

Fall of the Berlin Wall

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Originally born in Cuba, I have always been intrigued by the history of it and history relating to it. Communism and the Soviet Union were a large part of Cuban history; I knew that I wanted to explore a topic related to it. A few weeks of research later, I decided to do a project on the Berlin Wall. I had some background knowledge on some of the effects of the fall of the wall, but I lacked an understanding of specific reasons for its dismay. With this curiosity running rampant and my drive to learn about it, I chose to do my project on the fall of the Berlin Wall in mid-November.

I started conducting some of my research in early December, using various sources of information along the way. I began by reading an encyclopedia entry on the Berlin Wall to get a feel of the structure and the reasons why it was built. I watched various other professionally made documentaries and films about the Berlin wall, including History Channel's "The Rise and Fall of the Berlin Wall" and CNN's "The Eighties." After watching these films, the next phase of my research began. I started doing research using the internet and several books while also examining documents from the era. I did some reading on the prominent figures from this period, including Joseph Stalin, Walter Ulbricht, Erich Honecker, Egon Krenz, Gunter Schabowski, and many other individuals. I took notes over this period of research that I, eventually, used to create a timeline of all significant events concerning the Berlin Wall. I wrote a script shortly thereafter, which highlighted the events in my timeline. With the script completed, I turned my attention to interviews. I managed to secure an interview with Paul Muncy, a history professor at a local college, which is featured in the documentary.

I chose to portray my topic through a documentary early on in the research phase. The prevalence of cable television and mass media at that time was very substantial, which meant that good footage was not scarce. The fall of this wall was triggered by a press conference and the frenzy that it created was due to television news. It was vital for me to highlight this and a film is the best way to do so. Footage gathering began late in the month of December. I selected the most impactful pieces of video that I could find that related to the point I was talking about in my voice over. I used Premiere Pro to edit my documentary and added music to fit the theme.

When I learned that the theme was "Breaking Barriers," the Berlin Wall immediately came to mind. It relates heavily to the theme because not only did a physical barrier get torn down but a cultural one as well. The fall of the wall meant that Berliners weren't separated anymore and they could move freely between both halves of the city, many experiencing freedom for the first time.

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This source was a transcript of the press conference led by Günter Schabowski on November 9, 1989. As the transcript is in German, I used an automated translation to translate the document into English. The translated version of the texts was used in the documentary as subtitles for the press conference footage. The source helped me assess the importance of this press conference by allowing me to read the whole transcript.

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This source is a History Channel documentary that was made in 2009. This documentary served as both a source for footage and information. It helped me grasp the full picture of the events leading to the rise of the wall. Small parts of this film were ultimately used as footage throughout my documentary. The use of the footage was limited to small pieces, filling in gaps of footage that were harder to find.

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This source is a photograph of Robert Kennedy visiting the Berlin Wall in 1962. I used the photograph in the opening of my documentary. I used this image since it showed the scale of this massive structure and showed that its construction captured many peoples' attention, including the then-Attorney General of the United States. Furthermore, it helped me understand some of the methods that were built into the wall to stop escapees.

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This source is a copy of the policy proposed by the East German government on November 9, 1989 that aimed to loosen travel regulations. Officially called VVS b2-937/89, this policy was one of the major reforms that led to the fall of the Berlin Wall. This source was used towards the middle of the documentary when it focuses on Egon Krenz's reforms. The document is highlighted on-screen along with highlights of the most important lines from it. The source helped me grasp the policy that led to the fall of the wall by allowing me to see just how drastic the reform was.

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This source is a recording of the BBC Nine O’Clock News that was originally broadcast on the evening of November 9, 1989. The anchorman, Andrew Harvey, reported to the viewers of the BBC that the East German government had just announced a new policy allowing its citizens to travel to West Berlin. This clip was used in the news coverage montage that was featured towards the end of the documentary. It helped me understand how the news of the wall was being covered in other parts of Europe.

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This source is footage of Adolf Hitler vacationing in the Alps resort town Berchtesgaden. The footage was obtained by British Pathe and is used towards the beginning of my documentary. It is used when I talk about the defeat of Hitler. While the footage was not of Hitler in a warzone, it highlighted the frequent trips that he would take to his favorite resort town.

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“Berlin before the Wall.” *History of the Berlin Wall and Its Fall Visualized with Videos and Images - Rbb*, Rbb, www.the-berlin-wall.com/videos/berlin-before-the-wall-835/.

This source is footage that was obtained from Rundfunk Berlin-Brandenburg. The film features West Berlin in 1961 before the wall was constructed. It showcases how much more developed West Berlin was from East Berlin. I use it in my documentary when talking about just that. East Berlin experienced a mass exodus that was, in part, caused by the prosperity of the West compared to that of the East, which led to the construction of the wall in the first place. It helped me understand just how much more prosperous the West was.

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This source is a photograph of the Berlin Wall that was taken sometime in the late 1970s or early 1980s. It depicts the wall at its “glory” with its massive concrete slabs, death strip, and barbed wire. This photograph is used at the end of my documentary when I am talking about the failures of the communist system as a whole. This photograph helped me picture the true scale and brutality of this massive barrier.

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This source is a recap of NBC News projections in presidential elections. The source covers many presidential elections in American history, but I was interested in the 1980 election for my project. That was the election that Ronald W. Reagan was elected President of the United States and really started to change things in terms of the US-Soviet Bloc relations. I use the clip about the 1980 election in my documentary when I talk about the changes that Ronald Reagan brought.

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This source is footage stored at the Associated Press’ archives that shows Walter Ulbricht signing a document among some dignitaries. This was used in my documentary when I talk about Walter Ulbricht signing the order that instructed the East German military to start constructing the border wall. The footage in question is not one of the actual signing, but rather a substitute as no media was found for that document in question. I took some creative liberty in that regard to ensure that appropriate media was displayed in the documentary.

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This source is a film that is stored in the Associated Press' archive that features Egon Krenz giving a speech. It was filmed shortly after he assumed power as the last leader of East Germany after Erich Honecker stepped down. I used part of this film in my documentary when talking about just that. The video helped me understand the eagerness that Egon Krenz had to issue reforms to the Soviet system.

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This source is a new report by the European broadcaster Euronews that highlights some of the most daring and important escapes at the Berlin Wall. It highlights people jumping through barbed wire, soldiers patrolling the wall and testimony of escapees. I talk about the escapes in my documentary and show some footage from this video. It helped me understand the significance of these escapes and the people who performed them.

“The Eighties.” *Netflix*, CNN, 28 Apr. 2016, <https://www.netflix.com/title/80128317?source=35>.

This source is a documentary series about the 1980s produced by CNN and available on the Netflix streaming platform. This show covers the major events that happened in the 1980s through American eyes and one of the episodes focuses on the Fall of the Berlin wall and the events that led to it. I used bits of footage from this episode, named “Tear Down This Wall,” in my documentary. I watched most of the episodes in the series and it helped me understand the underlying problems that were going on in the Soviet Union that eventually led to the collapse of the wall.

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This source is footage of the Berlin Wall being torn down by the citizens of Berlin that was acquired from the European broadcaster Euronews. Aside from the destruction of the wall, it also depicts some of the celebrations that happened the night the wall fell. I used this footage in my documentary towards the end when I talk about the celebrations and the physical tearing down of the wall. It helped me understand the massive undertaking that tearing the wall was and also helped me grasp what Berliners were feeling that night.

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This source is footage that was obtained from Rundfunk Berlin-Brandenburg. The footage shows scenes of the German Reunification that happened in 1990. I use parts of this film in my documentary when talking about German Reunification and events that led to it. This video helped me understand the reunification process that Germany experienced.

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This source is a clip of the original news broadcast by the West German network ZDF on the night of November 9, 1989. In the broadcast, the news reporter informs the West German people of the VVS b2-937/89 policy which granted free travel to East Germans. I use this part of this clip in the news montage part of my documentary. This video helped me see how the West Germans heard about the developments regarding the Berlin Wall.

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This source is footage obtained from Rundfunk Berlin-Brandenburg that portrays President John F. Kennedy’s visit to West Berlin in 1961. On that visit, Kennedy delivered his famed “ich bin ein Berliner” speech which laid out the US policy toward East Berlin and the Berlin Wall for the next 3 decades. I use parts of the footage that showed Kennedy arriving in Berlin within my documentary. The footage helped me understand how important the United States’ foreign policy was to the people of West Berlin.

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This source is footage obtained from Rundfunk Berlin-Brandenburg that shows pictures of the Marienfelde refugee transit camp. This camp was a sort of holding camp where refugees from East Berlin could remain while waiting for resettlement in the West. I use this source in my documentary when talking about the mass exodus of East Germans that happened between 1949 and 1961. The film helped me understand the human side of the exodus.

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This source is footage obtained from Rundfunk Berlin-Brandenburg that shows the East German transition to the West German Deutsche Mark. After the wall fell, the East began to look more like the West and that included a change in currencies. I used this footage in my documentary towards the end when I talk about a reunified Germany. The video helped me understand the steps to the German Reunification.

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This source is a recording of the original ABC News broadcast on November 9, 1989. The video features ABC News anchor Peter Jennings reporting about the VVS b2-937/89 policy which opened up travel for East Germans. I use part of this broadcast in the news montage section of my documentary. It gave me insight as to what the American public was learning about the fall of the wall.

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This source is a video of President John F. Kennedy’s speech in Berlin obtained from CSPAN. The famed “ich bin ein Berliner” speech demonstrated that the US stood with the people of Berlin in the era of the newly constructed wall. I show parts of his speech in my documentary and discuss the importance of his visit. This speech helped me interpret the United States’ foreign policy toward East Germany at the time.

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This source is footage of Ronald Reagan’s 1987 speech at the Brandenburg Gate obtained from the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library. The famous “Tear Down This Wall” speech is one of the most famous speeches in American speeches. The world watched as President Reagan told Mikhail Gorbachev to tear down the Berlin Wall. I used parts of

Reagan's speech in my documentary and explained the significance of it. I watched the whole speech and was able to understand Ronald Reagan's views on the Wall and of East Berlin afterward.

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This source is a news report from the European broadcaster Euronews that showed moving images of the dissolution of the Soviet Union. The USSR fell as a result of a failing communist system, liberal reforms and a failed coup attempt. I use parts of the footage from this news report in my documentary when discussing the fall of the USSR. The report helped me grasp the events that led to the fall of the USSR.

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This source is a film stored in the Associated Press' archive that shows Mikhail Gorbachev giving a speech. Gorbachev became the leader of the Soviet Union in the 1980s and introduced a sweeping package of reforms that ultimately led to the dissolution of the USSR in 1991. I use this footage in my documentary when discussing Mikhail Gorbachev. It helped me understand the effect of his reforms on the Soviet Union.

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This source is a recording of the East German broadcaster ARD's evening news program on November 9, 1989. In this broadcast, East German state television laid out the new VVS b2-937/89 policy to the East German people. These broadcasts in the East led to the thousands of people storming the Berlin Wall on the night of November 9, 1989. I used parts of this broadcast in the news montage part of my documentary. It helped me understand how the East German people heard about the events surrounding the Berlin Wall.

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This source is a video that is stored in the Associated Press’ archive of Erich Honecker giving a speech. Erich Honecker was the leader of East Germany for 18 years and was forced to resign in 1989 due to ongoing widespread protests in East Germany. Parts of this footage was used in my documentary when discussing the resignation of Erich Honecker. The video helped me understand the reasons for his dismay.

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This source is footage of East German protests in the city of Berlin obtained from the European broadcaster Euronews. The clip shows tens of thousands of East Berliners protesting against the communist government in their country. The protests shown began at the city of Leipzig and culminated at the famous Alexanderplatz demonstration. A part of this video is used in my documentary when analyzing the East German protests. It helped me understand the magnitude of the protests.

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This source is an online article from National Public Radio about the importance of David Hasselhoff's concert on December 31, 1989. Hasselhoff gave a concert in front of the Brandenburg Gate just a month after the wall fell. It helped me understand the happiness of the German people at the time since it was attended by over half a million people. The article helped me understand the significance of the Hasselhoff concert.

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This source is a Youtube video from Around the World 4K that shows the sights of modern Berlin. The video shows the Brandenburg Gate, museums and monuments. I used parts of this video in the opening of my documentary when making a contrast between modern Berlin and old Berlin. This video helped me understand the differences between the seemingly different Berlins.

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