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About the author:

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1999 she edited the cultural journal "EDIT" in Leipzig

2000 published Internet-Anthology "NULL"

Content:

The book can be seen as a biography, a novel or a documentary. The author remembers her childhood in the 70s and 80s in the GDR; she tells about the end of her childhood in 1989. The end of the GDR is also perceived as the end of everything she was acquainted with. Every little bit of everyday-life vanished and an adventure has begun. "Suddenly everywhere was the West, the borders was open, history, too." The change is perceived as an opening towards possibilities which were known only from hearing and which everybody was longing for.

This book is a good starting point for our research and as all participants are not from the former GDR it helps us to understand how persons from GDR felt, thought and still feel and think. This book is a recommendation for all who would like to read a personal account about the changes since 1989.