

## Orwell's Inspiration

To comprehend the reasons behind George Orwell's writing of *1984*, one must analyze his lesser-known works. Most notably, *Homage to Catalonia* sheds light on his skepticism towards totalitarianism and the failure of revolutions. On the other hand, *Coming Up For Air*, in certain parts, glorifies individual freedom, which is absent in *1984*. Moreover, his essay "*Why I Write*" expounds that all his "serious work" written after the Spanish Civil War in 1936 was "written, directly or indirectly, against totalitarianism and for democratic socialism."