



BAPS SWAMINARAYAN SANSTHA

BAL SATSANG EXAMINATIONS



SATSANG VIHAR - 1 : PRACTICE PAPER - 1

ANSWER PAPER-2

Time: 2 hrs.
Total Marks : 100

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

1. What is the meaning of punarjanma?
(1) **Rebirth** (2) Death (3) Salvation 1.
2. What did Vikamshi give his mother from his past birth?
(1) A Pot (2) A sword (3) **Rs. 500** 2.
3. Where did Ghanshyam live?
(1) Bochasan (2) Atladra (3) **Chhapaiya** 3.
4. How many mandirs did Rampratapbhai see Ghanshyam at?
(1) **Three** (2) Six (3) Two 4.
5. In which ashram did Nilkanth stay the night outside, beneath a giant tree?
(1) **Kamleshwar** (2) Chhapaiya (3) Mahelav 5.
6. What Jai was called after Sahajanand Swami asked for his boons?
(1) Harikrishna Maharaj ni (2) **Sahajanand Swami ni** (3) Ramanand Swami ni 6.
7. When Shriji Maharaj arrived at the doorstep of Shobharam, what did Shobharam do?
(1) **Turned him away** (2) Begged forgiveness (3) Repented 7.
8. Where did Shriji Maharaj celebrate the Fuldol festival?
(1) **Panchala** (2) Gadhada (3) Sarangpur 8.
9. Who is our supreme Bhagwan?
(1) Pramukh Swami (2) **Shriji Maharaj** (3) Krishna Bhagwan 9.
10. Where was King Vajesinh's court located?
(1) **Bhavnagar** (2) Ahmedabad (3) Jamnagar 10.
11. What remains fit and fine by observing fast on ekadashi?
(1) **Your Body** (2) Your House (3) The Environment 11.
12. Who is Maharaj's divine abode?
(1) Muktanand Swami (2) Yogiji Maharaj (3) **Gunatitanand Swami** 12.

13. What did Mulji reply upon his mother's refusal on giving him milk before offering to Thakorji?
 (1) "Mother, I will wait" 13.
 (2) "Mother, God resides in everyone so we don't have to offer him anything"
(3) "Mother, God eternally resides in me. He eats and drinks with me. He also sleeps with me and talks with me."
14. What did Bhagatji Maharaj talk to Vagha Khachar about while he was in Junagadh?
 (1) Talked to him about the supermancy of Maharaj 14.
(2) Talked about the glory of Gunatitanand Swami as Mul Akshar.
 (3) Talked to him about himself as the greatest sevak
15. Who declared Sahajanand Swami as his successor?
 (1) Muktanand Swami (2) Brahmanand Swami **(3) Ramanand Swami** 15.
16. At what age did Yogiji Maharaj renounce home?
 (1) 18 **(2) 16** (3) 12 16.
17. Bapa is the living form of whom?
(1) Swaminarayan Bhagwan (2) Muktanand Swami 17.
 (3) Bhagatji Maharaj
18. How long did Bhagvatsingh remain in Gadhada?
(1) Till his last breath in 1986 (2) Until after he met Bapa 18.
 (3) For several years
19. Where was Bapa's 51st birthday celebrated?
 (1) Gondal (2) Bhuj **(3) Dharmaj** 19.
20. In which village did Swamishri go to visit calves?
 (1) Sarangpur **(2) Ratanpur** (3) Jetalpur 20.
21. There are two wings needed to go to Akshardham, that a BAPS devotee must firmly follow: Agna and Upasana. What does Agna mean?
 (1) A form of worship (2) To command devotees 21.
(3) Moral and spiritual commands
22. During initiation or diksha one is given a few drops of water in the ____?
 (1) Right & left palm **(2) Right palm** (3) left palm 22.
23. By doing Mansi Puja, it
 (1) Pleases God (2) Fills us with joy **(3) Both A and B** 23.

24. How many Arti's are performed in a shikharbhaddh mandir daily?
(1) Five (2) Three (3) Two 24. **1**
25. How do we experience inner peace and hapiness by attending bal sabha?
(1) Because you get inspired to practice our teachings 25. **1**
 (2) Because you get to see your friends
 (3) You get snacks
26. Other than not eating food made of grains and flour, what else should you do on Ekadashi?
(1) Do bhajan (2) Watch movies and tv (3) None of the above 26. **1**
27. What did Gokaldas' mother request from Shriji Maharaj?
 (1) To perform arti at her home (2) To come to her home 27. **3**
(3) To bless her
28. Which town was Abhaysinh Darbar from?
 (1) Lodhva **(2) Lodhika** (3) Jamnagar 28. **2**
29. How many shlokas are in the Shikshapatri?
(1) 212 (2) 216 (3) 262 29. **1**
30. How much money had Manasiyo saved up after a few years?
(1) Rs. 2 lakh (200,000) (2) Rs. 5 lakhs (500,000) 30. **1**
 (3) Rs. 10 lakhs (1,000,000)
31. After chanting the sacred name of Swaminarayan, Vyapkanand Swami, sprinkled what on the horse?
 (1) amrut (2) milk **(3) water** 31. **3**
32. While eating kansar, Maharaj asked for something. What did he ask for?
 (1) rotlis **(2) Ghee** (3) more kansar 32. **2**
33. Who did Himraj Shah meet at Gadhada and immediately became a Swaminarayan devotee?
 (1) Gunatitanand Swami **(2) Bhagwan Swaminarayan** 33. **2**
 (3) Gopalanad Swami
34. Which of the following did King Dashrath shoot?
 (1) a bird (2) Shravan's parents **(3) Shravan's heart** 34. **3**
35. What chant should be said while doing Mala?
 (1) Krishna Krishna **(2) Swaminarayan Swaminarayan** (3) Jay Jay Jay 35. **2**

36. What is Ghanshyam's mother's name?
(1) Bhakti devi (2) Sharda devi (3) Suvasini 36.
37. Who went looking for Ghanshyam?
 (1) Friends (2) Dharmadev **(3) Rampratap** 37.
38. How many mandirs did Shriji Maharaj build?
 (1) 1 (2) 4 **(3) 6** 38.
39. What is Yogiji Maharaj's diksha name?
 (1) Narayanswarupdas **(2) Gnanjivandas** (3) Yagnapurushdas 39.
40. Where was the arti composed?
 (1) Jetpur (2) Piplana **(3) Kalvani** 40.
41. Why is sixth dandvat done in puja?
 (1) To fulfill desires 41.
(2) Seek forgiveness for any insult or hurt to other devotee
 (3) To repent
42. Shikshapatri teaches us 'where to spit' to 'what to become' ?
 (1) Mumukshu (2) Bhakta **(3) Brahmarup** 42.
43. What is Satpurush?
 (1) Guru (2) Sant **(3) Gateway to Moksha** 43.
44. How many artis are performed in Shikharbhaddh mandirs?
 (1) 2 (2) 3 **(3) 5** 44.
45. The thought of which pain fainted Gunatitanand Swami?
(1) Shriji Maharaj has gone (2) Shriji Maharaj had not eaten 45.
 (3) Shriji Maharaj had not spoken
46. When do we speak 'Shrimadsadguna' shloka?
 (1) In puja **(2) Before meals** (3) Before sleep 46.
47. When did Shriji Maharaj give up his physical body?
(1) 1st June 1830 (2) 6th Jan 1830 (3) 1st June 1886 47.
48. Whom did Laldas send to capture Shriji Maharaj.
 (1) Shobharam (2) Dayaram **(3) Arab officer.** 48.
49. To whom did Shriji Maharaj said to stay in river Ghela?
 (1) Avatars (2) Devotees **(3) Tirthas** 49.
50. To please God, children should at least perform... artis daily.
(1) 2 (2) 3 (3) 5 50.

Q.2 In the following sentences place a (✓) next to those which are correct and a

(X) next to those which are incorrect.

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1. BAPS was established in 1909. 1.
2. Gunatitanand Swami had wished for the spread of bal mandal. 2.
3. The Shikshapatri was written in its completion on 12 February 1826 or V.S. 1882, Maha sud 5. 3.
4. Shravan was making sounds of air bubbles by the water. 4.
5. The twelfth day after the passing away of a family member is called dhyaan. 5.
6. Shastriji Maharaj built 7 mandirs. 6.
7. Brahmanand Swami said that when he writes a bhajan, every single word is repeated. 7.
8. If we donate some money to god, our money becomes impure. 8.
9. By the time Vinubhai caught and stopped Yogiji Maharaj, Yogiji Maharaj had already done 3 dandvats to Ghanshyam Bhagat. 9.
10. Abhaysinh gave the sword to Maharaj to cut his throat. 10.
11. Shriji Maharaj went to visit Gokaldas Bhatiya and his mother did not like Shriji Maharaj because her son had left the Vaishnav faith. 11.
12. Twice a year, we should not eat food made of flour and grains. 12.
13. Maharaj was giving a discourse at Jiva Khachar's darbar. 13.
14. The sanctums of our mandirs used to be properly lit by oil lamps or flashlights. 14.
15. By standing on one leg, with your arms raised up and doing one mala is called tap ni mala. 15.
16. Shriji Maharaj conducted a big yagna in Vadodara. 16.
17. Yogiji Maharaj's father's name was Bholanath Sharma. 17.
18. Sarangpur Mandir was built by Shastriji Maharaj. 18.
19. BAPS stands for Bochasanwasi Shri Akshar Purushottam Swaminarayan Sanstha. 19.
20. Ladudanji renounced the world to become a sadhu who was later known as Brahmanand Swami. 20.

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

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1. What does BAPS stand for?

Ans. BAPS stands for Bochasanwasi Shri Akshar Purushottam Sanstha.

2. Before Himraj Shah passed away what did he tell his sons?

Ans. Himraj Shah told his sons to never lose their faith in Swaminarayan Bhagwan and the Satsang fellowship.

3. What are the four goals of life?

Ans. The four goals of life are dharma, arth, kam and moksha.

4. When Parvatbhai only wondered what Varah avatar looked like, why did Maharaj show him all the avatars?

Ans. He showed him all the avatars because if today Parvatbhai wished to see Varah avatar, tomorrow he would wish to see the others as well.

5. What is Tap ni mala?

Ans. Tap ni mala is standing on one leg, raising both of your hands up straight, and doing one mala.

Q.4 Complete the following Recitations.

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1. Svasthanam gachchha devesh punaragamanaya chha.

**Ans. Svasthānam gachchha devesh pujāmādāya māmakim,
Ishtakāmprasiddhyartham punarāgamanāya chha.**

2. Apne to Akshardhamma rakhvo.

Ans. Apne to Akshardhāmmā jāvu chhe, Evo ek sankalp rākhvo.

3. Nitya nitya kutumb sahit tarshe.

**Ans. Nitya nitya nautam lilā kartā Avināshi (2),
Adsath tirath charane (2), koti Gayā Kāshi... Jay.
Purushottam pragat nu je darshan karshe (2),
Kāl karma thi chhuti (2), kutumb sahit tarshe... Jay.**

4. Satya, hit ne priya vachan kahevu nahi.

Ans. Satya, hit ne priya evu vachan bolvu. Ne upekshā rahit bolvu, pana āgrah thi vachan kahevu nahi.

5. Aum sahanavavatu Shanti hi Shantihi.

**Ans. Aum sahanāvavatu, saha nou bhunaktu,
sahaveeryam karavāvahai, Tejasvināvadheetamastu,
mā vidvishāvahai, Aum Shāntihi! Shāntihi! Shāntihi!**

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

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(1) Ever Present Through the Gunatit Sant **(C-12)**

(2) Who is Swamishri ? **(C-19)**

(3) Compassionate and Kind **(C-18)**

(For answers, refer to the appropriate chapters)