



YOUNG MEN'S BUDDHIST ASSOCIATION

COLOMBO - SRI LANKA

2557 DHAMMA EXAMINATION - 2013

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Grade - Junior Part - 1 (Preliminary)

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Subject - Dhamma

Time : 1 hour 30 mins

Part - 1

(Answer all Questions - Give your answers on this paper itself)

1. Select the correct word or phrase to complete the sentence and underline it.
 - (a) Sage Asita smiled and immediately cried after reading prince Siddhartha's future because
 - (i) Prince would leave the palace to become an Ascetic
 - (ii) Asita would not live to see the Prince becoming a Buddha
 - (iii) Prince would not become a Universal Monarch
 - (b) The words "Appamado amatapadam" in Dhammapada stanza means
 - (i) Vigilance is the path to deathlessness
 - (ii) Vigilance is the path to death
 - (iii) Negligents are as if dead
 - (c) At the First Buddhist Council the Thera who answered on Vinaya rules was
 - (i) Ven. Upali
 - (ii) Ven. Kassapa
 - (iii) Ven. Ananda
 - (d) The act of transference of merit to a departed relative is
 - (i) Pattidana
 - (ii) Pattanumodana
 - (iii) Dhamma dana
 - (e) The second Buddhist Council was held to settle a dispute over
 - (i) ten wrong practices of Vajjiputtaka monks
 - (ii) repeal of minor Vinaya rules
 - (iii) divergent views of different sects.
 - (f) The Morality of the Novices (Samanera Sila) is attained by
 - (i) observing the Eight Precepts (Atthanga Sila)
 - (ii) taking the Three Refuges and ten Precepts (Dasa Sila)
 - (iii) observing the Higher Moral code (Patimokkha Sila)
 - (g) The Buddha is called "Araham" because
 - (i) He is well disciplined
 - (ii) He is worthy of offering.
 - (iii) He is a Teacher to all beings

- (h) The Tripitaka was written down for the first time at
 (i) Asokaramaya (ii) Sattapani cave (iii) Aluvihara at Matale
- (i) The highest gift (dana) of all gifts is
 (i) Pattidana (ii) Abhayadana (iii) Dhammadana
- (j) The new treatise that was added to the Abhidhamma pitaka at the Third Buddhist council was
 (i) Petavatthu (ii) Kathavatthu (iii) Vimanavatthu

(20 marks = 2 marks for each part)

2. Fill in the blanks correctly with suitable words or phrases

- (i) Paying respect to parents, teachers and elders is called in Dhamma
- (ii) On the passing away of the Buddha, the monk who said "Do not weep. Do not lament. We are free from the Great Sage" was
- (iii) The three monasteries built at Anuradhapura immediately after the introduction of Buddhism were
- (iv) The Great Commentator who wrote commentaries to many texts of the Tri Pitaka was Venerable
- (v) Digha Nikaya of the Sutta Pitaka is the Collection of

(20 marks = 4 marks for each part)

PART - 11

Answer any THREE questions

(Write the answers on a separate sheet of paper and attach)

3. What incidents made Prince Siddhartha leave the palace ?
4. Explain the Buddha's quality of 'Anuttara purisa dhamma sarathi'
5. Who are the eight persons referred to in the term 'attha purisa Puggala'
6. In the first three stanzas, Karaniya Metta Sutta enumerates fifteen virtues to be practised by a person who wishes his welfare. Mention five of them.
7. Write the meaning of the following stanza from Dhammapada:
- Durangaman ekacaram asariram guhasayam
 Ye cittam sannamessanti mokkhanti mara bandhanam
8. Mention the factors which make up the unwholesome deed of killing (Panatipata)

(20 marks for each answer)