

## 11 A-Unit 1 Lesson 7-8: Al Janadrya

### listening

**Hassan:** Mohammed, could you tell our viewers about Al Janadriyah Festival?

**Mohammed:** Certainly, Hassan. Well, the festival started in 1985 and takes place every year around February or March for two weeks. It was started as a way for ..... to come together to celebrate our traditions and preserve them in this rapidly changing world. It's very important we do this, because I'm sure ..... wants to see them disappear.

**Hassan:** Would you mind telling us about the cultural traditions ..... might see on display here?

**Mohammed:** Not at all. Al Janadriyah is a major cultural event here in Saudi Arabia, and ..... can come. We open the festival with a camel race each year, and ..... can also see horse races and displays of falconry. These animals are significant to our cultural history and identity, so it's important to us that we celebrate them.

**Hassan:** Mmm, mmm, and what about the handicrafts ..... might see here at the festival?

**Mohammed:** Well, we have many handicraft artisans who come to the festival. We like to think that the festival is a kind of 'cultural village' where ..... can come and see these traditional crafts being made.

**Hassan:** That's fantastic, Mohammed, thank you.