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LEVEL.3. LISTENING

Use the words in the boxes to complete the text.

develop	region	customs
preserve	disappear	still

The Bidiya Desert is a one of the most beautiful deserts in the world. It is in the Sharqiya North 1. _____, about 200 kilometers north of Muscat, the capital of Oman. It is home to many Bedouin tribes. Some of them 2. _____ live in traditional barasti houses made of palm fonts . They still keep many of their old 3. _____ like wearing the khanjar and applying henna on special occasions. The government is trying to 4. _____ tourism in this area to provide jobs for young people. However, some people fear that Bedouins' way of life may soon 5. _____ because of the influence of visitors and modern media like televisions.

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