



BAPS SWAMINARAYAN SANSTHA

BAL SATSANG EXAMINATIONS



SATSANG VIHAR - 2 : PRACTICE PAPER -1

ANSWER PAPER-1

Time: 2 hrs.
Total Marks : 100

Q.1 Write the number of the correct answer in the appropriate box. [50]

1. Why does God himself come to Earth?
(1) God holds his devotees dear. 1.
(2) He is not powerful enough to do his work from heaven.
(3) He is cursed to take birth on Earth.
2. Who gives the fruit (results) of karma?
(1) God (2) Destiny (3) Karma 2.
3. What was Ghanshyam Maharaj's father's name?
(1) Dhoribhai (2) Dharmadev (3) Dhirajdev 3.
4. How many eternal entities are there?
(1) 2 (2) 3 (3) 5 4.
5. Which step of ashtang yoga is samadhi?
(1) First (2) Middle (3) Last 5.
6. To which village did Jagrup Barot invite Shriji Maharaj?
(1) Sinjivada (2) Gadhada (3) Methan 6.
7. What was the name of Kashidas's mother?
(1) Namniba (2) Naniba (3) Nitiba 7.
8. In which city did Maharaj eat a cucumber while sitting on an elephant?
(1) Junagadh (2) Vadodara (3) Ahmedabad 8.
9. Like humans, who else wished for Maharaj's prasad?
(1) Asuras (2) Brahmaji (3) Rishis 9.
10. Whom did Maharaj ask, "What would you call a person who goes all the way to the banks of the ganga river but comes back thirsty?"
(1) Brahmanand Swami (2) Kashidas (3) Muktanand Swami 10.
11. For which sadhu did Maharaj say, "This sant is just like me"?
(1) Nityanand Swami (2) Gopalanand Swami 11.
(3) Gunatitanand Swami

12. What did Gunatitanand Swami explain to Atmanand Swami?
 (1) Niyam-dharma (2) Character (3) **Upasana** 12.
13. Who is worthy of offering bhakti to God?
 (1) Priest (2) **One who is brahmarup** (3) Sadhu 13.
14. Who said, "I have sacrificed myself for Gunatitanand Swami"?
 (1) Natha Bhakta (2) Jaga Bhatka (3) **Pragji Bhatka** 14.
15. How did Pramukh Swami Maharaj describe Shastriji Maharaj's body?
 (1) intimidating (2) **a fistful of bones** (3) short 15.
16. When one cheats, who does one really cheat?
 (1) self (2) friends (3) **God** 16.
17. During his kalyan yatra, by which name was Shriji Maharaj known?
 (1) Sarjudas (2) Narayanmuni (3) **Nilkanth Varni** 17.
18. How long was Narayanswarup Swami's trip from Atladra to Sarangpur?
 (1) 2 hours (2) 5 hours (3) **15 hours** 18.
19. If someone asks if we've seen God, what should we answer?
 (1) **Yes** (2) No (3) Not sure 19.
20. Which murderer did Ramsang Bapu include in his team?
 (1) Jorubha (2) **Temubha** (3) Merubha 20.
21. What did Khima Suthar gift Shriji Maharaj?
 (1) a mala (2) **a kanthi** (3) a jamo 21.
22. Who said, "How can I disrespect Shriji Maharaj's words"?
 (1) Jagrup Barot (2) **Joban Pagi** (3) Jodho Bharvad 22.
23. To whom did Maharaj say, "Do not become attached to your kingdom. Attach yourself to my murti alone"?
 (1) **Kushalkuvarba** (2) Dada Khachar (3) Vajesinh 23.
24. _____ = solution to all family problems.
 (1) Parasabha (2) Satsang sabha (3) **Gharsabha** 24.
25. Which of the following is one of five nirjala fasts given by Shastriji Maharaj?
 (1) **Jal Jhilani Ekadashi** (2) Bhim Ekadashi (3) Pavitra Ekadashi 25.
26. Who is a real satsangi?
 (1) One who has a photo of Swamishri in his shop. 26.
 (2) One who goes to sabha at least once a month.

(3) One who does not eat outside food.

27. At which place did the Thakor Saheb of Jasdhan have Sura Khachar stay?
(1) palace (2) **private room** (3) a hut 27.
28. Where did Siddhanandji run after listening to Nityanand Swami's talks?
(1) Umreth (2) Vijaynagar (3) **Dakor** 28.
29. What did Jasa Bhakta not do?
(1) **Attend samaiya in Junagadh** 29.
(2) Follow Gopalanand Swami's agna
(3) Take care of his farm
30. Over whose head did the snake make a hood like an umbrella?
(1) **Sachchidanand Swami** (2) Satyamitranand Swami 30.
(3) Muktanand Swami
31. What did Dada Khachar say when Maharaj asked for 2000 rupees?
(1) No, I don't have it (2) **I'll get it tomorrow** (3) Yes, right away! 31.
32. How many grain did Parvatbhai donate to Maharaj's almhouse?
(1) **6400 kg** (2) 7200 kg (3) 5800 kg 32.
33. Who carried Jhinabhai's bier?
(1) His son (2) Kamalshi Vanjha (3) **Shriji Maharaj** 33.
34. What did Prahlad ask of God?
(1) 'May you always protect my body as you have today.' 34.
(2) 'May I always have your protection for my kingdom.'
(3) **'May I always be your servant.'**
35. How many years of Maharaj's discourses are included in the Vachanamrut?
(1) 12 (2) **10** (3) 18 35.
36. Where and when was BAPS founded?
(1) **Bochasan in 1907** (2) Gondal in 1905 (3) Bochasan in 1900 36.
37. How many followers are there in BAPS?
(1) more than 500,000 (2) more than 900,000 37.
(3) **more than 1,000,000**
38. How old was Narayanswarupdas when Shastriji Maharaj made him President?
(1) 19 (2) **28** (3) 21 38.

39. Despite life-threatening circumstances, what did Prahlad never give up?
 (1) tapa **(2) bhakti** (3) katha 39.
40. At Maharaj's agna, who did Dada Khachar sell his land to?
 (1) his uncle (2) his son **(3) his sisters** 40.
41. What did Shastriji Maharaj give physical form by building mandirs?
(1) Upasana (2) History (3) Vachanamrut 41.
42. Why might bad things happen to good people?
(1) Due to their karmas from a previous life 42.
 (2) Due to their religion in a previous life
 (3) Due to their relations of previous life
43. Who is avatari of all avatars, sarvopari Bhagwan?
 (1) 24 avatars (2) Ramanand Swami **(3) Shriji Maharaj** 43.
44. By accepting whose invitation did Varni go to Kashidas's home?
(1) Kandas (2) Kashidas (3) Naniba 44.
45. Who said the following for the Vachanamrut: "This is the most profound and fundamental principle. It is the essence of all essences"?
 (1) Gunatitanand Swami **(2) Shriji Maharaj** (3) Muktanand Swami 45.
46. Who did the Nawab remember just before he passed away?
 (1) Son (2) Diwan **(3) Shriji Maharaj** 46.
47. In whose darbar was the Loya Shakotsav celebrated?
(1) Sura Khachar (2) Dada Khachar (3) Mulu Khachar 47.
48. Gunatitanand Swami explained the upasana to Atmanand Swami based on what?
 (1) Bhagvat (2) Ved **(3) Vachanamrut** 48.
49. Who hugged Ghanshyam after Kalidatta died?
 (1) Friend (2) Dharmadev **(3) Bhaktimata** 49.
50. Bhagatji Maharaj did seva of sewing
 (1) Clothes **(2) Decorative canopy** (3) Curtains 50.

Q.2 In the following sentences place a (✓) next to those which are correct and a (X) next to those which are incorrect. [20]

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| 1. Shastriji Maharaj founded BAPS in 1907. | 1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. Jhina Bhagat used to teach his friends how to swim at the river. | 2. <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. Swamishri was travelling from Chicago to New York when Thakorji fell. | 3. <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4. Narayanswarupdas left at 3 AM to go to Sarangpur to read Shastriji Maharaj the Bhaktachintamani. | 4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 5. The satpurush is our atma. | 5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 6. Ramsang Bapu spent only 20 years of his life in Satsang. | 6. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 7. The black magic Brahmin who tried to curse Khima Suthar became Sachchidanand Swami. | 7. <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 8. God's murti is like a parasmani. | 8. <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 9. Prayer is the only thing that can solve all of our problems. | 9. <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 10. The two wings to Akshardham are tapa and seva. | 10. <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 11. Eating out stops us from being satsangis. | 11. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 12. Jasa Bhakta was of Panchala. | 12. <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 13. Maharaj asked Dada Khachar for 2000 rupees. | 13. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 14. The Vachanamrut includes discourses from 8 villages. | 14. <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 15. Maganbhai lived his life as if he were a sadhu. | 15. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 16. Shanti Bhagat received sadhu initiation in Gondal. | 16. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 17. Veda Vyas classified the Vedas, wrote the Brahmasutras and the Puranas. | 17. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 18. The soul of BAPS is the Gunatit Satpurush. | 18. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 19. In Bhavnagar, Yogiji Maharaj sang seven thals. | 19. <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 20. The Brahmins gave 10 ladus to Naniba. | 20. <input type="checkbox"/> |

Q.3 Answer the following questions in 1-2 sentences only. [10]

1. What was Gunatitanand Swami's most important work?

Ans. To strengthen people's faith that Shreeji Maharaj was Sarvopari Bhagwan.

2. What is Akshar Purushottam upasana?

Ans. Sahajanand ek Parmeshwar, Gunatitanand Mul Akshar, Pragat Satpurush Mokshnu dwar.

3. Who said: "I agree. He is not human. He is God! Who should God fear?"

Ans. Nawab Hamidkhan

4. What did Gunatitanand Swami tell Balmukund Swami to say to awake Pragji Bhakta?

Ans. Gunatit, Wake up!

5. How would Pragji Bhagat fast while doing seva?

Ans. He would fast without water for two days straight and would eat only once on the third day.

Q.4 Complete the following Recitations.

[10]

1 Purushottamni bhakti Akshar-Purushottam upasana.

**Ans. Purushottamni bhakti etle prem Shrijimā karvo,
sarvopari sākar Pragat kartāno nishchay karvo
Ādarsh bālak thaine, ekmanā rahi,
Akshardhāme javāni ārādhanā...
Akshar-Purushottam upāsanā...**

2. Uttishtho param kuru.

**Ans. Uttishthotishtha he Nāth, Swāminārāyana prabho,
Dharmasuno dayāsindho, sveshām shreyaha param kuru.**

3. Shrimannirgun namu sarvada.

**Ans. Shrimannirgun-murti sundar tanu, je jnānvārtā kathe,
Je sarvagna, samast sādhubgun chhe, māyā thaki mukta chhe;
Sarvaishvaryathi purna ashritajanonā dosh tāle sadā,
Evā Prāgji Bhaktarāj gurune, preme namu sarvadā**

4. Shriharim bhaje.

**Ans. Shriharim sāksharam sarvadeveshvaram,
Bhakti-Dharmātmajam divyarupam param;
Shāntidam muktidam kāmadam kāranam,
Swāminārāyanam Nilkantham bhaje,**

5. Prayer for Morning Puja.

Ans. He Mahārāj, He Swāmi! He Pramukh Swāmi Mahārāj, He Mahant Swāmi Mahārāj! Hu humeshā āpni āgnā pālu, kharāb kārya na karu, āpne rāji kari shaku tevā bal-budhhi āpajo. Kusang thaki rakshā karjo ane sārāno sang āpjo. Mātāpitāni sevā karu ane abhyās barābar karu ane āpno ādarsh bhakta banu evi shakti āpjo.

OR

“O Maharaj! O Swami! O Pramukh Swami Maharaj , O Mahant Swāmi Mahārāj! Please give me wisdom and strength so that I may always follow your wishes, never do any wrong deeds, and always please you. Please protect me from bad company and always give me good company. Please give me strength so that I may serve my parents, study well, and become your ideal devotee.”

Q.5 Write short notes on any ONE of the following. (In 10 lines.)

[10]

(1) Yogiji Maharaj Offers Thal **(C-1)**

(2) Atmanand Swami Learns Maharaj’s True Greatness **(C-12)**

(3) BAPS Sanstha **(C-40)**

(For answers, refer to the appropriate chapters)