

While you listen

 **Task 1.** Listen to the dialogue about the Boston Marathon and decide whether the statements are true (T) or false (F).

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| 1. The Boston Marathon is held every year in the USA. | ☐ | ☐ |
| 2. It began in 1897. | ☐ | ☐ |
| 3. John McDermott clocked 2 hours 15 minutes and 10 seconds. | ☐ | ☐ |
| 4. Women were officially allowed to participate in the races in 1957. | ☐ | ☐ |
| 5. In 1984, 34 countries took part in the marathon. | ☐ | ☐ |
| 6. According to the race's rules, runners have to pass through the centre of Boston. | ☐ | ☐ |

 **Task 2.** Listen again and answer the following questions.

1. Where did John McDermott come from?
2. When did Kuscsik become the first official female champion?
3. How many women started and finished the race in 1972?
4. How many runners joined the Boston Marathon in 1984?

After you listen

Work in groups. Name some famous runners in Vietnam and say what is special about them.