

Drinking Things Clear
[100 грамм для ясности]

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EXT. FOREST - DAY

FADE IN:

ALEX, a 10-year-old boy, stands watching his 14 year old brother DANIL, and 3 of other boys of a similar age to Danil's age are drinking a bottle of vodka and smoking while they throw stones into a lake and smoke.

YURY, one of the other boys, is sick from the vodka. Danil and the two other boys laugh and make fun of him.

YURY

Fuck off.

Alex laughs quietly as Yury is sick again. Yury looks up to see Alex laughing at him.

ALEX [V.O.]

When I was eight years old I discovered I had a gift.

YURY

What the fuck are you laughing at?!

YOUNG DANIL

At you, we're all laughing at you.

YURY

Fuck off, all of you can fuck off.
Fuck off back to your orphanage.

YOUNG DANIL

We're not there anymore asshole.

Yury grabs the bottle of vodka and walks over to Alex and pushes him over.

YURY

You think you're a big man. Let's see then.

Yury grabs Alex and puts him in a headlock as the others laugh.

YOUNG DANIL

Let him go. He's only 10.

YURY

He thinks he's a man.
Show us you're a man then.

Yury tightens the headlock causing Alex to choke. Yury begins to pour the vodka into Alex's mouth.

YOUNG DANIL
Stop it! Yury stop it!

YURY
Come on, drink you little bitch.

Alex fights to breath as Yury continues to pour the vodka into Alex's mouth. Danil and the other 2 boys try to pull Alex free of Yury but Yury continues to force Alex to drink the vodka.

YURY
Drink you bitch.

YOUNG DANIL
Stop it you're hurting him.

Alex takes a big gulp of the vodka as he fights to breath and SUDDENLY vanishes into thin air! Yury, Danil, and the other 2 boys to all fall onto the ground.

YURY
Get off me.

YOUNG DANIL
You're a fucking asshole.

The 4 boys all pick themselves off the ground and begin to look around for Alex.

YURY
Where is that bitch?

DANIL
Alex?

The 4 boys look around unable to see Alex and are confused.

DANIL
Alex?! Where the fuck is Alex?
Alex?!

YURY
Alex?! That little fucker has probably just ran off.

EXT. THE BERLIN WALL, 1991 - DAY

SUPERIMPOSE: East Berlin November 1991

Young Alex picks himself of the floor and staggers around a street as the shouts of a large mob of people can be heard.

He walks down a street to see a mob of people carrying sledgehammers and pick axes. People of all ages watch, as men dressed in fashion circa the 1990's, hammer at the wall breaking chunks out of it.

The men hand pieces of the wall to the onlookers as they cheer and shout. Alex walks past police and soldiers dressed in soviet-era uniforms who stand watching the on-goings.

He approaches the men, and the wall, trying to see what is on the other side, when one of the men breaking down the wall hands Alex a piece of the wall.

EAST GERMAN MAN

Here you go. Off you go before
your mum catches you.

Alex takes the piece of wall from the man, as there is a bright flash of light. A photographer has taken a photo of the man handing Alex part of the Berlin wall.

Suddenly there is the sound of gunshots/fireworks. Alex panics and urinates himself. The man notices the growing wet patch of urine on Alex.

EAST GERMAN MAN

It's fireworks, they're
celebrating. Don't worry about it
(GESTURING AT ALEX'S WET PATCH),
I'll probably be doing the same
before the end of the day.

The man unzips his shell suit jacket and hands it to Alex.

EAST GERMAN MAN

Put it on and zip it up. Nobody
will notice. A tried and tested
technique by myself.

EXT. FOREST - EVENING

The forest is quiet. Then suddenly Alex appears in the air a few meters above the lake and falls into the water.

Alex struggles as he swims to the shore of the lake and climbs out of the water wearing the same shell suit from the Berlin wall.

He reaches into his pocket and takes out a piece of concrete with German writing on it.

ALEX [V.O.]

When I was 10 years old my
brother and his idiot friends
forced me to drink vodka.

Alex takes off his shell suit jacket and shakes out the water.

INT. FRONT DOOR (ALEX'S HOME) - NIGHT

Alex gets slapped by his MUM as she questions about where

he has been and grabs his shell suit jacket asking where he got it and why he is wet.

MUM

Where did you get these clothes?
Who have you and your brother
been stealing off?

ALEX [V.O.]

I have no idea why, but on that
day I discovered I had a gift. A
gift of being able to travel in
time.

MUM

I swear if you two are in trouble
again I'll take you back to the
orphanage! I don't care how old
you are, you can be their problem
again, not mine.

INT. BEDROOM (HOME) - NIGHT

Young Alex shows his brother the piece of Berlin wall he was given.

YOUNG ALEX

Some guy gave me this, I think
it's important, maybe it's worth
something.

Danil takes the piece of wall from Alex and throws it at him before he punches and kicks Alex.

YOUNG DANIL

It's a piece of concrete.

Alex sits on the bed nursing his bloody nose and looking at the piece of wall. Danil sits at the computer wearing Alex's shell suit jacket.

YOUNG DANIL

You made me look like such an
idiot, plus mum went totally ape
shit when I came back without
you. You're going to get us
kicked out and sent back to the
orphanage if you do that shit
again.

Danil scrolls through Facebook. A series of photos commemorating the fall of the Berlin wall appear on his feed.

Danil sees a photo of a boy wearing the same shell suit jacket as him being handed a piece of the Berlin wall.

YOUNG DANIL

What the hell?!

He clicks on the photo and looks closer. He realises the boy in the photo is Alex. Danil takes the piece of Berlin wall and begins to compare it to the wall in the photo.

YOUNG DANIL
That can't be possible.

Danil opens eBay in his web browser and does a search for pieces of the Berlin wall.

YOUNG DANIL
How did you do it?

YOUNG ALEX
I don't know.

YOUNG DANIL
Have you got anymore?

ALEX [V.O.]
And that's how it all started.

No more questions from Danil, no disbelief, just...

YOUNG DANIL
Have you got anymore?

INT. ABANDONED FACTORY - MORNING

Young Danil and young Alex walk through an abandoned factory as Danil carries a spray can and a backpack. Danil approaches a concrete wall and takes the piece of Berlin wall out of his pocket. He compares the piece to the factory wall.

YOUNG ALEX
You think it looks the same?

YOUNG DANIL
Close enough.

Danil pulls a piece of the wall free and spray paints it on the ground in the same colour as on the piece of Berlin wall.

YOUNG ALEX
You've got paint on the side.
It looks like you've painted it.

Danil throws the piece of concrete wall at Alex.

YOUNG DANIL
What's your idea then?

YOUNG ALEX