

## **And it could happen to anyone**



*(Introduction by: Manuela Wiese and Heidi Plantör) We are active young people of the project „Tandems for Involvement. World – Escape – Change of Perspectives“. It is a project by the Ministry of Culture in Germany – within the program „Global Development in Lower Saxony“. Our personal goal is peace work with a lot of joy, fun and much potential for our personal development. Young people with and without the experience of escape and refuge take the opportunity to shape their lives and our society. We work in tandems and after getting thorough training, visit schools and other institutions and tell the children about changing perspectives, about respect and friendship for each other, no matter where you are from. This is our song:*

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(Chorus 2x)

And it could happen to anyone  
Old or young  
Now or then  
Woman or man

(Verse 1)

Taliban peel the flesh from the bone,  
Want to steal children, from their home,  
To force them for the Jihad to fight

Mujahideen Daesh digging graves at night.

Shots fired off, spreading 'round fear,  
Time to leave, this is clear,  
The escape began, we lost everything,  
The old life gone, no new spring.

The constant companions - hunger and fear,  
In Germany life's easier here,  
All we want is a new start,  
For it, we will work very hard.

Many bad things happened on the way,  
But they have made me stronger today,  
Me - full of commitment, greed and pride,  
Never again a mere human on the flight.

(Chorus 2x)

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(Verse 2)

The Mediterranean Sea, thousands drown,  
Full of fear, our hearts on the ground,  
Find money for smugglers, sleep in the sheds,  
Balcan Route closed, organ traders bring death.

Friends, acquaintances, language lost,  
Simply betrayed at existence's cost,  
School, education work better here now,  
Tax, pension, insurance – explain to me how.

But I am here now, my new home's alright,  
What a great feeling not to freeze at night.  
I can still feel the bombs and the fire –  
But now I feel safe, alive and full of desire.

We'll meet at the same place in a few years,

We're one now, have so many ideas,  
We must help, we're all mankind,  
This plan makes life worthwhile.

(Chorus 2x)

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