



**YOUNG MEN'S BUDDHIST ASSOCIATION**  
**COLOMBO - SRI LANKA**  
**2561 DHAMMA EXAMINATION - 2017**

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Grade - Senior Part - 11 (Higher)  
Subject - Dhamma

Date : 25<sup>th</sup> June 2017  
Time : 3 hours

Answer any FIVE questions

1. Who is a "Stream Winner" (Sotapanna) ? What are the Virtues and qualities of a "Stream Winner" ?
2. Explain the Doctrine of Middle Path (Majjhima patipada) as cited by the Buddha in Dhamma Cakkappavattana Sutta".
3. Explain the first step of the Doctrine of "Dependent Origination (Paticca Samuppada) "Avijja paccaya sankhara"
4. Explain the concept of "Bodhi" (Enlightenment)
5. Explain the "Three Characteristics of Phenomena" (Three Signata - Tilakkhana)
6. "The Buddha can be considered the most energetic religious teacher that ever lived on earth." Discuss this statement giving reference to Buddha's routine of activities and missionary effort.
7. Give the meaning of the following Dhammapada stanza and explain the moral embodied therein : 112. Yo ca vassasatam jive - kusisto hina Viriyo  
Ekaham Jivitam seyjo - Viriyam arahato dalha.
8. Write short notes on any FOUR of the following.  
(i) Right Livelihood (Samma Ajiva) (ii) Putujjana (iii) Sopadisesa Nibbana  
(iv) Bodhisatta (v) Aversion (Vyapada) (vi) Craving (Tanha)
9. Enumerate the noble qualities of the Sangha (order of Bhikkhus and Bhikkhunis) mentioned in the Ratana Sutta.
10. "Buddhism is unique as a religion that encourages critical investigation" Explain this dictum with special reference to Kalama Sutta.

(20 marks for each answer)

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