

Titanium Chef: Parent Backgrounder

What is Titanium Chef?

Titanium Chef is an innovative online nutrition game designed to help youth in grades 6–8 learn how to eat well. In the game, players become a ChefBot and compete to become the **Titanium Chef** (the galaxy's greatest ChefBot).

Titanium Chef can be played in either French or English. Its purpose is to both educate and entertain.

What do players learn?

By playing **Titanium Chef** youth in grades six to eight learn:

- to classify foods into the four food groups
- to estimate serving sizes
- the recommended number of Food Guide Servings in Canada's Food Guide
- to problem solve how to apply recommendations to meet the needs and preferences of different characters

These are very critical skills that allow youth to make healthy food choices.

How long will it take to play the entire game?

Titanium Chef is comprised of several cycles of exploration and gaming. It is a rich game-playing experience with many levels and side quests, providing as much as 10 hours of unique game-playing experience.

The learning objectives can be met in a single 40-minute game of the first cycle. However, repetition and longer game play through fully exploring **Titanium Chef** will allow for a more sophisticated understanding of how to eat well by creating simple meals that meet daily recommended servings from Canada's Food Guide.

Is the game designed to be played in the classroom, at home or both?

The primary function of **Titanium Chef** is to be a classroom resource, where players can learn with the assistance of their teachers. However, the game can also be played at home where learning objectives can still be met.

Why are players asked to create an account?

Although one can play as a 'guest', creating an account will enable players to save their game. They can create several sub-accounts and have more than one game on the go under their account. They will also be able to see how they are doing compared to others in their school or city. This leaderboard feature is one players will enjoy.

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Why do parents get an email from Titanium Chef?

When players under age 15 register, an email will be sent to their parent/guardian confirming that they are aware of their child's participation in **Titanium Chef** and asking them to review the game's terms and conditions and privacy policy.. A full privacy policy is available at www.titaniumchef.ca.

What if players don't have an email address?

They can always play as a guest but won't be able to save their progress so this is not ideal. Parents may wish to supply their own email address, or allow their children to create an email account for this.

What are the computer requirements to play Titanium Chef?

You will need a computer with a high-speed internet connection, browser and Flash version 9 or later. Sound enhances the experience but is not essential.

How can parents learn more about Titanium Chef?

Visit www.titaniumchef.ca and click on 'Game' to learn about the story, characters and places that make up the **Titanium Chef** experience.

Even better, create your own account and play the game yourself!