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# The Mysterious Alcatraz Escape

“In its heyday, it was the ultimate maximum security prison. Located on a lonely island in the middle of San Francisco Bay, Alcatraz—aka “The Rock”—”([fbi.gov](https://www.fbi.gov/history/famous-cases/alcatraz-escape" \l ":~:text=In%20its%20heyday,aka%20%E2%80%9CThe%20Rock%E2%80%9D)) Alcatraz island in san Francisco USA had in it the Alcatraz jail which at its time took the first rank in the most secured prison in the world. As it had the most dangerous, famous, and popular USA criminals like George “Machine Gun” Kelly and even Al Capone himself. This prison opened in 1934 until it was closed in 1963 so it kept the most secured prison in the world for about 27 to 29 years! There were 14 separate escapes tried by 36 different prisoners, however, all men either died or were caught while escaping except for 3 prisoners only who attempted to escape. These 3 prisoners made the most famous escape from the most secured prison in the world at their time.

According to [the FBI official website](https://www.fbi.gov/history/famous-cases/alcatraz-escape" \l ":~:text=is%20their%20story.-,John%20Anglin,Frank%20Morris,-Missing.%20On%20June) The 3 escaping criminals from Alcatraz were Frank Morris and the two brothers John Anglin and Clarence Anglin although in the plan there was another prisoner that should have escaped with them he was not able to escape at the last minute as he was not able to remove his fake air hole. Frank Morris or the brain of the escape entered prison for the first time when he was 13 years old for armed rubbing and drug position. Moreover, he had made an IQ test and it was 133 and that shows a high IQ and he escaped this prison in Louisiana avoiding 10 years in jail for bank rubbing. The two brothers John Anglin and Clarence Anglin left their work as farmers when they were in their twenty’s and started robbing banks, however, they did not love hurting people so they used toy guns instead of real guns, and that was shown as they said that to the police and also they were caught robbing a bank using a toy gun. They had many attempts of escaping the facility in Atlanta so the guards sent them to Alcatraz.

According also to [the FBI official website](https://www.fbi.gov/history/famous-cases/alcatraz-escape" \l ":~:text=The%20group%20had,launched%20their%20raft.) the escape plan was so complicated and shows intelligence. At first, it all began with trying to break the cells air vent to path through by some old blades and spoons they had stolen from the kitchen. After that, they made homemade tools with all the sharp things they can use to break their air vents, and then they made a homemade drill by a motor from an old broken vacuum to break their air vents easier. There was a utility corridor that was unguarded behind the air vents that they path through after they removed the air vent cover. To the roof of their cell block, the corridor behind the air vests led so they went there and made a secret workshop that they made in it all they need to escape like homemade life jackets, the fake faces, wooden paddles, and the airboat. To make all of these things they stole about 50 raincoats, a 6x14 foot rubber raft, some blades, spoons, and wooden pieces. To make the like jackets and the airboats they heated or “vulcanized” the rubber and rain jackets carefully to let them stick to each other very well and they have got this idea from some magazines that they were given in Alcatraz. Time later, after finishing almost everything they had to find a way to climb the 30 ft long ceiling so they used the network of pipes to climb the ceiling and then break the ventilator. They covered the ventilator temporarily by fashioning a fake bolt out of soap.

The evening of June 11 the three criminals were now ready to escape and the 4th was left behind because he did not have his ventilator grill completely removed at the time that they were escaping. To the corridor the three criminals leaving behind them the fourth one climbed up and out through the ventilator after gathering their gears, shimming through the bakery smokestack on the roof then climbed the northern shore of the island fence and lunched their raft in the sea. Here comes the mystery. After that nobody until now 2022 knows what happened after that to the three criminals, so nobody knows did they survive, or drowned. However, some evidence shows that survive while others do not. The evidence that shows that they did not survive is that the frigid Bay water and the strong currents were a big obstacle in front of anybody going to Alcatraz. One another thing is that according to the FBI information the plan was to steal a car after crossing the sea and run with it, However, no reports of a stolen car were reported at all. On the other hand, some evidence or clues shows that they are alive as in 2013 the FBI received a letter from an unknown person claiming that he is Frank Morris and he has cancer and he wants to get back to jail for 1 year but take medical care. Now nobody ever knows what happened to the criminals except for them and on December 31, 1979, this case of the 3 criminals Frank Morris and the two brothers John Anglin and Clarence Anglin who escaped Alcatraz was closed and no more searches were made on them.

In the end, the Alcatraz jail in the USA had in it the most famous and dangerous criminals in the USA since it opened in 1934 until it was closed in 1963. At its time people said on it the jail that is imposable to escape from it and there were 14 separate attempts with 36 criminals failed except for 3 criminals broke the rumors that escaping from Alcatraz is imposable through a very complicated, and inelegant plan that they made to have their freedom. However, until now, nobody at all knows what happened to these 3 criminals after escaping did they die or did they survive the case was closed by the FBI on December 31, 1979, so no more searches are made on them again.

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