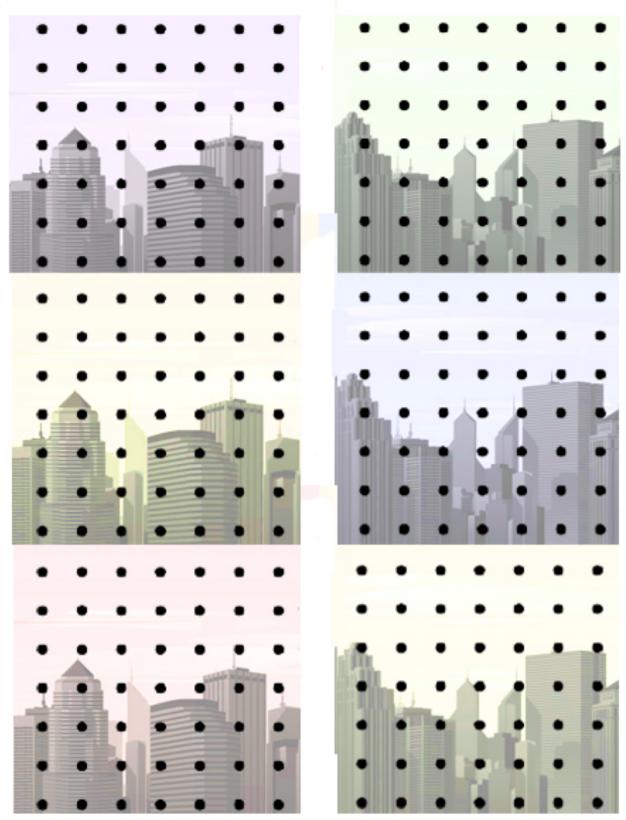


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(or Dots and Boxes, Boxes, Squares, Paddocks, Pigs in a Pen, Square-it, Dots and Dashes, Dots, Smart Dots, Dot Boxing, or, the Dot Game) is a pencil and paper game for two players first published in 1889 by Édouard Lucas.

Start with a grid of dots, the players take turns, adding a single horizontal or vertical line between two unjoined adjacent dots.

The player who completes the fourth side of a 1×1 box earns one point, adds his initial to the box and takes another turn.

The game ends when no more lines can be placed. Winner of the game is the player with the most points.

When short on time, 2×2 boxes (created by a square of 9 dots) is good for beginners, and 5×5 is good for experts. (We've done 7 X 7 here so it is good for a nice long game).

The diagram below shows a game being played.

