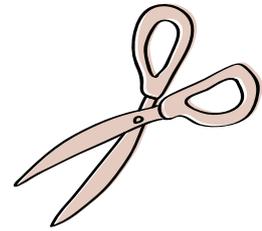


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RESOURCE 11

Helping then and now Quotes from 'Eyewitnesses'



"Those people were in need and I could help them, you do not say no. I wanted to do my human duty. I found it quite normal, nothing special. I could help them, and I did."

Miep Gies

"This is the shopping list for the butcher. We all had our tasks. Elly took care of the baker and the milkman and it was my task to take care of the vegetables and meat."

Miep Gies

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"I was not afraid but I made sure it was not noticed by anyone. At that time, the warehouse doors were always open, but there was a closed door that led to our office. When I returned from the Leliegracht, I would go straight up through that door to our office and put the bag down next to me. Anyone who would come in, wouldn't be able to see that there was a large bag. As soon as the opportunity would arise, I would take the vegetables upstairs."

Miep Gies

"After her sister had died, she lost all hope. It was one month before the liberation, but she didn't know that, so she really had nothing to live for. My friends and others gave me a glove, a sock or a little bread, so I came back at night with this little package. (..) I threw the package over the fence and then I heard her crying, shouting. And I couldn't understand what had happened? The lady next to her had caught the package and run away with it and wouldn't give her anything. So I said that I would try again, and I really did try another time and this time she caught the package and that was the last time I saw her."

Hannah Pick – Goslar