



# BAPS SWAMINARAYAN SANSTHA

## BAL SATSANG EXAMINATIONS



### SATSANG VIHAR - 1 : PRACTICE PAPER -3

#### ANSWER PAPER-3

Time: 2 hrs.  
Total Marks : 100

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

1. Gunatitand Swami wished for Satsang to spread to \_\_\_\_\_ in the world?  
(1) **every leaf of every tree** (2) every continent (3) every house 1.
2. Which shatras were given by Bhagwan Swaminarayan ?  
(1) Vachanamrut (2) Shikshapatri (3) **Both of them** 2.
3. What did rishis experience in the jungles, caves or on mountains?  
(1) Devotion (2) Moksha (3) **Inner peace** 3.
4. 'Akshar vat' means Shriji Maharaj is ever present on Earth through whom?  
(1) **Gunatit guru Parampara** (2) Dharma Parampara 4.   
(3) Vansh parampara
5. Who said, "God is the giver of names to all things"?  
(1) **Muktanand Swami** (2) Brahmanand Swami (3) Shriji Maharaj 5.
6. What is disservice?  
(1) improper service (2) service as per our wish 6.   
(3) **to perceive faults in others**
7. 'Gunatitam Gurum prapya...' - When should we sing this shloka?  
(1) for puja (2) before meals (3) **for dhyye mantra and purnahuti** 7.
8. How many sadhus did Bhagwan Swaminarayan initiate as Paramhansas?  
(1) 500 (2) 1000 (3) **3000** 8.
9. What is Ghanshyam's mother's name?  
(1) **Bhakti devi** (2) Sharda devi (3) Suvasini 9.
10. Which are the main shastras of BAPS Sanstha?  
(1) Vachanamrut, Swami ni Vato (2) Vachanamrut, Shikshapatri 10.   
(3) **Vachanamrut, Swami ni Vato, Shikshapatri**
11. Where was the arti written?  
(1) Vadtal (2) **Kalvani** (3) Junagadh 11.

12. What verse comes after Purushottam pragat nu je darshan karshe, Kāl karma thi chhuti, kutumb sahit tarshe in the aarti?
- (1) Nārāyan sukh dātā, dwij-kul tanu dhāri , 12.   
Pāmar patit uddhāryā, aganit narnāri
- (2) Ā avsar karunā nidhi, karunā bahu kidhi,  
Muktānand kahe mukti, sugam kari sidhi**
- (3) Nitya nitya nautam lilā kartā Avināshi ,  
Adsath tirath charane, koti Gayā Kāshi
13. Whose soul was transferred in to the horse by Vyapkanand Swami?
- (1) a fly **(2) a mosquito** (3) A butterfly 13.
14. Which one is one of the four vedas?
- (1) Vachanamrut (2) Shikshapatri **(3) Atharva** 14.
15. Which is the best of all forms the jiva takes in its cycle of births and rebirths?
- (1) Animal (2) Plant **(3) Human** 15.
16. Where did Ghanshyam live during his childhood?
- (1) Chhapaiya** (2) Atladra (3) Jetalpur 16.
17. Ramanand Swami gave diksha to Nilkanth Varni in which city?
- (1) Jetalpur (2) Loya **(3) Piplana** 17.
18. What did Dharmadev teach Ghanshyam everyday?
- (1) Mala **(2) Hindu Shastras** (3) Swimming 18.
19. What was the King Vajesinh's reaction when Ladudanji sang in his court?
- (1) Not Impressed and told him to leave 19.   
(2) Very Impressed and gave him lots of money
- (3) Very Impressed and wanted to dress him in gold ornaments**
20. What did Mulji see the elderly do as he walked through the village?
- (1) All the senior folks were indulging in gossiping and addictions. 20.   
No one was remembering or doing bhajan of God.
- (2) All the seniors were praying to God; doing bhajan bhakti**
- (3) All the elderly were teaching their grand children about Bhagwan
21. When Bapa replied to the letter from a sant, who wrote out the English answer?
- (1) Dharmacharan Swami **(2) Bapa himself** (3) It was typed out 21.

22. What is the first Arti called that is performed at a shikharbhaddh mandir?  
**(1) Mangala** (2) Shayan (3) Rajbhog 22.
23. How many ways are there in which Ekadashi can be observed?  
 (1) 1 (2) 2 **(3) 3** 23.
24. What was founded by Yogiji Maharaj?  
 (1) The light bulb **(2) Bal Mandal** (3) Discourses 24.
25. How many times do you circle the flame after finishing Arti?  
 (1) Two **(2) Three** (3) Four 25.
26. Why should we not eat onions, garlic, and asafoetida?  
 (1) They cause diseases **(2) They are tamsik** (3) They can kill us 26.
27. For what reason did Himraj Shah first come in contact with the Swaminarayan sampraday?  
 (1) Gopalanand Swami asked for donations 27.   
**(2) Gopalanand Swami was sick**  
 (3) To listen to Gopalanand Swami's katha-varta
28. Who is one of the leading researchers on rebirth?  
 (1) Albert Einstein **(2) Ian Stevenson** (3) Cupernicus 28.
29. What did one of the poor persons see when he was going to pass away?  
 (1) Shriji Maharaj doing katha (2) Shriji Maharaj playing ras 29.   
**(3) Murti of Shriji Maharaj giving him food**
30. During Bapa's 51st birthday celebrations, which day out of the 11 days did Bapa perform the menial seva?  
**(1) last day** (2) second day (3) fifth day 30.
31. Which of the following event has not occurred in Manasiyo Khuman's life?  
 (1) He earned Rs. 2 lakhs (200,000) 31.   
**(2) He got a promotion in his job**  
 (3) He gave his dharmado regularly
32. Where did Shriji Maharaj celebrate the Fuldol festival?  
**(1) Panchala** (2) Sarangpur (3) Vartal 32.
33. Where was King Vajesinh's court located?  
**(1) Bhavnagar** (2) Ahmedabad (3) London 33.
34. Maharaj is described by his devotees with four main characteristics. Which of the following is NOT one of them?  
 (1) Having a divine form (2) Supreme **(3) An avatar of Vishnu** 34.

35. More than 100 years ago, the Murti Pratishtha of the Murti of Ghanshyam Maharaj was to take place in this city:  
**(1) Rampura, Surat** (2) Ahmedabad (3) Bochasan 35.
36. For how many days did the calves not receive food to eat?  
 (1) 1-4 (2) 1 **(3) 2-3** 36.
37. After the vartman ritual, what is placed around the neck?  
 (1) Garland of flowers (2) Mala **(3) Double-stringed Kanthi** 37.
38. How many malas and pradakshina should one do?  
 (1) Six or Ten (2) Three or Eleven **(3) Five or Eleven** 38.
39. What should you NOT do in bal sabha?  
 (1) Participate in sabha **(2) Disturb other balaks** (3) Pay attention 39.
40. Which of the following is not one of the scriptures from the Swaminarayan Sampraday?  
 (1) Swamini Vato **(2) The Ramayan** (3) The Vachanamrut 40.
41. All of Vagha Khachar's Material desires and faults dissolved. Even his terrifying dreams vanished and he was blessed with the \_\_\_\_\_  
**(1) niravaran state** (2) eternal state (3) both a and b 41.
42. How much money did the Mahant offer Nilkanth to stay at the ashram?  
 (1) Rs. 1 (2) Rs. 5 lakh **(3) Rs. 1 lakh** 42.
43. Who asked Maharaj why he looked from right to left in Gadhada?  
 (1) Dada Khachar (2) Gunatitanand Swami **(3) Muktanand Swami** 43.
44. How many boons did Sahajanand Swami ask for?  
 (1) 3 **(2) 2** (3) 5 44.
45. What is the ceremony called for appointing a new successor?  
 (1) Manglachara (2) Welcome Ceremony **(3) Pattabhishek** 45.
46. Which of the following is not one of the three devas that run each of the brahmands?  
**(1) Ganesh** (2) Vishnu (3) Brahma 46.
47. Who was Maharaj referring to when he said, "He is my divine abode, Akshardham?"  
 (1) Gopalanand Swami **(2) Gunatitanand Swami** (3) Himself 47.
48. Who is the Satpurush?  
 (1) Guru (2) Sant **(3) Gateway to Moksha** 48.

49. The jiva mostly goes through how many births before becoming a human?  
 (1) 3.2 million                      **(2) 8.4 million**                      (3) 8.6 million                      49.
50. What is Ghanshyam's elder brother's name?  
**(1) Rampratapbhai**                      (2) Ichharam                      (3) Dharmadev                      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]

1. Non-violence or Ahimsa is one of the many moral principles in Hinduism. 1.
2. After the ceremony, Ramanand Swami said "I came as his announcer, and now he is the main person. I have completed my role as the Drumbeater" 2.
3. King Jamsaheb was from a town called Jamnagar. 3.
4. Dada Khachar showed such yogic powers, the way Gopalanand Swami did. 4.
5. After leaving his home Ghanshyam became known as Sahajanand Swami. 5.
6. We belong to the distinct Swaminarayan Sampradaya. 6.
7. Bhagatji Maharaj became Shastriji Maharaj's guru because he had clarified the true upasana of Swami and Narayan and Akshar and Purushottam. 7.
8. Maharaj never takes human forms at the same time in infinite universes to liberate all. 8.
9. The poison of kusang will have its harmful effect instantly. 9.
10. In Puja, we sit facing in the south direction. 10.
11. The Vedas do not contain the knowledge of atma and Paramatma. 11.
12. Yogi Bapa started Music and Sanskrit Pathshalas. 12.
13. One of Ladudanji's wishes was: May the Shrimad Bhagvad be covered in a black cloth. 13.
14. BAPS Sanstha has National and International Services: Educational services help through building, maintaining, and managing schools, hostels, and scholarships. 14.
15. Pramukh Swami Maharaj's childhood name was Mulji Sharma. 15.
16. Gopalanand Swami said that a single leaf can be moved in the infinite universes without Maharaj's doership 16.
17. A kavadi is a carrier made of Bamboo. 17.

18. Shriji Maharaj woke up in the middle of the night from his dream which he was having and wished to go and share it with Muktanand Swami. 18.
19. By standing on one leg, with your arms raised up and doing one mala is called a dandvat. 19.
20. Gunatitanand Swami, who is Aksharbrahman, was born on 17 October 1785 (V.S. 1841, Aso sud 15) in Amdavad Jamnagar district. 20.

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

**[10]**

1. Which are the Four Vedas?

**Ans. The four vedas are Sama, Atharva, Rig, and Yajur.**

2. From where did Sanatan Dharma flourish?

**Ans. It flourished from the banks of the Sindhu River.**

3. Where did Narayan's father hide the Rs. 500?

**Ans. Narayan's father hid the money inside the third beam of the main room of their house.**

4. Why was Ghanshyam angry at the fisherman?

**Ans. The fisherman was catching fish from Lake Meen which made Ghanshyam angry.**

5. Why did the fisherman feel as if he was reborn?

**Ans. Ghanshyam had cleansed him of his impurities and bad qualities.**

**Q.4 Complete the following Recitations.**

**[10]**

1. Narayan sukha data ..... koti Gaya Kashi.

**Ans. Narayan sukha data dwij-kul tanu dhari, Pamar patit uddharya, aganit narnari, Jay...Nitya nitya nautam lila karta Avinashi, Adsath tirath charane, koti Gaya Kashi.**

2. Prayer for Morning Puja .....

**Ans. Prayer for Morning Puja: He Maharaj, He Swami! He Pramukh Swami Maharaj! Hu humesha apni agna palu, kharab karya na karu, apne raji kari shaku teva balbudhhi apajo. Kusang thaki raksha karjo ane sarano sang apjo. Matapitani seva karu ane abhyas barabar karu ane apno adarsh bhakta banu evi shakti apjo.**

3. Vandu Shri Harine ..... kalyandata tame.

**Ans. Vandu Shri Harine sada hrudaythi, Gunatitanandne,  
Vandu Pragji Bhaktane vali namu, Shastri Maharajne,  
Vandu Shri karunanidhan gurune, Yogi Maharajne,  
Vandu Brahmaswarup Shri Pramkhe, kalyandata tame.**

4. Seva to potani ..... avagun levo.

**Ans. Seva to potani shraddha pramane thay te karvi, Pana aseva to na j karvi. Te aseva te shu? Je avagun levo.**

5. Gurur Brahma ..... bhavbandhanat.

**Ans. Gurur Brahma Gurur Vishnur Gururdevo Maheshwar,**

**Guruhu sakshat Parambrahma, tasmai Shri gurave namaha bhavbandhanat.**

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

**[10]**

(1) Who is A Hindu? (C-1)

(2) The Foundation of BAPS (C-15)

(3) Taming a Lion (C-5)

**(For answers, refer to the appropriate chapters)**