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## Chief Atahm School: Jetpack Learning Launch

### Press Release

"We have a vision of a Secwepemc-speaking community living in balance with nature"

Chief Atahm School is releasing an exciting new Secwepemc language game series online at [chiefatahmgames.com](http://chiefatahmgames.com). Modern technology fuses with an ancient language to bring Secwepemc language home. Chief Atahm School, a Secwepemc language immersion school near Chase, BC, is introducing a contemporary approach to teach language concepts and to help develop critical thinking and logical reasoning skills that can be applied to other subjects.

**Xwexwí sten re7 sqé xe!**  
Correctly construct the sentence for each page of the story.  
Difficulty: ★★☆☆

**R Sek lé p ell r Tsenxlé w s**  
Unscramble the sentence to help the Coyote cross the bridge.  
Difficulty: ★★★

**Tsq é Ine**  
Type the correct spelling to shoot an arrow at the target.  
Difficulty: ★★★

**Pemí nte ell lIgwí Ice**  
Help the squirrel jump to his store by repeating the words.

**Pi xe t e t si7**  
Knock over the deer who has the missing letter from the word.

**Metéke r Slléq wqín**  
Complete the sentence to win food and feed the hungry frog.

Dr. Kathryn Michel, Language Education Specialist at Chief Atahm School consulted an educational game development team from Belfast, Ireland called Jetpack Learning. Their instructional design team customized their Rapid Gamification Templates to best suit the Secwepemc learner's requirements.

The Jetpack team worked closely with Chief Atahm School to design game scenarios and graphics that fit with the history, language and culture of the Secwepemc people. Jetpack games are designed to run in a web browser on desktop, laptop, tablet and mobile devices which means they can be accessed virtually anywhere.

Chief Atahm School is a Secwepemc immersion school that opened in 1991 on the Adams Lake reserve near Chase. Through the years, the school has contributed to the revival of Secwepemc language through teaching, documenting, developing resources and training teachers in the language. To honour the Secwepemc value of kwselktnew, or "we are all related", Chief Atahm School is committed to sharing and celebrating language survival.

For more information view the website at [www.chiefatahm.com](http://www.chiefatahm.com) or try the games at [www.chiefatahmgames.com](http://www.chiefatahmgames.com)

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