

Part Three: Transformation of the Cold War

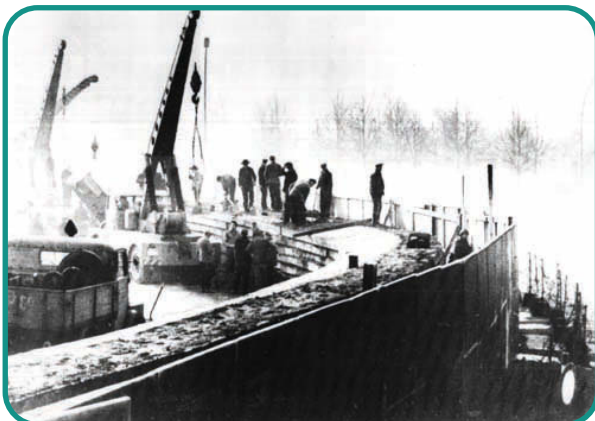
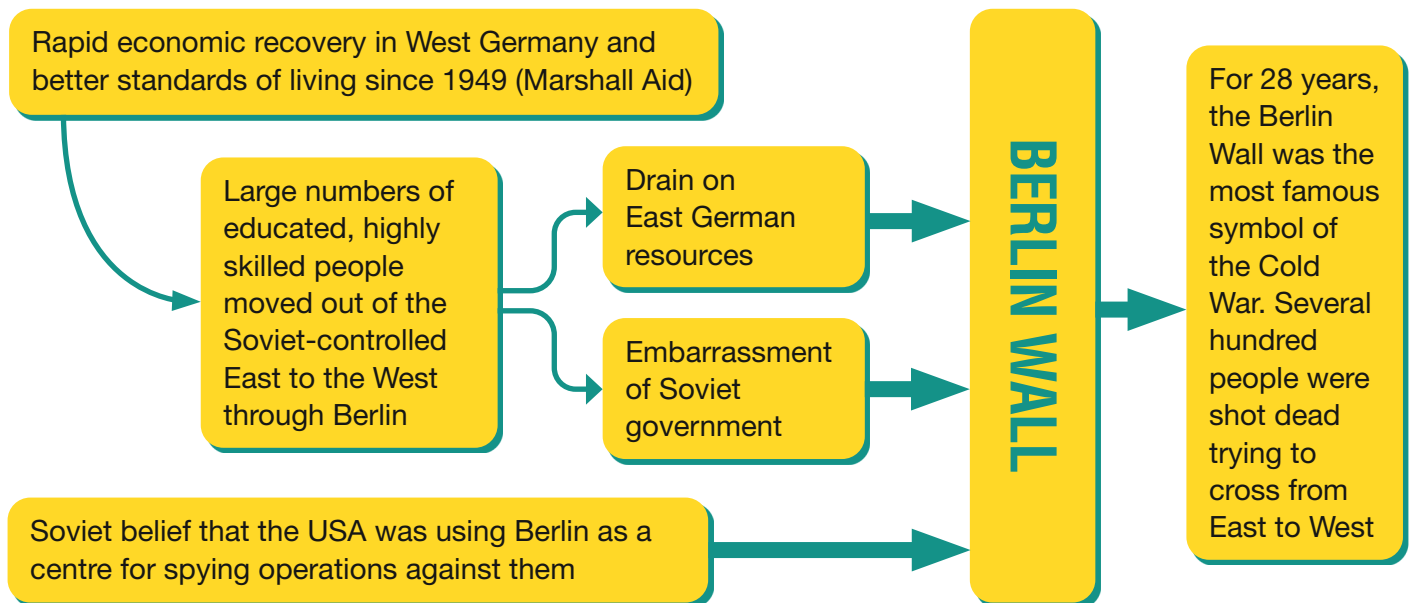
The Berlin Wall

In the early hours of the morning on 13 August 1961, Soviet and East German soldiers put barbed wire barriers across the streets in Berlin. Three days later, they began to replace the barbed wire with a concrete wall. When they had finished, West Berlin was surrounded by a wall that was 4 metres high and 11 kilometres long. It was overlooked by armed border guards in over 300 watchtowers, who made sure nobody crossed.

DO IT!

Write a paragraph explaining why the Soviets wanted to stop people leaving the Soviet satellite states.

Reasons for the construction of the Berlin Wall



The building of the Berlin Wall, August 1961.