## Tsel tľxwéleg',





# I won/gained/had the advantage

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Xéyelthet tolt kw'e halq'eméylem kw'e \_\_\_\_ xwem.





I signed up for learning halq'emeylem quickly

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Tsel xwel íweséleq te halq'eméylem.





I am still a Halq'eméylem teacher

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Sq'os ye ste'ltí'lems ye emómel





Along with songs for litte ones.

# Tsel xwe halq'eméylem sq'eq'ótel.





I became a part of the halq'emeylem family.

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...kw'élse lam te íwesáwtxws thel tal lite \_\_s<u>tó:lō</u> shxwelí.





when I went to my mom's classroom at Sto:lo Shxweli.

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I'i te shxwtelíms kw's íwestes kw'ewátes.





It was in a fun way that she taught everyone.

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Tset qwólqwetel íte halq'eméylem...





We were speaking with each other in haqemeylem...

### Olu ey te ste'á.





It was very good like that.

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## Tsel híylexw mekw' skwúlkwel.





I finished all schooling

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#### ... qex\_te xwe skwi'kw'áy skwoyxthetlómet.





... sacrifices are many.

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## Tel shxwelí lexwóyewel kw'else telómet.





My spirit was excited to learn.

Ey tel sqwálewel kw'else télexw te halq'eméylem.





I am very thankful I learned Halq'eméylem.

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When I started learning, it was two evenings that I went

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Li xwúlh xwe sthethíy qesu tóltelmel kw'es <u>hala'e</u>méylem ...





If you want to do it proper and learn Halq'éylem...

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Tl'o tset tu yáysele íte kyo.





It was just us two in the car

#### Tl'ólse thélmet kw'els tólexw lhe'á thútl'ò.





I admired her and I learned through her.

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Olu s<u>xáx</u>es the Tselóythelwet ew ----<u>--</u>í<u>yv</u>eséleq.





Tseloythelwet was a very determined teacher.

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Tset ew tí'ti'lt ye xaxa ste'ltí'lem xwelá kw'e \_\_\_ sgéylemáls.





We just were singing sacred songs Hyms for funerals.

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Tset statá líte máthakwi.





My mom and I both lived in Matsqui.

## Áylexwstexwes te sqwéltel lis yóyes....





She made the language come to life at her work...

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kw'else tólexw te sqwéltel telí thel tal.





That I learned the language from my mom

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...xwe hélem te syóys qas ye t'ót'ekw'.





...when going to work and on our way returning home.

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...lis sta qas lis leq'áleqel.





... at her home, and while he travelled.

# Líte xolhmílh qas ye qays skwúlkwel.





# At daycare and preschool (just before school)

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Tsel sxwóxwelxes kw'els tólexw te s'íwesthóxes <u>th</u>útl'o.





I am very uplifted (honoured) that I learned what she has taught me.

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Tsel qwelqwáleqwemet te Halq'eméylem lite \_\_\_\_\_1996





I started speaking Halq'eméylem in 1996...