

## Lesson 8: Poetry

### Traditional Bedouin Poetry

Al-Taghrooda is a type of traditional Bedouin **poetry**. So how was this poetry different to other types of poetry? Two groups of Bedouins **chanted** the poem. One group chanted the first verse of the poem. The other group chanted the second verse. Each verse had seven lines. Bedouins told traditional stories and history with Al-Taghrooda poetry.

Bedouins told Al-Taghrooda poems for many reasons. They told Al-Taghrooda **poems** for entertainment at campfires. Sometimes women chanted poems when they worked. Bedouins also used poems to send messages to their **leaders**.

Today, Al-Taghrooda is an important part of UAE culture. People chant the poems at **weddings** and national **festivals**. Have you heard this poetry before?

1- Al-Taghrooda is one type of .....

2- Al-Taghrooda chant had .....

3- Al-Taghrooda poetry told the ..... of the Bedouins.

4- Al-Taghrooda poetry was important for .....

5- Today, Emiratis chant Al-Taghrooda poem in .....