

Saivite Hindu Religion

Book Four Examination (Intermediate)

Time Allowed: Two Hours

Instructions

1. Write your name in the top right-hand box on the front cover of your Answer Book.
2. Write your answers in the special Answer Book provided.
3. Answer all questions

Summary of Questions

Sections	Marks	Description
A	60	This part of the paper consists of 30 multiple-choice questions. Answer them on the front page of the Answer Book.
B	40	This part of the paper is in the Answer Book. It consists of three questions. Answer them in the spaces provided.

SECTION AINSTRUCTIONS

1. Each question is followed by four answers represented by the letters A, B, C, D. You must decide which is the **best** answer.
2. On the ANSWER SHEET put a circle round the letter of the best answer. IF YOU CHANGE YOUR MIND, put a line through your first circle and draw a circle round the letter of your next choice.

For example:

23	A	B	C	D
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3. If you change your mind again and like your first answer better, put a line through your second circle and tick your first answer.

For example:

23	A	B	C	D
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4. No marks will be given if you circle more than one letter for a question.

SECTION A**(60 marks)**

1. Which God do we worship first?
 - A. Lord Muruga
 - B. Lord Ganesha
 - C. Lord Siva
 - D. Lord Vishnu

2. Who is our first guru?
 - A. Our brothers and sisters
 - B. Our grandparents
 - C. Our aunts and uncles
 - D. Our parents

3. On the Hindu New Year we most especially
 - A. Prostrate to parents and receive gifts from elders
 - B. Go to friends' homes
 - C. Visit the temple
 - D. Stay home from school

4. A kolam is a
 - A. Water pot
 - B. Spear
 - C. Design in rice flour on the ground
 - D. Tower in front of temple

5. The gopuram is
 - A. The God in the temple
 - B. Nandi the bull
 - C. The temple entrance tower
 - D. The flag pole

6. Lord Ganesha's goad makes us
 - A. Take action now
 - B. Forget our plans
 - C. Wait for while
 - D. Pray to another God

7. "Nama Sivaya" means
 - A. "Praise to Lord Muruga"
 - B. "Please help me"
 - C. "Give me a boon"
 - D. "Praise to God Siva"

8. How many Hindus are there in the world?
 - A. 100 million
 - B. 400 million
 - C. Nearly a billion
 - D. 2 billion

9. Which is the oldest religion in the world?
 - A. Buddhism
 - B. Christianity
 - C. Islam
 - D. Hinduism

10. What is "pradakshina"?
 - A. Singing bhajan
 - B. Worshipping at the kodimaram
 - C. Taking the flame
 - D. Walking three times around the temple

11. We receive vibhuti, holy ash, in
 - A. Our left hand with our right hand underneath
 - B. Our right hand with our left hand by our side
 - C. Our right hand with our left hand underneath
 - D. Our left hand with our right hand by our side

12. We put vibhuti first on our
 - A. Forehead
 - B. Throat
 - C. Arms
 - D. Wrists

13. Nandi is
 - A. a beautiful peacock
 - B. a large white bull
 - C. a tiny mouse
 - D. a red rooster

14. A Sivalinga is
 - A. the temple tower
 - B. a flagpole
 - C. a rounded stone set in a base
 - D. the inner sanctum

15. How many Supreme Gods are there?
 - A. One only, called by different names
 - B. As many as we want to believe in
 - C. Three—Brahma, Vishnu and Siva
 - D. Two—Vishnu and Siva

16. What is a requirement for a satguru?
 - A. He must have many disciples
 - B. He must be from India
 - C. He must have seen God
 - D. He must be rich

17. What is the oldest book in the world?
 - A. The *Vedas*
 - B. The *Mahabharata*
 - C. The *Bible*
 - D. The *Koran*

18. In the story of the sadhu and the king, why did the sadhu leave without asking for money?
 - A. Because the king, though rich, was a beggar just like him
 - B. Because the king did not have enough money
 - C. Because the king was going to refuse to give him money
 - D. Because the minister sent him away

19. Who are devas?
- A. temple priests
 - B. bad people
 - C. Gods
 - D. Souls who live in heaven
20. "Karma" is best defined as
- A. the proper order of the universe
 - B. the law of cause and effect
 - C. fate
 - D. nonviolence
21. In the story of the sage and the little boys, why did the sage not pay attention to the rocks thrown at him?
- A. Because he knew the boys were only making bad karma for themselves
 - B. Because the boys missed
 - C. Because he was asleep
 - D. Because he was afraid of them
22. What is "Mahesvara Puja"?
- A. The Hindu New Year
 - B. A temple festival
 - C. A kind of pilgrimage
 - D. A free--feeding for devotees
23. How did the devotees find where to build a Ganesha temple in New York City?
- A. A rishi in India told them where to go
 - B. Someone told them where
 - C. They looked for an inexpensive place to buy
 - D. One saw the actual place in a dream
24. Why did Saint Appar clean the temple grounds?
- A. To teach the temple management a lesson
 - B. Because they were very dirty
 - C. To worship Lord Siva by service
 - D. He had nothing else to do before puja

25. What does "Saivism" mean?
- A. "vegetarian"
 - B. "meat-eater"
 - C. "go on a fast"
 - D. "go on pilgrimage"

26. Our soul is a body made of
- A. water
 - B. light
 - C. flesh
 - D. minerals

27. The priests in the picture are
- A. performing a homa
 - B. cooking dinner
 - C. talking with their friends
 - D. singing bhajans



28. "Reincarnation" means
- A. to die and go to heaven forever
 - B. to be reborn in a physical body
 - C. to die and go to hell forever
 - D. to have only one life
29. In the story of Markandeya, why did he not die?
- A. Because his parents pleaded with the God of Death
 - B. Because he was worshipping Lord Siva
 - C. Because he hid when Death came
 - D. Because he begged the God of Death for his life
30. A rudraksha is
- A. a stone from a river in India
 - B. a round, reddish seed sacred to Saivites
 - C. holy ash
 - D. a kind of ghee

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SAIVITE HINDU RELIGIONBOOK FOUR EXAMINATION (INTERMEDIATE)ANSWER BOOKMarks
Gained
SECTION A: ANSWER SHEET

Put a circle around the letter which is the best answer to each question.

1.	A	B	C	D
2.	A	B	C	D
3.	A	B	C	D
4.	A	B	C	D
5.	A	B	C	D
6.	A	B	C	D
7.	A	B	C	D
8.	A	B	C	D
9.	A	B	C	D
10.	A	B	C	D
11.	A	B	C	D
12.	A	B	C	D
13.	A	B	C	D
14.	A	B	C	D
15.	A	B	C	D

16.	A	B	C	D
17.	A	B	C	D
18.	A	B	C	D
19.	A	B	C	D
20.	A	B	C	D
21.	A	B	C	D
22.	A	B	C	D
23.	A	B	C	D
24.	A	B	C	D
25.	A	B	C	D
26.	A	B	C	D
27.	A	B	C	D
28.	A	B	C	D
29.	A	B	C	D
30.	A	B	C	D

Total for section A

(Turn for Section B)

SECTION B

(40 marks)

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Write your answer in the spaces provided
2. Answer ALL the questions.

QUESTION 1

- (a) Below is a picture of Lord Siva Nataraja. Match the items in Column 1 with the correct meaning from Column 2. Write the letters of the correct answers in the boxes provided beside the items in Column 1.



Column 1

- (i) upper right hand holding a drum represents
- (ii) upper left hand holding fire represents
- (iii) lower right hand held in *abinaya mudra* represents
- (iv) lowered right foot represents
- (v) raised right foot represents

Column 2

- A. power of knowledge or revealing grace.
- B. power of ignorance or concealing grace
- C. power of destruction
- D. power of preservation
- E. power to remove obstacles
- F. power of creation

(5 marks)

(b) Read the following questions carefully and write down the answers in the space provided.

(i) What is the name of the bull that Lord Siva rides upon?

_____ (1 mark)

(ii) The Ardhanarishvara form of Lord Siva is

_____ (1 mark)

(iii) The big Siva festival when we stay up all night is called

_____ (1 mark)

(iv) The most sacred mantra or word for Saivites is

_____ (1 mark)

(v) The home of Lord Siva in the Himalayas is

_____ (1 mark)

(5 marks)

c. Fill the blank spaces with the correct words from the list given below.

aum	Siva Lingam	vel
holy ash	child	tower

(i) Saint Appar was cured by _____.

(ii) The gopuram is the temple _____.

(iii) Every Siva temple has a _____.

(iv) St. Sambandar sang songs to Siva when he was a _____.

(v) The most important sacred sound is _____ (5 marks)

Question Two

- (a) Match the items in Column 1 with the correct meaning from Column 2. Write the letters of the correct answers in the boxes provided beside the items in Column 1.

Column 1

- (i) Lord Ganesha's elephant head makes him
- (ii) Lord Muruga's Vel chases away the
- (iii) Lord Ganesha rides upon a
- (iv) Lord Muruga rides upon a
- (v) Lord Ganesha loves to eat

Column 2

- A. mouse
- B. sweets
- C. easy to recognize
- D. peacock
- E. asuras
- F. bananas

(5 marks)

- (b) Read the following questions carefully and write down the answers in the space provided.

- (i) After we pray to Him, how does Lord Ganesha let us know to go ahead or not with something we want to do?

_____ (1 mark)

- (ii) In the story of Namby and Ganesha, Ganesha finally had to

_____ (1 mark)

- (iii) In South India there are six famous temples to

_____ (1 mark)

- (iv) The devas live in

_____ (1 mark)

(4 marks)

Question Three

- (a) Match the items in Column 1 with the correct meaning from Column 2. Write the letters of the correct answers in the boxes provided beside the items in Column 1.

Column 1

- (i) A person who doesn't eat meat is a
- (ii) Spiritual disciplines from a guru are called
- (iii) going without food is called a
- (iv) Every Hindu home has a home
- (v) We get a better birth by following

Column 2

- A. vegetarian
- B. karma
- C. dharma
- D. shrine
- E. sadhana
- F. fast

(5 marks)

- (b) Read the following questions carefully and write down the answers in the space provided.

- (i) Name one thing we do before we go to the temple?

_____ (1 mark)

- (ii) If we ask advice from a guru then we must

_____ (1 mark)

- (iii) Inviting devotees to your home and feeding them is called

_____ (1 mark)

- (iv) In Hindu culture we always treat our elders

_____ (1 mark)

(4 marks)

c. Fill the blank spaces with the correct words from the list given below.

generous	wealthy	dharma
dawn	soul	karma

- (i) The law of cause and effect is called _____.
- (ii) The principle of duty is called _____.
- (iii) Every Hindu should rise before _____.
- (iv) Atman is the Sanskrit word for _____.

(4 marks)

d. Read the questions which follow and write your answers in the spaces provided.

- (i) Give one reason why we respect and worship the cow

- (ii) State one reason why we rise before dawn

- (iii) What do we mean when we say, "He made a bad karma"?

(3 marks)

Test Answers: Section A

1. B	11. C	21. A
2. D	12. A	22. D
3. A	13. B	23. D
4. C	14. C	24. C
5. C	15. A	25. A
6. C	16. C	26. B
7. D	17. A	27. A
8. C	18. A	28. B
9. D	19. D	29. B
10. D	20. B	30. B

Test Answers: Section B**Question 1 (a)**

(i) F	(iii) A	(c)
(ii) C	(iv) D	(i) F
(iii) D	(v) B	(ii) E
(iv) B	(b)	(iii) B
(v) A	(i) by some kind of sign	(iv) D
(b)	(ii) actually eat the food offer-	(d)
(i) Nandi	ing	(i) The cow is generous, gen-
(ii) half man/half woman	(iii) Lord Muruga	tle, kind or gives much but
(iii) Mahasivaratri	(iv) heaven (or the devaloka)	asks little in return.
(iv) Nama Sivaya	Question 3 (a)	(ii) It is quiet, the mind is
(v) Mount Kailas	(i) A	clear, the mind is rested, we
(c)	(ii) E	remember easily, best time to
(i) B	(iii) F	meditate, best time to worship
(ii) F	(iv) D	or easy to learn.
(iii) C	(v) C	(iii) He has done a wrong
(iv) D	(b)	action that will come back to
(v) A	(i) bathe, dress in clean	him in the future.
Question 2 (a)	clothes or prepare an offering	
(i) C	(ii) follow it	
(ii) E	(iii) Mahesvara Puja	
	(iv) with respect (or kindness)	

