



BAPS SWAMINARAYAN SANSTHA
BAL SATSANG EXAMINATIONS



BAL - 1 : PRACTICE PAPER - 8

ANSWER PAPER - 8

Time: 2 hrs.
Total Marks : 100

Q.1 Fill in the blank space with the appropriate word from the parenthesis. [10]

PART - A

(Dharmadev, Jeth, Joban Pagi, Ramayan, elephant, 7)

1. In Kashi, a grand procession of Dharmadev and Ghanshyam was carried out on an elephant .
2. Ghanshyam was listening to the Ramayan in Hanuman Mandir.
3. Ghanshyam's father's name was Dharmadev .
4. Nilkanth Varni travelled for 7 years.
5. Joban Pagi went to Dabhan to steal Manki.

PART - B

(Maya, Muktanand, Pramukh Swami, Mandap, Parents)

6. Our Guru is Pramukh Swami Maharaj.
7. In the arti Muktanand Swami has sung the greatness of Shriji Maharaj.
8. If you want to become good than you should daily bow down to your Parents .
9. Āpne Bhagwānnā chhie, Pan Māyā nā nathi, em māanvu.
10. The portion below the dome is known as the Mandap .

Q.2 In the following sentences place a (✓) next to those which are correct and a (✗) next to those which are incorrect. [10]

1. Shriji Maharaj went to Akshardham in Vadatal. 1. ✗
2. Ghanshyam's mother name was Survansini devi. 2. ✗
3. In Amdavad, when a brahmin named Brahmvallabh died, Shriji Maharaj went to take him. 3. ✗
4. Ghanshyam was born on the day of Ram Navmi. 4. ✓
5. The people in Gadhada, threw dung, mud, stones and bricks on Shriji Maharaj. 5. ✗
6. Nilkanth Varni cursed his own words in a village called Banshi. 6. ✓
7. Quoting from the scriptures, Ghanshyam declared that Dharma was greater. 7. ✗
8. Kalidatt was an expert in blackmagic. 8. ✓
9. Muktanand Swami stopped the valgar songs, which people sang during marriages. 9. ✗
10. Sātde, Sāt, chhe Brahma hamāri jat. 10. ✓

Q.3 Write the number of the correct answer in the appropriate box. [40]

1. In which place was Ghanshyam born ?
(1) Dhari (2) Chansad (3) Chhapaiya 1. 3
2. What is the meaning of 'Ru'
(1) Light (2) Darkness (3) Ignorance 2. 1
3. For whom did Shriji Maharaj say, 'Mithā Vhālā kem visaru...'
(1) Brahmanand Swami (2) Gunatitanand Swami
(3) Gopalanand Swami 3. 2
4. After giving Diksha what name did Shriji Maharaj give to Magniram ?
(1) Shivanand Swami (2) Devanand Swami
(3) Advaitanand Swami 4. 3
5. In which place did Ramanand Swami enthrone Sahajanand Swami ?
(1) Virpur (2) Jetpur (3) Jetalpur 5. 2
6. 'Swami ni Vato' means ?
(1) Sermons of Gunatitanand Swami
(2) Sermons of Shriji Maharaj (3) Jivan Charitra 6. 1

7. What is God's special house called ?
 (1) Mandir (2) Palace (3) Gharmandir 7. **1**
8. What did Muktanand Swami name Nilkanth Varni ?
 (1) Shitaldas (2) Saryudas (3) Govinddas 8. **2**
9. After whose death Shriji Maharaj gave Swaminarayan Mantra ?
 (1) Advaitanand Swami (2) Vyapakanand Swami
 (3) Ramanand Swami 9. **3**
10. Who told the 'bawa' to take his sword ?
 (1) Brahmanand Swami (2) Gunatitanand Swami
 (3) Nityanand Swami 10. **1**
11. Which Scripture did Shriji Maharaj write in Vartal ?
 (1) Swami ni Vato (2) Vachnamrut (3) Shikshapatri 11. **3**
12. Whom did Maharaj call from Junagadh ?
 (1) Brahmanand Swami (2) Gunatitanand Swami
 (3) Muktanand Swami 12. **2**
13. For building which mandir, did Shriji Maharaj tell everyone to pick up and carry a stone from the river ?
 (1) Gondal (2) Dholera (3) Gadhada 13. **3**
14. What did Maharaj call the mud by which the devotees were covered with ?
 (1) Saffron paste (2) Sandalwood paste (3) Mud paste 14. **2**
15. Who thought of a plot to kill Shriji Maharaj ?
 (1) Suba of Ahmedabad (2) the Britishers (3) Kathi Darbars 15. **1**
16. In which village did Shriji Maharaj made the boys go into 'Samadhi'
 (1) Sarangpur (2) Jetalpur (3) Gadhada 16. **3**
17. In the yagna of which village, the Brahmin shouted for the want of ghee ?
 (1) Dabhan (2) Vartal (3) Gadhada 17. **1**
18. Who was Bhagatji Maharaj's Guru ?
 (1) Shastriji Maharaj (2) Gunatitanand Swami (3) Gopalanand Swami 18. **2**
19. How many things did Dharmdev keep on table to test Ghanshyam ?
 (1) Two (2) Three (3) Four 19. **2**
20. Leaving his home, Ghanshyam jumped into which river ?
 (1) Ganga (2) Saryu (3) Ghela 20. **2**
21. In Kashi's assembly who was asked to sit on a high seat for judgement ?
 (1) Ghanshyam (2) the scholars (3) Dharmadev 21. **3**
22. When was Ghanshyam born ?
 (1) Samvat 1848 (2) Samvar 1837 (3) Samvat 1841 22. **2**
23. Where was Shriji Maharaj Cremated ?
 (1) Vartal (2) Gondal (3) Gadhada 23. **3**

24. In which place did Ramanand Swami & Nilkanth meet for the first time ?
 (1) Piplana (2) Loj (3) Mangrol 24. **1**
25. Which new names did Ramanand Swami give to Nilkanth after initiation ?
 (1) Sahajanand Swami (2) Narayanmuni (3) Both 25. **3**
26. Where did Maharaj write 'Shikshapatri' ?
 (1) Vartal (2) Gadhada (3) Junagadh 26. **1**
27. At what age did Ghanshyam leave his home ?
 (1) 9 (2) 11 (3) 15 27. **2**
28. What fell on the Sadhus meditating beneath the tree ?
 (1) Python (2) Scorpion (3) Snake 28. **3**
29. Who was Ramanand Swami's oldest & most senior disciple ?
 (1) Atmanand Swami (2) Muktanand Swami
 (3) Vyapakanand Swami 29. **2**
30. Magniram was a devotee of
 (1) Goddess (2) Ramanand Swami (3) Mahadev (Lord Shiva) 30. **1**
31. Who did not accept to become the Mahant ?
 (1) Ramanand Swami (2) Nilkanth (3) the bawas 31. **2**
32. Who was guru of Yogiji Maharaj ?
 (1) Bhagatji Maharaj (2) Shastriji Maharaj (3) Vignandas 32. **2**
33. To Whom did Ramanand Swami entrust his throne ?
 (1) Muktanand Swami (2) Sahajanand Swami
 (3) Brahmanand Swami 33. **2**
34. Nilkanth set off in a boat for jungle to meet whom ?
 (1) Jambuvan (2) Sugriv (3) Hanuman 34. **1**
35. Ekde ek, ni rakho tek, mara bandhu.
 (1) Brahm (2) niyam (3) Shriji 35. **3**
36. For how many years did Nilkanth Varni travel ?
 (1) 7 (2) 9 (3) 11 36. **1**
37. Which mantra did Sahajanand Swami give to Shitaldas ?
 (1) Swaminarayan (2) Om Namah Shivay (3) Narayan – Narayan 37. **1**
38. By whom is God always present on earth ?
 (1) Mandir (2) True Sadhu (3) Guru 38. **2**
39. Where did Maharaj perform non-violent yagna ?
 (1) Vartal (2) Junagadh (3) Jetalpur 39. **3**
40. What is the place, under the Shikhars where the murtis are installed known as ?
 (1) Harimandir (2) Nijmandir (3) Kodi mandap 40. **2**

Q.4 Answer the following questions in 1-2 sentences only.

[10]

1. Why did the sage cry?

Ans. The sage was crying because he would not live to see Ghanshya's greatness spread everywhere.

2. Who taught Ghanshyam

Ans. Dharmadev taught Ghanshyam

3. What did the lion do when it came near Nilkanth?

Ans. The lion jumped up onto the platform and sat next to Nilkanth.

4. Where did Saryudas like to stay?

Ans. Saryudas liked to stay in the forest by himself.

5. Where did the sadhus eat moss growing on the side of the lake?

Ans. The sadhus ate moss on the side of the lake at the town of Jamnagar.

6. Why did Pibek bow at Nilkanth Varni's feet?

Ans. The dried stump flowered into a beautiful tree with green leaves, flowers and juicy fruits as soon as Nilkanth Varni prayed. On seeing this pibek fell at Nilkanth Varni's feet.

7. Who came back to life as he was about to be cremated?

Ans. The Brahmin Pranvallabh sat up from the pile of a wood after his death.

8. Where did the group of sadhus stay in Ahmedabad?

Ans. They stayed (group of sadhus) beneath the tamarind trees. On the outskirts near Dariykhani Ghummat,

9. At what age did Ghanshyam leave home?

Ans. Ghanshyam was 11 years and old when he left home.

10. Whom did Shriji Maharaj call from Junagadh?

Ans. Maharaj called Gunatitanand Swami from Junagadh.

Q: 5 Complete the following Swamini Vatos.

[10]

1. Āpne Bhagwānnā

Ans. Āpne Bhagwānnā chhie pan māyānā nathi em māvnu.

2. Karod kām bagādine

Ans. Karod kām bagādine pan ek moksha sudhārvo ne kadāpi karod kām sudharyā ne ek moksha bagādyo to temā shu karyu?

3. Āvā Sādhune

Ans. Āvā Sādhune manmā sambhārie to mannā pāp bali jāy ne vāto sāmhalie to kannā pāp bali jāy ne darshan karie to ānkhna pāp bali jāy em mahimā jānvo.

4. Nirantar sarva

Ans. Nirantar sarva kriyāmā pāchu valine jovu je, māre Bhagwān bhajvā chhe ne hu shu karu chhu, em joyā karvu.

5. Gāfalāi tālvānu

Ans. Gāfalāi tālvānu kāran e chhe je khatko rākhe to tale ne bijo upāy to koik shikshā kare tyāre tale.

Q: 6 Complete the unfinished kirtan / shloka / ashtaka.

[10]

1. Nānā nānā bal

**Ans. Nānā nānā bāl ame, Swāmine vahālā bāl ame;
Shrijine vahālā bāl ame, santone vahālā bāl ame...
Vahelā uti dhyān dharshu, nāhi dhoine pujā karshu;
Swāminārāyan mantrā bhanshu, pragat Prabhune pranām karshu...**

2. Purushottam pragatnu,

**Ans. Purushottam pragatnu, je darshan karshe,
Kāl karmathi chhuti, kutumb sahit tarshe...jay
Ā avasar karunānidhi, karunā bahu kidhi,
Muktānand kahe mukti, sugam kari sidhi...jay**

3. Om saha navavatu,

**Ans. Om saha nāvavtu, sahanau bhunaktu,
saha viryam karvāvahai tejasvinā vadhitamastu,
mā vidvishāvahai Om Shanti(hi)..Shanti (hi)...Shanti (hi)**

4. Athde āth,

**Ans. Āthde āth, muki de jagno thāth...Mārā bandhu 7
Navde nav, tari jā tu ā bhav...Mārā bandhu 8
Ekde minde dash, adharma māthi khas...Mārā bandhu 9
Evi rite bhajāy, to Akshardhāmmā javāy...Mārā bandhu 10**

5. Gururbrahmā shri gurave namaha.

**Ans. Gururbrahmā, gururvishnu, gururdevo Maheshvara(ha),
Guru sākshāt, param Brahma, tasmai shri gurave nama(ha).**

Q.7 Write short notes on any ONE of the following. (In 10 - 12 lines.)

[10]

(1) A Donkey into a Cow **(57)**

(2) Eating a Cucumber on an Elephant ! **(44)**

(3) Curses his own words **(17)**