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SECTION-1: SAHajanAND CHARITRA

Q.1. Answer the following, stating who says to whom and when. (10)
   1. "Please protect the cow and brahmins, your rule shall last for a long period."
      Who is speaking ......................................... To whom .................................................
      When ..........................................................................................................................
   2. "Swaminarayan has done a wonderful job."
   3. "I don't mind that he is not a learned sadhu, but his actions are pure."
   4. "I am your Guru, therefore listen to me very carefully and practice in life what
      I preach for your betterment."
   5. "Dwarkadhish has bestowed his divine favour upon us and he is on his way to
      Vartal with all his people."

Q.2. Give reasons for the following. (In two or three lines.) (6)
   1. Maharaj returned to Gadhada from Methan.
   2. Installation ceremony in Vartal is a unique instance of Maharaj's divinity.
   3. Maharaj pleased a child by giving him a mango.

Q.3. Write briefly five main points (in sentences) on any ONE
   (narration is not required). (5)
   1. The Glory of Gunatit 2. Maharaj's routine
   3. Sadhus instructed to learn Sanskrit
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Q.4. Answer the following in one sentence. (5)
   1. What would not the weavers accept from Brahmins and Baniyas?
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   2. What was the greatest source of harassment to the sadhus?
3. Where and which understanding (philosophy) did Ghanshyam reestablish?
4. Who consoled everyone when Maharaj departed for Dham?
5. What did Shriji Maharaj say about Gadhada?

Q.5. State whether the following statements are True or False and rewrite the False statements. (5)

1. Parvatbhai's wife served milk to Maharaj.

2. Maharaj cut nails with a scissors and gave to the Kanbi boy.

3. Maharaj allowed Sura Khachar to eat dudhpak.

4. A fakir in Meghpur pledged before Maharaj not to drink alcohol, eat meat, steal or commit adultery.

5. Maharaj gave Teja Bhakta His footwear.

Q.6. Fill in the blanks. (4)

1. In V.S. ......................, Jeth sud Ekadashi, the foundation stone of the shikharbaddh mandir at Gadhada was laid.

2. At ...................... Maharaj instructed the sadhus to start doing tilak and chandlo.

3. In Amdavad Maharaj installed ...................... Dev.

4. At the yagna in ...................... Joban Pagi came to steal the mare belonging to Maharaj.

SECTION-2: SATSANG READER-II

Q.7. Answer the following, stating who says to whom and when. (10)

1. "This has brought stigma on our family."
    Who is speaking ........................................ To whom ..................................................
    When .............................................................................................................................

2. "Look here, God has sent this child to us."

3. "I am sure you have realised God or you are in communion with some great sadhu."

4. "You are serving Maharaj everyday. Let me serve Him today."

5. "You should always stand by Vartal Gadi and enhance its prestige."
Q.8. Give reasons for the following. (In two or three lines.) (6)
1. Premanand Swami composed 'Vandu Sahajanand...'.
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2. Dada Khachar, on hearing the verses of Maharaj's departure, ran to Premanand Swami since he could not stand the agony expressed in the songs and requested him to stop.
3. Thrice Manki returned from the outskirts of Gadhada.

Q.9. From the sentences given below, choose the FIVE correct sentences. (Write the sentence numbers only.) (5)

Ayodhyaprasadji Maharaj - above desire for taste
1. As per its nature the scorpion stung in the back. 2. Acharya Maharaj was served dudhpak with great love. 3. Attendants saw his swollen and red back and a scorpion hidden in the corner. 4. Instead of sugar they had put salt in the dudhpak. 5. If evil cannot give up its nature, why should the good give up their goodness. 6. The devotees of Gamdi village accorded a grand reception to Acharya Maharaj. 7. One should happily accept whatever God offers. 8. While Ayodhyaprasadji Maharaj was performing mansi puja a scorpion climbed on his back. 9. All devotees tendered apologies to Acharya Maharaj. 10. In mansi he had became one with the divine figure of Shriji Maharaj.

Sentence no.  

Q.10. Answer the following in one sentence only. (5)
1. What is the great treasure for spiritual aspirants?
   ....................................................................................................................................
2. Who were forbidden by Maharaj to have His darshan?
3. Where and by whom was the marble murti of Mulji Brahmachari installed?
4. Whose murti was installed in Gadhpur mandir by Maharaj?
5. What talks did Nityanand Swami have with the Nawab of Junagadh?

Q.11. Match list 'B' with List 'A' and write your selection in the space given. (4)

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SECTION-3: ESSAY

Q.12. Write an essay on any ONE of the following. (In approximately 30 lines.) (10)
1. A perfect balance of spirituality and a secular (worldly) life
2. Swamishri - Ocean of Humility
3. Nanese ho nane rahiye
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