

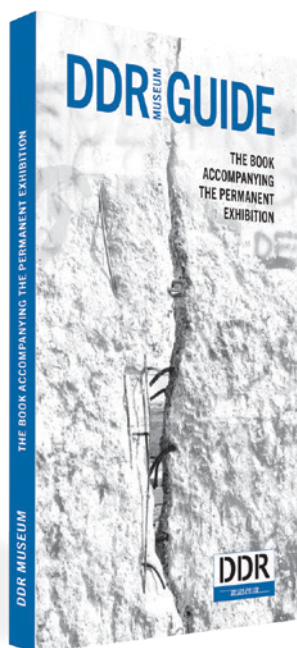


SERVICES FOR SCHOOLS

# THE DDR IN LESSONS



A HANDS-ON  
EXPERIENCE  
OF HISTORY



DDR-Guide

5.90 €

## The DDR-Guide

The museum guide depicts life from a bygone state. 68 fascinating chapters written by experts of the DDR Museum, more than 200 photos and colourful illustrations present the everyday life in the DDR, while also showcasing a selection of objects found in the permanent exhibition. This book gives additional information about the museum's three main sections: Public Life, Party and State and Life in a High-Rise Tower Block.

## GDR-Game

»Original, amusing and surprising« Tom Werneck (Game of the Year).

Selling over 15,000 sets, the GDR-Game has become a bestseller. Posing 162 difficult questions (with answers) about life in the former German Democratic Republic, this game reveals some of the more unfamiliar aspects of life in a bygone state. Suitable for beginners and experts alike, the game can be played alone or in a group. Do you know what a »broiler« is? Were drivers allowed to overtake on the East German motorways? A fun approach to a seriously interesting subject!

## Wall-Quiz

From today's perspective, an impassable border dividing Berlin is barely conceivable. Separating family and friends and holding Berliners prisoner for over 30 years, at least 136 people died trying to cross the wall. A whole nation celebrated its fall on 9th November 1989. With the Wall itself slowly fading into history after more than 27 years, this game seeks to teach interesting and important historical facts in a fun fashion.



GDR-Game

4.90 €

Wall-Quiz

4.90 €

## A Hands-On Experience of History

The permanent exhibition portrays all the different facets of life in the DDR. Three sections shed light on different aspects of the everyday life of DDR citizens from public and private life, across to ideology and the sphere of power. All of which were completely interwoven during the DDR dictatorship. The DDR Museum illustrates everyday life in a dictatorship, as well as the sphere of governmental institutions, the Stasi, the planned economy or the Wall. There is always something to discover, whether it be by going on a Trabi driving simulation or simply by rummaging through the recreated high-rise tower block apartment. There are countless doors, drawers and flaps to open which encourage the students to actively take part in the museum and thus to discover its many objects, explanation texts and innovative digital installations. This interactive layout is considered to be unique in the world. The exhibition has already been nominated twice for the European Museum of the Year Award.

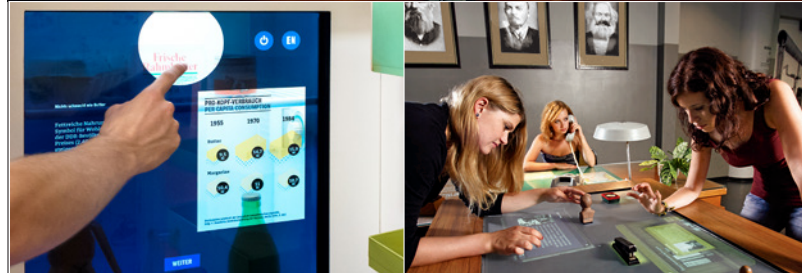
### FACTS & FIGURES:

- 100,000 satisfied students on a school trip
- Over 95 % of all teachers say they plan to come again
- Over 85 % of teachers found that their pupils concentrated better in our exhibition than in conventional museums



## Entry Prices

School groups per person (above 10 people)	4.50 €
Adult groups per person (above 10 people)	6.50 €
Teachers	free for every one per 10 school-age children, each additional 4.50 €





## Listening to History

### 1 OVERVIEW TOUR 60 MIN

The one-hour tour provides an overview of the most important topics covered by the DDR Museum.

60 min German	50.00 €
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60 min Other languages	55.00 €
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### 2 IN-DEPTH TOUR 90 MIN

In addition to an overview of the most important subjects covered by the DDR Museum, the 90-minute tour provides greater detail regarding individual topics and provides the scope for intensive visitor questioning. Groups can request a specialist focus.

90 min German	70.00 €
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90 min Other languages	75.00 €
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### 3 INTENSIVE TOUR 120 MIN

The two-hour guided tour covers all the topics in the permanent exhibition. Groups can request a specialist focus.

120 min German	90.00 €
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120 min Other languages	95.00 €
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All tour prices are valid for up to 20 people. Larger groups will be divided amongst multiple guides, who will conduct simultaneous tours.



## Museum and Environment

### 1 PARTY AND STATE 120 MIN

The DDR Museum is located in the former centre of East German power. A one-hour museum tour is followed by a further hour visiting the site of the former Palace of the Republic, the Council of State and the Headquarters of the Socialist Unity Party.

120 min German	90.00 €
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120 min Other languages	95.00 €
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### 2 THE KARL-MARX-ALLEE 180 MIN

A one-hour tour of the DDR Museum is followed by a two-hour tour of East Germany's most prestigious boulevard. Designed to embody the victory of Socialism, the Stalin-era flats actually provided the starting point of the national uprising of 17 June 1953.

180 min German	130.00 €
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180 min Other languages	135.00 €
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All tour prices are valid for up to 20 people. Larger groups will be divided amongst multiple guides, who will conduct simultaneous tours.







## Discover Historic Locations

### 1 THE BERLIN WALL 120 MIN

A two-hour tour retracing the course of the former death strip between West and East Berlin, from Bornholmer to Bernauer Straße.

120 min German	95.00 €
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120 min Other languages	100.00 €
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### 2 OPPOSITION IN THE DDR 120 MIN

This two-hour tour takes its groups through areas which presented hotbeds of opposition to the DDR in the 1980s. Your guide traces the origins of the peaceful revolution of 1989.

120 min German	95.00 €
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120 min Other languages	100.00 €
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### 3 THE PEOPLE'S UPRISING OF THE 17TH JUNE 1953

After more than 60 years of the first mass uprising in the Eastern Bloc, this three hour tour traces the course of events unfolding on those violent days. Taking its participants to the original locations of protest and repression, the tour remembers the 55 victims who died for the cause of freedom.

180 min German	130.00 €
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180 min Other languages	135.00 €
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### 4 EVERYDAY LIFE IN THE CAPITAL OF THE DDR 120 MIN

Economic shortage, anti-fascism and the niche society: the two-hour tour traces the everyday life of a lost world by visiting original locations in Berlin.

120 min German	95.00 €
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120 min Other languages	100.00 €
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### 5 BERLIN-MITTE 240 MIN

This four-hour tour through the centre of Berlin takes visitors to Unter den Linden, the Brandenburg Gate, Checkpoint Charlie, the Memorial to the Murdered Jews of Europe and other locations significant to the history of Berlin in the twentieth century.

240 min German	190.00 €
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240 min Other languages	200.00 €
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All tour prices are valid for up to 20 people. Larger groups will be divided amongst multiple guides, who will conduct simultaneous tours.

## AUDIENCES WITH CONTEMPORARY WITNESSES

Talks from contemporary witnesses of the DDR offer a first-hand account of everyday life in East Germany. Audiences can ask questions of the speakers and gain a vivid appreciation of the special quality of life in East Germany. We can provide eyewitnesses to speak on almost any aspect of life in the DDR. Popular topics include everyday life in the DDR, school life, work, their oppositional activities and imprisonment by the Stasi.

60 min German	55.00 €
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60 min Other languages	75.00 €
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## Seminar Room for Class Work



Opened in 2008 to serve the needs of school classes, our Visitor Centre enables groups to prepare for a visit to the museum or to focus on details of what they have seen. With up-to-date facilities, teachers can organize lessons, discussions, workshops, seminars and film-viewings. We can also provide academic speakers and talks from contemporary witnesses who experienced the DDR at first hand. Our library is well-stocked with a wide range of films and books focusing on aspects of the DDR and the division of Germany.

### FACTS & FIGURES:

- 1 seminar room
- Capacity for up to 120 people seated in rows
- Capacity for up to 40 people seated in a semi-circle
- Presentation and PA equipment
- A lectern and flipchart
- A library and media centre

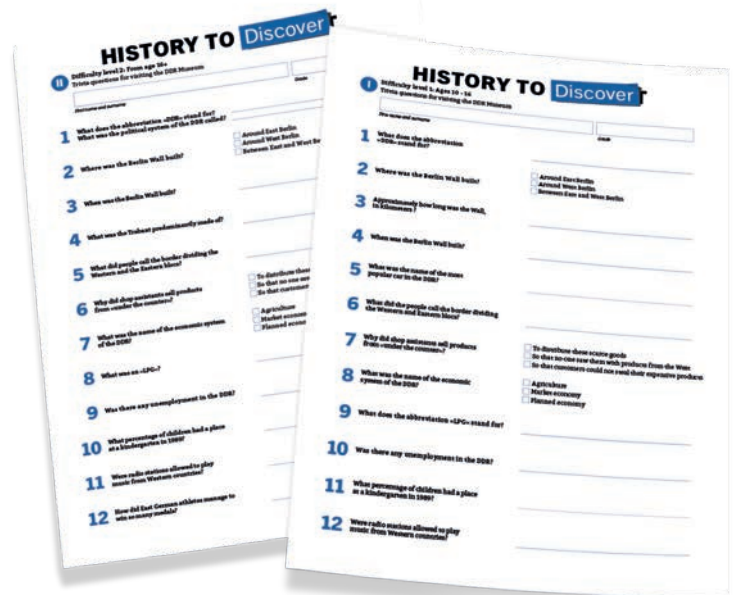
### FURTHER INFORMATION

 [ddr-museum.de/en/your-visit/lehrer-gruppen](http://ddr-museum.de/en/your-visit/lehrer-gruppen)

## Quizzes of Varying Levels of Difficulty

Our fun quizzes enable teachers to test what their pupils have learnt. Available free-of-charge in two levels of difficulty, they can be downloaded in black and white form, or obtained in colour from the visitor counter.

The answers are available from a member of staff. Ask us directly or send an e-mail to: [groups@ddr-museum.de](mailto:groups@ddr-museum.de)



### FURTHER INFORMATION AND DOWNLOADS

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## A Game about Turningpoints

»Wendepunkte« (only available in German) is a simple, fast and fascinating card game that imparts episodes of German national history in a very tangible way.

Play along with your pupils and lead a typical life through the DDR times and all the way past German reunification! They will go through the constraints of the system and the contradictions that the average DDR citizen was likely to have to face. Your pupils will also be making decisions, and bear their consequences during the game. The political turning point of 1989, which turned the lives of millions upside down, can be experienced in a playful way.



PER GAME 3-8 PEOPLE, PLAYTIME: 15 MINUTES



## Online Exhibition »Wendejahre«

Working together with the Google Cultural Institute, the DDR Museum launched its online exhibition »Wendejahre«. The diary of the fictitious author Uwe Neuman tells the story of the events surrounding the fall of the wall, the transition to democracy and reunification from the perspective of an ordinary East German. Providing a range of documents, images and background information covering the years 1989–1991, the exhibition offers a unique perspective on one of the most turbulent periods of recent German history.



### FURTHER INFORMATION

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### ONLINE SERVICES

## Downloads

Make use of our educational offers in order to better prepare your visit and to reflect on it with your school group afterwards.



### FURTHER INFORMATION

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## The DDR Museum on Social Media!

The DDR Museum regularly publishes articles on its blog page at [www.ddr-museum.de/en/blog](http://www.ddr-museum.de/en/blog). There you will find book reviews, introductions to the museum's educational offers, DDR recipes and much more! Every day we give you an insight into museum work and update you on the latest offers through social media channels such as Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Google etc. We look forward to your feedback!



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## FAQ

### »How many people constitute a group?

The group price is available for 10 persons or more.

### »Does the DDR Museum also open on public holidays?

The museum is open on every public holiday. However, we close at 4pm on the 24.12. and the 31.12.

### »Is the museum also open on Mondays?

Yes. The museum is open on Mondays from 10am to 8pm.

### »Is entrance free-of-charge on a Thursday?

No. The DDR Museum is privately-owned and finances its activities only through visitor takings. We are therefore unable to grant free entrance.

### »Can I take photographs in the museum?

Yes, but only for private use.

### »How much time should a school group plan for a visit?

On average, school groups need between 1,5 and 2 hours.

### »Can I follow an ongoing tour?

No. At present, we are only able to provide tours to pre-booked groups. We do not offer public tours due to a lack of demand. Pre-booked tours are much more affordable than you think!

### »Can I cancel my booking? Will I still be charged?

Individual tickets within a group can be cancelled free of charge at any time, as long as the tickets have not yet been paid for. Cancellations by customers are free of charge up until a week before the planned visit at latest. We are unable to cancel individual tickets for group visits that have been paid for in advance,



## QUOTES

»At first I had my doubts about going to an exhibition about the everyday life in the former DDR, but this museum was so interesting! The way all information is delivered makes the experience interactive, and not boring at all. You certainly understand how people lived at that time in history. Draw your own conclusions, however visit, it's a good story. All schools / young people should visit this museum «



Gillian, Manchester

»A colleague recommended that I visit the DDR museum and the whole class really enjoyed themselves. Despite not sleeping the night before, the pupils found the tour really interesting and joined in enthusiastically!«

»Our class was very fortunate to speak with one of the museums contemporary witnesses, it was a great experience to hear about history from someone who really lived it! She answered all of our questions and my pupils learned more than any book could teach.«



Peter, Amsterdam



Maurice, Lyon

»The DDR Museum fit in perfectly with our project week focusing on the DDR. The class was able to see, feel, hear and touch most everything though tech, multimedia and a drawer and a cupboard approach to the exhibits, you'll find great artifacts. If you don't know much of this history, you'll learn a lot in a fun way. Good for kids of any age.«



Robert, Tacoma



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Mo – Sun: 10am – 8pm

Saturday: 10am – 10pm