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# **QUESTIONS ON TOPIC DISCUSSIONS**

- 1. How many times has Lord Vishnu has incarnated himself on earth?
- a) 8
- b) 9 c) 10
- d) 11

Fish Avatar
Tortoise Avatar
Boar Avatar
Man-Lion Avatar
Dwarf Avatar
Brahman (priest)
Supreme Lord
Supreme Lord
Bhuddism
Divine Destroyer

2. Which main murti was installed by Maharaj in the temple of Ahmedabad?

a) Hanumanji

b) Radha Raman Dev

c) Nar-Narayan Dev

d) Gopinathji Maharaj

It was the first temple that Maharaj built and he chose Nar-Narayan as he is Bharatkand's Raja.



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- 3. How many chins does Lord Swaminarayan have on his right foot?
- a) 7
- b) 8 c) 9
- d) 10

K	Swastik	Good luck
	Ashtakon (Octagon)	Easily able to overcome hardship arising from the elements of the universe
þ	Ankush (Goad)	Control over mind and senses, in the same way an elephant owner controls his elephant by using the ankush
	Kamal (Lotus)	Constant focus on Lord Swaminarayan is achieved, forces of maya are kept at bay, just as the lotus flower remains on water
M	Ketu (Flag)	Guided through life with the principles of Lord Shree Swaminarayan, in the same way that wind guides the sway and direction of a flag
X	Urdhva-Rekha (Ascendant Line)	Attainment of salvation
ţ	Vajra (Sword)	Inner negative forces and evils are overcome
9	Jambu (Blackberry)	Liberated from the desire of taste
0	Java (Barley grain)	Attainment of inner tranquillity and eradication of sins

- 4. Lord Swaminarayan was born on ...?
- a) Chaitra Sud 9
- b) Chaitra Vad 10
- c) Chaitra Sud 10
- d) Chaitra Vad 9



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5. Lord Swaminarayan was born at what time?

a) 10pm

b) 10:10am

c) 10:10pm

d) 12pm

e) 12:10pm

- f) 12am
- 6. Nilkanth Varni performed his taap (penance) at ...?

a) Vadtal

b) Setubandh Rameshvaram

c) Jaganthpuri

d) Pulhashram

7. The mala contains how many beads?

- a) 108
- b) 100
- c) 50
- d) 109

The 108 beads in the mala helps us keep a count of the 108 names of the Lord( Janmangalam Stotra)

- 8. How many ekadashi's are there in a year?
- a) 24
- b) 29
- c) 30
- d) 23

Two in each month x 12 months = 24Also there are 5 additional vrats which were discussed in the presentation.

- 9. What mantra is recited whilst doing kum kum chandlo?
- a) Om shree Vasudevaay namah
- b) Om shree Narayanaay namah
- c) Om shree Anniruddhaay namah

#### d) None of the above

The correct one is Om shree MahaLaxmeiy namah



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- 10. Lord Swaminaryan wrote the Shikshapatri in ...?
- a) Junagadh
- b) Vadtal
- c) Bhuj
- d) Jaganthpuri

11. The Shikshapatri was written in the year?

a) Vikram Samvat 1882

b) Vikram Samvat 1837

- c) Vikram Samvat 1890
- d) Vikram Samvat 1826

12. Holi is celebrated in which month?

### a) Falgun

b) Paush

c) Maha

d) Aaso

13. Tulsi Vivaha commemorates the wedding between?

- a) Tulsi and Brahma
- b) Tulsi and Vishnu

c) Tulsi and Shiva

d) None of the above

14. How many temples are under Nar-Narayan dev (Bhuj) in the UK?

a) 10

b) 7

c) 8

d) 5

15. Who is the current acharya of Nar-Narayan Dev gadi?

a) Rakeshparasdji Maharaj

## b) Koshalendraprasdaji Maharaj

c) Vrajendraprasdaji Maharaj

d) Tejendraprasdaji Maharaj

16. How many names did Markendey Muni give Ghanshyam Maharaj? a) 3

- b) 2
- c) 2

d) 1

The three names are Hari, Krsna and Hari-Krsna



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17. The Chesta pads were composed by ...?a) Nishkulanand Swamib) Muktanand Swamic) Parmanand Swamid) Premanand Swami

He was a great poet and has composed 1000's of kirtans in our Sampraday

18. The Satsangi Jeevan was written by ...?

a) Shukanand Swami

b) Shatanand Swami

- c) Sahajanand Swami
- d) Gopalanand Swami

He wrote the 108 names of the Lord (Janamangalam Stotra)

19. Which main murti was installed by Maharaj in the temple of Junagadh? a) Madhan Mohan Dev

b) Radha Raman Dev

c) Nar-Narayan Dev

d) Lord Vishnu

20. Which main murti was installed by Maharaj in the temple of Gadhada?

a) Madhan Mohan Dev

b) Radha Raman Dev

c) Nar-Narayan Dev

d) Gopinathji Maharaj

The form of Gopinathji Maharaj is the exact size of Maharaj himself e.g height of God.

21. Who is the current acharya of Laxmi-Narayan Dev gadi?

- a) Raguvirji Maharaj
- b) Koshalendraprasdaji Maharaj

c) Rakeshprasadji Maharaj

d) Tejendraprasdaji Maharaj



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- 22. The aarti was written in which village?
- a) Faneni
- b) Kalvani
- c) Bhuj
- d) Gadhada
- 23. What does nitya pooja mean?
- a) Mansi pooja
- b) Evening pooja
- c) Daily pooja
- d) Holy pooja

24. What is the Kanthi made out of?

#### a) Tulsi

- b) Coconut
- c) Oak wood
- d) Plastic
- 25. Which is the odd one out?
- a) Shikshapatri
- b) Vachnamrut
- c) Chesta
- d) Satsangi jeevan

26. Which main murti was installed by Maharaj in the temple of Vadtal?

a) Madhan Mohan Dev

b) Laxmi-Narayan Dev

- c) Nar-Narayan Dev
- d) Gopinathji Maharaj

This murti was installed because Laxmiji did taap in Vadtal.

27. Ahimsa means...? a) Non-violence

- b) Non-attachment
- c) Type of penance
- d) Yogic posture



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28. How many parts of the body do we use while performing Danvat? a) 10

- b) 4
- c) 8 d) 3
- 1. Fore Head
- 2. Eyes
- 3. Hands
- 4. Chest
- 5. Legs
- 6. Knees
- 7. Speech (Mouth)
- 8. Mind

29. Dharmadev and Bhaktimata are parents of ...?

a) Nar and Narayan

b) Lord Krishna

c) Lord Shiva

d) None of the above

They were a Brahmin family and were very religious and had a essences of single minded devotion to Lord Krishna. Lord Swaminarayan had told Dharamdev many millions of years ago that he would be born in their family. Also Dhramadev and Bhaktimata had performed great penance to please the Lord and hence the Lord took birth as their reward of the penance.

30. What does 'grahan' mean?

a) Pooja ritual

## b) Eclipse

- c) Offering of food to god
- d) None of the above

31. Which main murti was installed by Maharaj in the temple of Dholera?

## a) Madhan Mohan Dev

- b) Radha Raman Dev
- c) Shiva and Parvati
- d) Gopinathji Maharaj

32. When a sun eclipse occurs we should stop eating...?

a) 24 hours before the eclipse

b) 12 hours before the eclipse

- c) 9 hours before the eclipse
- d) 3 hours before the eclipse



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- 33. Who is the current Mahant swami of Bhuj?
- a) Swami Madhavpriyadasji
- b) Swami Hariswaroopdasji
- c) Swami Ghanshyamjivandasji
- d) Swami Shreeharidasji

34. What is the large bead on the Mala called?

- a) Fuldo
- b) Meru
- c) Sumaro
- d) None of the above

The Sumaro (Mer) according to scriptures, the solar system revolves around Mount Meru, therefore when doing Mala, when we reach the Mer, we touch it and return in the opposite direction but do not cross it.

- 35. Which one is the odd one out?
- a) Joban pagi, Dada Kachar, Jivuba, Mayaram Bhatt
- b) Lord Swaminarayan, Lord Krishna, Lord Ram
- c) Brahma, Vishnu, Shiva, Uddhavji
- d) Shikshapatri, Vachnamrut, Satsangi Jivan, Bhakta Chintamni

Uddhavji is a great devotee of Lord Krishna and Lord Krishna had told Uddhavji to take birth and preach religion as Lord Swaminarayan was going to take birth soon