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## Level 3 Bulgarian radio can play modern music again

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#### Please try Levels 0, 1 and 2 (they are easier).



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## THE ARTICLE

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Radio listeners in Bulgaria can now start listening to modern music again. For the past two months, they could only listen to music that was over 70 years old. A dispute over copyright meant the Bulgarian National Radio (BNR) could not play any pop music. Listeners could only listen to classical music or folk songs that were recorded before World War II. In the European Union, copyright disappears 70 years after an artist's death. BNR has now signed a deal with the copyright organization. In the deal, BNR will pay more royalty fees. A part of these fees goes to the singer, band, composer or songwriter of a song or a piece of music. Every time the radio plays a song, it must pay royalties to the artist.

Something surprising happened during the two-month dispute over copyright and royalties. The number of listeners to BNR's shows increased by 20 per cent. After the radio station started playing only Bulgarian folk tunes, classical music and pre-war jazz, more people started listening to the radio. It seems many listeners are more interested in listening to older music than Justin Bieber and Taylor Swift. BNR is now thinking about changing its music programming. BNR boss Aleksandar Velev said there could even be new radio stations. Mr Velev told reporters: "We will not change the profiles of the current radio shows. Instead, we will launch new radio stations with more types of music."

Sources: http://www.**novinite.com**/articles/179044/Bulgaria's+Public+Radio+Brings+Contemporary+ Music+Back+on+Air http://www.**bbc.com**/news/blogs-news-from-elsewhere-39104260 http://www.**ctvnews.ca**/lifestyle/bulgarian-radio-station-sees-boost-in-listeners-after-pop-musicban-1.3301694

#### WARM-UPS

**1. RADIO:** Students walk around the class and talk to other students about radio. Change partners often and share your findings.

**2. CHAT:** In pairs / groups, talk about these topics or words from the article. What will the article say about them? What can you say about these words and your life?

radio / listeners / modern / pop music / classical / copyright / royalties / fees / artist / something / surprising / radio station / folk tunes / older music / profiles / reporters

Have a chat about the topics you liked. Change topics and partners frequently.

**3. OLD MUSIC:** Students A **strongly** believe old music is better than new music; Students B **strongly** believe the opposite. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

**4. LISTENING:** What are the good and bad things about listening to music via these things? Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners often and share what you wrote.

	Good things	Bad things
Radio		
Vinyl record		
iPod		
Stereo system		
Live		
YouTube		

**5. CLASSICAL:** Spend one minute writing down all of the different words you associate with the word "classical". Share your words with your partner(s) and talk about them. Together, put the words into different categories.

**6. TYPES OF MUSIC:** Rank these with your partner. Put the best types of music the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- classical
  - рор
- folk
- jazz

- hip-hop / rap
- electro
- country
- heavy rock

## **BEFORE READING / LISTENING**

From http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1703/170303-radio.html

#### **1. TRUE / FALSE:** Read the headline. Guess if a-h below are true (T) or false (F).

- a. Radio listeners in Bulgaria could not listen to pop music for two years. **T / F**
- b. The reason the radio could not play pop music was a copyright dispute. **T / F**
- c. Radio listeners could only listen to pre-World War II music. **T / F**
- d. The radio station has agreed to pay artists more in royalties. **T / F**
- e. The radio station got 20% more listeners by playing the older music. T / F
- f. The article said people in Bulgaria prefer Justin Bieber to old music. **T / F**
- g. The radio station boss said he would not change the programming. **T / F**
- h. The boss said there would not be any new radio stations.  $\,$  T / F  $\,$

#### 2. SYNONYM MATCH:

Match the following synonyms. The words in **bold** are from the news article.

- 1. start
- 2. dispute
- 3. disappears
- 4. deal
- 5. fees
- 6. surprising
- 7. seems
- 8. thinking about
- 9. change
- 10. types

- a. payments
- b. considering
- c. agreement
- d. argument
- e. unexpected
- f. kinds
- g. begin
- h. alter
- i. appears
- j. comes to an end

#### **3. PHRASE MATCH:** (Sometimes more than one choice is possible.)

- 1. music that was
- 2. A dispute over
- 3. copyright disappears 70 years
- 4. BNR has now signed
- 5. it must pay royalties
- 6. during the
- 7. pre-
- 8. BNR is now thinking about changing its music
- 9. the profiles of the current radio
- 10. radio stations with more types

- a. after an artist's death
- b. two-month dispute
- c. a deal
- d. programming
- e. copyright
- f. shows
- g. of music
- h. war jazz
- i. over 70 years old
- j. to the artist

## **GAP FILL**

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piece fees recorded seems programming number types surprising current interested tunes

Something (9) \_\_\_\_\_\_ happened during the two-month seems dispute over copyright and royalties. The (10) \_\_\_\_\_\_ of programm listeners to BNR's shows increased by 20 per cent. After the radio station started playing only Bulgarian folk (11) \_\_\_\_\_\_, classical music and pre-war jazz, more people started listening to the radio. It (12) \_\_\_\_\_\_ many listeners are more surprising (13) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in listening to older music than Justin Bieber current and Taylor Swift. BNR is now thinking about changing its music (14) \_\_\_\_\_\_. BNR boss Aleksandar Velev said there could even be new radio stations. Mr Velev told reporters: "We will not change the profiles of the (15) \_\_\_\_\_\_ radio shows. Instead, we will launch new radio stations with more (16) \_\_\_\_\_\_ of music."

#### **LISTENING** – Guess the answers. Listen to check.

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- 1) Radio listeners in Bulgaria can now start listening to modern \_\_\_\_\_ a. music against b. music a gain c. music again d. music to gain 2) copyright disappears 70 years after a. an artist's death b. an artist's dead c. an artist's dearth d. an artist's dealt 3) BNR has now signed a deal with the \_\_\_\_\_ a. copyright organizations b. copyright organization c. copyright organizational d. copyright organize station 4) A part of these fees goes to the singer, band, composer or songwriter of a song or a \_\_\_\_\_ a. piece of music b. peace of music c. peaceful music d. piece off music 5) Every time the radio plays a song, it must \_\_\_\_\_ a. pay royals tea b. pay royal teas c. pay royalties d. pay royals teas The number of listeners to BNR's shows increased \_\_\_\_\_ a. up 20 per cent b. by 20 per cent c. buy 20 per cent d. to 20 per cent 7) After the radio station started playing only Bulgarian \_\_\_\_\_ a. fork tunes b. folk tunes c. fake tunes d. freak tunes 8) BNR is now thinking about changing its \_\_\_\_\_ a. music program in b. music program sing c. music programming d. music programed 9) BNR boss Aleksandar Velev said there could even be a. new radio station b. new radios stations c. news radio stations d. new radio stations Instead, we will launch new radio stations with more \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. tapes of music
  - b. types of music
  - c. tips of music
  - d. times of music

#### LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

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Something surprising happened (7) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_-month dispute over copyright and royalties. (8) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ listeners to BNR's shows increased by 20 per cent. After the radio station started playing only Bulgarian folk tunes, classical music and pre-war jazz, more people started listening to the radio. It seems many listeners (9) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in listening to older music than Justin Bieber and Taylor Swift. BNR is now thinking about (10) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ music programming. BNR boss Aleksandar Velev said there (11) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ new radio stations. Mr Velev told reporters: "We will not change the profiles of the current radio shows. Instead, we will launch new radio stations with more (12) \_\_\_\_\_\_."

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## **COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS**

From http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1703/170303-radio.html

- 1. For how long was there no modern music on Bulgarian radio?
- 2. How old was the music the radio station could play?
- 3. What world event was the music recorded before?
- 4. What did BNR sign?
- 5. What must BNR pay to musical artists?
- 6. What increased by 20%?
- 7. What kind of jazz did the radio station play?
- 8. What did the article suggest was more popular than Justin Bieber?
- 9. What is the BNR boss thinking about changing?
- 10. What will the BNR now launch?

## **MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ**

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#### 1) For how long was there no

- modern music on Bulgarian radio?
- a) 12 years
- b) 2 years
- c) 2 months
- d) 6 weeks

2) How old was the music the radio station could play?

- a) 70 years old
- b) 100 years old
- c) 12 years old
- d) 40 years old

3) What world event was the music recorded before?

- a) Egypt became independent
- b) World War II
- c) the fall of the Berlin Wall
- d) the Cuban Missile Crisis
- 4) What did BNR sign?
- a) a T-shirt
- b) a wall
- c) autographs
- d) a deal
- 5) What must BNR pay to musical artists?
- a) respect
- b) tax
- c) royalties
- d) gold

- 6) What increased by 20%?
- a) tax
- b) the number of radio listeners
- c) royalties
- d) the number of records

7) What kind of jazz did the radio station play?

- a) acid jazz
- b) trad jazz
- c) New Orleans jazz
- d) pre-war jazz
- 8) What did the article suggest was more popular than Justin Bieber?
- a) rap music
- b) older music
- c) Bulgarian soul
- d) heavy metal
- 9) What is the BNR boss thinking
- about changing?
- a) royalties
- b) its programming
- c) jobs
- d) music
- 10) What will the BNR now launch?
- a) new radio stations
- b) boats
- c) cosmetics
- d) a new pop boy band

## **ROLE PLAY**

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#### **Role A – Classical**

You think classical is the best kind of music. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their kinds. Also, tell the others which is the worst of these (and why): pop, rap or folk.

#### Role B – Pop

You think pop is the best kind of music. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their kinds. Also, tell the others which is the worst of these (and why): classical, rap or folk.

#### Role C – Rap

You think rap is the best kind of music. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their kinds. Also, tell the others which is the worst of these (and why): pop, classical or folk.

#### Role D – Folk

You think folk is the best kind of music. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their kinds. Also, tell the others which is the worst of these (and why): pop, rap or classical.

## AFTER READING / LISTENING

From http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1703/170303-radio.html

**1. WORD SEARCH:** Look in your dictionary / computer to find collocates, other meanings, information, synonyms ... for the words 'radio' and 'station'.

radio	station

- Share your findings with your partners.
- Make questions using the words you found.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

**2. ARTICLE QUESTIONS:** Look back at the article and write down some questions you would like to ask the class about the text.

- Share your questions with other classmates / groups.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

**3. GAP FILL:** In pairs / groups, compare your answers to this exercise. Check your answers. Talk about the words from the activity. Were they new, interesting, worth learning...?

**4. VOCABULARY:** Circle any words you do not understand. In groups, pool unknown words and use dictionaries to find their meanings.

**5. TEST EACH OTHER:** Look at the words below. With your partner, try to recall how they were used in the text:

<ul><li>start</li><li>meant</li></ul>	<ul><li> during</li><li> 20</li></ul>
• any	• more
<ul> <li>recorded</li> </ul>	• seems
<ul> <li>signed</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>thinking</li> </ul>
• must	<ul> <li>instead</li> </ul>

## **RADIO SURVEY**

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Write five GOOD questions about radio in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper.

When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1	STUDENT 2	STUDENT 3
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

## **RADIO DISCUSSION**

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

- 1. What did you think when you read the headline?
- 2. What images are in your mind when you hear the word 'radio'?
- 3. What do you think of radio?
- 4. What do you know about copyright?
- 5. Should singers get paid every time a radio station plays their music?
- 6. Why is respecting copyright important?
- 7. What are the good things about older music?
- 8. What damage does illegal downloading do to singers and artists?
- 9. What are royalties and why are they called royalties?
- 10. How important are radio stations to you?

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## **RADIO DISCUSSION**

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

- 11. Did you like reading this article? Why/not?
- 12. What do you think of when you hear the word 'music'?
- 13. What do you think about what you read?
- 14. What radio shows do you like, and why?
- 15. Why do people say today's new music isn't very good?
- 16. Is Justin Bieber's music better than music from the 1960s?
- 17. Would you like to be a radio show host?
- 18. Will the Internet end radio stations?
- 19. What are the good things about new music?
- 20. What questions would you like to ask the boss of the radio station?

## **DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)**

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1.	
2.	
3.	
4.	
5.	
6.	
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## **DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)**

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

1.		
2.	 	
3.		
4.	 	
5.	 	
6.		

## LANGUAGE - CLOZE

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Something surprising happened (7) \_\_\_\_\_ the two-month dispute over copyright and royalties. The number of listeners to BNR's shows increased (8) \_\_\_\_\_ 20 per cent. After the radio station started playing only Bulgarian folk tunes, classical music and pre-war jazz, more people started (9) \_\_\_\_\_ to the radio. It seems many listeners are more interested in listening to older music than Justin Bieber and Taylor Swift. BNR is now thinking (10) \_\_\_\_\_ changing its music programming. BNR boss Aleksandar Velev said there could even (11) \_\_\_\_\_ new radio stations. Mr Velev told reporters: "We will not change the profiles of the current radio shows. (12) \_\_\_\_, we will launch new radio stations with more types of music."

#### Put the correct words from the table below in the above article.

1.	(a)	moreover	(b)	again	(c)	extra	(d)	over
2.	(a)	parsed	(b)	past	(c)	pasted	(d)	passed
3.	(a)	high	(b)	top	(c)	above	(d)	over
4.	(a)	dead	(b)	death	(c)	died	(d)	dies
5.	(a)	royally	(b)	royal	(c)	royals	(d)	royalty
6.	(a)	prize	(b)	cost	(c)	рау	(d)	fee
7.	(a)	during	(b)	while	(c)	under	(d)	against
8.	(a)	as	(b)	up	(c)	by	(d)	on
9.	(a)	listener	(b)	listened	(c)	listens	(d)	listening
10.	(a)	about	(b)	over	(c)	on	(d)	as
11.	(a)	be	(b)	have	(c)	listen	(d)	do
12.	(a)	Instead	(b)	Prefer	(c)	Alternative	(d)	Than

## SPELLING

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#### Paragraph 1

- 1. Radio itsersenl in Bulgaria
- 2. A dispute over <u>potirghcy</u>
- 3. listen to <u>slciaaslc</u> music
- 4. <u>cdrodeer</u> before World War II
- 5. earsdasppi 70 years after
- 6. pay <u>seyaoirlt</u> to the artist

#### Paragraph 2

- 7. Something <u>rspngsruii</u> happened
- 8. <u>deescniar</u> by 20 per cent
- 9. more <u>renetisetd</u>
- 10. the <u>nurrcet</u> radio shows
- 11. we will anchul new radio stations
- 12. more <u>etysp</u> of music

## PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

From http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1703/170303-radio.html

#### Number these lines in the correct order.

- ( ) are more interested in listening to older music than Justin Bieber and Taylor Swift. BNR is now thinking
- ( ) Something surprising happened during the two-month dispute over copyright and royalties. The number
- ( ) death. BNR has now signed a deal with the copyright organization. In the deal, BNR will pay more
- ( ) about changing its music programming. BNR boss Aleksandar Velev said there could even be new radio
- ( ) listen to music that was over 70 years old. A dispute over copyright meant the Bulgarian National Radio
- ( ) stations. Mr Velev told reporters: "We will not change the profiles of the current
- ( ) tunes, classical music and pre-war jazz, more people started listening to the radio. It seems many listeners
- ( ) of listeners to BNR's shows increased by 20 per cent. After the radio station started playing only Bulgarian folk
- (1) Radio listeners in Bulgaria can now start listening to modern music again. For the past two months, they could only
- ( ) radio shows. Instead, we will launch new radio stations with more types of music."
- ( ) (BNR) could not play any pop music. Listeners could only listen to classical music or folk songs that were recorded
- before World War II. In the European Union, copyright disappears
   70 years after an artist's
- ( ) of music. Every time the radio plays a song, it must pay royalties to the artist.
- () royalty fees. A part of these fees goes to the singer, band, composer or songwriter of a song or a piece

#### PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

From http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1703/170303-radio.html

1. in now to Listeners can listening music Bulgaria start modern .

2. listen only could They old years 70 over was that music to .

3. songs before II folk recorded War or that World Music were .

4. after years 70 disappears Copyright death artist's an .

5. , song a plays radio the time Every royalties pay must it .

6. the Something two surprising - happened month during dispute .

7. BNR's to listeners of number The increased shows .

8. in Listeners listening are to more older interested music .

9. programming about BNR changing is its now music thinking .

10. will launch new radio stations with more types of music We .

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## **CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)**

From http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1703/170303-radio.html

Radio listeners in Bulgaria can *know / now* start listening to modern music again. For the past two months, they could only listen to music that *was / were* over 70 years old. A dispute over copyright *mean / meant* the Bulgarian National Radio (BNR) could not *play / playing* any pop music. Listeners could only listen to *classical / classically* music or folk songs that were *record / recorded* before World War II. In the European Union, copyright *disappears / disappearance* 70 years after an artist's death. BNR has now *signed / singed* a deal with the copyright organization. In the deal, BNR will pay more royalty fees. A part of these fees goes to the singer, band, composer or songwriter of a song or a *peace / piece* of music. Every time the radio plays a song, it must pay *royalties / royals* to the artist.

Something *surprising / surprised* happened *during / while* the two-month dispute over copyright and royalties. The number of listeners to BNR's shows increased *at / by* 20 per cent. After the radio station started *playing / played* only Bulgarian folk tunes, classical music and pre-war jazz, more people started *listening / listened* to the radio. It seems many listeners are more interested *on / in* listening to older music *that / than* Justin Bieber and Taylor Swift. BNR is now thinking about changing *his / its* music programming. BNR boss Aleksandar Velev said there could *even / ever* be new radio stations. Mr Velev told reporters: "We will not change the profiles of the current radio shows. Instead, we will *lunch / launch* new radio stations with more types of music."

# Talk about the connection between each pair of words in italics, and why the correct word is correct.

## **INSERT THE VOWELS (a, e, i, o, u)**

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R\_d\_\_ l\_st\_n\_rs \_n B\_lg\_r\_\_ c\_n n\_w st\_rt l\_st\_n\_ng t\_ m\_d\_rn m\_s\_c \_g\_\_n. F\_r th\_ p\_st tw\_ m\_nths, th\_y c\_\_ld \_nly l\_st\_n t\_ m\_s\_c th\_t w\_s \_v\_r 70 y\_rs \_ld. \_ d\_sp\_t\_ \_v\_r c\_pyr\_ght m\_\_nt th\_ B\_lg\_r\_\_n N\_t\_\_n\_l R\_d\_\_ (BNR) c\_\_ld n\_t pl\_y \_ny p\_p m\_s\_c. L\_st\_n\_rs c\_\_ld \_nly l\_st\_n t\_ cl\_ss\_c\_l m\_s\_c \_r f\_lk s\_ngs th\_t w\_r\_ r\_c\_rd\_d b\_f\_r\_ W\_rld W\_r \_\_. \_n th\_ \_\_rp\_\_n \_n\_\_n, c\_pyr\_ght d\_s\_pp\_\_rs 70 y\_rs \_ft\_r \_n \_rt\_st's d\_\_th. BNR h\_s n\_w s\_gn\_d \_ d\_\_l w\_th th\_ c\_pyr\_ght \_rg\_n\_z\_t\_\_n. \_n th\_ d\_\_l, BNR w\_ll p\_y m\_r\_ r\_y\_lty f\_s. \_ p\_rt \_f th\_s\_ f\_s g\_s t\_ th\_ s\_ng\_r, b\_nd, c\_mp\_s\_r \_r s\_ngwr\_t\_r \_f \_s\_ng \_r \_ p\_\_c\_ \_f m\_s\_c. \_v\_ry t\_m\_ th\_ r\_d\_ pl\_ys\_ s\_ng, \_t m\_st p\_y r\_y\_lt\_s t\_ th\_ \_rt\_st.

S\_m\_th\_ng s\_rpr\_s\_ng h\_pp\_n\_d d\_r\_ng th\_ tw\_-m\_nth d\_sp\_t\_\_v\_r c\_pyr\_ght \_nd r\_y\_lt\_s. Th\_ n\_mb\_r \_f l\_st\_n\_rs t\_ BNR's sh\_ws \_ncr\_s\_d by 20 p\_r c\_nt. \_ft\_r th\_ r\_d\_\_ st\_t\_\_n st\_rt\_d pl\_y\_ng \_nly B\_lg\_r\_\_n f\_lk t\_n\_s, cl\_ss\_c\_l m\_s\_c \_nd pr\_-w\_r j\_zz, m\_r\_ p\_\_pl\_ st\_rt\_d l\_st\_n\_ng t\_ th\_ r\_d\_\_. \_t s\_\_ms m\_ny l\_st\_n\_rs \_r\_ m\_r\_ \_nt\_r\_st\_d \_n l\_st\_n\_ng t\_ \_ld\_r m\_s\_c th\_n J\_st\_n B\_\_b\_r \_nd T\_yl\_r Sw\_ft. BNR \_s n\_w th\_nk\_ng \_b\_\_t ch\_ng\_ng \_ts m\_s\_c pr\_gr\_mm\_ng. BNR b\_ss \_l\_ks\_nd\_r V\_l\_v s\_\_d th\_r\_ c\_\_ld \_v\_n b\_ n\_w r\_d\_\_ st\_t\_\_ns. Mr V\_l\_v t\_ld r\_p\_rt\_rs: "W\_ w\_ll n\_t ch\_ng\_ th\_ pr\_f\_l\_s \_f th\_ c\_rr\_nt r\_d\_\_ sh\_ws. \_nst\_\_d, w\_ w\_ll l\_\_nch n\_w r\_d\_\_ st\_t\_\_ns w\_th m\_r\_ typ\_s \_f m\_s\_c."

#### PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

From http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1703/170303-radio.html

radio listeners in bulgaria can now start listening to modern music again for the past two months they could only listen to music that was over 70 years old a dispute over copyright meant the bulgarian national radio (bnr) could not play any pop music listeners could only listen to classical music or folk songs that were recorded before world war ii in the european union copyright disappears 70 years after an artist's death bnr has now signed a deal with the copyright organization in the deal bnr will pay more royalty fees a part of these fees goes to the singer band composer or songwriter of a song or a piece of music every time the radio plays a song it must pay royalties to the artist

something surprising happened during the two-month dispute over copyright and royalties the number of listeners to bnr's shows increased by 20 per cent after the radio station started playing only bulgarian folk tunes classical music and pre-war jazz more people started listening to the radio it seems many listeners are more interested in listening to older music than justin bieber and taylor swift bnr is now thinking about changing its music programming bnr boss aleksandar velev said there could even be new radio stations mr velev told reporters "we will not change the profiles of the current radio shows instead we will launch new radio stations with more types of music"

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## PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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## FREE WRITING

From http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1703/170303-radio.html

Write about **radio** for 10 minutes. Comment on your partner's paper.

### ACADEMIC WRITING

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Old music is better than new music. Discuss.

## HOMEWORK

**1. VOCABULARY EXTENSION:** Choose several of the words from the text. Use a dictionary or Google's search field (or another search engine) to build up more associations / collocations of each word.

**2. INTERNET:** Search the Internet and find out more about radio. Share what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

**3. RADIO:** Make a poster about radio programming. Show your work to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all have similar things?

**4. OLD MUSIC:** Write a magazine article about old music and how it is much better than new music. Say why you think radio shows should play more old music than new music. Include imaginary interviews with people who are for and against this.

Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Write down any new words and expressions you hear from your partner(s).

**5. WHAT HAPPENED NEXT?** Write a newspaper article about the next stage in this news story. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

**6. LETTER:** Write a letter to an expert on radio. Ask him/her three questions about it. Give him/her three of your ideas on how to make radio shows better. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your partner(s) will answer your questions.

#### **ANSWERS**

#### TRUE / FALSE (p.4)

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#### SYNONYM MATCH (p.4)

- 1. start
- 2. dispute
- 3. disappears
- 4. deal
- 5. fees
- 6. surprising
- 7. seems
- 8. thinking about
- 9. change
- 10. types

- a. begin
- b. argument
- c. comes to an end
- d. agreement
- e. payments
- f. unexpected
- g. appears
- h. considering
- i. alter
- j. kinds

#### **COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.8)**

- 1. Two months
- 2. Over 70 years old
- 3. World War II
- 4. A deal
- 5. Royalties
- 6. The number of listeners
- 7. Pre-war jazz
- 8. Older music
- 9. The music programming
- 10. New radio stations

#### **MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.9)**

1. c 2. a 3. b 4. d 5. c 6. b 7. d 8. b 9. b 10. a

#### ALL OTHER EXERCISES

Please check for yourself by looking at the Article on page 2. (It's good for your English ;-)