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HARRY POTTER

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RACHEL MARTIN, HOST: Can you remember a time when a young wizard named Harry Potter wasn't part of our pop culture? The series of **(0) seven books** has sold over **(1) 50 million copies** since it was first released 20 years ago, introducing us to Harry and his friends - Ron, Hermione and arch nemesis Lord...

DAVID GREENE, HOST: No, no, no, no - don't say his name.

MARTIN: (Laughter).

GREENE: Don't say his name. Don't say his name (laughter). It is he who cannot be named.

MARTIN: Oh, yeah. OK. So it was on this day back **(2) in 1997** that the first of J.K. Rowling's Harry Potter series hit British bookstores. **It came out here in the states just a year after that** as "Harry Potter And The Sorcerer's Stone." Back then, Valencia Henderson was in sixth grade.

VALENCIA HENDERSON: **(3) I remember getting in trouble because I was supposed to be in bed, but I'd be under the covers with a flashlight reading Harry Potter.** I was all about Hogwarts.

GREENE: Hogwarts, of course, is the famous wizarding school where many of Harry's adventures took place. Valencia Henderson - she is now a mom in Irvington, Ala. And she is sharing the books with her own children. Henderson's worn-out paperbacks are in the hands of her 9 and 7-year-old sons.

HENDERSON: So we like to snuggle up together under a blanket and read together. I did try, at first, to do different accents, but that got to be a little tiring, so.

MARTIN: Doug Frank from Garland Texas used to work part time at a bookstore back in the peak days of Harry Potter.

DOUG FRANK: **(4) I had a girlfriend in college who knitted me a Harry Potter scarf - not really because I looked like him so much but because I had glasses,** I guess. And, you know, that was pretty cool. The kids sang "Happy Birthday" to me. And I was about 25 at the time (laughter).

GREENE: Well, now Frank has a young son who recently conjured up his dad's copy of "The Sorcerer's Stone" and asked him if he would read it out loud.

FRANK: That was one of the greatest questions my son could ever ask me. You know, we brush teeth, take baths and all that. He crawls up into his bunk bed, and we read. And we can usually get about five or six pages in.

MARTIN: Longtime fan Luis Maysonet of Manchester, Conn., gave his first born a really early start on the series. **(5) Just hours before the midnight release of the sixth book, his wife was about to give birth.**

LUIS MAYSONET: **(6) We went to the hospital** because she was going to get induced. We went in there at 7 p.m. At 11 p.m., with permission, I hit a Walmart and lucked out. **And I was back at the hospital with the copy of the book** on release day.

GREENE: This was just amazing. He read the entire book to his wife and his new baby.

MAYSONET: It's a great handbook for life wrapped up in a story. You know, the kids have grown up with it. So it is kind of difficult to comprehend it's been 20 years, yeah.

MARTIN: J.K. Rowling's "Harry Potter," still casting spells on readers today and for generations to come.

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NOT WITHOUT MY PHONE

0. cold sweat	4. 11 percent
1. mobile phone security	5. at high risk
2. connected nation	6. website
3. one in four	7. worldwide

If the thought of leaving home without your mobile phone causes you to break out in a **(0) cold sweat**, you could be suffering from a condition being called nomophobia—the fear of having no mobile phone.

The term was coined by the company SecurEnvoy— **(1) they do mobile phone security**—so take it with a grain of salt. Nevertheless, a couple of recent surveys out of **(2) South Korea—the most connected nation in the world**—indicate that an emotional dependence on one’s smartphone may be a real thing.

The first study, done by South Korea’s National Information Society Agency, found that **(3) one in four** South Korean high school students is prone to smartphone addiction. That’s more than double **(4) the 11 percent estimated last year**. A second study by the Seoul city government claims that **(5) one in 25** Seoul teens are at “high risk” for such dependence. That’s according to the **(6) website** GlobalPost.

In response, the South Korean government may extend its midnight curfew for underage video gamers to include smartphone users as well. Perhaps parents **(7) worldwide** can vaccinate their kids by taking them outside to play.

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BBC WORLD NEWS

0. 12-year	4. illegal immigration
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BBC NEWS with Justine Greene. The Supreme Court in Brazil has ruled that the **(0) former President Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva must begin serving his 12-year prison sentence for corruption**. After hours of legal argument, **(1) the judges ruled 6-5 against Lula's** bid to remain free pending further appeals against his conviction. The left-wing leader had been considered favourite for October's presidential election.

African American activists have rallied in Memphis to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the death of the Civil Rights leader Martin Luther King. Bells tolled 39 times, once for each year of his life to mark the exact moment he was shot by a white supremacist sniper. **(2) Jesse Jackson, who was there on the day MLK was shot, said the pain was still raw.**

(3) Police in NY have killed a black man who apparently pointed a metal pipe at them. He was shot ten times. Video posted on social media has showed a crowd gathering at the spot, some yelling 'oppressors' as they faced off with police.

There's been angry reaction in Mexico after president Trump ordered **(4) the US National guard to deploy on the Border to help reduce illegal immigration and drug smuggling**. The Mexican Foreign Minister said any militarization of the Border would seriously damage relations but he said he'd been reassured that **(5) the US troops would not be armed.**

(6) Facebook says the number of users whose information was improperly shared with the political data consultancy company may have been as high as 87 million, most of them in the US. The Facebook founder, Mark Zuckerberg, admitted making a huge mistake.

The Sierra Leonean opposition candidate, Julius Maada Bio, has been declared the winner of the run-off presidential election. **(7) Mr Bio, a former soldier**, who briefly ruled Sierra Leone in 1996, won just under 52% of the vote. BBC NEWS.