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## Movie Club

### Hunt for the Wilderpeople (2016)

1. The film has a simple storyline: boy and man are forced to buddy-up in order to survive and end up forming a heart-felt relationship. However, the film never feels cliché.

“‘Hunt for the Wilderpeople’ is consistently clever and even moving. It’s proof that we’ll keep listening to the familiar stories if they’re this well-told.”

<http://www.rogerebert.com/reviews/hunt-for-the-wilderpeople-2016>

What makes the film clever rather than cliché? You might want to consider character, dialogue or film techniques.

2. What role does the New Zealand landscape play in the film?
3. What character do you connect to most, Ricky or Hec?
4. New Zealand director, Taika Waititi, is gaining a prominent name in the international film industry. ‘Hunt for the Wilderpeople’ and his previous film, ‘Boy’, are the top two grossing films in New Zealand.

“The director is soon becoming known for his director’s tone and style, so much so that Hollywood has enlisted him in making the next Thor film.”

<https://education.burnsfilmcenter.org/education/classrooms/168/projects/1184>

What tone does ‘Hunt for the Wilderpeople’ have?