Before I joined the army in 1985. I hadn't actually had my hands on a computer of any sort. We were a very ordinary middle class family. My dad was a British Rail manager and probably used computers at work himself, but in terms of me actually putting my hands on the computer...... No it hadn't happened next door.

Our neighbours had one, but of course, children were allowed to play on it because it was new, shiny and expensive equipment which most people couldn't afford.

When I joined the army, you at essentially put in front of a computer and at how to use it on at job, you've given a log on at password and then you learn from your colleagues next door at how to fill information in at how to retrieve information. And it was very much an iterative process in terms of working at what you needed to do and how to do it and how to get the best out of the computer in terms of recovering information and working through that way.

So it was nice coming from at, if you like a civilian thing where it was at a very specialist and you weren't expecting you to to do it unless you had a particular skill at now you're in the arm in an intelligence call.

We need you to do this crack on ....do it. And funny enough, it became very simple to do if you just supply a bit of logic and thought to how you gather the information.