



WHAT IS THE MOST IMPORTANT PART OF PRODUCTION PLANNING?

THE SCRIPT

So good writing is at the heart of any good radio production

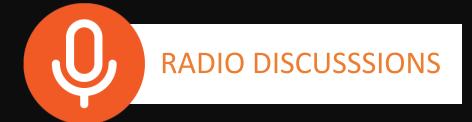
RADIO PROGRAM FORMATS

Each type of radio program has a unique writing style:

































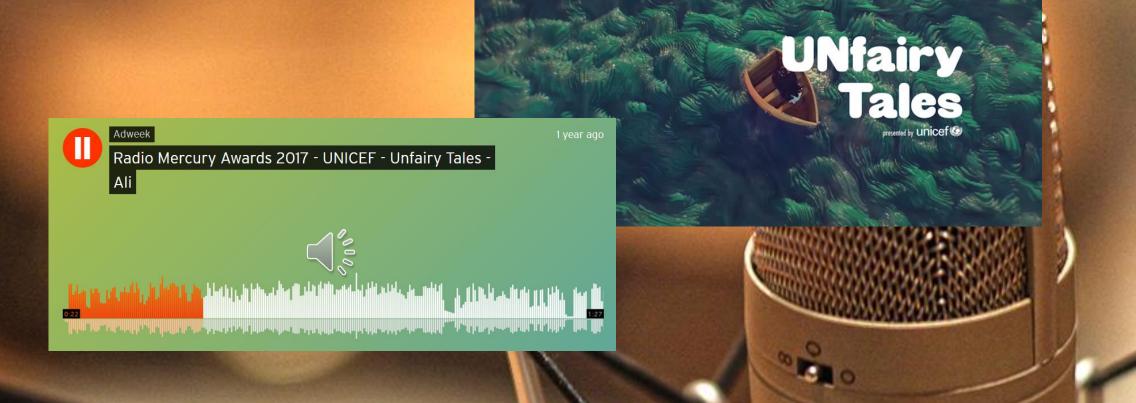
- PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT (PSAs)
- STATION/PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION ANNOUNCEMENTS





Specifically written clear messages to inform audience about something:







Oldest format on radio: An expert/celebrity gives a speech/talk on a subject.



- Duration: 5-30 minutes
- Content of the speeches edited to suit spoken word style







Personality based question-answer format program or segment



- Duration: 3-5 minutes or longer (30mins) based on the type of show
- Interviews may be used in whole or in part (audio clips can be cut and inserted into another program as a 'sound byte')



Moderated discussion show aimed to give the listener different expert views.



- Ouration: 15-30 minutes
- Panel discussion by a group of 'experts' sharing different views on a subject
- Discussion shows always have a moderator who leads the discussion and ensures every ones views are equally heard.





A sound-based program that tells a real life story



Duration: 15-30 minutes

HUMAN VOICE

SOUND EFFECTS

MUSIC

SILENCE

Good script is crucial to tell a story only with sound...



Rebels

Guy Burgess

Spies investigated, through records and conve **RADIO 4 EXTRA**



Prime Ministers' Props

Series 2

Margaret Thatcher's Handbag

David Cannadine explores how an object or pro-



The Truth about Britain's Beggars

Former homeless drug addict Mark Johnson e.



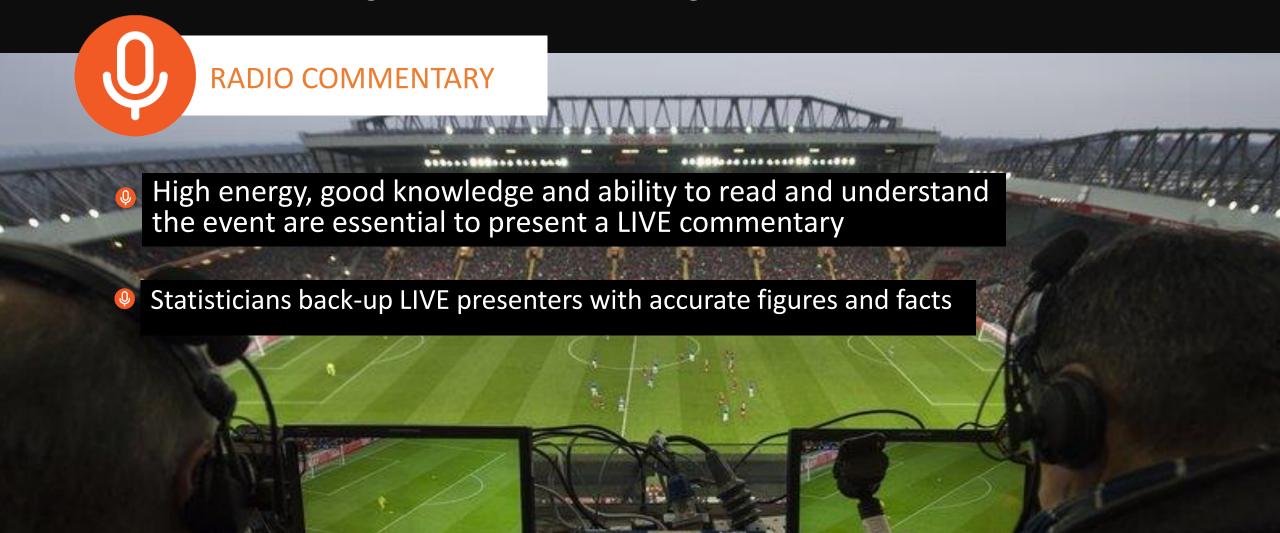
Frankly Speaking

Bernard Levin

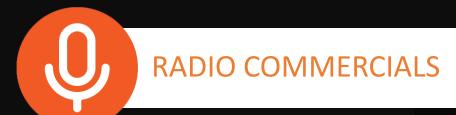
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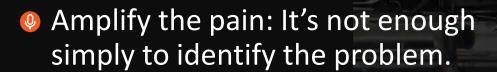


The art of covering LIVE events and taking the feel of the venue to a listener









- Remind the consumer how serious that problem is to them.
- Give the solution







Modern radio programming: Digital audio files made available on web or mobile



- Engaging content...
- Fun topics, real stories of real people...
- A podcast is easy to access and archived unlike LIVE radio





1. National Counter Terrorism Policing 'Multiple bombings'

Agency: Abbott Mead Vickers BBDO

Creatives: Nicholas Hulley, Steve Jones, Martin Loraine, Nadja Lossgott

Producer: Anita Sasdy

Sound engineer: Ben Gulvin

Script

[Tense and urgent music.]

Narrator "In 2004, counter-terrorism police were tracking a terrorist cell... former senior Special Branch officer Nick Sloan..."

Sloan "They were 'players' – they had been abroad, they had been to training camps."

[Sounds of gunfire, shouted orders in Urdu.]

Narrator "This is one of the men..."

Male voice one "I knew that they wanted to get explosive training to do something in the UK."

Sloan "We knew they were ready and willing, we just didn't know if they were able."

Narrator "Luckily counter-terrorism police were about to get a big break."

[Phone ringing.]

Female voice "Hi, I'm calling from the storage unit – we've got some guys that are storing nearly a tonne of fertiliser."

Male voice two "For example, in a large fertiliser bomb inside a built-up area like London, the explosive force would be like having a steam train pass through an office."

[Sound of approaching steam train, followed by breaking glass.]

Sloan "We suddenly knew where the bomb was."

[Sound of a police raid.]

Narrator "If you see anything suspicious, act on it. Call police on 0800 789 321. Confidentially. Call. Visit. Act. For the full inside story, visit gov.uk/act, or search 'Code: severe, a podcast series'."

NATURE OF RADIO

Radio is personal- its just you and your listener. Conversational.



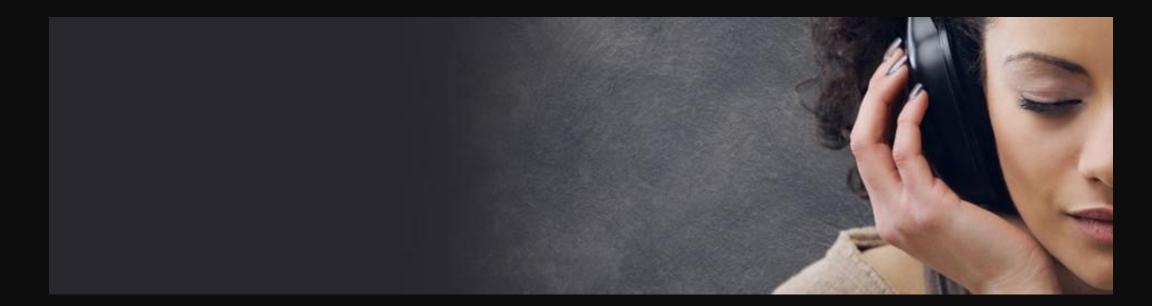
NATURE OF RADIO

- Just one opportunity to get the message across.No replays like television.
- There are no pictures so your script has to do all the describing!



NATURE OF RADIO

- To fill the space of the visuals lacking, you have to add words that speak of sights, sounds, fragrance which contributes to create a set.
- Ambient sounds helps you create sound images.







Dos and DON'Ts in RADIO WRITING

- Write crisp, short scripts.
- Be authentic and cross check facts (proper research)
- Give credit to your source for news.

- Don't use abbreviations or acronyms. ASAP, CBI etc.
- Do not write anything which creates tension between communities/religions/caste, etc.
- Don't use defamatory or sensational language.



K.I.S.S. rule:

Keep

It

Short &

Simple.

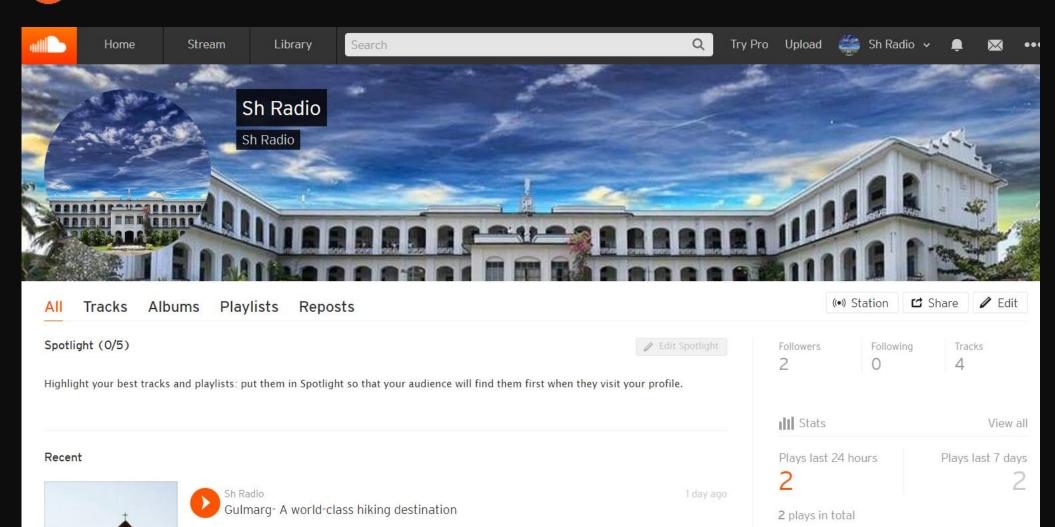


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- Write a script for a 1-minute podcast on any topic.
- Choose a theme, script it, record, layer it with music, you can anchor it yourself.
- Record it on your phone. Ensure recording quality.
- Email the audio file to mamta.joseph@gmail.com

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> > THANK YOU! > >