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LEVEL 3. Listening

Unit.3. Listening- Vocabulary, Use the words in the boxes to complete the sentences.

custom	region	lyrics	still	describe
traditional	disappear	rhythm	aspect	preserved

In recent years, Oman has changed from a poor backward country to a modern developed nation. Most places in Oman have all modern facilities like good transportation and communication facilities. However, many old Omanis prefer a 1. _____ way of life. They 2. _____ live in villages and do the jobs of their parents and grandparents. The Bedouins of Dhofar 3. _____ are examples of this. They have 4. _____ the old way of life without much change. It is a 5. _____ of these tribes to sing and dance at important events. Their music is known as Al Barah. The 6. _____ of their songs 7. _____ old battles and stories of their heroes. Up to 30 men dance in a half circle to the 8. _____ of the drumbeats. An important 9. _____ of the Al Barah dance is the use of daggers called khanjar wielded by the two leading dancers. In the past Al Barah was performed on all important occasions, but many people think that this amazing song and dance culture will soon 10. _____ because of the influence of changing interests.

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