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SECTION 1: GHANSHYAM CHARITRA - 7th Edition, June 2015**Q.1 In the sentences below, state who is speaking to whom and when. [9]**

1. "My Ghanshyam would never steal anything." (54)
2. "You will certainly get some gur provided you behave properly and sit still to have your ears pierced." (9)
3. "What were you looking at to the west from high up on the tree?" (28)

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

1. Where did Ghanshyam think of running to liberate innumerable souls? (60)
2. Why did the monkey yell in pain? (24)
3. What did the mahout use to steal? (45)
4. How did Ghanshyam's smallpox fever subside? (19)

Q.3 Rewrite the incorrect sentences below in relation to the sentence heading. [4]

Note: Marks will be awarded only if a completely correct sentence is written. Otherwise no marks will be awarded.

Example: Monkeys Get A Sound Thrashing: Once Rampratap took some chapattis and yogurt on a plate and sat down to eat in the kitchen. A mischievous monkey came up with a lap, snatched some chapattis from Rampratap's plate and leapt back to a branch of the neem tree and sat there.

Ans: Monkeys Get A Sound Thrashing: Once Ghanshyam took some puris and yogurt on a plate and sat down to eat in the verandah. A mischievous monkey came up with a lap, snatched some puris from Ghanshyam's plate and leapt back to a branch of the tamarind tree and sat there.

1. **Thieves in a fix:** Rampratap, carrying a milk pot in hand, came to the farm to brush his teeth. The three thieves saw him, and quickly crying for their wrong doings. (71)
2. **Siddhis at his service:** Rampratap came to know that his father was hungry. So, he instructed the nine Siddhis to bring shiro at once. (12)
3. **Seen in many mandirs at the same time:** There were many mandirs in the town. So, Ichchharambhai thought he might as well have pradakshina. He entered one of the mandirs and found Veniram sitting and listening to the Bhagavad Gita. (30)
4. **Oceans of tears:** She enquired at the farms of Vasantabai, Vachanamasi and others, but no one knew where Ghanshyam was. It was afternoon by then. Suvasinibhabhi sent a man to the farm to call Ichchharambhai home. (85)

Q.4 Write briefly five main points (in sentences) on any ONE incident. [5]

(Continuous narration is not required.)

1. Dharmadev pass away. (80)
2. A thousand sannyasins are fed. (50-53)

Q.5 From the given options, place a tick (✓) in the box next to the correct options. [8]

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

1. A feast for his friends. (48-50)

(1) <input type="checkbox"/> On the banks of Meen Lake.	(2) <input type="checkbox"/> It was already 5.00 pm.
(3) <input type="checkbox"/> Condition to play till afternoon.	(4) <input type="checkbox"/> So bring the sweets.
2. Naming the Lord (6)

(1) <input type="checkbox"/> Three months.	(2) <input type="checkbox"/> Sahajanand.
(3) <input type="checkbox"/> Sage Markandey.	(4) <input type="checkbox"/> The sign of Cancer.
3. Ghanshyam's daily routine. (76-77)

(1) <input type="checkbox"/> At ten, visit all the mandirs.	(2) <input type="checkbox"/> At three in the afternoon, bath in the lake.
(3) <input type="checkbox"/> The evening arti at Hanuman Gadhi.	(4) <input type="checkbox"/> Lunch with Dharmadev at twelve.
4. The ghost well. (30)

(1) <input type="checkbox"/> Ayodhya.	(2) <input type="checkbox"/> Prathit Pande.
(3) <input type="checkbox"/> Glass.	(4) <input type="checkbox"/> The step well.

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

1. Ghanshyam's friends hid themselves in the hollow of a big banyan tree. (16)
2. The boatman demanded to pay more from Ghanshyam. (63)
3. Dharmadev and Rampratapbhai thought that the lives of all living beings were in Ghanshyam's hands. (22-23)

SECTION 2: YOGIJI MAHARAJ - 8th Edition, February 2014**Q.7 In the sentences below, state who is speaking to whom and when. [9]**

1. "A sadhu who has a constant rapport with God." (16)
2. "To honour Yogiiji Maharaj is to honour the liberator of the whole of mankind." (49)
3. "Call your Gunatit, and see if he can save you." (23)

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- Q.8 Answer ALL of the following, using one sentence (not just one word) for each answer.** [4]
- Who performed the murti-pratishtha of Gadhada mandir and when? (Samvat, Month, Tithi) (37)
 - What did Shriji Maharaj accept in Bhavnagar? (30)
 - What did Yogiji Maharaj want youths to attain by making them sadhus? (42)
 - What did Yogiji Maharaj teach children to sing? (51)
- Q.9 Select the SIX correct sentences from below and write them in the correct story sequence in the boxes.** [6]
- Topic: Snake bite (32-33)**
1. A vaishnav doctor was amazed. 2. Shastriji Maharaj started building a beautiful mandir over Aksharderi in Gondal. 3. Once at night, a venomous black spider came. 4. Shastriji Maharaj said, "Take Yogiji Maharaj to the Akshar Deri and chant the Swaminarayan mantra." 5. The pain quickly spread through his whole hand. 6. Others proposed various remedies. 7. It bit the middle finger of Yogiji Maharaj's right hand. 8. Yogiji Maharaj and other sadhus used to live in huts built of mud and bricks. 9. The Nawab of Gondal and his officers were also surprised at the divine power of the Akshar Deri. 10. Yogiji Maharaj opened his eyes and bowed to Shastriji Maharaj. 11. After exactly ten hours, the effect of the poison subsided. 12. Immediately, the sadhus lifted Yogiji Maharaj and carried him to the Akshar Deri and started chanting the holy name of Bhagwan Swaminarayan.
- (1) Write the correct sentence numbers Note: (1) 3 marks will be awarded for the correct sentence numbers only if all the six sentence numbers are correct and (2) 3 marks will be awarded only if all the sequence of sentence numbers are correct. Otherwise no marks will be given.
- (2) Correct sequence of sentences
- Q.10 Write short notes on any ONE of the following. (In 15 lines.)** [5]
- A hard-working sadhu. (23-25)
 - Jinabhai's courage. (3-4)
- Q.11 Give reasons for the following (two to three lines each).** [6]
- Mohanbhai's eyes fell on Jinabhai. (8)
 - Yogiji Maharaj kept bowing to the murti repeatedly and prayed for forgiveness. (32)
 - The youths' eyes filled with tears when they left Yogiji Maharaj. (42)
- SECTION 3: KISHORE SATSANG PRARAMBHA - 8th Edition, May 2015**
- Q.12 Answer ALL of the following, using one sentence (not just one word) for each answer.** [4]
- What was the name of Shastriji Maharaj's parents? (49)
 - Whom do we bring disgrace to by our bad behaviour? (50)
 - Why did Shriji Maharaj describe the brave child devotee as more special than Prahlad? (17)
 - What are the free gifts God has given us? (1)
- Q.13 Fill in the blanks.** [4]
- Sadguru Swami did not get anything to eat for days. (30)
 - In Samadhi, would bring dry dates,, etc., as prashad from Shriji Maharaj. (56)
 - Punja Dodiya went to and clinging to a murti of Shivji, went to plunge in (53)
 - Gangama was the of Swami. (17)
- Q.14 From the given options, place a tick (✓) in the box next to the correct options.** [8]
- Note: One or more of the options may be correct. Full marks will be awarded only if all the correct options are chosen, otherwise no marks will be awarded.**
- Shriji Maharaj installed his own murti. (8)

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 - Chanting God's holy name (Dhun) (2)

(1) <input type="checkbox"/> Sage Valmiki	(2) <input type="checkbox"/> Ajamil	(3) <input type="checkbox"/> Joban Pagi	(4) <input type="checkbox"/> Madhav
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 - Akhandanand Swami (20-21)

(1) <input type="checkbox"/> As his name suggests, he was always sad.	(2) <input type="checkbox"/> I am dehatma. I am immortal.
(3) <input type="checkbox"/> Who can snatch away my happiness?	(4) <input type="checkbox"/> The ferociuos animal dropped its paw.
 - Brave Bhaguji. (26-28)

(1) <input type="checkbox"/> Khabad and Mataro.	(2) <input type="checkbox"/> Protecting the fields of Dada Khachar.
(3) <input type="checkbox"/> Santdas	(4) <input type="checkbox"/> I only want Bhagwan Shri Krishna
- Q.15 Complete the kirtans/verses/shloks below.** [8]
- Atma is Parabrahman is Sahajanand Swami (4)
 - Nathi darta jnanne gaishu. (saurya geet)
 - Sadbuddhi sadya vidari. (5)
 - Chalu karo lavu raji thaine. (31)
- Q.16 "Ketlakne man ramade..." (47-49) – Complete the Swamini Vat and write an explanatory note on it. (In 15 lines.)** [5]
- Q.17 "Behaviour in Bal Mandal" (57-58) – Write five brief sentences on the main points of this incident. (Continuous narration is not required.)** [5]

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