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I wouldn't call that a presupposition. If you are going to make a presupposition, I would say that a presupposition that we have is that we exist. We can't prove ~~that we exist~~ that we exist. We can't prove existence, <sup>Some</sup> people may think that they <sup>pretty</sup> don't exist. But, we have to ~~lock~~ lock them up, if they take that attitude. Well, then, we believe that we exist, well then I think we have to presuppose <sup>an</sup> ~~the~~ external world ~~outside~~ outside our mind. We are not just dreaming all this. <sup>It's</sup> Pretty hard to prove that, but we all <sup>of us</sup> act on the assumption that there is an external world outside ~~us~~ us, and if you \_\_\_\_\_, you should be locked up. And we have needed food to eat. (7.45)

How are you going to prove philosophically that you need food to live?

How are you going to prove that? There is no such a thing. <sup>If</sup> You want to assume that this is all foolishness of eating food ~~is~~ 7---

You can assume, you can adopt that as a presupposition just as well as the other presupposition, but if you do, probably you wouldn't be around very long to argue ~~with~~ about it. Well, those are two presuppositions you might say. They are two assumptions which I don't think you can prove, which I think that everybody that get \_\_\_\_\_ does accept. Now there is a third presupposition or assumption, that is, not only do I think that I have ideas

through ~~my~~ my head and experiences, but others have independent existence independent of me also have <sup>ing</sup> similar thoughts or similar ideas. When I first went to

Germany it was hard for me to realize ~~that~~ \_\_\_\_\_ (6.50) sometimes all these people there, all these people not knowing any English at all, not thinking any of the words that went through my head, nevertheless, having the same feelings, <sup>the</sup> same thoughts, <sup>the</sup> same emotions, <sup>the</sup> same individual problems as I \_\_\_\_\_ 6.25

have, but not using any of the words I use. It was something for me to bring myself to realization that there could be a ~~life~~ <sup>life</sup> just like mine with entirely different ~~set~~ set of words, but you get to the realization. It ~~is~~ just is so. And the greater realization is that there ~~are~~ other people who have thoughts and