Text		Regieanweisung
Scene	8 Drawing Room in Spring Hill	
Steven:	Hello, Mother!	Frau tritt ein
Mother:	Oh, what are you all doing here? Hallo lieber Friedrich!	
Friedrich	God bless you, dear	
Matthias:	Hello Katharina, I was writing a letter to my aunt in Germany when Steven came in and asked me about our old home.	Kamera auf Matthias
Katharina	: You could ask your grandparents. They just came.	Zu ihrem Sohn
Steven :	Opa, Oma.	ruft Oma und Opa kommen
Matthias:	Hallo Vater, Mutter, do you remember New York?	herein, setzten sich.
Grandpa:	Oh yes, New York was a big city, 50 000 people lived there! It was dangerous if you didn't know anybody. We stayed in New York the first few days and we were <u>astonished</u> how many people spoke German! We bought our land there.	
Steven:	How did you travel from New York to Minnesota.?	
	Oh, it was a long journey! It was hard and dangerous. We travelled by post wagon from town to town and village to village. First through the <u>State</u> of New York, then Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois and finally we came to Wisconsin. From there we <u>moved on to</u> Minnesota, which became our new home.	
Steven:	But you had nothing, when you got here!	
Grandma	: We only had our blankets , a few clothes, wooden shoes, a few tools, that was all we could carry. From our last money we bought an axe so Opa could fell some trees.	
Steven:	Why didn't you buy a house?	
Grandma: Well, we had no money.		

Grandpa: With my own hands and your father's help we built a small hut for everyone in the family. Thank God we had land with a lot of forest. That way we didn't need to pay for the wood in the winter.

Grandpa: We had to wait for the next spring before we could plant the seeds we had brought with us. It was a hard and hungry time.

Steven: How did you buy something to eat?

Grandma: We didn't buy our food, we had to trade. The Indians were very friendly and a few Germans were already here. We gave the Indians some tools and they gave us some fresh food. We sold much of the wood on our land. That way we made room for our fields.

Part of the land we used for a garden with vegetables for ourselves and two acres for potatoes, beans and wheat to sell on the market.

Mother: And now we're here.

We are thankful that we all arrived safely, for our <u>health</u>, our <u>good luck</u>, but also thankful for our <u>inheritance</u> from our <u>ancestors</u> in the Eifel.

Katharina: Wie ist es Matthias? Hast du den Brief an deine Tante schon fertig geschrieben?

Matthias: Das mache ich jetzt, Liebes.

O.K. Off you go and help your mother fix the dinner.

Please excuse me for a moment, please. I'll just finish this letter to my aunt in the Eifel.

Nahaufnahme Stevens Mutter

Auf deutsch zu ihrem Mann

Zum Sohn

Zu seinen Eltern

Friedrich und Steven gehen mit Mutter raus. Großeltern und Friedrich gehen ebenfalls. Matthias setzt sich an seinen Brief, überlegt und beginnt erneut zu schreiben. Blende

Abspann