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Q.1 Fill in the blanks by choosing the correct answer from the options given. (10)

1. ....................................... Swami gave back the bawa's sword.
   (Muktanand, Brahmanand, Sahajanand)

2. Father Dharmadev told .............................. to look after Ghanshyam.
   (Ichharambhai, Rampratapbhai, Bhaktimata)

3. The inner sanctum where the murtis are consecrated is called the ..............................
   (Rangmandap, Mandir, Nij mandir)

4. Ghanshyam studied under ..............................
   (Dharmadev, Markendey, Rampratapbhai)

5. A devotee of God should have faith in ...................... only.
   (oneself, devtas, God)

6. We can see God in his .............................. all around us.
   (appearance, virtues, creation)

7. To test Ghanshyam, his father placed the .............................. scripture on the table.
   (Bhagvad Gita, Mahabharat, Shrimad Bhagvat)

8. By consuming meat and alcohol one goes to .............................. (heaven, hell, Dham)

9. The Shikshapatri forbids us from drinking .............................. (juice, alcohol, Coca-Cola)

10. By .............................. one can become everybody's favourite.
    (studies, seva, guru's grace)

Q.2 In the sentences below, tick (✔✔✔✔✔) those which are true and cross (✘✘✘✘✘) those which are false. (10)

1. Maharaj commands in Shikshapatri to sell tobacco and other intoxicants. ............... ✔

2. Pibek took a handful of adad grains, chanted mantras over them and threw
   them on a tree which withered and died. ............... ✔

3. In Pandharpur, the devotee named Pundarik made God
   stand on a brick. ............... ✔

4. Nilkanth Varni cursed His own words in Gadhada. ............... ✔

5. Nilkanth agreed to temporarily serve as the Mahant of the ashram. ............... ✔

6. If someone is older in age but newer in devotion one should bow down
   to him. ............... ✔

7. Parabrahman himself is the guru who gives spiritual knowledge. ............... ✔

8. Ghanshyam jumped into the Ghela river and then headed for the
   Himalayas. ............... ✔

9. Maharaj performed a great sacrifice in Jetalpur. ............... ✔

10. Maharaj's sadhus can touch money sometimes. ............... ✔

Q.3 Answer ALL of the following, using one sentence (not just one word) for
    each answer. (10)

1. What is God's house called?
   ............................................................................................................................... ✔

2. Which were the favourite mandirs of Ghanshyam in Ayodhya?
   ............................................................................................................................... ✔

3. Why did Maharaj tell the Kathi darbars, “Your greatness has increased”? ✔

4. Which mantra did Maharaj give to Shitaldas? ✔

5. Where in Gadhada was Maharaj’s body cremated? ✔

6. Why did Pibek bow at Nilkanth Varni’s feet? ✔
7. When Maharaj was ill whom did he embrace?
8. Where did the lost goat go and sit?
9. Swamini Vatu means to leave which three things?
10. What did Rampratapbhai say angrily to Ghanshyam Maharaj?

Q.4 Answer ALL of the following, and state who is speaking to whom. (10)

1. "Forgive me because you had to stay hungry tonight."
   Who is speaking? ........................................  To whom? ..............................................

2. "Eat the prasad or you will get the same treatment as this tree. "

3. "God's face was just like yours. It was you, right!"

4. "My work on this earth is now over."

5. "Call those people here and serve them food with love and care."

Q.5 Answer any ALL of the following. (Using three lines for each.) (10)

1. What was Muktanand Swami convinced of on seeing Nilkanth Varni?
   ............................................................................................................................... .............
   ............................................................................................................................... .............
   ............................................................................................................................... .............

2. Why did Dharmadev take Ghanshyam to attend the assembly at Kashi?

3. How did the Suba plot to kill Shriji Maharaj?

4. What happens when we are blessed by the grace of a true guru?

5. How could the cowards become fearless?

SECTION - 2

Q.6 Select the correct answer from the options provided and write only the number in the box preceding the question. (10)

1. In which village did Maharaj write the Shikshapatri?
   (1) Vartal  (2) Ahmedabad  (3) Gadhada  (4) Bhuj

2. What is the name of Shriji Maharaj's dham?
   (1) Vartaldham  (2) Haridham  (3) Golokdham  (4) Akshardham

3. What was the childhood name of Bhagwan Swaminarayan?
   (1) Nilkanth  (2) Sarjudas  (3) Sahajanand  (4) Ghanshyam

4. In which year did Ramanand Swami appoint Sahajanand Swami as guru?
   (1) 1856  (2) 1858  (3) 1857  (4) 1859

5. Who was killed while planning to kill Ghanshyam?
   (1) Kalidatt  (2) Kaushik  (3) Demon  (4) Pibek

6. How was the fire extinguished in the village which was burnt by mere words?
   (1) Water  (2) Words  (3) Queen  (4) Kani (blind)

7. Who reached to the bricklayer with the container of mortar?
   (1) Labourer  (2) Maharaj  (3) Sadhu  (4) Pramukh Swami
8. Ghanshyam left home on Ashadh ____ Samvat 1848.
   (1) sud nom   (2) vad nom   (3) sud dasham   (4) vad dasham

9. What object represents a scholar?
   (1) a weapon   (2) a gold coin   (3) a scripture   (4) a table

10. In which Samvat year was Ghanshyam born?
    (1) 1827   (2) 1837   (3) 1847   (4) 1857

Q.7 Pick the correct option from list 'B' for list 'A' and write only the answer number in the given box. (5)

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<td>Man fell ill</td>
<td>3. Went to God's house</td>
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<td>Boys</td>
<td>4. Ghanshyam: Here, There, Everywhere!</td>
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<td>Muktanand Swami</td>
<td>5. Great magician</td>
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Q.8. Complete the following Swamini Vato. (10)

1. Nirantar sarva ............................................................................................................. ........
   ............................................................................................................................... ..............
   ............................................................................................................................... ..............
   Ketelek rupiye ............
   Gafalai talvanu ............
   Apne to Akshardham ............
   Karod kam bagadine ............

Q.9 Complete the kirtans/verses below. (10)

1. Athade ath .................................................................................................................... ........
   ............................................................................................................................... ...............
   ......................................................................................................... Akshardham ma javay.
   Ame a yagna ............ kshobh shano chhe.
   Purushottam pragatnu ............ kari siddhi.
   Gurur Brahma ............ Gurave nama(ha).
   Nana nana Bal ............ pranam karshu.

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

1. Abolishing Superstitions
2. If you want to become good then...
3. Stay where there are discomforts.