

**YOUNG MEN'S BUDDHIST ASSOCIATION
COLOMBO – SRI LANKA
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Grade – Junior Part 1 (Preliminary)

Date: 27th June 2010

Subject – Dhamma

Time: 1 hour 30 minutes

**Part – 1
(Answer All questions)**

- 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) King Suddhodana stopped old and sick persons entering the city because.....
- (i) they would dirty the city
 - (ii) they were an unpleasant sight
 - (iii) Prince Siddhartha would leave the palace on seeing them
- (c) Reflecting on the impurities of the human body is called in Dhamma.....
- (i) Dhamma savanna
 - (ii) Bhavana
 - (iii) Ditthijjukamma
- (d) Dhammapada is a book included in the
- (i) Digha Nikaya
 - (ii) Majjhima Nikaya
 - (iii) Khuddaka Nikaya
- (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) Karaniya Metta Sutta enumerates fifteen virtues to be practiced by
- (i) a person who wishes his welfare
 - (ii) a person who wishes to be born in heaven
 - (iii) a person who wishes to do wholesome acts (kusala)
- (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 first recording of the Dhamma was done in Sri Lanka at....
 - (i) Abhayagiri Vihara (ii) Mahavihara (iii) Aluvihara

- (i) A Bodhisatta makes five Great observations before the last birth in the human world. They are: time, continent, country, clan and
 - (i) city (ii) mother (iii) father

- (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 works or phrases

- (i) Sakya and Koliya Kings refused to give a bride in marriage to Prince Siddhartha saying.....

- (ii) Prince Siddhartha's idea of extinguishing lust and attachment was awakened on hearing Kisa Gotami's utterance of the word

- (iii) The special bodily characteristic found on the body of a Buddha is

- (iv) The Great Commentator who wrote commentaries to many texts of the Tri Pitaka was Venerable

- (v) Karaniya Metta Sutta was preached by the Buddha to

(20 marks – 4 marks for each

part)

PART – II

**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 "Samma sambuddha"
5. Who are the eight persons referred to in the term "atta purisa Puggala"?
6. Write a note (five sentences) describing "Sutta Pitaka"
7. Write the meaning of the following stanza from Dhammapada:

Na hi verena verani
Sammanti dha kudacanam
Averena ca sammanti
Esa dhammo sanantano
8. Enumerate the eight unwholesome acts covered under "Ajiva atthamaka Sila"
9. Write an account of the introduction of Buddhism to Sri Lanka.