

01 / PRELIMINARY EXAM 2007

1. What was the name of the Buddha?
 - A. Suddhodana Gotama
 - B. Sundari Nanda
 - C. Siddhattha Gotama
 - D. Siddhattha Gotami
2. The Buddha was born in the_____.
 - A. Deer Park
 - B. Lumbini Park
 - C. Bamboo Grove
 - D. Jetavanarama
3. Who was the step-mother of the prince after the death of Queen Maha Maya?
 - A. Yasodhara
 - B. Kisa Gotami
 - C. Sujata
 - D. Maha Pajapati Gotami
4. Kala Devala who came to visit the new born prince was a great_____.
 - A. fortune teller
 - B. king
 - C. hero
 - D. sage
5. The youngest Brahmin who attended the name-giving ceremony of the prince was_____.
 - A. Kondanna
 - B. Ghatikara Maha Brahma
 - C. Assaji
 - D. Mahanama
6. The meaning of Siddhattha is_____.
 - A. sorrowful
 - B. peaceful
 - C. wish-fulfilled
 - D. blissful life
7. What was the important event when the prince was 16 years old?
 - A. He left the world to seek Truth and peace
 - B. He married Princess Yasodhara
 - C. He ordained himself.
 - D. He gained Buddhahood under the Bodhi tree
8. Ghatikara Maha Brahma gave a _____to the prince when he renounced the world.
 - A. horse
 - B. bowl
 - C. yellow robe
 - D. knife
9. The Bodhisattva spent fasting a week in the _____, enjoying the bliss of solitude.
 - A. Anupiya Mango Grove
 - B. Pubbarama
 - C. Veluvanarama
 - D. Ratana Carnkamana
10. The Bodhisattva walked from door to door, in the streets of ____ seeking alms.
 - A. Buddha Gaya
 - B. Rajagaha
 - C. Isipatana
 - D. Kapilavatthu
11. How many years did the Bodhisattva struggle to gain Buddhahood ?
 - A. 2 years
 - B. 6 years
 - C. 10 years
 - D. 45 years
12. _____ means Fully Enlightened or Awakened One.
 - A. Bodhi Tree
 - B. Bodhisattva
 - C. Majjhima Patipada
 - D. Samma Sambuddha
13. The First Noble Truth is the_____.
 - A. suffering
 - B. cause of suffering
 - C. end of suffering
 - D. Nibbana
14. Tanha, Arati and Raga were three daughters of_____.
 - A. Ghatikara Maha Brahma
 - B. Anathapindika
 - C. Mara
 - D. King Bimbisara
15. Who offered the Buddha dried flour and honey after He had fasted for seven weeks?
 - A. Tapassu and Bhallika
 - B. Sujata
 - C. Kondanna
 - D. Brahma Sahampati
16. A lay follower of the Buddha is known as_____.
 - A. Anagami
 - B. Upasaka
 - C. Sangha
 - D. Arahat

17. The Buddha preached His first sermon at the Deer Park, in_____.

- A. Sagala
- B. Kusinara
- C. Isipatana
- D. Rajagaha

18. The first of the Eightfold Path is_____.

- A. Samma Samkappa
- B. Samma Vayama
- C. Samma Ditthi
- D. Samma Samadhi

19. Samma Ajiva' means

- A. Right Livelihood
- B. Right Speech
- C. Right Effort
- D. Right Mindfulness

20. The cause of suffering is_____.

- A. rebirth
- B. craving
- C. self-indulgence
- D. self-motification

21. What is the meaning of Dhammacakka ?

- A. To take refuge
- B. Truth and Peace
- C. The Wheel of Truth
- D. To hear the Dhamma

22. Upatissa was the other name for_____.

- A. Sariputta
- B. Angulimala
- C. Mahakassapa
- D. King Bimbisara

23. Buddha's first chief disciple was Sariputta, His second chief disciple was_____.

- A. Assaji
- B. Kondanna
- C. Moggalana
- D. Alara Kalama

24. The three refuges in Buddha, Dhamma and Sangha is known as_____.

- A. Buddha Vandana
- B. Dasa Paramita
- C. Tipitaka
- D. Tisarana

25. The second of the five precepts is not to_____

- A. kill
- B. lie
- C. steal
- D. be unchaste

For questions 26 to 50, choose

- A. If I, II and III are correct
- B. If I and II are correct
- C. If II and III are correct
- D. If only I is correct

26. I. Yasodhara was the daughter of Pamita
II. Yasodhara had one brother named Devadatta
III. Yasodhara married at twenty years old.

27. Four strange sights the prince saw when he visited the park were

- I. A healthy person
- II. a sick person
- III. a corpse

28. The prince shaved his head and beard, wearing yellow robes he became an ascetic monk. He was also called_____.

- I. Bodhisattva
- II. Arahat
- III. Buddha

29. The Attha Parikkhara or Eight Requisites include a _____.

- I. needle
- II. bowl
- III. belt

30. The Bodhisattva studied the doctrine of

- I. Sanjaya
- II. Alara Kalama
- III. Uddaka Ramaputta

31. Choose the correct statement.

- I. There were many Buddhas in the past
- II. There will be many Buddhas in the future
- III. Maitreya will be the next Buddha

32. Who were present to hear the Buddha's first sermon on Dhammacakka Sutta at the Deer Park?

- I. Kondanna and the other four monks.
- II. Devas and Brahmas
- III. Brahma Sahapati

33. The Buddha preached these doctrines in His first sermon.
- I. No-Soul
 - II. The Eightfold Path
 - III. Four Noble Truths
34. Those who opposed Buddha
- I. Devadatta
 - II. Visakha
 - III. Anathapindika
35. Which Sainthood is no more reborn ?
- I. Arahant
 - II. Anagami
 - III. Sotapanna
36. Buddha's disciples in the Order of Nuns.
- I. Khema
 - II. Uppalavanna
 - III. Maha Pajapati Gotami
37. Those took part in the First Council?
- I. Ananda
 - II. Upali
 - III. Sariputta
38. Tipitaka consists of_____.
- I. Vinaya Pitaka
 - II. Sutta Pitaka
 - III. Abhidhamma Pitaka
39. The good result of giving up lying
- I. beautiful
 - II. truthful
 - III. trustful
40. What is the advice of all the Buddhas?
- I. Not to do evil
 - II. To do good
 - III. to renounce the world
41. Which one is considered as 'Kusala' or 'Punna' ?
- I. Lobha
 - II. Bhavana
 - III. Dosa
42. Nibbana can be attained through
- I. Samma Sam Buddhahood
 - II. Pacceka Buddhahood
 - III. Arahantship
43. Bodhi Tree represents_____.
- I. Enlightenment
 - II. The Holy One
 - III. The Blessed One
44. Viriya' literally means_____.
- I. Preseverance
 - II. effort
 - III. energy
45. Rahula_____.
- I. was only son of prince Siddhattha
 - II. was cousin of Ananda
 - III. received Upasampada at the age of twenty
46. Ahimsaka was the original name for_____.
- I. Angulimala
 - II. Ananda
 - III. Sariputta
47. The Four Brahma Viharas include_____.
- I. Panna
 - II. Metta
 - III. Karuna
48. Who became a Sotapama after hearing the Dhamma from the Ven.Assaji?
- I. Sariputta
 - II. Anathapindika
 - III. King Bimbisara
49. The roots of all evil.
- I. fame
 - II. hatred
 - III. ignorance
50. "Kamesu miccacara veramani sikkhapadam" is_____.
- I. to the Buddha I go for refuge
 - II. The third of the five precepts
 - III. I take the precept to give up misconduct