



BAPS SWAMINARAYAN SANSTHA
BAL SATSANG EXAMINATIONS



SATSANG VIHAR - 1 : PRACTICE PAPER -7

ANSWER PAPER-7

Time: 2 hrs.
Total Marks : 100

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

1. Where was the arti written?
(1) Vadatal **(2) Kalvani** (3) Junagadh 1.
2. 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, 2.
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
3. Whose soul was transferred in to the horse by Vyapkanand Swami?
(1) a fly **(2) a mosquito** (3) A butterfly 3.
4. Which one is one of the four vedas?
(1) Vachanamrut (2) Shikshapatri **(3) Atharva** 4.
5. Which is the best of all forms the jiva takes in its cycle of births and rebirths?
(1) Animal (2) Plant **(3) Human** 5.
6. Where did Ghanshyam live during his childhood?
(1) Chhapaiya (2) Atladra (3) Jetalpur 6.
7. Ramanand Swami gave diksha to Nilkanth Varni in which city?
(1) Jetalpur (2) Loya **(3) Piplana** 7.
8. What did Dharmadev teach Ghanshyam everyday?
(1) Mala **(2) Hindu Shastras** (3) Swimming 8.
9. What was the King Vajesinh's reaction when Ladudanji sang in his court?
(1) Not Impressed and told him to leave 9.
(2) Very Impressed and gave him lots of money
(3) Very Impressed and wanted to dress him in gold ornaments

10. What did Mulji see the elderly do as he walked through the village?
(1) All the senior folks were indulging in gossiping and addictions. 10.
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
11. 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 11.
12. What is the first Arti called that is performed at a shikharbhaddh mandir?
(1) Mangala (2) Shayan (3) Rajbhog 12.
13. How many ways are there in which Ekadashi can be observed?
 (1) 1 (2) 2 **(3) 3** 13.
14. What was founded by Yogiji Maharaj?
 (1) The light bulb **(2) Bal Mandal** (3) Discourses 14.
15. How many times do you circle the flame after finishing Arti?
 (1) Two **(2) Three** (3) Four 15.
16. Why should we not eat onions, garlic, and asafoetida?
 (1) They cause diseases **(2) They are tamsik** (3) They can kill us 16.
17. For what reason did Himraj Shah first come in contact with the Swaminarayan sampraday?
 (1) Gopalanand Swami asked for donations 17.
(2) Gopalanand Swami was sick
 (3) To listen to Gopalanand Swami's katha-varta
18. Who is one of the leading researchers on rebirth?
 (1) Albert Einstein **(2) Ian Stevenson** (3) Copernicus 18.
19. 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 19.
(3) Murti of Shriji Maharaj giving him food
20. 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 20.
21. Which of the following event has not occurred in Manasiyo Khuman's life?
 (1) He earned Rs. 2 lakhs (200,000) 21.
(2) He gave his dharmado regularly
 (3) He got a promotion in his job

22. Where did Shriji Maharaj celebrate the Fuldol festival?
(1) Panchala (2) Sarangpur (3) Vartal 22.
23. Where was King Vajesinh's court located?
(1) Bhavnagar (2) Ahmedabad (3) London 23.
24. 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** 24.
25. 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 25.
26. For how many days did the calves not receive food to eat?
 (1) 1-4 (2) 1 **(3) 2-3** 26.
27. After the vartman ritual, what is placed around the neck?
 (1) Garland of flowers (2) Mala **(3) Double-stringed Kanthi** 27.
28. How many malas and pradakshina should one do?
 (1) Six or Ten (2) Three or Eleven **(3) Five or Eleven** 28.
29. What should you NOT do in bal sabha?
 (1) Participate in sabha **(2) Disturb other balaks** (3) Pay attention 29.
30. Which of the following is not one of the scriptures from the Swaminarayan
 Sampraday?
 (1) Swamini Vato **(2) The Ramayan** (3) The Vachanamrut 30.
31. 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 31.
32. How much money did the Mahant offer Nilkanth to stay at the ashram?
 (1) Rs. 1 (2) Rs. 5 lakh **(3) Rs. 1 lakh** 32.
33. Who asked Maharaj why he looked from right to left in Gadhada?
 (1) Dada Khachar (2) Gunatitanand Swami **(3) Muktanand Swami** 33.
34. How many boons did Sahajanand Swami ask for?
 (1) 3 **(2) 2** (3) 5 34.
35. What is the ceremony called for appointing a new successor?
 (1) Manglacharan (2) Welcome Ceremony **(3) Pattabhishek** 35.

36. Which of the following is not one of the three devas that run each of the brahmands?
 (1) **Ganesh** (2) Vishnu (3) Brahma 36.
37. Who was Maharaj referring to when he said, "He is my divine abode, Akshardham?"
 (1) Gopalanand Swami (2) **Gunatitanand Swami** (3) Himself 37.
38. Who is the Satpurush?
 (1) Guru (2) Sant (3) **Gateway to Moksha** 38.
39. The jiva mostly goes through how many births before becoming a human?
 (1) 3.2 million (2) **8.4 million** (3) 8.6 million 39.
40. What is Ghanshyam's elder brother's name?
 (1) **Rampratapbhai** (2) Ichharam (3) Dharmadev 40.
41. Gunatitand Swami wished for Satsang to spread to _____ in the world?
 (1) **every leaf of every tree** (2) every continent (3) every house 41.
42. Which shatras were given by Bhagwan Swaminarayan ?
 (1) Vachanamrut (2) Shikshapatri (3) **Both of them** 42.
43. What did rishis experience in the jungles, caves or on mountains?
 (1) devotion (2) moksha (3) **inner peace** 43.
44. 'Akshar vat' means Shriji Maharaj is ever present on Earth through whom?
 (1) **gunatit guru parampara** (2) dharma parampara 44.
 (3) vansh parampara
45. Who said, "God is the giver of names to all things"?
 (1) **Muktanand Swami** (2) Brahmanand Swami (3) Shriji Maharaj 45.
46. What is disservice?
 (1) improper service (2) service as per our wish 46.
 (3) **to perceive faults in others**
47. 'Gunatitam Gurum prapya...' - When should we sing this shloka?
 (1) for puja (2) before meals (3) **for dhyey mantra and purnahuti** 47.
48. How many sadhus did Bhagwan Swaminarayan initiate as Paramhansas?
 (1) 500 (2) 1000 (3) **3000** 48.
49. Who is the leader of BAPS Sanstha?
 (1) Shastriji Maharaj (2) Yogiji Maharaj (3) **Pramukh Swami Maharaj** 49.

50. Which are the main shastras of BAPS Sanstha?(Ch-39)

- (1) Vachanamrut, Swami ni Vato (2) Vachanamrut, Shikshapatri 50.
- (3) Vachanamrut, Swami ni Vato, Shikshapatri

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. The Vedas do not contain the knowledge of atma and Paramatma. 1.
2. Yogi Bapa started Music and Sanskrit Pathshalas. 2.
3. One of Ladudanji's wishes was: May the Shrimad Bhagvad be covered in a black cloth. 3.
4. BAPS Sanstha has National and International Services: Educational services help through building, maintaining, and managing schools, hostels, and scholarships. 4.
5. Pramukh Swami Maharaj's childhood name was Mulji Sharma. 5.
6. Gopalanand Swami said "Without your doership not even a single leaf can move in the infinite universes. But through your grace I can accomplish whatever I wish." 6.
7. A kavadi is a carrier made of Bamboo. 7.
8. 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. 8.
9. By standing on one leg, with your arms raised up and doing one mala is called a dandvat. 9.
10. Gunatitanand Swami, who is Aksharbrahman, was born on 17 October 1785 (V.S. 1841, Aso sud 15) in Amdavad Jamnagar district. 10.
11. Non-violence or Ahimsa is one of the many moral principles in Hinduism. 11.
12. 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" 12.
13. King Jamsaheb was from a town called Jamnagar. 13.
14. Dada Khachar showed such yogic powers, the way Gopalanand Swami did. 14.
15. After leaving his home Ghanshyam became known as Sahajanand Swami. 15.
16. We belong to the distinct Swaminarayan Sampradaya. 16.
17. Bhagatji Maharaj became Shastriji Maharaj's guru because he had 17.

clarified the true upasana of Swami and Narayan and Akshar and Purushottam.

18. Maharaj never takes human forms at the same time in infinite universes to liberate all. 18. X
19. The poison of kusang will have its harmful effect instantly. 19.
20. In Puja, we sit facing in the south direction. 20. X

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

1. What did Maharaj show Parvatbhai when he wished to see what Varah avatar looked like?

Ans. Maharaj showed Parvatbhai all the 24 avatars and all the avatars merging into Maharaj's form.

2. After becoming a sadhu, what was Jhina Bhagat named ?

Ans. Jhina Bhagat was named Sadhu Gnanjivandas (Jnanjivandas).

3. Which shloka is sung every day in our puja to welcome Maharaj and Swami?

Ans. (Give Full Marks for one or two Shloks)

**Uttishthotishtha he Nāth, Swāminārāyana prabho,
Dharmasuno dayāsindho sveshām shreyaha param kuru.
Āgachchha Bhagwan deva, svasthānāt Parameshwar,
Aham pujām karishyāmi sadā tvam sammukho bhava.**

4. 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.

5. What was the first boon Sahajanand Swami requested?

Ans. If a devotee were to suffer the pain of one scorpion bite then to let him not suffer, but may I suffer millions of scorpion bites in every pore of my body.

Q.4 Complete the following Recitations. [10]

1. 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 Pramkhne, kalyandata tame.**

2. 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.

3. Gurur Brahma bhavbandhanat.

**Ans. Gurur Brahma Gurur Vishnur Gururdevo Maheshwar,
Guruhu sakshat Parambrahma, tasmai Shri gurave namaha bhavbandhanat.**

4. Narayan such data koti Gaya Kashi.

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

5. Prayer for Morning Puja

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

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

[10]

(1) Taming a Lion (C-5)

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

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

(For answers, refer to the appropriate chapters)