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Climate Crisis – Climate Justice

What's at stake for COP27 climate talks in Egypt? Developing countries experiencing the worst effects of climate change will aim to obtain financial help from rich nations responsible for the biggest share of emissions. [Read more ...](#)

Huge gap in funding to protect people from 'here-and-now' climate impacts, UN warns. While countries must work much faster to slash emissions, adapting to what is in front of them is equally important to protect people. [Read more ...](#)

UK criticised for failing to pay \$300m in promised climate funds ahead of Cop27. Missed deadline for money pledged to assist developing countries sends 'strong negative signal' ahead of Egypt summit, say experts. [Read more ...](#)

How do we mourn an island? Where do we mark its grave? Ellekan, an islet in Marshall Islands, has been reduced to a pile of sand in the middle of the reef. Those who loved it have already held its funeral. [Read more ...](#)

Other News

Why we still need holistic reparations for slavery. The harms of African enslavement and colonisation include not only the land dispossessions and extractivist plunder of our planet, but also the marginalisation and killing of indigenous knowledge systems. [Read more ...](#)

Russians fleeing to Georgia face resentment, graffiti, loyalty tests at bars. [Read more ...](#)

Ethiopian civil war: parties agree on end to hostilities. Breakthrough 'monumental' says prime minister after two-year conflict between north Tigray and federal forces that displaced millions. [Read more ...](#)

UN votes overwhelmingly to condemn US embargo of Cuba. [Read more ...](#)

Local News ...

155th Birthday Celebrations for Great Torrington heroine, Sister Nivedita, revered and celebrated across India. [Read more ...](#)

International climate project inspires performance in Egypt ahead of COP27. Ahead of its staging in the amphitheatre of the conference's Peace Park, The Earth Turns will make its debut at Cairo's iconic Falaki Theatre in Tahrir Square and will be live streamed around the world. [Read more ...](#)

Cornwall: Campaigners protest against first UK space launch. Protesters have demonstrated against the first UK satellite launch, at Newquay Airport in Cornwall. [Read more ...](#)

Topics discussed at Thursday's World at Lunch

Left in isolation: how the online revolution failed our elderly people. As day-to-day services increasingly move to the internet, older and vulnerable people are cut off. [Read more ...](#)

Map norths converge on Dorset village in historic first. A small village has made map reading history and become the first place where true, magnetic and grid north have met at a single point. [Read more ...](#)

The Nigerian woman cleaning up a land soaked in oil. It is the rarest of stories. A fix for an environmental disaster that is actually working. [Read more ...](#)

Plastic-eating bacteria: Genetic engineering and environmental impact. Discover how plastic-eating bacteria were discovered and re-engineered to help tackle the world's plastic problem. [Read more ...](#)

France strikes: Macron faces biggest threat to his authority quietly brewing at home. Gallivanting on the world stage, Emmanuel Macron is risking his authority being undermined at home by strikes over energy. [Read more ...](#)

Watch and listen ...

BBC One: Malorie Blackman: What If? As she prepares to publish her long-awaited autobiography, former Children's Laureate Malorie Blackman discusses the key moments in her life that made her a writer.

[Watch ...](#)

Things to do ...

Sunday, 20 November 11am to 3pm *The Book Market* at Positive Light Projects 184-187 Sidwell Street.

[Details ...](#)

Books ...

Black Poppies: The Story of Britain's Black Community in the First World War by Stephen Bourne.

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Deep Are the Roots: Trailblazers Who Changed Black British Theatre by Stephen Bourne. [Details ...](#)

Campaigns ...

Palestine Solidarity Campaign: Write to Barclays to demand it commits to end all business relationships to avoid further complicity in Israel's violations of international law and Palestinian rights. [Details ...](#)

War on Want: Free Alaa! Demand justice in Egypt. Alaa Abd El-Fattah is a British-Egyptian human rights blogger, activist, and father currently held in prison by the Egyptian state for exercising his right to freedom of speech. [Details ...](#)

Campaign Updates ...

Amnesty: Amnesty have launched Anti-Racism Network to contribute to the work of the thousands if not millions of people working to bring down racist structures and systems. [Read more ...](#)

Amnesty: Is the Prevent program racist? [Read more ...](#)