



COUNTDOWN TO 1989: THE FALL OF THE BERLIN WALL

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SYNOPSIS

The opening of the Berlin Wall on the evening of November 9, 1989 came as a complete surprise to East and West Germans alike, as it probably did to the whole world. How did this historic moment come about? The film identifies ten milestones, key political and societal events from 1988 to 1989 which, like a countdown, ultimately led to the opening and fall of the Berlin Wall. Archive, explanatory graphics and international expert interviews combine with personal stories from diaries and letters of contemporary witnesses revealing their thoughts, fears and hopes as events unfolded.

CAST AND CREW

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ORIGINAL TITLE

DEUTSCHLAND '89

FORMAL CATEGORIES

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ORIGINAL LANGUAGES

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