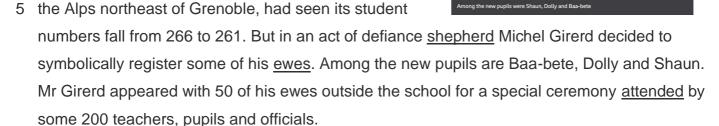
## Sheep enrol at French school as students

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- 1 A farmer has enrolled 15 sheep at a French primary school to boost pupil numbers after authorities announced plans to close a class.
  - Jules Ferry school in Crêts-en-Belledonne, a village in



Mayor Jean-Louis Maret was presented with their birth certificates during the event. He questioned the "annoying threshold logic" which could prompt such a class closure.
"Now we shouldn't have any closures," parent Gaelle Laval said, who added that the education system was "not concerned with the arguments on the ground, just numbers".

Children at the event held signs reading, "We are not sheep".

- 1) What's the article about?
- 2) Suggest translations for the underlined words.

to enrol = a herder = a ewe = to attend = to prompt =

- 3) Explain what threshold logic is.
- 4) Explain what the shepherd has done and why.
- 5) In your opinion, what is the role of the mayor?
- 6) In your opinion, what do the parents think about the event?
- 7) Do you think the shepherd has found the solution to the problem?