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1. On the day of the Final Satsang Examinations, all examinees should obtain the signature of the class supervisor on the answer sheet bearing their own personal details only.
2. Answer books without the signature of the class supervisor will not be considered valid.
3. Figures given on the right hand side indicate the marks for that question.
4. Follow the instructions while answering. Answers crossed out will not be considered valid.
5. Write your answers with either a blue or black pen only. Answers written in pencil, or with a red, green or any other coloured pen will not be considered valid. Answers written in more than one coloured ink will not be considered valid.
6. Marks for Question 1 Mark Space for Examiner to write marks
7. Examinations taken at unauthorized locations or in which the exam rules have been violated will not be considered valid.
Q.1. In the sentences below, state who is speaking to whom and when. (9)

1. "Don't allow a single Brahmin to come down."
   Who is speaking? ..............................................   To whom? ................................................
   When? ....................................................................................................................................
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2. "Why have you stopped?"

3. "Laxmiji asked me to take the form of a sparrow and to come and play with you."

Q.2. Answer ALL of the following, using one sentence (not just one word) for each answer. (4)

1. What did the murti of Thakorji's do at Goonda?
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2. Because of the Nawab's harassment in Ayodhya, where did Dharmadev go with whole family for some days?

3. What did Dharmadev visualize at the time of passing away?

4. How much merit is attained by observing a fast on Ekadashi?

Q.3. Rewrite the incorrect sentences below in relation to the sentence heading. (4)
   Note: Marks will be awarded only if a sentence is written completely correct. Otherwise no marks will be awarded.

   1. Fish brought back to life: In Ballampadhri Yamraj showed the fisherman a vision of the happiness of heaven and offered them delicious dudhpak.
      A. ..............................................................................................................................................
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   2. Naming the Lord: Vidur Rushi named the two-month-old Ghanshyam: Harikrishna, Ghanshyam, and Nilkanth.

   3. Khampa Talavdi: A stubble got stuck in Ghanshyam's left thigh, so from the Patal region Takshak, Mahesh, Brahma, etc. came and at once summoned Kumarpal, the physician from Naglok.

   4. Darshan to Ramdayal: Three-and-a-half-month-old Ghanshyam came down from the stool, picked up his ball that had fallen far away and satt back on the stool.

Q.4. Write briefly five main points (in sentences) on following incident. (Continuous narration not required.) (5)
   Hanumanji's service
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Q.5. From the given options, place a tick (✔) in the box next to the correct ones. (8)
Note: One or more options may be correct. Full marks will be awarded only if all the correct options are chosen, otherwise no marks will be awarded.

1. Laxmibai sees a miracle.
   (1) Veni and Madhav ran away.
   (2) I shall make a full complaint.
   (3) Instead of Ghanshyam, Madhavram was seen fastened with ropes.
   (4) Begged for forgiveness from Bhaktimata.

2. Ghanshyam eats all the food.
   (1) Utho lal Prabhat bhaya hai.
   (2) All the plates were empty.
   (3) Janmashtmi was celebrated.
   (4) Bhaktimata placed a large plate full of all the delicacies before Thakorji.

3. In which direction are the aspirants?
   (1) Pipal tree
   (2) Neem tree
   (3) West
   (4) East

4. Sixteen signs of God.
   (1) Which is your son Ghanshyam?
   (2) Saw nine signs on left foot.
   (3) Presented a beautiful velvet cap embroidered with gold threads and a surval.
   (4) The king knelt down and prayed.

Q.6. Give reasons for the following (two to three lines each). (6)

1. The Mahout bowed at the feet of Ghanshyam.

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2. The monkeys yelled out in fright and ran away as fast as they could.

3. Respect for Dharmadev rose greatly.
SECTION - 2: YOGIJI MAHARAJ

Q.7. In the sentences below, state who is speaking to whom and when. (9)
1. "If you return to Junagadh, I will myself come down to Jetpur from Junagadh to welcome you."
   Who is speaking? ..............................................   To whom? ................................................
   When? ....................................................................................................................................
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2. "I do not want to make you a sadhu to serve me."
3. "Put your hand on his head and bless him so that he acquires your virtues."

Q.8. Answer ALL of the following, using one sentence (not just one word) for each answer. (4)
1. What feelings did the youths experience when they left?
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2. What did Yogiji Maharaj first say after awakening from his operation?
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3. Which dhun did Yogiji Maharaj make the children sing?

4. How should one understand the Pragat Swarup?

Q.9. Select the six correct sentences from below and write them in the correct story sequence in the boxes. (6)

   Topic : Jina Bhagat in Junagadh.
   1. Jina Bhagat was given the name Gyanji Swami after receiving the parshad diksha.
   2. While the cattle grazed, Jina Bhagat sang bhajans.
   3. On the 7th day of month of Kartik vad in the year V.S.1865, Jinabhai left home.
   4. Every morning he cleaned the cowsheds and collected cow-dung.
   5. Mother Puribai prepared shiro and served her son for the last time.
   6. In the year V.S.1965 Jinabhai was given the parshad diksha on the fourteenth day of the month of kartik vad.
   7. Sadguru Vignandas Swami gave him parshad diksha.
   8. He would gather 300 babul sticks for brushing teeth, while returning along with the cattle.
   9. He would go to the foot of Mount Girnar to graze cow & buffaloes.
   10. He went to Junagadh with Kalshibhai.
   11. Till late night he would listen to the discourses & still get up at four in the morning to serve his guru once again.
   12. During katha he would sing bhajans & chant the Swaminarayan mantra.

Write the correct sentence numbers
Correct sequence of sentences

3 marks will be awarded only if all the sentence numbers are correct and 3 marks will be awarded only if all the sequence is correct. Otherwise no marks will be given.

Q.10. Write short notes on the following. (In 15 lines.) (5)
Visits to Africa.
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3 marks will be awarded only if all the sentence numbers are correct and 3 marks will be awarded only if all the sequence is correct. Otherwise no marks will be given.
Q.11. Give reasons for the following (two to three lines each). (6)

1. The teachers told Jina that he should become a sadhu.

2. Mohanbhai's eyes fell on Jinabhai.

3. Shastriji Maharaj told the devotees to lay Yogiji Maharaj in the Akshar deri.

Q.12. Answer ALL of the following, using one sentence (not just one word) for each answer. (4)

1. Which two sadhus introduced Punjabhai to satsang?

2. How to worship?

3. What was Valmiki like early in Life?

4. Where and how main dioceses did Shriji Maharaj establish?

Q.13. From the given options, place a tick (✔) in the box next to the correct ones. (8)

Note: One or more options may be correct. Full marks will be awarded only if all the correct options are chosen, otherwise no marks will be awarded.

1. The Muslim woman from Bhal:

   (1) ✔ In Bhal there is a small town called Sarandhi.
   (2) ✔ A babul tree grew in her courtyard.
   (3) ✔ Maharaj sent Dada Khachar to get a babul stick.
   (4) ✔ "Take these two sticks from my bundle, too, so that I may also be blessed."
2. Gunatitanand Swami
   (1) Diksha at Dabhan.  (2) Birth in Gondal.
   (3) Junagadh's mahant.  (4) Yogeshwardasji was his leading disciple.

3. Brave Bhaguji
   (1) There were 19 wounds on Bhaguji's body.
   (2) He stopped the beating of arti, drums & bells.
   (3) Those who bought a severed head were rewarded with land.
   (4) He tied his wounds with his own clothes.

4. Behaviour in Bal mandal
   (1) If we do not like the prasad, we should not throw it away.
   (2) We should drink water in such a way that the glass does not touch our lips.
   (3) One should insist only on certain types of games.
   (4) We should first bow down before sadhus.

Q.14. Fill in the blanks.  
1. By eating food in the restaurant or hotels we develop .................... culture.
2. .................................. was the Rajput devotee of Panvi.
3. King ............................... spent hours in performing puja.
4. Naradji named Ajamil's son .................................

Q.15. Complete the kirtans/verses/shloks below.  
1. Jamo thal jivan ......................................................................................................................
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   ............................................... kadhyo ras kerino gholi.
2. Charan saroj ........... Narnari.
3. Ame sau Swamina ........... chhie marva. (bravery song)
4. Shri Hari Jai Jai ........... bhavbhay hari

Q.16. Complete the following Swamini Vato and write an explanatory note on it. (In 15 lines.)  
God always protects........
Q. 17. Write briefly five main points (in sentences) on following incident.
(Continuous narration not required.)
Shastriji Maharaj

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