



BWBF Alexa Skill Guide

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The BWBF Alexa Skill has been created by the British Wireless for the Blind Fund (BWBF). It extends the capabilities of the popular BWBF Streamed Service to allow users to listen to talking newspaper audio on Amazon Echo smart speakers and similar devices.

The first step is to add BWBF's Skill to Alexa by saying:

- **Alexa, enable Talking Newspapers**

To start using the BWBF Skill, say:

- **Alexa, open Talking Newspaper**

Alexa will ask you for the name of the talking newspaper that you want. Say either the name of the talking newspaper if you know it, or the nearest town – for example:

- **Liverpool Talking Newspaper, or:**
- **Liverpool**

Alexa then says the name of the edition that it thinks you've requested. Say "**Yes**" to confirm, or "**No**" to try again.

To move between tracks, say:

- **Alexa, next track, or:**
- **Alexa, previous track**

To pause, resume or stop playback of the talking newspaper that you are listening to, say:

- **Alexa, Pause**
- **Alexa, Play**
- **Alexa, Stop**

To exit completely from the BWBF Alexa Skill, say:

- **Alexa, Cancel**

As you use the BWBF Alexa Skill more, it "learns" your preferences and will adjust its behaviour to help you to reach the talking newspaper you want more quickly.

For more information about the BWBF Alexa Skill, please contact BWBF at alexa@blind.org.uk.