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SATSANG PRARAMBHA

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TOTAL MARKS : 100

Note : Figures to the right indicate the marks for that question.

SECTION-1
(GHANSHYAM CHARITRA)

Q.1 Answer All of the following, using one sentence for each. 5

1. Which of the three things placed on the stool did Ghanshyam pick up ?
2. What was the name of the blind brahmin priest whom Ghanshyam gave back his eyesight ?
3. Who was the wrestler from Nepal that Ghanshyam defeated ?
4. On which foot did Ghanshyam have seven signs of divinity ?
5. When Bhaktimata felt very hungry, whom did Ghanshyam instruct to bring the food. ?

Q.2. Answer any FIVE of the following, stating who is speaking to whom. 10

1. "This, your child is the Lord Himself, and I am his humble servant."
2. "I am afraid we cannot afford to pay more than the normal fare."
3. "Today I have caught the thief and tied his hands and feet."

4. "There was no injury at all."
5. "Don't be afraid, you will not have to fetch any more vessels now."
6. "Oh God! Please find our Ghanshyam for us. Our hearts are broken. It is unbearable."
7. "Do you have any money to buy it? It will cost you no less than three hundred rupees !"

Q.3. Fill in the blanks, choosing the correct answer from the brackets. 10

1. In the village of, the image of Thakorji stepped down from the throne and placed a garland around Ghanshyam's neck.
(Gonda, Targam, Tinwa)
2. is one of the sign on Ghanshyam's left foot.
(Java (Barley), Meen(fish), Ketu(flag))
3. Ghanshyam brought back to life the fish from lake. (Meen, Khampa, Sarju)
4. The monkey that took away the chapati was sent into a trance by Ghanshyam for days. (Three, two and a half, two)
5. Ghanshyam established the teaching in Kashi. (Dvait, Advait, Vishishtadvait)
6. "My molar teeth are giving me severe pain, please prepare for me."
(Lapsi, Shiro, Khir)
7. By observing one Ekadashi, one can obtain the grace of God equal to that obtained by performing.....sacrifices.
(one thousand Rajsuya, one hundred Ashwamedh, one thousand Ashwamedh)

8. Ghanshyam was given the sacred thread in Samvat 1945 on the 10th of the bright half of the month of (Vaishakh, Posh, Phagun)
9. Ghanshyam used to practice wrestling at (Shyamghat, Tulsighat, Rajghat)
10. The thieves tried to steal from Dharmadev's garden. (Jack fruits, Mangoes, Oranges)

Q.4. Write a short note on any ONE of the following and bring out the moral (in 12 lines). 5

1. Kalidatta Meets His End.
2. Ramdatta is taught a Lesson.
3. Ghanshyam Leaves Home.

Q.5. Select the correct answer from list 'B' and match with the correct number in list 'A' : 5

- | A | B |
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| 1. Physician of the Gods | 1. Vasantabai |
| 2. The King of Ayodhya | 2. Pippal Tree |
| 3. Ghanshyam's maternal aunt | 3. Ashwini Kumar |
| 4. Mother of Manekdhar | 4. Raidarshan |
| 5. Direction of Aspirants | 5. Laxmibai. |

SECTION-2

(YOGIJI MAHARAJ)

Q.6. Answer any FIVE of the following, state who is speaking to whom. 10

1. "Today I have got the rare chance of cooking & serving God in this way."

2. "Jina, would you like to be a saint ?"
3. "We have renounced the world and so we have no interest in wedding processions."
4. "Shastriji Maharaj is forever present in the fellowship."
5. "He scolds so that I may improve."
6. "Yes, he possesses all the qualities that a great saint should possess?"
7. "If you are not interested in the affairs of this world, why don't you become a saint ?"

Q.7. Answer ALL of the following, using one sentence for each answer. 5

1. Who performed the idol installation ceremony of Akshar Mandir ?
2. How many hours should school children study for each day ?
3. Which two scriptures should be regularly read?
4. How many saints did Yogiji Maharaj desire to initiate? Who will fulfill this mission ?
5. What would Jina Bhagat do during the recess period at school ?

Q.8. Fill in the blanks by selecting the correct answer from the words in the brackets. 10

1. Jinabhai's elder brother's name was (Karamshibhai, Kamalshibhai, Kalshibhai)
2. Jinabhat was initiated by Acharya Maharaj. (Viharilalji, Laxmiprasadji, Shripatiprasadji)
3. Yogiji Maharaj met Shastriji Maharaj for the first time in the year (A.D.1965, V.S.1956, V.S. 1965)

4. Yogiji Maharaj's father's name was
(Mohanbhai, Devchandbhai, Motibhai)
5. Yogiji Maharaj gave Bhagwati Diksha to well-educated young men in Ghadhada. (twenty five, eleven, fifty one)
6. Yogiji Maharaj visited pilgrim centres by conducting All-India pilgrimage tour by special trains. (once, twice, thrice)
7. Yogiji Maharaj had the small image of Shri Harikrishna Maharaj formerly worshipped by Swami.
(Krishnacharan, Gopalanand, Gunatitanand)
8. Those who acquire philosophical and religious knowledge and also do simultaneously, progress rapidly.
(practical service(seva), discourses(katha))
9. The newsletter was started by Yogiji Maharaj. (Swaminarayan Prakash, Satsang Patrika, Neelkanth)
10. An impressive Memorial of Yogiji Maharaj has been erected in
(Dhari, Junagadh, Gondal)

Q.9. Write a short note on ONE of the following. (in 12lines) 5

1. An Ideal Student.
2. Indifferent to Insult.
3. Yogiji Maharaj Devotion Par Excellence.

SECTION - 3

(KISHORE SATSANG PRARAMBHA)

Q.10. Answer All of the following, using one sentence. for each. 10

1. What are the advantages of performing daily worship (Pooja) ?
2. How much money did Samat Patel offer to Shriji Maharaj ?
3. Which items prepared by Gangama did Shriji Maharaj especially enjoy ?
4. With whose devotion can Jodho's devotion be compared to ?
5. In which town did Muktanand Swami compose the aarti ?
6. What did Nath Bhakta distribute to the people of his town when his son died ?
7. How was the brave child devotee killed by his father ?
8. Which of Shriji Maharaj's saints was not even afraid of tiger ?
9. Who composed the thal ' Jamo thal jivan jau vaari' ?
10. Whom did Shriji Maharaj proclaim as the Mahant - the religious head of the temple of Junagadh?

Q.11. Fill in the blanks by choosing the correct answer from the brackets. 5

1. Bhaguji returned the attack and killed with a single blow. (Matara, Khabad)
2. Vajiba had welcomed and accomodated one of Shriji Maharaj's Paramhansas named Swami at her house.
(Muktanand, Jayramdas, Ramdas)
3. The great King used to spend hours in perfoming pooja in spite of his heavy work.
(Janak, Ambarish, Yudhishtir)

4. Gangama used to address Shriji Maharaj as

(The Merciful one, , Maharaj, Her son)

5. Shriji Maharaj initiated Mulji Bhakta into the sadhu fold on the fifteenth day of the first half of the Month of

(Posh, Ashadh, Falgun)

Q.12. Write a short note on any ONE of the following (in 12 lines).

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1. Prayer.
2. The Muslim Woman from Bhal.
3. Punja Dodia.

Q.13. Complete any FIVE of the following.

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1. Nitya nitya kutumb sahit tarashe.
2. Mukhawas mangamata valane bheto.
3. Vani amrut nitye namu bhaavashu.
4. Shobho sadhu snehej vandu aho.
5. Agachha Sanmukho bhav.
6. Sad buddhi sad goon dyo anandkari.
7. Bhav dharine bolo Brahma ane Parabrahma.

Q.14 Complete any ONE of the following Swami's Vatos and write an explanatory note (in 10 lines)

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1. If one remembers God.....
2. Some people have no control over their minds...