

# Nunaka

## Nunaka: My Village - Where Language Comes to Play



### OVERVIEW

*Nunaka: My Village - Where Language Comes to Play* is an engaging educational mobile game designed to teach the endangered Sugt'stun language while introducing children to traditional Sugpiaq village life. Children can practice language and fine motor skills while playing. Activities reflect traditional Alaska Native life in a Sugpiaq village, including berry picking, fishing, and qayaq riding. They also learn to identify sea creatures in the tidepool. You can also hear Sugt'stun songs.

### FEATURES

- **Interactive learning:** Players explore a 2D/3D Sugpiaq village with virtual grandparents, Emaa and Apaa, who introduce activities in Sugt'stun to aid language retention.
- **Culturally themed minigames:** The game has eight episodes, each day with their grandparents in a Sugpiaq village. From berry picking to sea creature identification and qayaq riding, children engage in Sugpiaq traditions.
- **Customizable avatars:** Players can dress their child avatars in Sugpiaq traditional regalia.
- **Learning outcomes:** Supports school readiness by integrating language acquisition, motor skills, and cultural heritage lessons into gameplay.
- **Visual and audio appeal:** Blending 2D/3D graphics with traditional sounds and music brings the beauty and culture of Alaska, especially the Chugach region, to life.

### DEVELOPER

Nunaka was developed by the Chugachmiut Heritage Preservation Program and FableVision in collaboration with the Chugachmiut Birth to Five Head Start Program. The game was co-developed with cultural and linguistic experts, including Sugpiaq Elders to ensure authentic representation. The app was made possible with support from the U.S. Department of Education.

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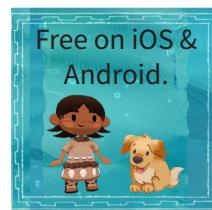
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### SPECIFICATIONS

- **Type:** 3D mobile game
- **Platform:** Google Play, iOS
- **Target Audience:** Three to five years old, educators and families
- **Languages:** English with Sugt'stun translations
- **Visuals:** 2D and 3D village design with vibrant colors, culturally accurate environments, and character models based on Sugpiaq traditions.



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