BOCHASANWASI SHREE AKSHAR PURUSHOTTAM
SWAMINARAYAN SANSTHA
SATANG PRARAMBHA

Date: 15th July 2001] [Time: 9.00 a.m. to 12.00 noon]  

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NOTE

1. Figures given on the right hand side indicate the marks for that question.

2. Follow the instructions while answering.

3. Answer should be clear and without cancellations.

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SECTION - 1 (GHANSHYAM CHARITRA)

Q.1. Answer ALL of following using one sentence for each. [5]

1. When was Ghanshyam born?

2. What 3 things did Dharmadev place on the stool to test Ghanshyam?

3. What was the name of the street in Ayodhya where Dharmadev lived?

4. What were the nine signs on Ghanshyam's right foot?

5. What was the name of Ghanshyam's maternal aunt?

Q.2. Answer Any FIVE of the following, stating who is speaking to whom. [10]

1. "He is two-and-a-half months old."
   Who is speaking .............................................. To whom ...............................................................  

2. "We shall bring a plateful of delicacies for you everyday."
   Who is speaking .............................................. To whom ...............................................................  

3. "There is another tooth which is also loose and gives me a lot of pain."
   Who is speaking .............................................. To whom ...............................................................  

4. "Let us keep throwing small stones at them."
   Who is speaking .............................................. To whom ...............................................................  

5. "Where did you leave the pot and the rope."
   Who is speaking .............................................. To whom ...............................................................  

6. "Will you dive in the water and find out what has happened to Ghanshyam?"
   Who is speaking .............................................. To whom ...............................................................  

7. "You are killing innocent animals. I am therefore, very angry with you."
   Who is speaking .............................................. To whom ...............................................................  

Q.3. Fill in the blanks, choosing the correct answer from the brackets. [10]

1. Ghanshyam ate .................. while he had his ears pierced. (penda, molasses, barfi)

2. Ghanshyam stopped the fisherman from killing fishes on the banks of ................. lake. (Meen, Narayan, Khampa)

3. Ghanshyam sent the monkey into a trance for .................... days. (2,4,3)

4. Ghanshyam showed ....................... the strength equal to that of ten thousand elephants and defeated him. (Kesarisingh, Mahabali, Dillisingh)

5. ....................... gave Ghanshyam the sacred thread. (Harikrishna Upadhyay, Mohandas, Markandey Muni)
6. The cow specially gave milk for Ghanshyam. (Kapila, Gauri, Gomti)

7. Ghanshyam was seen in two forms during the festival of. (Annakut, Fuldol, Ekadashi)

8. Ghanshyam gave back the blind Brahmin his eyesight at the mandir. (Mahadev, Hanuman Ghadi, Vidyaunk)

9. Ghanshyam was years old when he won the debate in Kashi. (8, 10, 12)

10. hurled little Ghanshyam into the flood waters of the Saryu. (Kaushik, Kaliya, Kallidatt)

Q.4. Write briefly five main points (in sentences) of any ONE. (Narration is not required.) [5]

1. The importance of Ekadashi.
2. The greedy confectioner.
3. A boon for Laxmiji.

Incident:

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Q.5. Select matching pairs from list A and B. [5]

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SECTION - 2 (YOGIJI MAHARAJ)

Q.6. Answer any FIVE of the following, stating who is speaking to whom. [10]

1. "If you are not interested in the affairs of this world, why don't you become a sadhu?"
   Who is speaking To whom

2. "It's a festival day today, therefore please have some food."
   Who is speaking To whom
3. "We have renounced the world and now we have no interest in wedding processions."
   Who is speaking .................................................... To whom .................................................................
4. "You do good to those who have harmed you. You are just like an ideal paramhansa."
   Who is speaking .................................................... To whom .................................................................
5. "For a long time I have been thinking of preparing food to serve the Lord."
   Who is speaking .................................................... To whom .................................................................
6. "Pramukh Swami is the manifestation (swarup) of Shastriji Maharaj."
   Who is speaking .................................................... To whom .................................................................
7. "Why don't you take a younger sadhu with you?"
   Who is speaking .................................................... To whom .................................................................

Q.7. Answer ALL of the following, using one sentence for each answer. [5]
1. What did Jaga Bhakta say to Jina Bhagat in his dream?

2. What did Jina Bhagat present to Shastriji Maharaj during their first meeting?

3. What did Jina say to the boys who threatened him to show his slate?

4. What did Yogiji Maharaj sing at Jayantibhai's house in Bhavnagar?

5. Who built the mandir in Gadhada, and who performed the image-installation ceremony in Gadhada?

Q.8. Fill in the blanks by selecting the correct answer from the words in the brackets. [10]
1. The place where Jina used to perform meditation every morning is known as ........................................
   (Triveni Sangam, River Shetrunji, Patalio Zaro)

2. Yogiji Maharaj was born on the twelth day of the dark half of the month of Vaishakh in the year VS ...........
   (1946, 1947, 1948)

3. Yogiji Maharaj was beaten by the evil sadhus in the village of ......................................................
   (Keria, Samadiyarla, Mengani)

4. In the incident showing devotion par excellence, Yogiji Maharaj was going to Gadhada from Sarangpur with ..............
   (Nirgundas Swami, Shastriji Maharaj, Bhagwatswarup Swami)

5. Shastriji Maharaj performed the idol-installation ceremony of the Gondal mandir on the ..................... th day of the bright half of Vaishakh. (6,8,10)

6. Yogiji Maharaj began a vast circulation of the monthly Swaminarayan ......................
   (Satsang Patrika, Prakash, Bliss)
7. Yogiji Maharaj initiated 51 well educated young men into the Bhagwati Diksha at Gondal, Gadhada, Mumbai.

8. The first Akshar Purushottam mandir inaugurated in Africa was in Mombasa, Kampala, Nairobi.


10. Those who acquire philosophical and religious knowledge and also engage in simultaneously, progress rapidly. (discourses, service, austerities)

Q.9. Write briefly five main points (in sentences) of any ONE. (Narration is not required.) [5]

1. I am only a servant.
2. Snake bite.
3. Devotion to master (guru bhakti).

Q.10. Answer ALL of the following, using one sentence for each. [10]

1. When was Gunatitanand Swami born (date & year)?

2. For how many days did Bhumanand Swami not get anything to eat?

3. Whom did Shriji Maharaj ask to take care of Bhaguji and if necessary defy the God of death, Yama?

4. In which two places Shriji Maharaj established centres (gadis)?

5. What did Shriji Maharaj say regarding the brave child devotee?

6. Who is atma?
7. Who worshipped God in their childhood?

8. Whom should we think of at the time of prayer?

9. Who used to bring grass for Shriji Maharaj's horse, Manki?

10. What village was Vajiba from?

Q.11. Fill in the blanks by choosing the correct answer from the brackets. [5]

1. The Muslim woman (Bibi) who used to bring toothbrush sticks from a babul tree for Shriji Maharaj was from ............................. (Sodhi, Panvi, Dholera)

2. Jodho's devotion could be compared only to that of ............................... (Sudama, the Gopis, Arjuna)

3. Shastriji Maharaj was given Bhagwati Diksha by ............................................................
   (Viharilalji Maharaj, Shripatiprasadji Maharaj, Anandprasadji Maharaj)

4. Nath Bhakta's son's name was................................. (Narayan, Prabhudas, Sunderji)

5. Gunatitanand Swami reverted to the divine abode in ............................ (Junagadh, Mahuva, Gondal)

Q.12. Are the statements below true or false. If false, write the correct statement. [5]

1. Samat Patel went home and sold everything he had and collected three thousand rupees and offered it to Shriji Maharaj.

2. Muktanand Swami composed the arti in Kariyani.

3. Shriji Maharaj asked all his followers to visit Junagadh once a year for one month and listen to the discourses of Gunatitanand Swami.

4. Shriji Maharaj enjoyed the daal and rice prepared by Gangama of Jetpur.

5. One should perform one's puja facing either east or west.

Q.13. Complete any FIVE of the kirtans/verses below. [10]

1. Swasthanam ........................................................................................................................................

2. Purushottam pragatnu...........................................................................................................................

3. .................................................................................................................................................. cha.

4. .................................................................................................................................................. siddhi.
3. Shastra sakalno. ........................................................................................................................................
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4. Kari katha ...........................................................................................................................................
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5. Janmya kaushal ...................................................................................................................................
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6. Vani amrutthi ....................................................................................................................................... 
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7. Pragat hari guru .................................................................................................................................
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Q. 14. Complete any ONE of the following Swamini Vatos and write an explanatory note on it. (In 10 lines.) [5]
1. God always protects.....
2. If one remembers God....

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