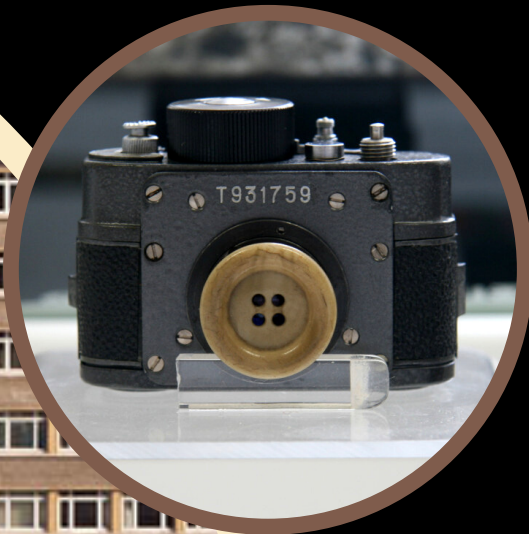


After being taken
over by
demonstrators in
1990, the Stasi HQ
is now a museum
exposing the
practices of the
secret police of
the GDR

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das Stasi- museum

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Who were the Stasi?

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Formally known as the Ministerium für Staatssicherheit, the Stasi were the secret police for the Socialist Party of the German Democratic Republic (GDR) until they were overthrown by demonstrators in 1990.

Espionage

The Stasi were tasked with gathering domestic and foreign intelligence, focusing heavily on West Germany. They are widely regarded as having some of the most intense and thorough surveillance in history.



What will we see in the museum?

- *Preserved offices, meeting rooms, and technology used by the Stasi*
- *A walk through the history of the GDR and their secret police*
- *Exhibitions of methods of gathering intelligence*
 - *hidden cameras and recording devices*
 - *scent jars*
 - *data files*



Discussion

following activity about guessing the location of hidden Stasi cameras

How successful were you in your predictions?

What does this say about the Stasi's methods of gathering intelligence?

How do you think this affected everyday life in the GDR?