



(Time: 9.00 a.m. to 12.00 p.m.)

SATSANG PRARAMBHA

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SECTION 1: GHANSHYAM CHARITRA - 7th Edition, June 2015

Total Marks: 100

Q.1 In the sentences below, state who is speaking to whom and when. [9]

1. "The sparrows are spoiling the crop."
2. "Why do you look so depressed today?"
3. "See, Ghanshyam is seated on the tamarind tree."

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

1. In how many places could people see Ghanshyam during the annakut arti?
2. What did Dharmadev cover on a small stool?
3. What did Bhaktimata whisper to Ghanshyam who was sitting to have his head shaved?
4. Where did the scholars in Kashi come to meet Dharmadev?

Q.3 Rewrite the incorrect words shown 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: Darshan in Two Forms: In Dadaji's room, Ichchharam helped his brother with the decorations. They dressed Dadaji in beautiful clothes. Garlands of leaves were hung up everywhere.

Ans. Darshan in Two Forms: In Thakorji's room, Ghanshyam helped his father with the decorations. They dressed Thakorji in beautiful clothes. Garlands of leaves were hung up everywhere.

1. **The Importance of Ekadashi:** Since the observance of Punam was given up in Dwarkapuri Pandit have stopped doing it. Pandit believe that to remain hungry is to inflict suffering on one's body.
2. **Walking on Water:** Rampraptap and the other smaller youth of his age began to laugh. The river was swelling rapidly. Within a short time, the whole of the surrounding area was inundated with water.
3. **The Mahout is saved:** There was a very wealthy man named Sukhdevji who lived in Chhapaia. He had tamed a white horse and employes a hostler to look after him.
4. **Ocean of Tears:** Night passed and morning came. Ichchharambhai sent men with camels in all directions in a last desperate search for Ghanshyam. Ichchharambhai stopped going to his home to work.

Q.4 Write briefly five main points (in the form of sentences) on any ONE incident. [5]
(Continuous narration is not required.)

1. Ghanshyam Is Given the Sacred Thread
2. Increased Ichchharam's Weight (Sixteen Signs of God)

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. Ghanshyam is Seen as Ramchandra

- (1) ☐ We cannot find our friend Ghanshyam
- (2) ☐ We cannot find our sons.
- (3) ☐ We ask you to dive into the water and find Ichchharam out.
- (4) ☐ We ask you to dive into the water and find Ghanshyam out.

2. Curing Smallpox

- (1) ☐ Aunt Lakshmibai
- (2) ☐ Sister-in-law Chandabai
- (3) ☐ Twenty days
- (4) ☐ I'll take a hot water bath.

3. Khampa Talavdi

- (1) ☐ Pipal tree
- (2) ☐ Sanat Kumar
- (3) ☐ Climb trees, and play hide and seek.
- (4) ☐ A sharp broken branch on the tree pierced his right thigh.

2. Naming the Lord

- (1) ☐ The Lord was two-and-a-half months old.
- (2) ☐ Your son is born under the sign of Cancer.
- (3) ☐ People will also call him Ghanshyam.
- (4) ☐ Ramprataphbai was overjoyed.

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

1. Both the slabs began to move over the River Saryu.
2. King Raidarshansinh advised the wrestlers to give up their foolish resolve.
3. One of Lakshmiji's friend took the form of a sparrow.

SECTION 2: YOGIJI MAHARAJ - 8th Edition, June 2019

Q.7 In the sentences below, state who is speaking to whom and when. [9]

1. "Put your hand on his head and bless him so that he acquires your virtues."
2. "Call your Gunatit, and see if he can save you."
3. "Why are you cooking?"

- Q.8 Answer ALL of the following, using one sentence (not just one word) for each answer. [4]**
1. When did Yogiji Maharaj initiate 51 youths into the sadhu-fold? (Samvat, Month, Tithi)
 2. What were the names of Jinabhai's parents?
 3. Which swami along with his group of sadhus visited Dhari from Junagadh?
 4. What did Kuberbhai request to Shastriji Maharaj?

- Q.9 Select the SIX correct sentences from below and write them in the correct story sequence in the boxes.[6]**

Topic: Youth Centres and Satsang Assemblies

1. At such gatherings, Shriji Maharaj, Gunatitanand Swami and Shastriji Maharaj are divinely present
 2. Shastriji Maharaj took keen interest in all the activities of the youths. 3. So one should never miss satsang assemblies. 4. He would listen attentively to their articles which were read out to him from the handwritten magazines they had prepared. 5. Explain our messages, then by Maharaj's grace, the number of children will increase. 6. Yogiji Maharaj had been conducting fortnightly satsang assemblies of the devotees for a long time. 7. In many places assemblies were also organised for children (Bal Mandal) to teach them the knowledge of satsang. 8. One should attend the weekly youth or satsang assembly even if one has to forego a profit of Rs. 50,000. 9. He established youth centres in every village or city he visited. 10. If we attend the satsang assembly, then we can meet all the saints and youths at the same time. 11. A handwritten magazine should be put out every six months. 12. Gradually, he established a youth wing (Yuvak Mandal).

(1) Write the correct sentence numbers

(2) Correct sequence of sentences

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.

- Q.10 Write short notes on any ONE of the following (in 15 lines). [5]**

1. An Ideal Student 2. I Am Only a Servant

- Q.11 Give reasons for the following (two to three lines each). [6]**

1. Karsansang Bapu asked Yogiji Maharaj to bring a younger sadhu with him.
 2. "How great Jaga Bhakta must be!" With this thought Jina Bhagat fell asleep.
 3. In the first meeting, Shastriji Maharaj was greatly pleased on Jina Bhagat.

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]**

1. For which matters the true followers of Shriji Maharaj not make a row?
 2. What would Dungar Bhakta do while other children played?
 3. By doing what will God be pleased?
 4. What did the child devotee's father tell his son not to do?

- Q.13 Fill in the blanks. [4]**

1. When Nath Bhakta's died, Shriji Maharaj carried her great soul to Akshardham in his divine
 2. Samat Patel offered rupees but Maharaj only kept rupees.
 3. A boy of the caste, decided to offer to Shriji Maharaj.
 4. Shriji Maharaj performed a yagna at and initiated into the sadhu-fold.

- 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.

1. Vajiba

(1) ☐ Give me the painted cot that lies in the room at the front. (2) ☐ Give me a mattress.

(3) ☐ The neem tree in the compound.

(4) ☐ Divine light radiated from the big toe of his left foot.

2. Swamini Vato

(1) ☐ The Maharaja of Jamnagar sent his doctor.

(2) ☐ It neutralizes even the poison of a black cobra.

(3) ☐ Yogivallabhdas Swami saw the snake.

(4) ☐ All should start chanting the Swaminarayan mantra with total faith.

3. Brave Bhaguji

(1) ☐ Miyaji and Ratanji

(2) ☐ Santdasji

(3) ☐ Protecting the fields of Dada Khachar.

(4) ☐ I only want Bhagwan Shri Krishna.

4. Jodho the shephard

(1) ☐ The women were boiling milk to prepare dudhpak.

(2) ☐ He would offer fresh curd, buttermilk or butter.

(3) ☐ Everyone have remained a fool of fools.

(4) ☐ Offered fresh ghee with sugar to Maharaj

- Q.15 Complete the following. [8]**

1. Ame a yagna shano chhe. 2. Agachha Bhagwan sanmukho bhava. OR
 Bhaktaivya Aksharapurushottam.
 3. Kari katha ghauni ghi ma chadhi. 4. Shri Hari jai bhavbhayhari.

- Q.16 'Bhagwan potana.....' - Complete the Swamini Vat and write an explanatory note on it. (In 15 lines.) [5]**

- Q.17 'Chanting God's Holy Name' (Dhun) - Write five brief sentences on the main points of this incident (Continuous narration is not required). [5]**

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