

Film activate: A boy and his dog

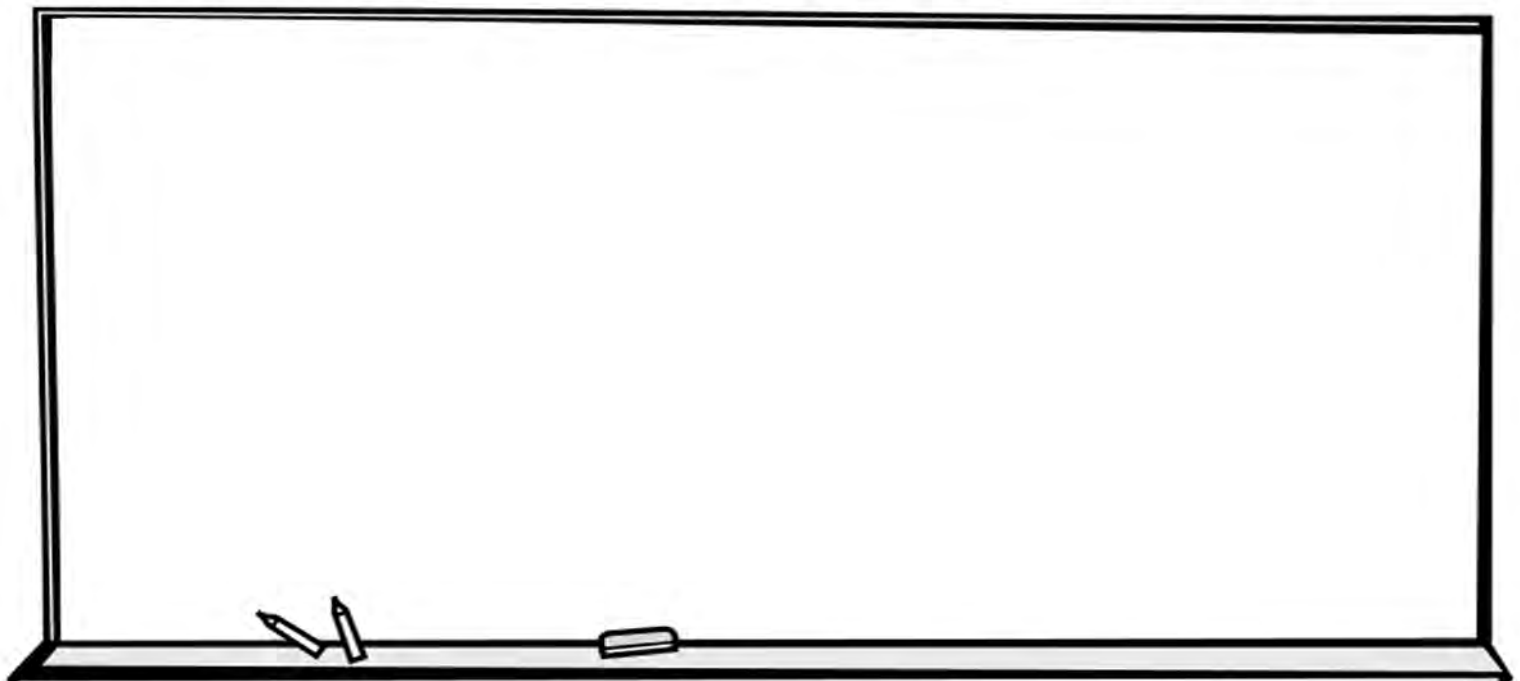


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The film is set during WWII in a vertiginous mountain village in France. Germany invaded France during the war and many Jewish families needed to hide and cross the French Alps to get to Switzerland in secret. Why do you think they would need help from local villagers to do this?

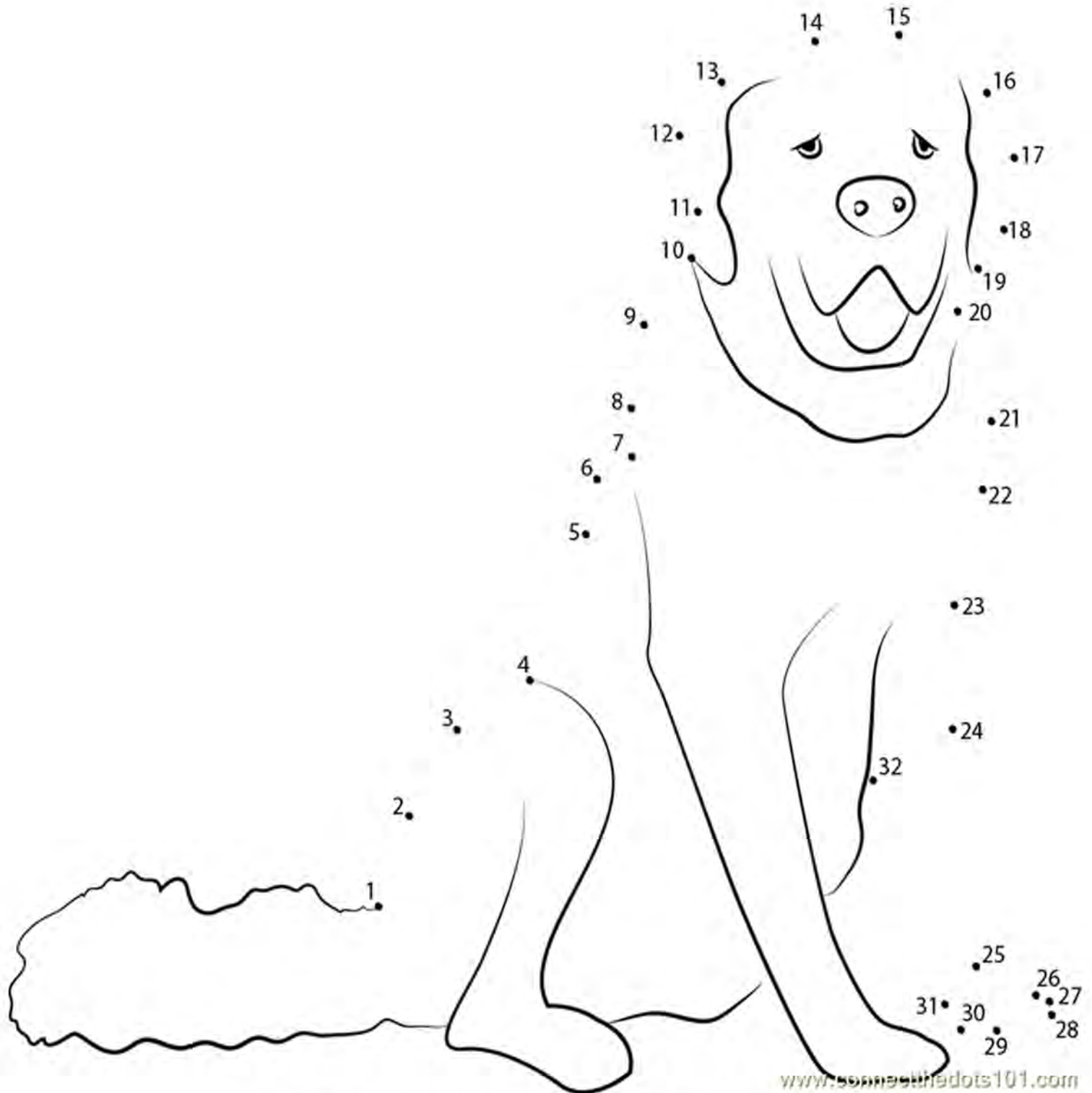


2 Sébastien lives with his grandfather, but he is a lonely boy with no real family, who enjoys adventuring across the Alps. He crosses paths with a giant, filthy Pyrenean mountain dog the locals call “The Beast” for allegedly killing livestock. Sébastien, however, sees something good in the misunderstood canine and eventually befriends the animal, naming her “Belle.” How is he similar to Belle? Why do you think they became such good friends? Draw or write your answer below.



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Connect the dots and draw a mountain scene in the background. Color the final scene to see Belle in her habitat.



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