# Language Revitalization.... What is it?

"Language revitalization refers to the development of programs that result in re-establishing a language which has ceased being the language of communication in the speech community and bring it back into full use in all walks of life"

> - Hinton & Hale (2008), The Green Book of Language Revitalization

## **KANHIOTE – Tyendinaga Public Library**

#### **Purpose:**

 to develop, implement and provide free of charge programs of education, library service and cultural awareness relevant to the Mohawk people of Tyendinaga Territory and related institutions, organizations and groups.

#### **Mission Statement:**

- to be a cultural and educational resource centre

#### Philosophy and Goals:

- to provide a well-balanced collection for residents of Tyendinaga; to focus on maintaining a Native resource/reference collection with emphasis on Iroquois, Mohawk; to function as an information centre on all aspects of our culture, history, traditions, and language.

### Goals:

- 1. To collect un-biased, non-stereotypical material on the culture, heritage and current issues facing Native people, with teacher's guides when possible.
- 2. To meet the informational needs of the people of Tyendinaga Territory.
- 3. To provide resources for learning the Mohawk language.