

**BANGED UP** is the unedifying story, told without rancour and often with a bitter humour, of a British historian who spends four hundred days in solitary confinement in Austria's oldest jailhouse, convicted under a 1945 Stalin-era law because of a lecture on history that he has delivered in Vienna sixteen years before. There is outcry in the free world's press. Soon he is faced with new charges, carrying a twenty-year sentence, for talking to the BBC. Then the case comes to the Court of Appeal.

“ I regarded this whole new world, this submerged world, this world behind strong-room doors and steel bars, in the same way that Jacques Cousteau would have regarded a new ocean bed.

“ I have given five instructions to Jessica on comportment while her Mummy is ill. Number 3 reads, “Cars run on gasoline; Mummies run on hugs. So fill her with gallons and gallons of hugs, to keep her running smoothly till I am free.”

“ “Hundred and thirty-two,” bellowed the jailer as he opened the door. He was king of the hill. “I had night shift, Herr Irving, and not one of the others knew the answer.”

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