

The Berlin Wall

Separated Communist East Berlin and
Capitalist West Berlin for 30 years.



We are going to read the story.

Listen or read along.

Before the Wall

1945-1961

Communist East



Berlin divided



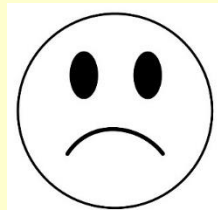
Democratic West



West



East





Thousands left East
Berlin everyday.

Skilled workers left
for better jobs.

Embarrassment for the USSR.



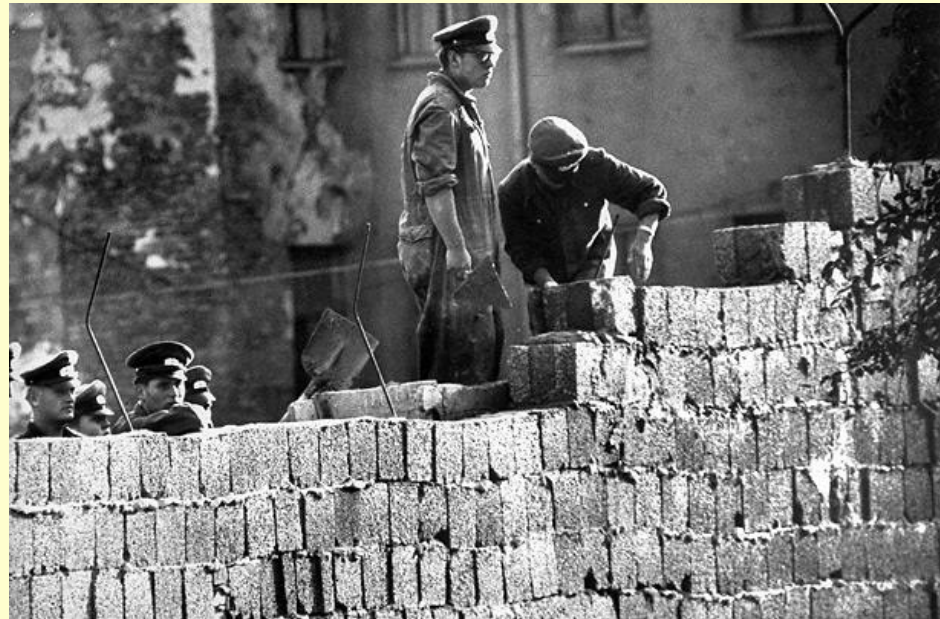
Living With the Wall

1961-1985

August 13th 1961



Communists began
building the Berlin
Wall.





Jumping from windows

Over 200 died.
Over 5000 escaped.



Zipwire to
the West

Watch:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ExOYvW5vCj4>

Jumping over



Guards
escaped



The Berlin Wall became a symbol of the Cold War



The Wall Comes Down

1985-1990

East Germans
protested.



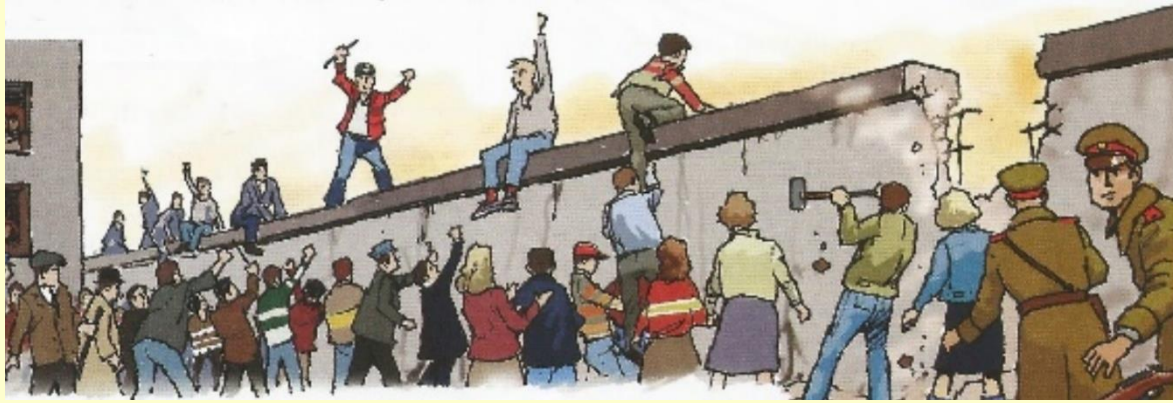
Army sent
in tanks.

Gorbachev - new leader
of USSR.



1985

The USSR needs
to be more free
and open.



November 1989 - the wall is
broken down.





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This picture shows graffiti on the Allies
West side of the Berlin Wall.



What is on the East side?

The Berlin Wall

People on the East were not allowed to get close to the wall.



People of the West drew graffiti on their side to protest against the wall.



Imagine...

...you live in West Berlin.



You have a good life, but your friends and family on the East do not.

You want them to be free.



Your Task Choice

- Create Berlin Wall graffiti as a protest against the divide.



- Write a diary about the wall, what is happening in Berlin and how you feel about your friends on the East.



- Write a letter to the East German government, telling them why you think the wall should be destroyed.

