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Transcript from the 18th minute

Always remember to put one foot in front of the other and that little girl from Terezin. And for who is able to visit the museum of the children who in Terezin were able to colour pictures, sing songs and then suddenly in 1 day were all deported to Auswitch and killed with the only guilt the fact that they were born. And there was a little girl of whom I can not remember the name, but she drew a yellow butterfly that is flying over barbed wire. I did not have coloured pencils. Perhaps I never even would have that creativeness of this little girl who drew this yellow butterfly over barbed wire. This butterfly can always fly over the barbed wire.

And this is an extremely simple message that I am conveying, a grandmotherly message. One that I would leave to the future generation, such that they are able to make the choices based on their conscience ness and always be that yellow butterfly that will fly over the barbed wire.