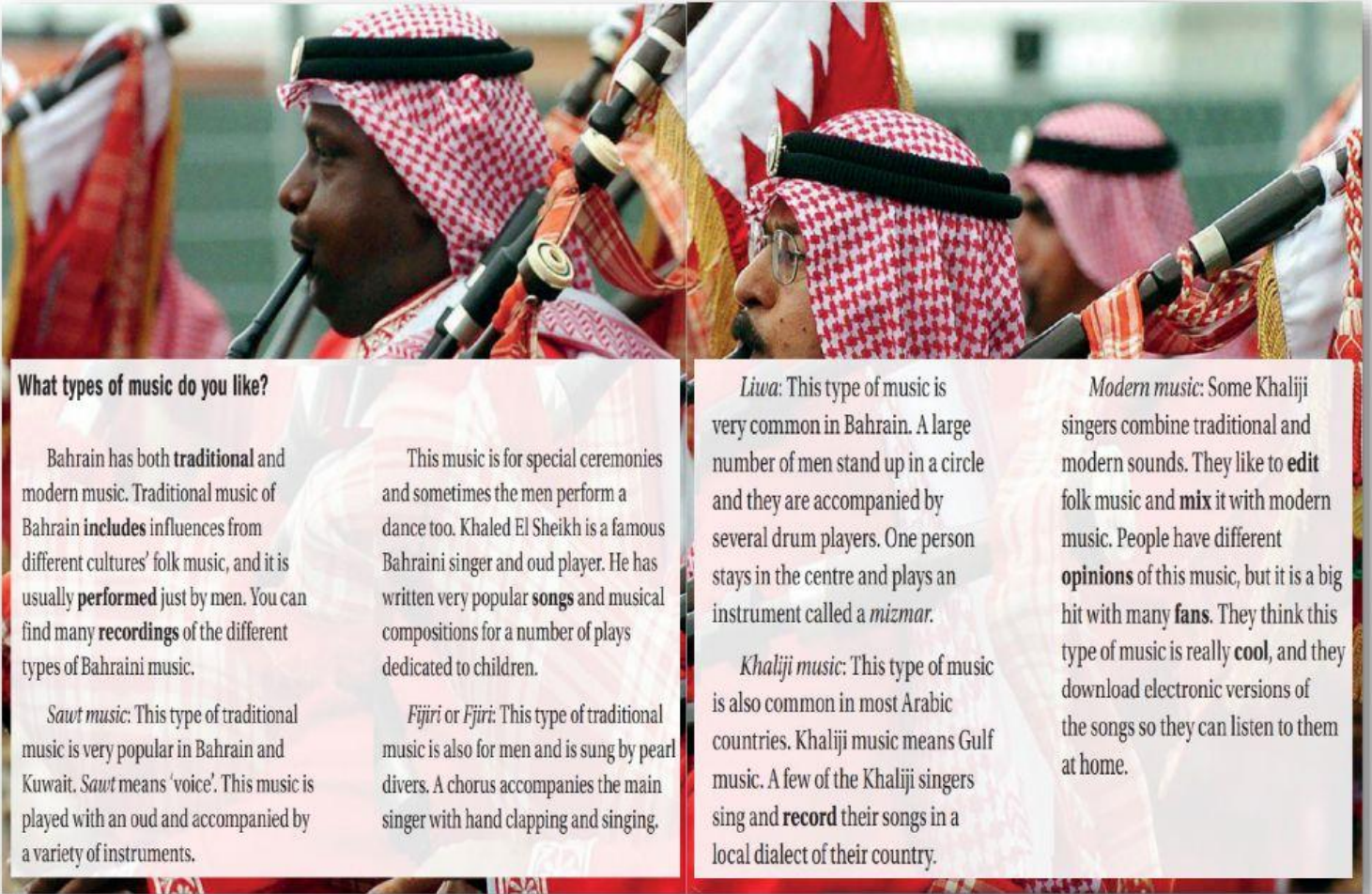


UNIT 6/ READING ENRICHMENT

Read the text and answer the following questions.



What types of music do you like?

Bahrain has both **traditional** and modern music. Traditional music of Bahrain **includes** influences from different cultures' folk music, and it is usually **performed** just by men. You can find many **recordings** of the different types of Bahraini music.

Sawt music: This type of traditional music is very popular in Bahrain and Kuwait. *Sawt* means 'voice'. This music is played with an oud and accompanied by a variety of instruments.

This music is for special ceremonies and sometimes the men perform a dance too. Khaled El Sheikh is a famous Bahraini singer and oud player. He has written very popular **songs** and musical compositions for a number of plays dedicated to children.

Fijiri or Fjiri: This type of traditional music is also for men and is sung by pearl divers. A chorus accompanies the main singer with hand clapping and singing.

Liwa: This type of music is very common in Bahrain. A large number of men stand up in a circle and they are accompanied by several drum players. One person stays in the centre and plays an instrument called a *mizmar*.

Khaliji music: This type of music is also common in most Arabic countries. Khaliji music means Gulf music. A few of the Khaliji singers sing and **record** their songs in a local dialect of their country.

Modern music: Some Khaliji singers combine traditional and modern sounds. They like to **edit** folk music and **mix** it with modern music. People have different **opinions** of this music, but it is a big hit with many **fans**. They think this type of music is really **cool**, and they download electronic versions of the songs so they can listen to them at home.

(A) Decide whether the statements are true or false.

1. In Bahrain traditional music is performed by men only.	True	False
2. Sawt music is played with a guitar.	True	False
3. Fijiri music is sung by pearl divers.	True	False
4. Mizmar is used in Liwa music.	True	False

(B) Choose the correct option.

1. Khaled El Sheikh is a famous

- (a) singer
- (b) artist
- (c) drum player

2. Some singers like to edit and mix with modern music.

- (a) classical music
- (b) folk music
- (c) pop music

(C) Answer the questions in complete sentences.

1. What sounds do some Khaliji singers combine?

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2. What do people think about editing and mixing music together?

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