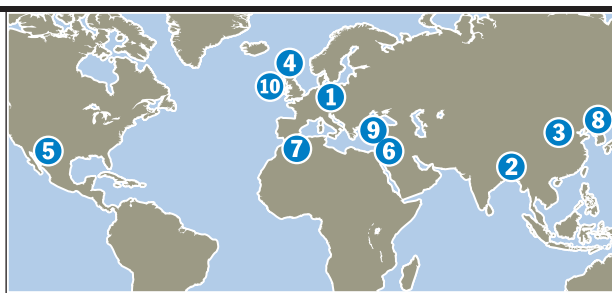


Barriers of separation



1. Berlin Wall

Built in 1961. Wall with checkpoints, gun towers and minefields encircled West Berlin, symbolizing ***Iron Curtain*** between Western Europe and communist Eastern Bloc. Fall of Berlin Wall on November 9, 1989, paved way for German reunification. **Length: 155km**



3. Great Wall Of China

Built between 5th century BC and 16th century to protect northern borders of Chinese Empire from attacks by ***Xiongnu nomadic tribes*** from modern day Mongolia and southern Siberia. **Length: 6,700km**

5. U.S. border fence

To prevent illegal immigration and drug trafficking across U.S.-Mexico border. Initiative terminated in 2010 due to soaring costs, with only 1,000km completed at cost of more than \$3 billion. **Length: 1,000km**



7. Melilla, Ceuta fences

Barriers between Morocco and Spanish cities of Melilla and Ceuta on North African coast. Razor wire fences with spotlights and movement sensors are to stop illegal immigration and smuggling. **Lengths: 10km, 8km**



9. Cyprus Green Line barrier

Island divided since Turkish invasion in 1974 following Greek Cypriot coup. Policed by UN, barrier which separates Turkish Cypriots in north from Greek Cypriots in south has seven crossing points. **Length: 180km**



2. India's Ring of Steel

Under construction to seal off Indian-Bangladeshi border. 3,300km fence aims to prevent infiltration of terrorists, illegal immigration, and narcotics and arms smuggling from Bangladesh. **Length: 2,800km to date**



4. Hadrian's Wall

Built AD122-30 by ***Emperor Hadrian*** to prevent raids by ***Pictish tribes*** from what is now Scotland. Wall across width of Britain marked northern limit of Roman Empire. **Length: 115km, Height: Up to 6m**



6. West Bank barrier

Controversial wall being built by Israel through Jerusalem and around West Bank. Begun in 2002, part-wall, part-fence is mostly concrete base with triple 5m-high wire mesh fences. **Length: 703km**



8. Korea Demilitarized Zone

Established in 1953 following end of hostilities between North and South Korea. Just 218 people reside under UN protection in village of Tae Sung Dong within 4km-wide DMZ. **Length: 248km**



10. Belfast Peace Lines

Built in early 1970s to reduce sectarian violence between Protestants and Catholics. Northern Ireland's political leaders have committed to remove all peace lines, by mutual consent, by 2023. **Length: 21km**

