

YOUNG MEN'S BUDDHIST ASSOCIATION
COLOMBO – SRI LANKA
2554 – DHAMMA EXAMINATION – 2010

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Grade – Senior Part II (Higher)

Date: 27th June 2010

Subject – Dhamma

Time: 3 hours

Answer any FIVE questions

1. Explain how the Buddha sought to eradicate prevailing social evils such as the caste system.
2. “Buddha has given clear guidelines to identify the true doctrine”. Discuss this statement with reference to the Kalama Sutta.
3. What are “Bodhipakkhiya Dhamma”? Explain “Dhamma” of any one Group.
4. What are the spiritual qualities of a “Stream Enterer” (Sotapanna).
5. Write a note on the Three Signata (Tilakkhana).
6. Explain the virtues of the Sangha as depicted in the Ratana Sutta.
7. Explain the Buddhist concept of Causality with reference to Dependent Origination (Paticca Samuppada).
8. Explain the Concept of Suffering (Dukkha) as depicted in the Dhammacakkappavattana Sutta.
9. Evaluate the services of Col. H S Olcott OR Anagarika Dhammapala to the Upliftment of Buddhism.
10. Give the meaning of the following stanza from Dhammapada and explain the moral embodied therein:
 81. Selo yatha ekaghano
Vatena na samirati
evam ninda pasamsasu
na saminjanti pandita
11. Write short notes on any FOUR of the following:
 - (a) Self-mortification (atta kilamathanuyoga)
 - (b) Perfections (Parami)
 - (c) Right Livelihood (Samma ajiva)
 - (d) Tranquility meditation (Samatha bhavana)
 - (e) Rain Retreat of Bhikkhus (Vassavasa)
 - (f) The Buddhist Flag

(20 marks for each answer)