

CUET PG 2026 Buddhist Studies Question Paper(Memory Based)

Time Allowed :1 Hours 30 minutes	Maximum Marks :300	Total Questions :75
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General Instructions

1. The exam lasts 90 minutes (1 hour 30 minutes).
2. There are 75 Multiple Choice Questions (MCQs) to be answered.
3. +4 marks for every correct answer. -1 mark (negative marking) for every incorrect answer. 0 marks for unanswered or un-attempted questions.
4. For any discrepancy in questions, the English version is considered final (except for language-specific papers).
5. Click one of the four options to choose an answer.
6. You must click "Save & Next" to confirm your response. Only saved answers are considered for evaluation.
7. Use "Mark for Review & Next" to flag a question for later. You can unselect or change your answer using the "Clear Response" button.
8. All calculations must be done on the Rough Sheets provided at the centre. These must be returned to the invigilator after the exam.

1. Who is the author of the famous Sanskrit text Buddhacarita?

- (A) Kalidasa
- (B) Ashvaghosha
- (C) Banabhatta
- (D) Nagarjuna

2. In which city was the Third Buddhist Council held under the patronage of Emperor Ashoka?

- (A) Rajgir
- (B) Vaishali
- (C) Pataliputra
- (D) Sarnath

3. What is the literal meaning of the term 'Pratityasamutpada' in Buddhist philosophy?

- (A) Path of liberation
- (B) Dependent origination

- (C) Cycle of rebirth
 - (D) Ultimate truth
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4. Which section of the Tripitaka contains the rules and discipline for the monastic order?

- (A) Sutta Pitaka
 - (B) Vinaya Pitaka
 - (C) Abhidhamma Pitaka
 - (D) Dharma Pitaka
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5. What are the 'Three Marks of Existence' (Tilakkhana) in Buddhism?

- (A) Dharma, Sangha, Buddha
 - (B) Suffering, Desire, Ignorance
 - (C) Impermanence, Suffering, Non-self
 - (D) Birth, Death, Rebirth
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6. Which Buddhist school is known for the doctrine of 'Sunyata' (Emptiness) as propounded by Nagarjuna?

- (A) Theravada
 - (B) Mahayana
 - (C) Vajrayana
 - (D) Hinayana
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7. What is the name of the future Buddha who is currently residing in the Tushita Heaven?

- (A) Avalokiteshvara
 - (B) Maitreya
 - (C) Manjushri
 - (D) Amitabha
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8. The concept of 'Alayavijnana' (Storehouse Consciousness) is a central tenet of which philosophical school?

- (A) Madhyamaka
- (B) Yogachara

- (C) Theravada
 - (D) Vaibhashika
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9. Which mudra (hand gesture) did the Buddha perform at the moment of his Enlightenment?

- (A) Dharmachakra Mudra
 - (B) Abhaya Mudra
 - (C) Bhumisparsha Mudra
 - (D) Dhyana Mudra
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10. In which town did Gautama Buddha deliver his first sermon, known as Dharmachakrapravartana?

- (A) Bodh Gaya
 - (B) Kushinagar
 - (C) Sarnath
 - (D) Lumbini
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11. What is the name of the dialogue between the Indo-Greek King Milinda and the monk Nagasena?

- (A) Dhammapada
 - (B) Milindapanha
 - (C) Suttanipata
 - (D) Mahavamsa
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12. Which category of the Eightfold Path includes Right Speech, Right Action, and Right Livelihood?

- (A) Wisdom (Prajna)
 - (B) Ethical Conduct (Sila)
 - (C) Mental Discipline (Samadhi)
 - (D) Meditation (Dhyana)
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13. What are the five 'Skandhas' (Aggregates) that constitute a sentient being according to Buddhism?

- (A) Dharma, Sangha, Buddha, Karma, Nirvana
- (B) Form, Sensation, Perception, Mental formations, Consciousness

- (C) Birth, Death, Suffering, Desire, Ignorance
 - (D) Earth, Water, Fire, Air, Space
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14. Which ancient Indian university was a world-renowned centre for the study of Mahayana Buddhism?

- (A) Takshashila
 - (B) Nalanda
 - (C) Vikramashila
 - (D) Ujjain
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15. Who is known as the 'Light of Asia' in modern literature related to the Buddha's life?

- (A) Edwin Arnold
 - (B) Rabindranath Tagore
 - (C) Max Muller
 - (D) T. W. Rhys Davids
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