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Climate Crisis – Climate Justice

Fresh evidence of global warming - as politicians question climate action. Last year was the hottest on records going back 175 years, while recent warming seems to have been speeding up further

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Why build nuclear power in place of old coal, when you could have pumped hydropower instead?

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If you're thinking of snapping up a cheap new Chinese electric car there is something you should know... As the Chinese overtake Tesla for sales and automaker BYD becomes the first in the world to unveil a battery that is capable of charging EV's in the same amount of time as it takes to fill up a fuel tank, Jonathan Margolis examines the claims that there are other aspects we need to be mindful of.

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Trump cuts to have 'chilling effect' on climate science and 'degrade' Australia's ability to forecast weather. Australian meteorologists and scientists will be affected by mass firings at NOAA, experts warn.

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Other News

Pentagon restores histories of Navajo Code Talkers, states removal was AI mistake. [Read more ...](#)

Netumbo Nandi-Ndaitwah sworn in as Namibia's first female president. Outgoing leader Mbumba hands power to Nandi-Ndaitwah at a ceremony coinciding with country's 35th independence day. [Read more ...](#)

'This is about injustice': crowds defy ban to protest over Istanbul mayor's detention. People gather at city hall and students march in anger at arrest of Ekrem İmamoğlu, a likely opposition candidate for presidency. [Read more ...](#)

Man granted right to remain in UK under Windrush scheme after almost 50 years. Samuel Jarrett-Coker, 61, who arrived from Sierra Leone as a child, had sought to resolve immigration status since 1980s.

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'They lock us in like sheep': new Israeli checkpoints and barriers raise fears in the West Bank. Israel's growing network of roadblocks are cutting off communities from major transport routes, disrupting work, education and aid supplies. [Read more ...](#)

Nowruz 2025: Traditions, Haft Sin and celebrations of the Persian New Year. Celebrated across Iran and several other countries, the holiday symbolises renewal and prosperity. [Read more ...](#)

Topics discussed at Thursday's World at Lunch

Itch to Shine a review of *Love and Marriage in the Age of Jane Austen* by Rory Muir. [Read more ...](#)
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Gender pay gap in U.S. has narrowed slightly over 2 decades. [Read more ...](#)

The UK's gamble on solar geoengineering ... Injecting pollutants into the atmosphere to reflect the sun would be extremely dangerous, but the UK is funding field trials. [Read more ...](#)

USDA halts millions of dollars worth of deliveries to food banks. The halt in deliveries comes after the Trump administration separately slashed \$1 billion for schools and food banks to buy food from farms. [Read more ...](#)

'I feel utter anger': From Canada to Europe, a movement to boycott US goods is spreading. [Read more ...](#)

Conjoined twins to undergo surgery in Saudi Arabia. The development follows the intervention of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade, which facilitated talks between The University Hospital of the West Indies (UHWI) where the children are being treated and Saudi Arabian government officials. [Read more ...](#)

Serbian stage huge protest in Belgrade against their president. Farmers and bikers join students in climax to movement that Aleksandar Vučić labels an 'imported revolution'. [Read more ...](#)

Local News ...

People from across Exeter reflect on experiences of COVID-19 to mark five years since pandemic outbreak. [Read more ...](#)

Twenty million trees will be planted and 2,500 hectares (6,178 acres) of new woodland created in the west of England as part of a "national forest" drive, the government has announced. [Read more ...](#)

Campaign Updates:

350.org: 5 Ways Big Oil is Trying to Stop Us. [Read more ...](#)

Greenpeace: A North Dakota jury has found Greenpeace liable for defamation, ordering it to pay more than \$660m (£507m) in damages to an oil company for the environmental group's role in one of the largest anti-fossil fuel protests in US history. [Read more ...](#)