 4 from BBC Radio 4's Poetry Workshop - The Thread by Don Paterson. Exmouth Back to the days of the poll tax, buying porn and true fables. Taken from the landmark series exploring the pleasures of writing and reading poems. Presented, in Edinburgh, by Ruth 2018 adaptation by Rachel Joyce of Emily Bronte's novel. Stewart Lee and Richard Herring's mix of sharp sketches and * WRITERS ON THEMSELVES: Ted Hughes - Ted's essay situations, stand up topical gags and banter Padel. 'The Rock', first broadcast on the BBC Third Programme in Recorded at Plymouth University, Exmouth Poetry is everywhere, and all over the country workshops of 1963. With: aspiring poets meet to work together on their craft. The Peter Baynham * At the offices of Peepal Tree Press in Leeds, Ian meets Edinburgh School of Poets is one such group, and Ruth joins African-Caribbean poet Khadi ih Ibrahim. Jo Unwin them to work on three of their poems on the theme of 'Family * DESERT ISLAND DISCS: Barbara Taylor Bradford - from Kevin Eldon Ties'. BBC Radio 4 July 2003 [Extract] Ruth and the group listen to the poems and offer practical and Don King The conclusion to Ian's conversation with Blake Morrison Lee and Herring went on to write and star in their successful TV inspirational pointers to each other. transfer to BBC TWO in 1995. As they go behind the scenes of the poems, testing and pruning, Producer: Jessica Treen First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 Extra in September 2018 Cult BBC Radio 1 series first broadcast in October 1993 exploring technical things like structure, rhyme and line endings, they reveal the imagination and the skill that makes SAT 11:00 Legacy by Leigh Jackson (b062n0lr) SAT 23:30 Chain Reaction (b00lblg9) Supported by bbc.co.uk/programmes/

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poetry so rewarding for both writers and readers of poetry. Wallas Eaton The poems from the group include one about the never ending anxieties of motherhood, which includes some interesting Scottish words like 'stravaiging'. There's also a funny piece about the pre-occupation with genealogy, and a moving poem about an attempt to piece together a picture of a lost family member from their remaining personal effects. 1953. The group also share and appreciate a poem by the award winning poet Don Paterson, called The Thread. Producers: Sarah Langan and Sara Davies First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2011 SUN 07:30 Twenty Years A-Growing by Maurice O'Sullivan (m00289jt) Episodes 6-10/10 (Omnibus) *** This programme was suggested by Paul Buttle as part of BBC Radio 4 Extra's All Request Weekend * Life on the island changes after the outbreak of war in Europe. Memoirs and reminiscences of life growing up on The Blasket Islands off Ireland's Dingle Peninsula. The Islands were evacuated after World War II, but prior to that 150 inhabitants lived a traditional, rural life. Maurice O'Sullivan was born on the Islands in 1904, before being fostered in Dingle and then returning to his family home on the Irish speaking Island. It captures a young boy's growth to early manhood on the great Blasket, "a truly Gaelic island which lies north-west off the coast of Kerry". With stories of his friends, family, father and grandfather. 'Did you never hear how the life of man is divided?' says 2. End Maurice's grandfather, 'twenty years a-growing, twenty years in blossom, twenty years a-stooping, and twenty years declining." Written by Maurice O'Sullivan Omnibus of the last five of ten episodes abridged by Ann Rees-Jones. Read by PG Stephens. Producer: Maurice Leitch First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 1977. *** To nominate a programme from the archive that you would like to hear again, please email radio4extra@bbc.co.uk SUN 08:40 Inheritance Tracks (m00289jw) Mackenzie Crook Actor and writer Mackenzie Crook chooses 'Big Yellow Taxi' by Joni Mitchell and 'River Man' by Nick Drake. SUN 08:50 Marcovaldo by Italo Calvino (Omnibus) (m00289iv) Marcovaldo is a poor rural man now living with his growing family in a big city in northern Italy. Italo Calvino's enchanting collection of five short stories. Omnibus of dramatisations by Toby Jones. From a translation by William Weaver. * MUSHROOMS IN THE CITY - Marcovaldo finds mushrooms growing by the tram stop, but is dismayed to find that he isn't the only one who has spotted them. * MOON AND THE GNAC - A neon sign thwarts Marcovaldo's efforts to teach his children about the night sky. * THE RAIN AND THE LEAVES - Marcovaldo's increasing obsession with nurturing a plant brings surprising results. * THE WRONG STOP - Marcovaldo gets lost in thick fog after a night at the cinema. * SMOKE WIND AND SOAP-BUBBLES - Marcovaldo's children attempt to make money selling detergent samples. Narrator Toby Jones Marcovaldo Mackenzie Crook Amadigi Lloyd Hutchinson Isolina Isla Johnston Michelino Aaron Gelkoff Pietruccio Tyler Howitt Fiordaligi/ Godifredo Ashley Margolis Domitilla/ Receptionist Deborah Mcandrew Viligelmo/Shopkeeper Mark Bonnar Director: Nadia Molinari Series 2 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2021. Episode 1 SUN 10:00 Frankie Howerd (m000h7z8) Series 2 Episode 4 Frankie is accused of being a spy, gets hypnotised and joins a local literary group. Francis Howerd continues his comic look back through his eventful life and illustrious career! Written by David McKellar and David Nobbs With June Whitfield Rav Fell Music by the Bill McGuffie Quartet. Producer: David Hatch. First broadcast in BBC Radio 2 in July 1973. SUN 10:30 Take It From Here (b011pw50) From 31/12/1953 A butler's 'upstairs' wrangles and Eth finally gets a ring on her finger in 'The Glums'. Long-running classic comedy written by Frank Muir and Denis Norden. Starring: Professor Jimmy Edwards Dick Bentley June Whitfield Alma Cogan

Herbert Mostyn - a bit-part persona adopted, when necessary, by both Frank and Denis. Music from The Keynotes and the Augmented BBC Revue Orchestra conducted by Harry Rabinowitz. Producer: Charles Maxwell First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in December SUN 11:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (m00289jp) [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today] SUN 11:45 David Attenborough's Life Stories (b011ckxz) [Repeat of broadcast at 06:45 today] SUN 12:00 Poetry Extra (m00289jr) [Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today] SUN 12:30 Twenty Years A-Growing by Maurice O'Sullivan (m00289jt) [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today] SUN 13:40 Inheritance Tracks (m00289jw) [Repeat of broadcast at 08:40 today] SUN 13:50 Marcovaldo by Italo Calvino (Omnibus) (m00289jv) [Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 today] SUN 15:00 Frankie Howerd (m000h7z8) [Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today] SUN 15:30 Take It From Here (b011pw50) [Repeat of broadcast at 10:30 today] SUN 16:00 Childhood's End by Arthur C Clarke (m00289k1) **** This programme was suggested by Hadrian Jeffs as part of BBC Radio 4 Extra's All Request Weekend **** The Overlords have been unseen, ruling the world from a distance for over 50 years. Now they are about to reveal themselves. Conclusion of Arthur C Clarke's classic sci-fi novel. Dramatised by Tony Mulholland. Katie Sarah-Jane Holm Jeffrey James Richards George Christian Rodska Mia Suzanne Hitchmough Rupert Cornelius Garrett Sullivan Gerard McDermott Vindarten Kim Durham Thanthalteresco Graham Padden Rashaverak Sunny Ormonde Jan Steven Pacey Karellen Peter Jeffrey Music by Jeff Mearns. Director: Brian Lighthill First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 1997 *** To nominate a programme from the archive that you would like to hear again, please email radio4extra@bbc.co.uk SUN 17:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (m00289jp) [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today] SUN 17:45 David Attenborough's Life Stories (b011ckxz) [Repeat of broadcast at 06:45 today] SUN 18:00 Poetry Extra (m00289jr) [Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today] SUN 18:30 Twenty Years A-Growing by Maurice O'Sullivan (m00289jt) [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today] SUN 19:40 Inheritance Tracks (m00289jw) [Repeat of broadcast at 08:40 today] SUN 19:50 Marcovaldo by Italo Calvino (Omnibus) (m00289jy) [Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 today] SUN 21:00 Frankie Howerd (m000h7z8) [Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today] SUN 21:30 Take It From Here (b011pw50) [Repeat of broadcast at 10:30 today] SUN 22:00 Elvenquest (b00vy3n6) The return of the fantasy-based sitcom set in Lower Earth. The intrepid band of Questers, led by Elven Lord, Vidar, set off once again on their search for the Sword of Asnagar. This is the only thing that can free them from the tyranny of the evil Lord Darkness Joining Vidar on the Quest is Dean, the dwarf, Penthiselea, an Amazon warrior princess, Sam, the human, and Amis, the Chosen One (formerly Sam's dog who took human form when he arrived in Lower Earth - he alone can wield the Sword of Asnagar that will defeat Lord Darkness). In this opening episode, the Questers are saved from near certain death by a strong and charming loner, who goes by the name of Byorthnoth the Brave. But is Byorthnoth quite what he seems? And does it really matter when he has such lovely hair? Meanwhile, Lord Darkness is back from the Void and has discovered that he's lost his immortality ... Written by Anil Gupta and Richard Pinto. Sam Stephen Mangan Lord Darkness Alistair McGowan Dean/Kreech Kevin Eldon Elf Lord, Vidar Darren Boyd Byorthnoth Ben Miles Amazon Princess, Penthiselea Sophie Winkleman Amis, The Chosen One Dave Lamb

Producer: Sam Michell First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2010. SUN 22:30 Pick Ups (b008q0sz) Series 1 Episode 3 Mike and Linda meet dates Andrew and Teri at a unique restaurant, with mixed results. Comedy set in in a run down taxi office in Manchester. Written by Ian Kershaw Linda ... Sally Lindsay Mike ... John Thomson Dave ... Philip Rowson Rebel /Brad ... Ash Tandon Teri Claire Bleasdale Andrew Paul Warriner Pat Andrew Grose Producer: Paul Hardy First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2008. SUN 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (m0028j6k) Geoff Norcott 1/3 From 10pm until midnight, seven days a week, The Comedy Club has two hours of comedy. And tonight, Jon Holmes chats to News Quiz regular, Geoff Norcott. SUN 23:00 Lobby Land (m0007140) Series 2 Cometh The Power Sam and Mia have been nominated for journalism awards at the prestigious DONCASTAs. But has Sam got a bigger decision to make? Sam Peakes Yasmine Akram Tom Shriver MP Charlie Higson Mia Phillips Cariad Llovd Gideon Burnside Dan Tetsell . Daniel Lawrence Taylor Nathan Edmonds .. Marcus Joe Da Costa Written by Jon Harvey, Christopher Davies and Sarah Dempster Additional material by Laura Major Producer: Jon Harvey A Naked production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in August 2019. SUN 23:30 Rigor Mortis (b007r5lr) Series 2 Episode 5 St Luke's Hospital Pathology holds its first 'scratch night' for work in progress. Starring Peter Davison. Laurence Howarth's black comedy set in the world of the pathology lab. Dr Webster Peter Davison Dr Anderson Matilda Ziegler Professor Donaldson: Geoffrey Whitehead Gordon Tom Price Chloe Marianne Levv Simon Gus Brown with Beth Chalmers and Steven Kynman Music by Paul Mottram and Stephanie Benavente. Producer: Dawn Ellis First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2004. MONDAY 24 FEBRUARY 2025 MON 00:00 Childhood's End by Arthur C Clarke (m00289k1) [Repeat of broadcast at 16:00 on Sunday] MON 01:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (m00289ip) [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Sunday] MON 01:45 David Attenborough's Life Stories (b011ckxz) [Repeat of broadcast at 06:45 on Sunday] MON 02:00 Poetry Extra (m00289jr) [Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Sunday] MON 02:30 Twenty Years A-Growing by Maurice O'Sullivan (m00289jt) [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Sunday] MON 03:40 Inheritance Tracks (m00289jw) [Repeat of broadcast at 08:40 on Sunday] MON 03:50 Marcovaldo by Italo Calvino (Omnibus) (m00289iv) [Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 on Sunday] MON 05:00 Frankie Howerd (m000h7z8) [Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Sunday] MON 05:30 Take It From Here (b011pw50) [Repeat of broadcast at 10:30 on Sunday] MON 06:00 Sherlock Holmes (b007k1w4) The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes A Scandal in Bohemia Sherlock Holmes is called upon to retrieve a compromising photograph - but in the beautiful Irene Adler, he meets his match First of a collection of short stories by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle about the immortal Baker Street detective - first published in 1891. Starring Clive Merrison and Michael Williams

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Every year since 1996 a Summer School and convention for

the Easter vacation at Kingham Hill school in the Cotswolds.

Bluegrass enthusiasts - called Sore Fingers - takes place during

As the pupils depart for the holiday a new set of students arrive

and Old Time music

Mrs Turner Jenny Howe Norton Brian Miller Priest Danny Schiller John Ian Lindsay Other parts played by members of the cast. Violinist: Leonard Friedman Director: Patrick Rayner First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 1990. MON 06:45 The Real Dennis Truelove by Dave Sheasby (b007 it8v) 1. La Margarita It is the very end of the holiday season when bank clerk Dennis Truelove turns up in Porthant Bay. But why is he there? And why is he splashing the cash? Five-part drama written by Dave Sheasby. Dennis Truelove Fine Time Fontayne Maguire Denys Hawthorne Waiter Iwan Thomas Director: David Hunter First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 1998. MON 07:00 Like They've Never Been Gone (b00c075x) Series 3 Episode 3 Sheila and Tommy tackle their memoirs, but are their memories up to it? Ageing showbiz couple Tommy Franklin and Sheila Parr continue their second stab at fame. The problem is, they can't stand each other. June Whitfield and Roy Hudd star in Mike Coleman's sitcom. Tommy Franklin Roy Hudd Sheila Parr June Whitfield Hetty Stark Pat Coombes Murray Franklin Julian Eardley Louis Elstein Edward Halsted Dudley Rathbone Alex Lowe Producer: Steve Doherty First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2001. MON 07:30 The Likely Lads (m0028bbl) Series 1 6. Outward Bound Terry has to overcome his fear of the countryside when they organise a holiday weekend up the coast. But things don't go to plan and they're forced to camp. Starring James Bolam and Rodney Bewes. Created and written for BBC TV by Dick Clement and Ian La Frenais Adapted for BBC Radio by James Bolam. Bob Ferris Rodney Bewes Terry Collier James Bolam Scoutmaster Peter Hawkins Postmistress Kathleen Helme Valerie Janet Kelly Susan Kate Story Lorry Driver David Brierley Jack Donald McKillop Producer: John Browell First broadcast on BBC Light Programme in September 1967 MON 08:00 Cleaning Up (b052m59s) 1. New Recruit A new cleaner reports for duty. Turns out he and his boss have met before Every night, as time is called and people are spat out onto the streets and squeezed into rides home to dream-tossed beds others are hard at work. Teams of cleaners are in office spaces scrubbing, vacuuming and cleaning up. And right at the bottom of the food chain we find our gang -Spit n' Polish tackling the floors of a plush tower block in Manchester city centre. Written by Ian Kershaw - with a top hole Northern cast. Funny, sometimes dark comedy about people who always get the fuzzy end of the lollipop. Julie Julie Hesmondhalgh Nobby Paul Barber Dave John Thompson Shiv Lauren Socha Nita Bhavna Limbachia Our Bri Jack Deam Produced at BBC Salford by Alison Vernon-Smith First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2015. MON 08:30 The Shepherd's Life by James Rebanks (b05r0b35) 1. Growing Up Some people's lives are entirely their own creations. James Rebanks' isn't. The first son of a shepherd, who was the first son of a shepherd himself, he and his family have lived and worked in and around the Lake District for generations. It's a life lived according to the demands of the seasons. Sheep are sent to the fells in the Summer and making the hay. In Autumn flocks are replenished - followed by the gruelling toil of keeping the sheep alive. Light-headedness comes with spring, as the lambs are born and the sheep get ready to return to the fells. Through James's eyes, we see that the Lake District is not a playground or a scenic backdrop, it's a working landscape that needs sheep and its farmers to survive.

Abridged in five parts by Sian Preece.

Read by Bryan Dick. Music: "The Nightshift", Country Escape, BBC Production Music BBCPM031. Producer: Kirsteen Cameron First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2015. MON 08:45 Carmen (b03nsrj2) 1. Imprisoned Carmen is imprisoned by Officer Don Jose after fighting in a bar but is determined not to stay incarcerated for long. Prosper Mérimée's novella Carmen is best known for the Bizet opera it later inspired. Dan Allum takes the original story as his inspiration for this exciting and powerful fresh interpretation. Starring Candis Nergaard as Carmen. With original music and songs in Romany and English by Dan Allum. Musical arrangement by James Fortune. Carmen Candis Nergaard Don Jose William Ash Garcia Neil Bell Miriah Harriet Chandler Judd Lucas Declan Wilson Roderigo Stephen Hoyle Officer/Captain Roger Morlidge Producer: Charlotte Riches First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2014. MON 09:00 Just a Minute (m00282hz) Series 94 5. Does a Strawberry Have Dreams? Sue Perkins challenges Paul Merton, Laura Smyth, Julian Clary and Desiree Burch to speak for 60 seconds without repetition, deviation or hesitation. Subjects include London To Brighton, Hand-me-downs, and The Life of a Strawberry. Production Coordinator: Sarah Nicholls Sound Editor: Marc Willcox Producer: Rajiv Karia An EcoAudio certified production. A BBC Studios Audio Production for Radio 4. MON 09:30 Just So Science (b01ptbx8) Series 1 1. How the Whale Got His Throat Vivienne Parry presents the science behind some of Rudyard Kipling's Just So Stories, with wondrous tales of how things really came to be. Rudyard tells us how the leopard got his spots, the carnel his hump, the whale his throat and so forth. But what does science make of these lyrical tales? For the most part, Just So stories are to be dismissed as the antithesis of scientific reasoning. They're ad hoc fallacies, designed to explain-away a biological or behavioural trait, more akin to folklore than the laws of science. But on closer inspection, might Kipling's fantasies contain a grain of truth? And might the "truth" as science understands it, be even more fantastic than fiction? Vivienne meets researchers whose work on some of Kipling's 'best beloved' creatures is helping us to answer a rather inconvenient question: how do traits evolve? Why are some animals the way they are? So how does the largest creature that has ever lived feed itself? Howard Roe and Nick Pvenson, discuss the wonders of the whale's "lunge feeding", said to be the largest biomechanical event on Earth Excerpts from five of the Just So Stories are read by Samuel Producer: Rami Tzabar First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2013. MON 09:45 Daily Service (m0028bbn) Where Jesus walked - Bethlehem A space for spiritual reflection with a Bible reading, praver and a range of Christian music. Theme: Where Jesus walked - Bethlehem Presenter: David Waters Reading: Matthew 2:1-6 Music Bethlehem of Noblest Cities - St Martin's Voices Who you say I am - Hillsong worship O little town of Bethlehem - Philippa Hanna MON 10:00 Comic to Comic (b007vvks) Series 2 Jenny Eclair From performing to writing, award-winning comedian Jenny Éclair discusses her life and career. Series in which Bruce Morton talks to top stand-up comedians about life, the universe and comedy Producer Carol Purcell First broadcast on BBC Radio Scotland in January 2006. MON 10:30 Sore Fingers (b011jvys) Eavesdrop on banjo mania in Stow-on-the-Wold. It's like Billy Bunter with banjos. The unmistakeable sound of American Appalachia. In this town, Bluegrass enthusiasts pack up their banjos and fiddles for a week of fast and furious music which has become a fixture on the international Bluegrass calendar. Bluegrass is a relatively recent form of American folk music made popular in the 30s and 40s by Bill Monroe. The music has its roots in the folk music of Ireland, Scotland and England taken over with the early settlers and fused with other American influences. But it's made a return journey back across the

some with moustaches, all with an instrument and, for five days, the Oxfordshire playing fields and quads echo to the sound of Kentucky. The instruments include banjo, fiddle, mandolin, Dobro and guitar. It's called Sore Fingers for a reason: the students and the tutors play all day and late into the night. The talent is prodigious - the fastest picking you're likely to hear this side of Pike County. Amongst the tutors are world class players flown in from America - including banjo player Tony Trischka, flat picker Jim Hurst and Dobro virtuoso Mike Witcher. Amongst the students there are grizzly beards from Doncaster who've been flat picking and claw hammering for fifty years, alongside teenage virtuosos - including 16 year old Edward Bennett from Cornwall, winner of the Clifftop, West Virginia Banjo competition. We eavesdrop on a week at Sore Fingers talking to the players about their lives outside and inside the Bluegrass camp: we hear about the history of the music, its revival in England and dip in to some of the classroom sessions. We hear from the Scouse sheet metal worker who gave it all up to make banjos; the couple who met in the fiddle tutor group and who've been together ever since and the carer sent to Sore Fingers by the council for a respite break who keeps coming back. All this and some fine, uplifting music. Producer: Lindsay Leonard First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2011. MON 11:00 Sherlock Holmes (b007k1w4) [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today] MON 11:45 The Real Dennis Truelove by Dave Sheasby (b007jt8v) [Repeat of broadcast at 06:45 today] MON 12:00 Like They've Never Been Gone (b00c075x) [Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today] MON 12:30 The Likely Lads (m0028bbl) [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today] MON 13:00 Cleaning Up (b052m59s) [Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today] MON 13:30 The Shepherd's Life by James Rebanks (b05r0b35) [Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today] MON 13:45 Carmen (b03nsrj2) [Repeat of broadcast at 08:45 today] MON 14:00 The Rest is History (b079mhls) Series 2 Episode 6 Frank Skinner loves history, but just doesn't know much of it. So he's devised a comedy discussion show in order to find out more about it. Along with his historian in residence, Professor Kate Williams. Frank is joined by Josie Long and Kevin Eldon. Up for discussion: Captain Blood, Drake's Drum, Bloody Mary and ERNIE Producers: Mark Augustyn and Justin Pollard An Avalon production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in May 2016 MON 14:30 Smelling of Roses (b00qh0ls) Series 2 Party Party Rosie and the team are asked to launch a new political party for people over 60. Sadly its leader doesn't quite get to launch his manifesto... Prunella Scales stars in Simon Brett's sitcom. The trials and tribulations of Rosie Burns and her event management company, based in Brighton. Rosie Prunella Scales Kate Arabella Weir Jo Rebecca Callard Bob Duncan Preston Annette Badland Tess . Sir Geoffrrey Ben Aris Anthea Felicity Goodson Robert Simon Trinder Producer: Maria Esposito First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2001. MON 15:00 Second Chance by Sue Rodwell (m0028bbr) Mandy, Bob and baby Tommy seem like the perfect family. But when little Tommy disappears from outside a supermarket. the police must carry out some very thorough enquiries. Starring Penny Layden and Richard Derrington. Disturbing drama written by Sue Rodwell. Mandy Penny Layden Bob Richard Derrington Patricia Sawyer Rachel Atkins DI Johnson Gareth Armstrong WPC Randall Lorna Laidlaw Mandie's Mum Tina Grav DS Green Malcolm McKee Director: Sue Wilson First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 1995. MON 16:00 Comic to Comic (b007yvks) [Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

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and around the Lake District for generations An increasingly marginalised and precarious livelihood - it costs £1 to sheer a sheep, yet each fleece is worth only 40p -Rebanks' anger at the way small farmers are treated, and his passion for continuing his ancestors way of life, is palpabl Through his eyes, we see that the Lake District is not a playground or a scenic backdrop, it's a working landscape that needs sheep and its farmers to survive. Abridged by Sian Preece. Read by Bryan Dick. Producer: Kirsteen Cameron. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2015. TUE 08:45 Carmen (b03nt8hs) 2. Reunion Carmen meets Don Jose again at a party. He is unable to resist her charms, despite the trouble she brings with her. Prosper Mérimée's novella Carmen is best known for the Bizet opera it later inspired. Dan Allum takes the original story as his inspiration for this exciting and powerful fresh interpretation. Starring Candis Nergaard. With original music and songs in Romany and English by Dan Allum. Musical arrangement by James Fortune. Carmen Candis Nergaard Don Jose William Ash Garcia Neil Bell Miriah Harriet Chandler Judd Lucas Declan Wilson Roderigo Stephen Hoyle Officer/Captain Roger Morlidge Producer: Charlotte Riches First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2014. *TUE* 09:00 Yesterday in Parliament (m00289kq) The latest news from Westminster - and beyond. TUE 09:30 Just So Science (b01pthk9) Series 1 2. How the Leopard got his Spots Chemist Andrea Sella and biologist Buzz Baum explain why a leopard could change its spots, thanks to mathematician Alan Turing. Vivienne Parry presents more science behind some of Rudyard Kipling's Just So Stories, with wondrous tales of how things really came to be. Rudyard tells us how the leopard got his spots, the camel his hump, the whale his throat and so forth. But what does science make of these lyrical tales? For the most part, Just So stories are to be dismissed as the antithesis of scientific reasoning. They're ad hoc fallacies, designed to explain-away a biological or behavioural trait, more akin to folklore than the laws of science. But on closer inspection, might Kipling's fantasies contain a grain of truth? And might the "truth" as science understands it, be even more fantastic than fiction? Vivienne meets researchers whose work on some of Kipling's 'best beloved' creatures is helping us to answer a rather inconvenient question: how do traits evolve? Why are some animals the way they are? Excerpts from five of the Just So Stories are read by Samuel West. Producer: Rami Tzabar First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2013. TUE 09:45 Daily Service (m00289ks) Where Jesus walked - Nazareth A space for spiritual reflection with a Bible reading, prayer and a range of Christian music. Theme: Where Jesus walked - Nazareth Presenter: Anne Read Reading: Matthew 4:16-19 Music: The Lord is my light and my salvation - St Martin's Voices O For a closer walk with God - Cambridge Singers You'll never walk alone - The Priests TUE 10:00 A Good Read (b0b88pl3) Loyd Grossman and Skin Food lover Loyd Grossman and singer Skin from rock band Skunk Anansie join Harriett Gilbert to discuss favourite books by W Somerset Maugham, Colston Whitehead and Kapka Kassabova. Cakes and Ale by W Somerset Maugham Publisher: Vintage The Underground Railroad by Colston Whitehead Publisher: Fleet Twelve Minutes of Love: A Tango Story by Kapka Kassabova. Publisher: Portobello Books First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2018. TUE 10:30 The House of the Windy City - Dance Music's Forgotten Heroes (p041g8vb) Dave Pearce travels to Chicago to hear how a country traditionally resistant to dance music finally got it. The US invented it and then ignored it. Today with electronic dance music estimated to be a \$20 billion industry, what do those who started Chicago House in the early 1980s think of this new scene? House music grew out of black gay clubs in Chicago in the early 1980s. We meet Robert Williams who started the legendary Warehouse club where the scene got its name. He brought in

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TUE 16:30 The House of the Windy City - Dance Music's Frankie Knuckles to DJ and Dave Pearce hears how he would First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in February 1998 Forgotten Heroes (p041g8vb) create his own edits to keep the crowd dancing all night. In Chicago we track down Rocky Jones, founder of DJ [Repeat of broadcast at 10:30 today] International, who put out some of the very first records. TUE 17:00 Sherlock Holmes (b007k1xh) WEDNESDAY 26 FEBRUARY 2025 What was his reaction when he found out the few thousand [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today] records he put out were driving a cult scene in the UK? TUE 17:45 The Real Dennis Truelove by Dave Sheasby WED 00:00 A Good Read (b0b88pl3) [Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Tuesday] WED 00:30 The House of the Windy City - Dance Music's Hear how the sound of Chicago topped the charts in the UK. (b007jt93) With contributions from: [Repeat of broadcast at 06:45 today] The Pet Shop Boys *TUE* 18:00 Spangles 'n' Tights (b04phhxy) Forgotten Heroes (p041g8vb) [Repeat of broadcast at 10:30 on Tuesdav] DJ Marshall Jefferson [Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today] WED 01:00 Sherlock Holmes (b007k1xh) DJ Pierre TUE 18:30 The Goon Show (b007jnm5) But in America, a lot of house music wasn't played on the radio [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today] [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Tuesday] because it was viewed as gay music. As Hip Hop became the dominant musical form, Chicago TUE 19:00 Man at the Helm (b07z4di4) WED 01:45 The Real Dennis Truelove by Dave Sheasby [Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today] (b007jt93) House was pushed out to the suburbs. DJ Black Madonna takes TUE 19:30 The Shepherd's Life by James Rebanks [Repeat of broadcast at 06:45 on Tuesday] us on a tour of one of the few remaining house music clubs. (b05r3tcz) WED 02:00 Spangles 'n' Tights (b04phhxy) [Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Tuesday] [Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today] While here in the UK a new generation of house music artists like Disclosure have found an audience and a following. They TUE 19:45 Carmen (b03nt8hs) WED 02:30 The Goon Show (b007jnm5) [Repeat of broadcast at 08:45 todav] [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Tuesdav] tour the world playing their own interpretation of Chicago *TUE* 20:00 Booked (b0075lfg) WED 03:00 Man at the Helm (b07z4dj4) House. [Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 today] [Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 on Tuesday] Producer: Gloria Abramoff A Tonic Media production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in TUE 20:30 Bookcases (m00054x3) WED 03:30 The Shepherd's Life by James Rebanks [Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 today] (b05r3tcz) July 2016. TUE 11:00 Sherlock Holmes (b007k1xh) TUE 21:00 Drama on 4 (m000kftt) [Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 on Tuesday] [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today] [Repeat of broadcast at 15:00 today] WED 03:45 Carmen (b03nt8hs) TUE 22:00 Heresy (m0028309) [Repeat of broadcast at 08:45 on Tuesday] TUE 11:45 The Real Dennis Truelove by Dave Sheasby WED 04:00 Booked (b0075lfg) (b007 it93) Series 13 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:45 today] Episode 1 [Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Tuesday] TUE 12:00 Spangles 'n' Tights (b04phhxy) Victoria Coren Mitchell is joined by Zoe Lyons, Phil Wang and WED 04:30 Bookcases (m00054x3) [Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today] [Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Tuesday] Miles Jupp to discuss weight loss, procrastination and Keir TUE 12:30 The Goon Show (b007jnm5) Starmer's premiership. WED 05:00 Drama on 4 (m000kftt) [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today] Written and presented by Victoria Coren Mitchell with [Repeat of broadcast at 15:00 on Tuesdav] TUE 13:00 Man at the Helm (b07z4dj4) additional material from Dan Gaster and Charlie Skelton WED 06:00 Sherlock Holmes (b007k1ys) [Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today] Produced by Victoria Coren Mitchell and Daisy Knight The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes TUE 13:30 The Shepherd's Life by James Rebanks Series created by David Baddiel A Case of Identity What has happened to the bridegroom who vanished at the (b05r3tcz) Sound Design - David Thomas [Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today] Broadcast Assistant - Jenny Recaldin church door on the morning of his wedding? TUE 13:45 Carmen (b03nt8hs) One of a collection of short stories by Sir Arthur Conan Dovle An Avalon production for BBC Radio 4 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:45 today] TUE 22:30 The Consultants (b0628g9r) about the immortal Baker Street detective - first published in *TUE* 14:00 Booked (b0075lfg) 1891. Series 4 Episode 5 Starring Clive Merrison and Michael Williams Series 3 Episode 1 Two travellers stumble upon a very unusual pub quiz. Dramatised by Bert Coules. From bookish musical instruments and conversation Cerebral sketch show written by and starring: Sherlock Holmes Clive Merrison consequences, to guess the author! Neil Edmond Dr Watson Michael William Outrageous parody, biting wit and bizarre couplings from: Justin Edwards Mary Sutherland Susannah Corbett Mark Thomas Windibank Ralph Bates James Rawlings Producer: Will Saunders Mrs Windibank Auriol Smith Roger McGough First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2005. Dillie Keane Cabbie Ian Lindsay TUE 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (m0028j95) Violinists: Leonard Friedman and Alexander Balanescu Rory Motion Ian McMillan chairs the irreverent literary game Geoff Norcott 2/3 Director: Envd Williams First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 1990. Producer: Marc Jobst From 10pm until midnight, seven days a week, The Comedy First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 1997. Club has two hours of comedy. And tonight, Jon Holmes has WED 06:45 The Real Dennis Truelove by Dave Sheasby TUE 14:30 Bookcases (m00054x3) another chat to the comedian and podcaster. Geoff Norcott (b007it99) TUE 23:00 Date With Fate (b008y7g7) 3. Resignation Series 2 Great Expectations A Damp Fib On the run with a wad of stolen cash, bank employee Dennis ponders the reaction to his disappearance. Primus plans to save Spavin and Spavin from bankruptcy by The fate of Simon - a junior clerk in a surveyor's office. becoming the new publisher for Charles Dickens. When he decides to tell a white lie, it sparks disastrous Crime adventure written by Dave Sheasby. Cordelia has a surprise for Gerald. Dennis Truelove Fine Time Fontayne consequences ... Starring Michael Cochrane and Maggie Steed. Harold Wing Pinero is your host. Christine Becky Hindley Martyn Wade's sitcom set in a Victorian publishing house. Sue Diana Berriman The first of four comic close encounters with fate. Written by Gary Parker and Phil Whelans. Primus Michael Cochrane Mother Paula Jacobs Cordelia Maggie Steed Simon Alex Lowe Director: David Hunter Gerald David Horovitch First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 1998. Harold Wing Pinero Charles Gray Edith Elizabeth Spriggs Naomi Elliot Nicholls WED 07:00 Mr Finchley Takes the Road (b007k17f) Mrs Quirk Joan Sims Simeon Charles Simpson Mr Reynolds James Greene Mrs Gibson Margaret Stallard 3. Capture Edgar Finchley gets captured, wins an unlikely prize and hits Prince Albert Ioan Meredith Alan Paul Davies the wrong note with an army band. John Stephen Critchlow Producer: Paul Schlesinger Victor Canning's novel about the adventures of a man and his First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 1996. horse-drawn caravan touring the 1930s countryside of Kent. Mrs Beeton Rachel Atkins Lizzie Siddal Becky Hindley TUE 23:15 Hamish and Dougal: You'll Have Had Your Tea Richard Griffiths stars as Mr Finchley. Forster Gerard McDermott Director: Cherry Cookson (b007jzy5) Adapted by Andy and Eric Merriman. Series 1 Mr Finchley Richard Griffiths First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2001. The Musical Evening Colonel Greatorex Ronald Fraser TUE 15:00 Drama on 4 (m000kftt) Dougal is hosting a Musical Evening featuring the laird singing Marshal Joe Melia Garge Chris Emmett A Fortunate Man a popular hit by Atomic Kitten. In 1966, art critic and writer John Berger and Swiss And Mrs Naughtie is performing her amazing Dance of the ... Jon Glover Ernie . Seven Voles. Young Woman Susie Brann Narrated by James Villiers. photographer Jean Mohr, spent several months shadowing a GP in The Forest Of Dean. Barry Cryer and Graeme Garden star as the two Scotsmen famed for their appearances on BBC Radio's I'm Sorry I The resulting book published a year later, was A Fortunate Producer: Gareth Edwards Man: The Story of a Country Doctor - a moving meditation on society, the doctor-patient relationship and how we value a life. Haven't A Clue. First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in April 1993. With Alison Steadman as their cleaning-lady-cum-housekeeper, WED 07:30 Hancock's Half Hour (b007 im2v) Dramatised by Matthew Broughton and Jeremy Hardy as the local Laird. Series 3 Hamish Barry Cryer The Writer Peter Marinker The Conjurer The Doctor Adrian Scarborough Dougal Graeme Garden The Lad takes up conjuring and is booked for Dartmoor Prison - unaware of Sid's plan. Miriam Barbara Flynn Mrs Naughtie Alison Steadman Harry Joe Sims The Laird Jeremy Hardy Ray Galton and Alan Simpson's classic comedy about the life Timid Woman Carys Eleri and times of Anthony Aloysius St John Hancock. Producer: Jon Naismith Black Haired Woman Scarlett Courtney Starring Tony Hancock. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2002. With the voices of: TUE 23:30 The Curried Goat Show (b007m332) With Bill Kerr Dorothy Burley. Episode 6 Kevin and Karen Wellham It's Bird Night and 'That's Life'. Sidney James Anne Childs Sketch-bonanza written by and starring: Kenneth Williams Robin Harris Dan Gaster Andree Melly Theme and incidental music written by Wally Stott. Recorded by the Reading the Forest project Will Ing Director: John Norton Music recorded by the BBC Augmented Revue Orchestra Ben Silburr A BBC Cymru Wales production for BBC Radio 4, first With special guest: Rodney Bewes - whose gift to the team is a conducted by Harry Rabinowitz. Producer: Dennis Main Wilson broadcast in June 2020. snake. TUE 16:00 A Good Read (b0b88pl3) Music from The Big Buzzard Boogie Band. First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in February 1956. [Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today] WED 08:00 Tom Wrigglesworth's Hang-Ups (b07v2ysz) Producer: Maria Esposito. Supported by bbc.co.uk/programmes/

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WED 19:30 The Shepherd's Life by James Rebanks

Steve Punt shares the joy of the films, songs and books that are Series 4 so bad they're good. A Dance to the Music of Tom Steve and his panellists analyse why bad culture can be s Mr and Mrs Wrigglesworth attempt to bond with the new neighbours eniovable. Meanwhile, Tom receives some worrying news Among their delights, the films of Michael Winner, the songs Listen in on Tom's weekly phone calls home to his Mum, Dad of Rick Astley and the poetry of Danielle Steele. and Gran in Sheffield and get a glimpse into the triumphs and With guests: tribulations of the Wrigglesworth clan in all its dysfunctional Grace Dent glory. Robin Ince Tom .. . Tom Wrigglesworth Laura Snapes Dad Paul Copley Producer: Laurence Grissell Mum Kate Anthony First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2020. ... Elizabeth Bennett WED 11:00 Sherlock Holmes (b007k1ys) Granny ... Written by Tom Wrigglesworth and James Kettle. [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today] With additional material by Miles Jupp WED 11:45 The Real Dennis Truelove by Dave Sheasby Producer: Richard Morris (b007jt99) A BBC Studios production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in [Repeat of broadcast at 06:45 today] WED 12:00 Mr Finchley Takes the Road (b007k17f) September 2016. WED 08:30 The Shepherd's Life by James Rebanks [Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today] WED 12:30 Hancock's Half Hour (b007jm2y) (b05r3xc3) [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today] 3. University WED 13:00 Tom Wrigglesworth's Hang-Ups (b07v2ysz) As disagreements with his father intensified, James Rebanks, [Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today] aged 21, decided to return to education, resulting in a place at WED 13:30 The Shepherd's Life by James Rebanks Oxford. All the time he was away, he longed to be back home, working (b05r3xc3) [Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today] on the fells. WED 13:45 Carmen (b03nt9vh) James is the first son of a shepherd, who was the first son of a [Repeat of broadcast at 08:45 today] shepherd himself, he and his family have lived and worked in and around the Lake District for generations. WED 14:00 It's Your Round (b00vrfwr) Small scale farming is an increasingly precarious livelihood, it's Series 1 Episode 2 almost impossible to earn enough money to bring up a family, Angus Deayton hosts the comedy panel show with no format. vou need a secondary income. Abridged by Sian Preece. Battling it out to see who can beat each other at their own Read by Bryan Dick. games: Andy Parsons Producer: Kirsteen Cameron First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2015. Rebecca Front Miles Jupp WED 08:45 Carmen (b03nt9vh) 3. Introductions Rick Wakeman Carmen introduces Don Jose to her camp and a life of robbery Can the teams guess the concept for Rick's new prog rock album in his "What's The Concept?" round? and violence. Prosper Mérimée's novella Carmen is best known for the Bizet And what happens when the teams have to play Andy's opera it later inspired. inventively titled "It's Not Your Round"? Dan Allum takes the original story as his inspiration for this And would Rebecca Front like to marry Prince William? exciting and powerful fresh interpretation. Angus tries valiantly to ensure everyone comes out of it with Starring Candis Nergaard. their reputations intact. With original music and songs in Romany and English by Dan Written by Angus Deayton, Ged Parsons and Paul Powell Allum Devised by Benjamin Partridge Musical arrangement by James Fortune. Producer: Sam Michell. Carmen Candis Nergaard First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2011. Don Jose William Ash WED 14:30 Millport (b0075tn0) Garcia Neil Bell Series 1 MiriahHarriet Chandler Judd Culture Lucas Declan Wilson Irene fears the worst when a famous restaurant critic books a Roderigo Stephen Hoyle table at the Ritz Cafe. The reputation of Millport will be printed Officer/Captain Roger Morlidge for the whole world to see! Producer/Director: Charlotte Riches But is he really coming to sample Alberto's food or does he First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2014. have a secret agenda? WED 09:00 Yesterday in Parliament (m0028bjf) Bittersweet comedy written by and starring Lynn Ferguson. The latest news from Westminster - and beyond. Barmaid Irene Bruce is 30-something and hankering after a WED 09:30 Just So Science (b01ptzmp) better life on the mainland. Series 1 Irene Lynn Ferguson 3. The Beginning of the Armadillos Moira Ianet Brown Alberto/Robert/Ferryman/Bob Lewis McLeod Part mammal, part reptile, part just plain weird. Why the story of the Armadillo is stranger than fiction, Ena/Bunty/Betty Gabriel Quigley according to Richard Dawkins and Mariella Superina. Doogie Matt Costello Vivienne Parry presents more science behind some of Rudyard Lucian Hyber-Connor Robert Paterson Kipling's Just So Stories, with wondrous tales of how things Producers: Lucy Bacon and Kathy Smith really came to be. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2000. Rudyard Kipling tells us how the leopard got his spots, the WED 15:00 Oblomov by Ivan Goncharov (b0076t2t) camel his hump, the whale his throat and so forth. 1. Tomorrow But what does science make of these lyrical tales? Gentle, intelligent Oblomov completely fails to deal with life. He lives in a flat in St Petersburg. He is always about to go and For the most part, just-so stories are to be dismissed as the sort out his estate but he rarely gets out of bed. antithesis of scientific reasoning. They're ad hoc fallacies, designed to explain-away a biological or behavioural trait, more Never doing today what he can put off till tomorrow, akin to folklore than the laws of science. Toby Jones stars as Oblomov - a tragic-comic hero for a couch But on closer inspection, might Kipling's fantasies contain a potato generation. grain of truth? And might the "truth" as science understands it, Russian writer, Ivan Goncharov's novel, first published in 1859. be even more fantastic than fiction? Dramatised in two-parts by Stephen Wyatt. Vivienne meets researchers whose work on some of Kipling's Oblomov Toby Jones 'best beloved' creatures is helping us to answer a rather Zahar Trevor Peacock Tarantyev Gerard McDermott Doctor Clive Swift inconvenient question: how do traits evolve? Why are some animals the way they are? Excerpts from five of the Just So Stories are read by Samuel Stolz/Bailiff Nicholas Boulton Olga Claire Skinner West. Producer: Rami Tzabar Olga's Aunt Richenda Carey First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2013. Director: Claire Grove First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2005. WED 09:45 Daily Service (m0028bik) Where Jesus walked - Sea of Galilee WED 16:00 Archive on 4 (m000jg1d) [Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today] WED 17:00 Sherlock Holmes (b007k1ys) A space for spiritual reflection with a Bible reading, prayer and a range of Christian music. Theme: Where Jesus walked - Sea of Galilee [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today] Presenter: Krish Kandiah WED 17:45 The Real Dennis Truelove by Dave Sheasby Reading: Matthew 14:22-33 (b007 it99) [Repeat of broadcast at 06:45 today] Music: I the Lord of sea and sky - Daily Service Singers WED 18:00 Mr Finchley Takes the Road (b007k17f) Jesus calls us o'er the tulmult - St Michaels Singers [Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today] WED 18:30 Hancock's Half Hour (b007jm2y) Dear Lord and Father of Mankind - Alfie Boe [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today] WED 10:00 Archive on 4 (m000jg1d) WED 19:00 Tom Wrigglesworth's Hang-Ups (b07v2ysz) So Bad It's Good?

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THU 00:00 Archive on 4 (m000jg1d)

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THU 08:00 Skeletons in the Cupboard (m0009d9c) Series 1 Clutter Not long after her death, two sisters - Maureen and Lesley - are sorting out their mother's clothes to take to the charity shop. It's a painful duty, with Maureen trying to control the worst of Lesley's projectile lamenting. A man comes to the door and introduces himself as David Johnson, a friend of Maureen's neighbour. He would like to look round the house if they're thinking of selling, which Maureen definitely is. But Lesley is against the idea and, behind Maureen's back, offers David their mother's old bedroom as a pied-a-terre. Maureen is annoved by Lesley's initiative, but David is oblivious to the tension he has caused. Written in four parts by Sue Limb Maureen Alison Steadman Lesley Morwenna Banks David Nigel Planer Producer: Jamie Rix A Little Brother production first broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2019. THU 08:30 The Shepherd's Life by James Rebanks (b05r3zjm) 4. Disease James Rebanks recalls the dark days of 2001, when farmers faced the horror of Foot and Mouth disease. From the loss, came something unexpected: a neighbour's kindness led him to breed pure Herdwick sheep. James is the first son of a shepherd, who was the first son of a shepherd himself, he and his family have lived and worked in and around the Lake District for generations. Small scale farming is an increasingly precarious livelihood, it's almost impossible to earn enough money to bring up a family, vou need a secondary income. Abridged by Sian Preece. Read by Bryan Dick. Producer: Kirsteen Cameron First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2015. THU 08:45 Carmen (b03nt8bc) 4. Rivalry Carmen stirs up the rivalry between Don Jose and Garcia with deadly consequences. Prosper Mérimée's novella Carmen is best known for the Bizet opera it later inspired. Dan Allum takes the original story as his inspiration for this exciting and powerful fresh interpretation Starring Candis Nergaard. With original music and songs in Romany and English by Dan Musical arrangement by James Fortune. Carmen Candis Nergaard Don Jose William Ash Garcia Neil Bell MiriahHarriet Chandler Judd Lucas Declan Wilson Roderigo Stephen Hoyle Officer/Captain Roger Morlidge Producer/Director: Charlotte Riches First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2014. THU 09:00 Yesterday in Parliament (m0028bl6) The latest news from Westminster - and beyond. THU 09:30 Just So Science (b01pw391) Series 1 4 How the Rhinoceros Got His Skin Rhinos and horses have much in common. John Hutchinson studies both, but just don't ask to look inside his freezer. Vivienne Parry presents the science behind some of Rudyard Kipling's Just So Stories, with wondrous tales of how things really came to be. Rudyard Kipling tells us how the leopard got his spots, the camel his hump, the whale his throat and so forth. But what does science make of these lyrical tales? For the most part, just-so stories are to be dismissed as the antithesis of scientific reasoning. They're ad hoc fallacies, designed to explain-away a biological or behavioural trait, more akin to folklore than the laws of science. But on closer inspection, might Kipling's fantasies contain a grain of truth? And might the "truth" as science understands it, be even more fantastic than fiction? Vivienne meets researchers whose work on some of Kipling's 'best beloved' creatures is helping us to answer a rather inconvenient question: how do traits evolve? Why are some animals the way they are? Excerpts from five of the Just So Stories are read by Samuel Producer: Rami Tzabar First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2013. THU 09:45 Daily Service (m0028bl8) Where Jesus walked - Capernaum A space for spiritual reflection with a Bible reading, prayer and a range of Christian music. Theme: Where Jesus walked - Capernaum Presenter: Richard Littledale Reading: Matthew 4:12-17 Come thou fount of every blessing Jeff Victor & Rebecca Arons CD: Amazing Grace - Lifescapes (Somerset Group)

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I want Jesus to walk with me Sharon Irving CD: Bennett Av. (Sharon Irving) O God you search me and you know me - Bernadette Farrell St Martin's Voices BBC recording The Road Home - Stephen Paulus The Choir of Royal Holloway CD: Glausen & Paulus - Calm (Hyperion) THU 10:00 Great Lives (b01s4g7j) Sir Arthur Conan Doyle Broadcaster and writer Gyles Brandreth nominates Sir Arthur Conan Doyle as his "Great Life". Matthew Parris chairs, assisted by biographer Andrew Lycett. Conan Doyle is best known as the creator of the pipe smoking, deerstalker wearing, Sherlock Holmes. Yet this irritated him, and he tried to kill off the great detective, only to bring him back by popular demand. But Conan Doyle was a footballer, cricketer, skier, a campaigner against the Belgian atrocities in the Congo, and most startlingly, a practising spiritualist who also believed in fairies. The paradox of Conan Doyle's life was that, having invented the most rational, cerebral fictional character of all time, he himself embraced superstition and behaved in ways that caused even his allies to despair of his credulity. Producer Jolyon Jenkins First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2013. THU 10:30 Fixing A Hole (b00b1nrb) The life and times of the great British roadworks, and those who dig and despair of them. Reporter Sara Parker travels from Cumbria to London via the M25. She's seeking those for whom a freshly-dug hole in the road is a wonder and a delight but a source of desperation for road users and dwellers. Copenhagen Street is allegedly Britain's most dug-up thoroughfare. It's in North London, and is regularly the subject of the attentions of gas, electricity and cable TV folk who just love to trouble its tarmac. Sara hails a taxi cab there, where its driver actually lives and feels the rock-and-roll ride across the patchwork quilt of the capital's roads with an expert's commentary in her ears. Meanwhile, in the depths of a Lake District winter. Sara goes out on call with the boys from the blackstuff as they try to keep the hilly roads from cracking in the frost and being washed away by torrents. She joins the men training to dig a decent hole at a hole-in-theroad training centre whose instructor in his spare time loves nothing more than ballroom-dancing the night away while Strictly come digging by day. And out on the M25, the cones are out in force to protect the workforce from the speeding traffic Producer: Simon Elmes First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2008. THU 11:00 Sherlock Holmes (b007k202) [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today] THU 11:45 The Real Dennis Truelove by Dave Sheasby (b007jt9l) [Repeat of broadcast at 06:45 today] THU 12:00 Jeeves and the Feudal Spirit (m0028bl3) [Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today] THU 12:30 The Small, Intricate Life of Gerald C Potter (b007vlws) [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today] *THU* **13:00** Skeletons in the Cupboard (m0009d9c) [Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today] THU 13:30 The Shepherd's Life by James Rebanks (b05r3zim) [Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today] THU 13:45 Carmen (b03nt8bc) [Repeat of broadcast at 08:45 today] THU 14:00 Who Goes There? (b00fj1rj) Series 3 Episode 1 Martin Young chairs the quiz looking at lives of the noteworthy and notorious from the history books. Tackling the biographical teasers are team captains Francis Wheen and Fred Housego. With guests: Sue Cook Annabel Giles Producer: Aled Evans First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2000. THU 14:30 Robin and Wendy's Wet Weekends (b008f86w) Series 2 Lassie Go Home A dog called Lucky takes a shine to Wendy, inspiring Derek to set up a dog-walking business - because his wife, Maureen wants to start a family as soon as possible.... Sitcom about a couple, Robin and Wendy, and their friends and neighbours Written by and starring Kay Stonham and Simon Greenall Robin Simon Greenall Wendy Kay Stonham Maureen Amelia Bullmore Derek Martin Trenaman Sergeant/Vet... ...Ewan Bailev Leaflet manTom Davies

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Doctor/Mr Sewell......Geoffrey McGivern Ben Kozo Chris Pavlo Eddy Baines With Paul Putner Producer: Mario Stylianides First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2003. THU 15:00 Oblomov by Ivan Goncharov (b0076t6b) 2. Love Series 3 Gentle, intelligent Oblomov completely fails to deal with life. Episode 3 He lives in a flat in St Petersburg never doing today what he can put off till tomorrow. for. During a summer in the country, he has fallen in love with pretty clever Olga. Back in St Petersburg, Olga's patience is put to the test. Toby Jones stars as Oblomov - a tragic-comic hero for a couch With: potato generation. Conclusion of Ivan Goncharov's 1859 novel. Dramatised by Stephen Wyatt. Oblomov Toby Jones Zahar Trevor Peacock Tarantyev Gerard McDermott Series 2 Olga Claire Skinner Episode 2 Agafya/ Nurse Fiona Clarke Stolz Nicholas Boulton Nicolai Harry Myers Director Claire Grove First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2005. THU 16:00 Great Lives (b01s4g7j) Garrett. [Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today] THU 16:30 Fixing A Hole (b00b1nrb) [Repeat of broadcast at 10:30 today] . With: THU 17:00 Sherlock Holmes (b007k202) [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today] THU 17:45 The Real Dennis Truelove by Dave Sheasby Jim North (b007jt9l) [Repeat of broadcast at 06:45 today] THU 18:00 Jeeves and the Feudal Spirit (m0028bl3) [Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today] THU 18:30 The Small, Intricate Life of Gerald C Potter (b007vlws) [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today] THU 19:00 Skeletons in the Cupboard (m0009d9c) [Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today] THU 19:30 The Shepherd's Life by James Rebanks (b05r3zim) [Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today] THU 19:45 Carmen (b03nt8bc) [Repeat of broadcast at 08:45 today] THU 20:00 Who Goes There? (b00fj1rj) [Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 today] THU 20:30 Robin and Wendy's Wet Weekends (b008f86w) [Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 today] THU 21:00 Oblomov by Ivan Goncharov (b0076t6b) [Repeat of broadcast at 15:00 today] THU 22:00 P.O.V. (m00282sx) Series 1 4 It's all over for Earth The internet's best comedy creators bring you a sketch show that features the best stag do ever, drinks you can't order at a wake, a trip around a money-sterry, and why it's all over for Earth. Written and performed by Davina Bentley, Jake Bhardwaj, Rachel Fairburn, Daniel Foxx, Larry & Paul, Tom Lawrinson, Kathy Maniura, Jimmy Rees, Will Sebag-Montefiore, and The Squid. Recorded in London, Manchester and Sydney Edited by Rich Evans at Syncbox Post Produced by Ed Morrish A Lead Mojo production for BBC Radio 4 THU 22:30 Eamon, Older Brother of Jesus (m0028blb) Episode 5 Now in his 40s, Eamon is still living at home with his parents. He has the perfect younger brother and his mother is a saint. Life is not easy for Eamon Eamon finds himself in love with a married woman. Michael Redmond writes and stars in a six-part comedy series. Scheduled to begin in October 1996, BBC Radio 4's new controller James Boyle pulled the whole series shortly before 1891 broadcast. Eamon ... Michael Redmond Joseph Harry Towb Mary Stella McCusker With: Peter Caffrey Clare Cathcart Moira Buffini Producer: Phil Clarke Made for BBC Radio 4 in 1996 - but never broadcast until now. *THU* 22:45 2000 Years of Radio (b0076b0q) Series 2 Sherwood FM It's 1206 and DJ Suzanne Canker falls for new hero on the block Robin the Hood but living on nettle soup can really test a relationship. More extraordinary archive radio recordings from the past two millennia of the wireless Written and performed by: Claire Downes Hazel Grian Al Holloway Martin Gerard McDermott

Stuart Lane Patrick McNamara Producer: Sean Grundy First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2002. THU 23:00 The Million Pound Radio Show (b00nd0tf) Bickering lizards, crazy golf championships and furniture to die Sharp-edged topical humour in the most expensive show on Written by and starring Andy Hamilton and Nick Revell. Jasper Jacob Felicity Montagu Producer: Paul Mayhew-Archer First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 1987. THU 23:30 The Hudson and Pepperdine Show (b0076254) The duo get some help from war veteran and stand-up comedian Edie Trinder, who valiantly steps in when Mel loses her voice. Plus more from the Gory Nuns and the Goatee Beard Men's Group. Special guest stars are rapper, Eminem and opera diva, Lesley Variety meets sitcom meets sketch show - written and performed by Mel Hudson and Vicki Pepperdine. Dave Lamb Martin Hyder Additional material by Martin Hyder and Jim North. Script editor: Graeme Garden Music by Richard Webb. Producers: Helen Williams and Claire Jones. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2001.

FRIDAY 28 FEBRUARY 2025

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Policeman Iwan Thomas Director: David Hunter First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 1998. FRI 07:00 Harry Worth (b00rl56h) Thirty Minutes Worth The Burglar Cat burglar Fingers Fogerty pays Harry Worth an unwelcome visit. This series was the amiable, woolly-minded bumbler's return to BBC radio, using the title of his first TV series 20 years before with the same writer. Starring Harry Worth Sitcom written by Vince Powell With: Jacqueline Clarke Roger John-Lee Michael Robbins Producer: Mike Craig First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in October 1988. FRI 07:30 Lines From My Grandfather's Forehead (b00gszmr) From 29/03/1971 A bungling burglar, a struggling pianist and the Clegworthy family's Sunday. A sequential entertainment for radio starring Ronnie Barker. With: Terence Brady Pauline Yates Peggy Ann Wood. Pianist: Gordon Langford Written by Chris Allen, Tony Bilbow and Mike Fentiman, David Climie, John Graham, Gerald Wiley and John Fawcett-Wilson. Producer John Fawcett-Wilson First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1971. FRI 08:00 Sandi Toksvig's Hygge (m000qnb7) Series 1 Alan Davies 'Hygge' (pronounced hoo-ga) is a word meaning comfort, contentment and cherishing the simple pleasures in life. Deep in the Danish countryside in her cosy wood cabin, the host Sandi Toksvig will explore the concept of hygge and the Danish way of life and welcomes celebrity guests who join her in front of the open fire to explore what brings them hygge. Sandi is joined by comedian and friend Alan Davies. He talks about walking in nature, literature, the childhood toy he still wants and escaping from the demands of smartphones Additional material Simon Alcock Producer Julia McKenzie First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2020 FRI 08:30 The Shepherd's Life by James Rebanks (b05r6sx0) 5. Spring Spring is the farmer's reward for the hard days of winter. The cycle of the year begins again, as James Rebanks prepares for lambing. The first son of a shepherd, who was himself the first son of a shepherd, James and his family have lived and worked in and around the Lake District for generations Through his eyes we see that the Lake District is not a playground or a scenic backdrop, it's a working landscape that needs sheep and its farmers to survive. Abridged by Sian Preece. Concluded by Bryan Dick. Producer: Kirsteen Cameron First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2015. FRI 08:45 Carmen (b03ntb2b) 5. Destiny Carmen realises that her fate is catching up with her and decides to face her destiny head on. Prosper Mérimée's novella Carmen is best known for the Bizet opera it later inspired. Dan Allum takes the original story as his inspiration for this exciting and powerful new interpretation starring Candis Nergaard as Carmen. With original music and songs in Romany and English by Dan Allum. Musical arrangement by James Fortune Carmen Candis Nergaard Don Jose William Ash Garcia Neil Bell Miriah Harriet Chandler Judd Lucas Declan Wilson Roderigo Stephen Hoyle Officer/Captain Roger Morlidge Producer/Director: Charlotte Riches First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2014. FRI 09:00 Yesterday in Parliament (m00289t7) The latest news from Westminster - and beyond. FRI 09:30 Just So Science (b01pw5s8) Series 1 5. The Cat That Walked by Himself Do we keep cats, or do they keep us? The myths and the mysteries of felis catus explored by Patrick Bateson and John Bradshaw Vivienne Parry presents the science behind some of Rudyard Kipling's Just So Stories, with wondrous tales of how things really came to be. Rudyard Kipling tells us how the leopard got his spots, the camel his hump, the whale his throat and so forth

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with some diverting conversations about secret smuggling, what

it takes to join MI5, and what exactly do MI1, 2, 3 and 4 do?

For the most part, just-so stories are to be dismissed as the antithesis of scientific reasoning. They're ad hoc fallacies, designed to explain-away a biological or behavioural trait, more akin to folklore than the laws of science. But on closer inspection, might Kipling's fantasies contain a grain of truth? And might the "truth" as science understands it, be even more fantastic than fiction? Vivienne meets researchers whose work on some of Kipling's 'best beloved' creatures is helping us to answer a rather inconvenient question: how do traits evolve? Why are some animals the way they are? Excerpts from five of the Just So Stories are read by Samuel West. Producer: Rami Tzabar First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2013. FRI 09:45 Daily Service (m00289t9) Where Jesus Walked - Jerusalem A space for spiritual reflection with a Bible reading, prayer and a range of Christian music. Theme: Where Jesus Walked - Jerusalem Led by the Right Revd Mary Stallard, Bishop of Llandaff Reading: Luke 9: 51-58 Marty Haugen: I will walk in the presence of God. Jerusalem the Golden sung by St Mary's Swansea Go Forth and Tell Winchester Cathedral Choir, David Hill FRI 10:00 Soul Music (m000y0jk) We've Only Just Begun The Carpenters - brother and sister duo Richard and Karen were one of the most popular groups of the 1970s. His outstanding compositions and her stunning vocals created several massive hits including We've Only Just Begun. Originally written as a TV advert for a bank portraying happy young couples embarking on married life full of hope, they loved it and released it as their third single in 1970. Karen's wistful voice gave the song a melancholy that has long resonated with fans. After her premature death from heart failure due to anorexia nervosa, the song took on an extra poignancy with lyrics like "so much of life ahead". Fans tell their stories about the song and how it relates to their own life journeys. For Professor Karen Tongson (named after the singer), We've Only Just Begun is about growing up in the Philippines where The Carpenters epitomised the American Dream. When she emigrated to the USA, the song became a metaphor for the immigrant experience. Nomad and writer Jeff Read remembers his childhood in a poor part of Los Angeles brought up by a single mother who eventually died homeless on the street. The song brings back memories of childhood optimism and his longing for a stable family life Poet Abigail George recalls seeing a film about Karen Carpenter's life and identifying with the singer's struggles with an eating disorder as she herself had to cope with a difficult family life in South Africa. Retired policeman John Weiss was reminded of the song when he attended the death of an elderly person at a care home. John looked at the deceased man's wedding photos and was struck by the brevity of life. The singer Natasha Khan aka Bat For Lashes always loved The Carpenters and recorded her own version of We've Only Just Begun as part of an album where things don't end well for the young bride. Ironically, her version now features in a commercial for a British bank so the song has come full circle. Randy Schmidt is the author of Little Girl Blue (The Life of Karen Carpenter). Versions of the song featured are by Grant Lee Buffalo Paul Williams Natasha Khan The Carpenters The Carpenters with the Philharmonic Orchestra Producer: Maggie Avre A BBC Audio production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in July 2021 FRI 10:30 Britain's Black Revolutionary (b00t4q0i) There are still few black leaders in British political life - but lifelong trade unionist Bill Morris finds that as far back as the London of 1848 the son of a slave was leading one of this countries most powerful political movements. Few of us have heard of William Cuffay, a physically deformed tailor who lived in Soho. And yet he was notorious in his day, to the extent that the political class of the 1840s dubbed him "the pore old blackymore rogue" as he went on to lead a political movement so powerful that Britain cowered behind its shuttered windows and the massed ranks of its armies. Just as the thrones of Europe were yet again tumbling to revolution, the 1848 Chartist uprising in favour of democracy and equality in London threatened the status quo in Britain. History records that an articulate democrat, William Cuffay, emerged as a key organiser of the mass demonstration that faced the Duke of Wellington's army in the demand for the vote. Revolution threatened the capital - but who was the diminutive tailor holding such sway? Lord Morris follows a predecessor in the labour movement through his fascinating story - from son of a St Kitts slave to

political leader, and ultimately into exile at Her Majesty's pleasure in Tasmania. Producer: Philip Sellars First broadcast on Radio 4 in July 2010. FRI 11:00 Sherlock Holmes (b007k21c) [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today] FRI 11:45 The Real Dennis Truelove by Dave Sheasby (b007jt9x) [Repeat of broadcast at 06:45 today] FRI 12:00 Harry Worth (b00rl56h) [Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today] FRI 12:30 Lines From My Grandfather's Forehead (b00gszmr) [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today] FRI 13:00 Sandi Toksvig's Hygge (m000qnb7) [Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today] FRI 13:30 The Shepherd's Life by James Rebanks (b05r6sx0) [Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today] FRI 13:45 Carmen (b03ntb2b) [Repeat of broadcast at 08:45 today] FRI 14:00 The Unbelievable Truth (m0016gzr) Series 28 Episode 3 David Mitchell hosts the panel game in which four comedians are encouraged to tell lies. They compete against one another to see how many items of truth they're able to smuggle past their opponents The panellists are obliged to talk with deliberate inaccuracy on subjects as varied as computers, magazines, the human body and golf. With: Lou Sanders Ria Lina Milton Jones Chris McCausland Producer: Jon Naismith A Random Entertainment production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in April 2022. FRI 14:30 Meet Mr Mulliner by PG Wodehouse (m00289tc) The Smile That Wins When a dyspeptic detective member of the Mulliner family receives a doctor's prescription to smile, the frightening knowingness of his grin spreads terror among the titled. Storyteller Mr Mulliner enlists regular tipplers of the Angler's Rest to tell his tales. Starring Richard Griffiths. From a collection of stories written by PG Wodehouse, first published in 1927. Dramatised by Roger Davenport. Mr Mulliner Richard Griffiths Miss Postlethwaite / Millicent Matilda Ziegler A Small Bitter / Adrian ... Carl Prekopp A Port / Sir Jasper / Specialist Peter Acre A Pint of Stout / Lord Brangbolton David Timson The Light Ale / Sir Sutton . Martin Hyder Director: Ned Chaillet First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2002. FRI 15:00 Sound Barriers by Sarah Daniels (m0002mh0) What's wrong with Mel's baby? And why does she suddenly befriend her neighbours - a profoundly deaf man and a lonely widow? Moving drama by Sarah Daniels. Audrey Patricia Routledge Jenny Caroline Quentin Ian Steve Day Director: Sally Avens First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2005. FRI 16:00 Soul Music (m000v0ik) [Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today] FRI 16:30 Britain's Black Revolutionary (b00t4q0i) [Repeat of broadcast at 10:30 today] FRI 17:00 Sherlock Holmes (b007k21c) [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today] FRI 17:45 The Real Dennis Truelove by Dave Sheasby (b007jt9x) [Repeat of broadcast at 06:45 today] FRI 18:00 Harry Worth (b00rl56h) [Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today] FRI 18:30 Lines From My Grandfather's Forehead (b00gszmr) [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today] FRI 19:00 Sandi Toksvig's Hygge (m000qnb7) [Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today] FRI 19:30 The Shepherd's Life by James Rebanks (b05r6sx0) [Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today] FRI 19:45 Carmen (b03ntb2b) [Repeat of broadcast at 08:45 todav] FRI 20:00 The Unbelievable Truth (m0016gzr) [Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 today] FRI 20:30 Meet Mr Mulliner by PG Wodehouse (m00289tc) [Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 today] FRI 21:00 Sound Barriers by Sarah Daniels (m0002mh0) [Repeat of broadcast at 15:00 today] FRI 22:00 What? Seriously?? (m002899d) 8. Spies, Lies and a Political Prize In this episode, Dara and Isy are joined by the star of Slow Horses Chris Chung, to learn about the magic of Monopoly -

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What? Seriously?? is a new podcast which combines comedy with quirky history, hosted by Dara and Isy who unravel an extraordinary real-life tale each week with the help of a celebrity guest. The stories are definitely true, but also kind of unbelievable at the same time - the sort of stories that make you go 'What? Seriously??' when you hear them, but you resolve to tell them in the pub the first chance you get. Across the series, Dara and Isy will be joined by I'm A Celeb winner Georgia Toffolo, the Aussie comedian Rhys Nicholson, the broadcaster Stuart Maconie, Master Chef star Louisa Ellis, Miles from The Traitors, the comedian Richard Herring, the astronaut Helen Sharman, and Slow Horses star Chris Chung. 'What? Seriously??' with Dara Ó Briain and Isy Suttie and special guest Christopher Chun Format co-developed by Dan Page. Story compiled by Gareth Edwards and Dan Page. Producer: Laura Grimshaw Executive Producer: Jon Holmes An unusual production for BBC Radio 4 FRI 22:25 The Comedy Club Interviews (m0028kxb) Geoff Norcott 3/3 From 10pm until midnight, seven days a week, The Comedy Club has two hours of comedy. And tonight, Jon Holmes once again chats to the comedian and podcaster, Geoff Norcott. FRI 22:30 The Jason Byrne Show (b01phj38) Series 3 The Irish and the Scottish Are Black-Belts in Misery Jason compares international attitudes to other people's good fortune and explains why his Irish background means that revelling in misery is never far away. Why is British fruit so bitter? Can Jason relieve heartache in the audience and what simple pleasures make Jason and his son happy? High-energy stand-up comedy and sketch show. With: Laurence Howarth Margaret Cabourn-Smith Producer: Julia McKenzie First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in December 2010. FRI 23:00 Mark Steel's in Town (b018csyv) Series 3 Basingstoke Mark Steel performs for the residents of Basingstoke. He covers the Salvation Army, prehistoric roundabouts and a rather unusual world record set in a shopping centre. During his visit to the Hampshire town, he investigates the rich tapestry of remarkable events and people. Series in which the comedian visits towns across the UK and creates a stand-up show for the locals. Written by Mark Steel With additional material by Pete Sinclair. Producer: Sam Bryant First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2011 FRI 23:30 Life on Egg (m0002r1h) Series 2 Hold Governor Harry has been on hold for a long time. If only he could remember why he'd phoned customer services in the first place ... Governor Harry Harry Hill The Hold Voice Sukh Ojla Dominic Daniel Maier Written by Dan Maier Producer: Sam Michell First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2019. FRI 23:45 The In Crowd (b0089ij8) Series 1 Episode 4 A struggling therapist tries to mentally lure a client back to her childhood - and a surprising tip for conkers. Sketch show from Manchester's Comedy Store. With Robin Ince Helen Moon Smug Roberts Kate Ward Written by Carl Cooper, Susan Vale, Stan Vernon, Lavinia Murray, Lara Silverstone and Sue Morris. Producer: Graham Frost First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2001.