

This bachelor thesis deals with the language and language situation at the time of the fall of the GDR, and subsequently its demise. Among other things, attention is paid to the language of the party. The subject of this thesis is an attempt to show the gradual changes in the language that led to the democratisation of the language, with emphasis on the basic concepts of Marxism-Leninism such as socialism and ideology. The starting point for the analysis of concepts is the corpus, so-called Wende-Korpus-Ost (WKD), which contains journalistic texts of several important East German periodicals. Semantic analyses of specific concepts are focused comparatively, and thus allow the capture of the semantic shift of individual concepts within the text.