## Anotace

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Our thesis tries to provide an insight into the life of a woman who has been afflicted with polio since the age of 18 months. We deal with how she herself evaluates the impact of a physical handicap on her life. To what extent her life and the lives of her family have been influenced by the fact that they lived, and some still do live, in a common household and were thus, or still are, participants in life with a physical handicap. We try to show that it is possible to be a fully-fledged member of society even with a physical handicap, to be of benefit to society and in the case of our protagonist, also to be a good mother to your daughter. We try to show that many obstacles, which a physical handicap is credited with, may only play out in the mind of the handicapped person or in the minds of his or her fellow citizens.