## Intro

Say what sort of genre it is Explain that it was successful in terms of viewers in UK and US Why is this success surprising? (clue: foreign and subtitled, set in past)

#### Para 1:

In what ways does it appeal to audiences who like spy thrillers? Talk about pacy narrative, full of twists and turns; editing style. Simple linear narrative; uses the genre in interesting ways – Neale Uses suspense e.g. ..... Enigma codes – e.g. Lenora – who is she? Todorov – disruption phase - conflict

### Para 2

In what ways does it have a wider appeal? Talk about love, family; Martin – seems vulnerable; a bit clumsy and clueless in the West at first.

# Para 3

How does it appeal to educated audiences? it's quite sophisticated Nostalgia, History, politics: cold war etc Rep of East Germany - unusual Binary opps – Levi Strauss

# Conc

D83 - Not a mainstream media product but It works – it's effective, gripping fast-paced drama. Fits, C4's core values as its distinctive, challenging and original.