

# Today has been cancelled due to lack of interest

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Not literally, of course.

I am just referring to the fact that the Today programme on Radio 4 [lost 800,000 listeners](#) in the last quarter compared to a year ago. It is down to 7 million listeners, on average.

I very strongly suspect that few who comment here will be surprised: the programme's bias and simultaneous inability to unearth the plot have destroyed its appeal.

I would like to think it could recover. The problem, however, is systemic and deep within the BBC. Sacking a presenter and a switch of editor would not change this. Making the BBC into a fearless public service broadcaster would.