



YOUNG MEN'S BUDDHIST ASSOCIATION

COLOMBO - SRI LANKA

2557 DHAMMA EXAMINATION - 2013

Grade - Senior Part - 11 (Higher)

Date : 30<sup>th</sup> June - 2013

Subject - Dhamma

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. Indicate some of the measures taken by the Buddha to reform and improve the society of the contemporary period.
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 - Ttilakkhana )
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:  
Selo yatha ekaghano - vatena na samirati  
Evam ninda pasamasu - na samin janti pandita
8. Write short notes on any FOUR of the following.
  - (i) Right Livelihood (Samma Ajiva)
  - (ii) Ratana Sutta
  - (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. 'Dhammacakkappavattana Sutta embodies the essence of Buddha's teaching' Explain this statement.  
(20 marks for each answer)

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