

George Kelly:

Dear Myself,

Today was a long day. I woke up, as always...and headed to the dining hall for a spot of breakfast. Because it was Sunday the guards were in the happiest of moods, which was nice. During recreation time almost all of the prisoners went to the Sunday religious service. I am not religious so I was just staring into the dark fog on the cold, hard ground. All the guards ever do is ask us if we regret what we did. To me some of the prisoners' responses are dumb. You know what the guards want to hear so why not tell em. Honestly I completely do. I should have never taken someone's life. Nothing is worth this.

Clarence Anglin:

I think I have found an escape way! Me and my brother have found a pipe big enough to shimmy through. We are also currently working on fake bodies to fool the guards. Our plan is to use those so the guards think we are still in the building during the escape. This could be our only and last chance. I really want to see my sister again. Me and my brother just miss her soooo much. If we do this escape we could either succeed and have a free life, or we could fail, get caught and possibly die. In my opinion it is worth the risk. This island may be pretty for those spoiled little children but for us prisoners this island is horrible! Because of the

isolation with the cold water it is almost impossible to escape, but we're going to try!

Robert Stroud:

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Aww this place is as bad as the devil. Imma ready to get on out! If it wasn't from them there bartender I'd be at home eating some buffalo wings in my beautiful house. I can't stop daydreaming about my life not in prison. I would like to start a bird habitat. Birds are my passion! Then again I might not have found this love if it wasn't for being in prison. I'm getting old and sick and don't want this to be where I die. People on the island don't understand what it is like to be in prison. Today I heard a guard child say that they think prison is fun. I wanted to jump over the fence and tell them that it is a horrible place. The only person who gives me a little comfort is Officer George DeVincenzi. You know the one who guards me, helps me pass the time with all them checkers games through the cell bars. Only 5,108 more days till I'm released! Thank the Lord!

Charles Mallon:

I haven't been on Alcatraz for too long but I don't think it is so bad. Everyone has been complaining about every little thing recently but actually Alcatraz isn't an awful prison. At least for me I do appreciate all of the freedom from Alcatraz. First of all the food is amazing! I mean better than the food I had before prison. Also I am a very religious person and I am able to practice in prison. Whenever the service happens it is the one time when I truly don't feel like a prisoner. It gives me back a piece of my life before I was in prison.





