



YOUNG MEN'S BUDDHIST ASSOCIATION
COLOMBO - SRI LANKA
2555 DHAMMA EXAMINATION - 2011

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Grade - Junior Part 1 (Preliminary)

Date : 26 June - 2011

Subject - Dhamma

Time : 1 hour 30 mints

Part 1

(Answer all questions)

1. Select the correct word or phrase to complete the sentence and underline it.
- (i) Ascetic asita's nephew who retired from worldly life to become a disciple of the Buddha Gotama was
(a) Kondanna (b) Nalaka (c) Ananda (d) Mahanama
- (ii) Atthaparikkhara (eight requisites) were presented to Ascetic Gotama by
(a) Brahma Sahampati (b) Mahabrahma Ghatikara (c) King Bimbisara
(d) Sakra
- (iii) "Svakkhata" is the quality of the Dhamma meaning
(a) Fully realised (b) well preached (c) directly experienced
(d) come and see
- (iv) When a Novice (samanera) becomes a Fully Ordained Bhikkhu at or after the age of twenty he agrees to strive to observe a special moral code called
(a) Patimokkha Sila (b) Gahattha Sila (c) Uposatha Sila
(d) nitya sila
- (v) The proximate cause of holding the First Buddhist Council was the improper words of
(a) Devadatta (b) Subhadda (c) Ajatasattu (d) Ven. Kassapa
- (vi) Venerable was the Chief of the Commentators of the Tipitaka in Sri Lanka.
(a) Mahinda Thera (b) Ven. Upali (c) Buddhaghosa
(d) Sanghamitta
- (vii) Blessing 'Bahu saccam' in the Mangala Sutta means
(a) Vast learning (b) Perfect in arts and crafts
(c) trained in discipline (d) pleasant speech
- (viii) Sakko (able), Uju (upright), Suju (perfectly upright) and suwaco (obedient) are virtues praised in Sutta.
(a) Mangala (b) Metta (c) Ratana (d) Parabhava

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- (ix) The highest gift of all gifts (dana) is
(a) Dhamma dana (b) Abhaya dana (c) Amisa dana
(d) sanghika dana
- (x) The Tipitaka and the Sihala Commentaries were written down on ola leaves in Sri Lanka at
(a) Mahavihara (b) Abhayagiri (c) Alu Vihara (d) Mihintale
(20 Marks - 2 Marks for each correct answer)
2. Fill in the blanks with suitable words or phrases;
a. King Suddhodana worshipped Prince Siddhartha for the second time at
- b. The Kathavaththu, the last book of the Abhidhamma Pitaka was added to Abhidhamma Pitaka by
- c. The meaning of the name 'Siddhartha' was
- d. The new Buddhist sect formed in Sri Lanka during the time of King Valagamba was
- e. The merit accrued by sweeping the floor of the Shrine Room is called in Pali
- (20 Marks - 4 Marks for each sub-section)

Part 11

(Answer any THREE questions - write on a separate sheet of paper and annex)

3. What did Kisagotami say when she saw prince Siddhartha passing by her residence ?
4. Describe in brief five qualities of the Buddha OR Dhamma
5. Give the meaning of the following stanza from Dhammapada :
Nahi verena verani - sammantidha kudacanam
Averena ca sammanti - esa dhammo sanantano
6. Explain briefly the Buddhist practice of 'Amisa dana' mentioning the benefits accruing to the giver and the recipient.
7. Give (in English) three of the ten points of the Vajjian Bhikkhus that were declared unlawful at the Second Buddhist Council.
8. What are the five factors that make up the unwholesome deed of killing (Panatipata)?
(20 Marks for each answer)