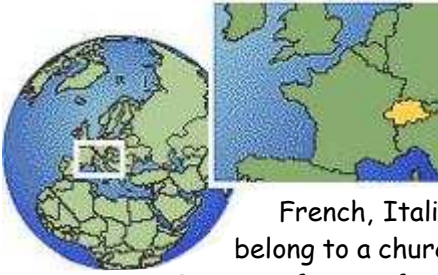


World Champions

OM New Zealand's newsletter for children who want to make a difference in God's World!



Country focus: Switzerland

Switzerland is a little country surrounded by other countries in Europe. It is home to about 7½ million people, who either speak Swiss German, French, Italian or Romansch. Even though a lot of Swiss people belong to a church, not many think about God or love Jesus.

One out of every five people in Switzerland is a foreigner who has come there to try and have a better life. Many of them have a difficult time because they don't speak the language or can't find good jobs. They also miss their families in their own countries. A lot of these people don't know that God loves them and cares for them. People in Switzerland really need World Champions to Pray, Give and Go For It!

Topic:
Caring for foreigners

Bible reading:

Jesus cared for foreigners as well. Read these stories about foreigners that he helped:

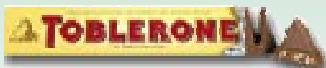
Luke 7:1-10
Luke 17:11-19

Did you know:

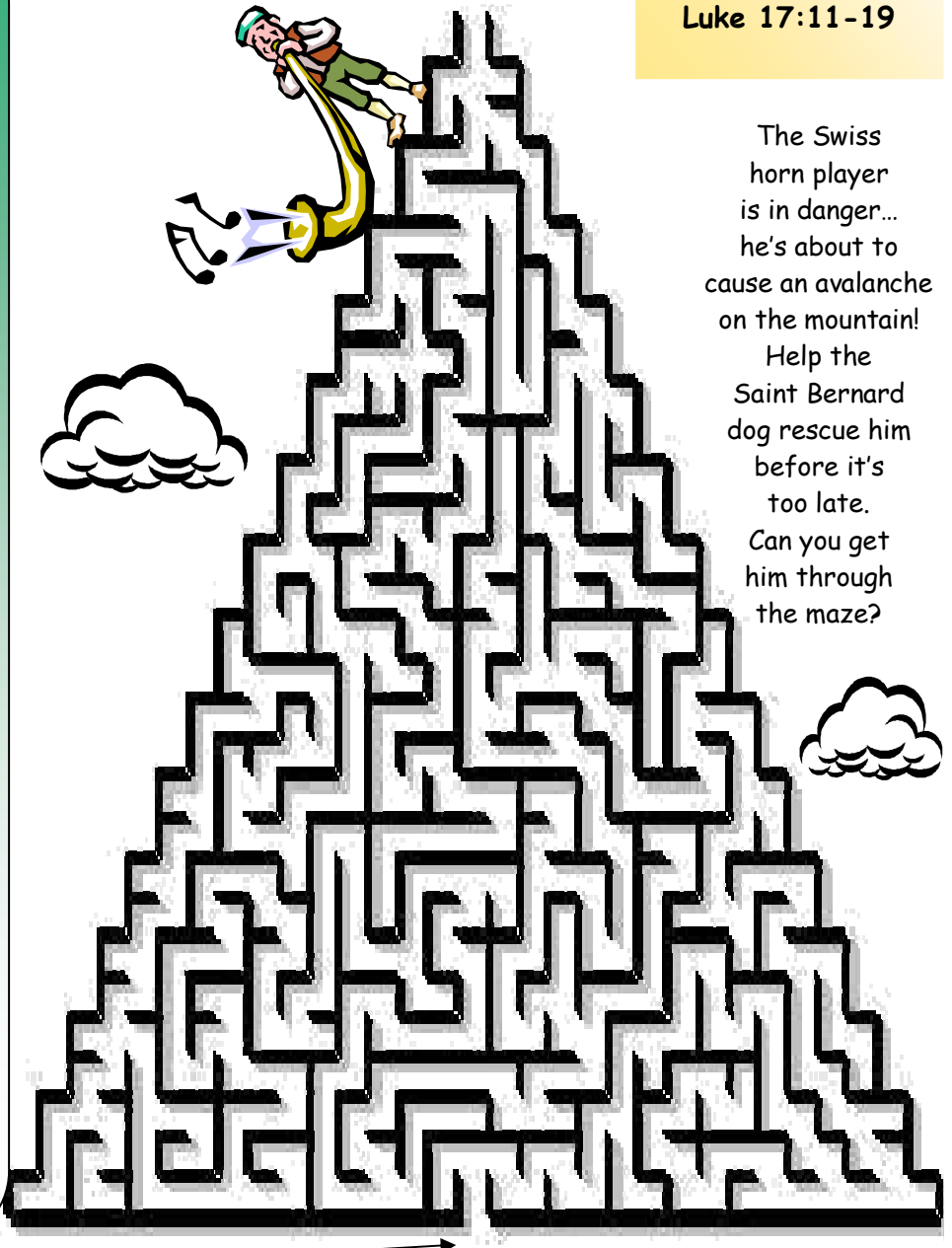


If you could only have one note of money, it's best to go for this one. The Swiss 1000 franc note is the highest money note you can get in the world, and it's worth about \$1245 in New Zealand.

Swiss people LOVE chocolate. The average Swiss person eats about 10kg of chocolate every year! You may have eaten Swiss chocolate yourself—Toblerone is a popular brand.



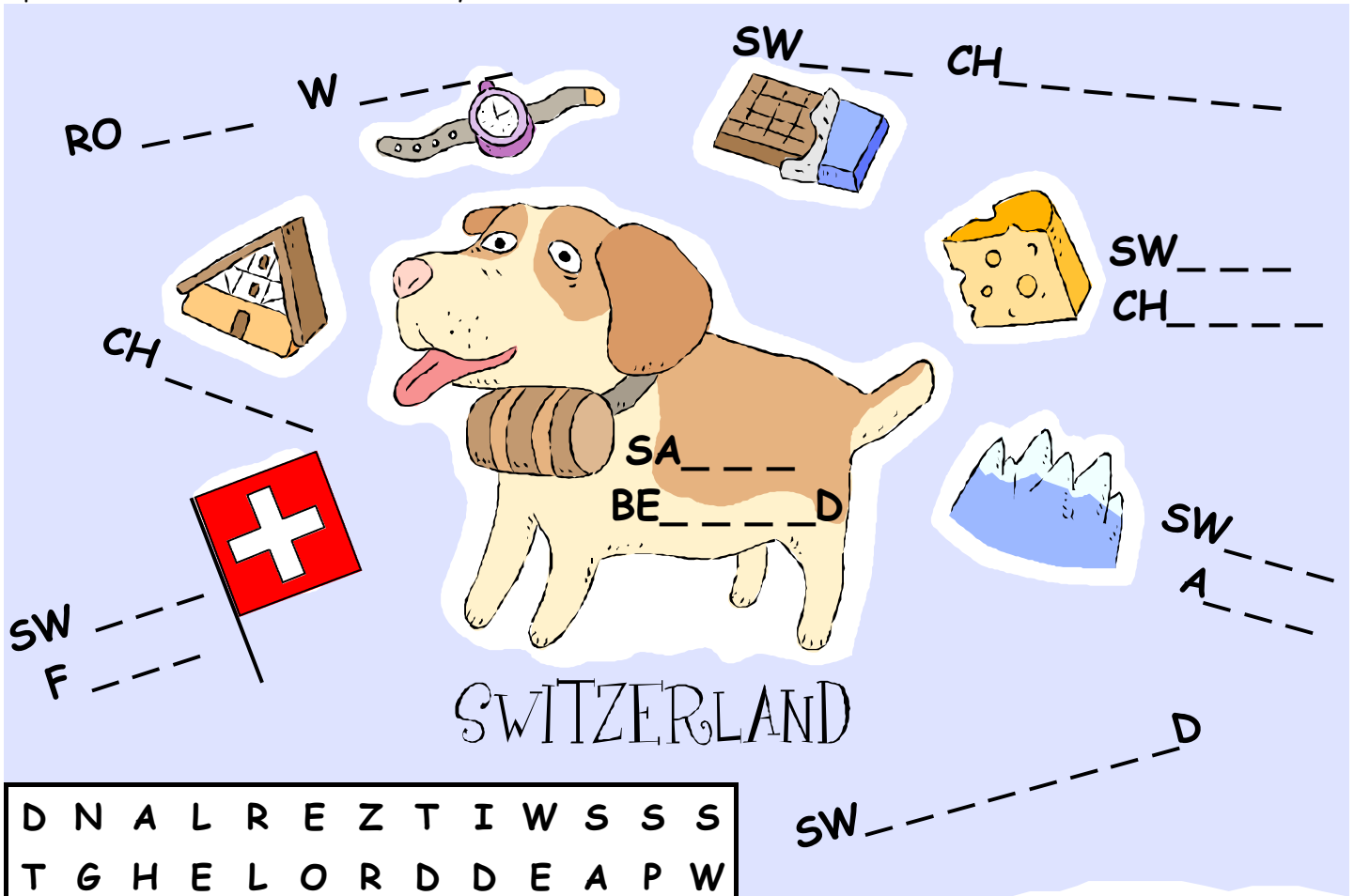
Not many dogs live in Switzerland. There is only one dog for every 10 families there. One famous type of dog is Swiss though. The Saint Bernard was used to rescue people from the snow in the mountains.



The Swiss horn player is in danger... he's about to cause an avalanche on the mountain! Help the Saint Bernard dog rescue him before it's too late. Can you get him through the maze?

Swiss search - this month's memory verse

The picture shows some things that make Switzerland famous. Try to figure out what each of the pictures is of. Use the clues to help you. Find all the words in the word-search, and put all the left over letters in the spaces to find out this month's memory verse.



SWITZERLAND

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The OM team, World Champions in Switzerland:

Zurich is the biggest city in Switzerland, and home to many foreigners. For five years, OM has had a team working with churches in the middle of the city, feeding hungry people, helping people with problems and running clubs for children, where they can play games, have fun and learn about God's love.



Children at clubs in Zurich

Earlier this year, some OM workers took 15 teenage boys for a camp into the Swiss mountains. The boys were all foreigners living in Switzerland. They came from ten different countries, including Afghanistan, Brazil, Angola and Kosovo. Most of them didn't know much about God's love and were excited to hear the stories about Jesus around the campfire each night.

Meet Lokyi - a Chinese World Champion in Switzerland:



S o m e t i m e s
there are sad
stories.
Lokyi was a
12 year old
Chinese girl who
had been coming
to the children's
club for many
years. She loved
Jesus and was a
great friend to

the other kids at the club.

She got sick not long ago and died in hospital.

Of course her family and friends are very sad. The OM club leaders are also very sad, but they are excited to think that Lokyi is now living with God in perfect happiness and peace.

It's fondue time!

Have you heard of a fondue before? It's a traditional and delicious Swiss way to eat. People dip food in a sauce that's kept warm in a heated pot.

It all started long ago when people living in the mountains couldn't get fresh food in the winter because of the snow. They still had cheese, but it was stale.

So they would melt it and dip old bread in it, and that way it tasted better!



Why not try this delicious fondue dessert recipe?

Ingredients:

1 block of dairy milk chocolate

1 cup of cream

Fruit cut into pieces—bananas, strawberries, apple, etc.

Melt the chocolate in a saucepan and stir in the cream. When it is all melted, keep it on a low heat, and dip the fruit in using forks. Delicious!

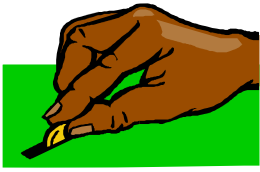


World Champions... Pray!

You can be a World Champion by praying for children in Switzerland.

- Pray for the foreign children in Switzerland. Many don't know how to speak the language when they first come, and the culture is very different for them. They can find it hard to make friends and feel alone. Pray that God will help them settle into their new home.
- Pray for the OM team and the churches who work with foreigners in Zurich. Thank God for the many children who come to the children's clubs and pray that they will learn how much God loves them.
- Pray for the family and friends of Lokyi. This is a very difficult time for all of them. Pray that God will give them comfort and will use this sad time to show people how much He loves them.

Also ask God to show you ways that you can care for foreigners in your neighbourhood. What could you do?



World Champions... Give!

You can also be a World Champion by giving. If you would like to, you can ask an adult to help you send some money to us to send the OM team in Zurich in Switzerland. This can help them to keep helping foreigners in the city with their different programmes.

Giving is not just money. How else can you be a World Champion and help foreigners around you by giving?



World Champions... Go for it!

Do you know any foreign children in your school or neighbourhood? Many children come to live in New Zealand with their families. How do you think they feel when they first come here?

They don't know anybody, some can't speak English, and everything we do is strange to them.

Write what each of these children might be thinking or feeling when they first move here.

What is one thing that all these children really want? (1=A, 2=B, 3=C and so on)

1 6 18 9 5 14 4

Pray and ask God how you can be a World Champion to foreigners around you. Why not write to us and tell us your ideas or what you have done already? Did you come from another country to New Zealand? We would love to hear how you settled in and how people helped you feel welcome. We will send a thank you treat to everyone who writes and may make you famous on our World Champions website!



'World Champions' is made by OM New Zealand, where we want people of all ages to be a part of the wonderful things God is doing around the world. Why not contact us and see how else you can get involved?



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