

Time to Think

Open University Journeys in British and Irish prisons during the years of conflict, 1972-2000

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# Session 3 audio

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I was a serious runner in prison, so there was a period of time, and I kept records daily of all my activities, but I averaged a hundred and five miles a week for almost nine years round the Compounds [ Compound 21 in the Maze and Long Kesh Prison]. As did others, like Billy Hutchinson and others. I was infatuated with everything associated with physical and mental health, so you know I took a coaching badge in athletics with the then Northern Ireland coach, who was brought in to, and so on and so forth.