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Francis Fukuyama's end of history thesis to metapictures and East German film. The result is an exhilarating interweaving of history, politics, and visual culture. It presents an image-based approach to

critical theory. It provides a rich interplay of text and image. It offers a large number of images and stills. Whilst much has been written about Berlin and the Berlin Wall (mostly in the context of WWII or German reunification), this publication is the first to focus specifically on the media angle of the event, and its significance and influence in the development of political debate