

# POLITICAL JOKES FROM PUTIN'S RUSSIA

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Slavicist professor Christine Engel has collected jokes about the situation on the Russian internet. Political jokes have always been used to protest against dictators, to unite like-minded people, but also to provide individual psychological relief. The multi-faceted, clever, pointed little stories allow multi-layered insights into the mood and situation in the strictly censored country and reward the reader with a laugh.

This collection of jokes is at the pulse of time - at a time when there is nothing more important than preserving a sense of humour!

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