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Final Examination

1) Name the author of the *Principal Teachings of Buddhism* (give both his popular name and his monk's name), as well as his dates. (Tibetan track answer in Tibetan.)

2) What is the actual name of this work? (Tibetan track in Tibetan.)

3) Who wrote the commentary that we are studying (give both his popular name and his special name)? What are his dates? (Tibetan track in Tibetan.)

4) Who is the disciple of Trijang Rinpoche who wrote the introduction? Give his full name and correct titles? (Tibetan track in Tibetan.)

5) Name the three principal paths. (Tibetan track in Tibetan.)

a)

b)

c)

6) What are the two bodies of a Buddha? (Tibetan track in Tibetan.)

a)

b)

7) Name the two causes of the two bodies. (Tibetan track in Tibetan.)

a)

b)

8) Which of the three principal paths cause each of these two bodies?

9) Is there any relationship between the three principal paths and tantric practice?

10) Name the ten characteristics of a qualified lama. (Tibetan track in Tibetan.)

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11) List the three requirements of a good student as found in Aryadeva's *400 Verses*. (Tibetan track in Tibetan.)

a)

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12) Define what is meant by "cycle of life," or *samsara* in Sanskrit. (Tibetan track give the Tibetan word.)

13) List the eight worldly thoughts. (Tibetan track in Tibetan.)

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14) Name the four principles of action (or *karma*.) (Tibetan track in Tibetan.)

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b)

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d)

15) What is the point at which you know you have developed true renunciation?

16) Give an explanation of the two parts of the word "bodhichitta." (Tibetan track in Tibetan.)

17) Give the seven steps in the cause-and-effect method for developing the wish for enlightenment; explain briefly why each is necessary for the next. (Tibetan track name the seven steps in Tibetan, and explain in English.)

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18) Name the two truths, and describe them briefly. (Tibetan track in Tibetan.)

a)

b)

19) Explain what "interdependence" (also sometimes called "dependent origination") means in each of the three Buddhist schools mentioned below. (Tibetan track students give Tibetan word for "interdependence.")

a) *Functionalist Group:*

b) *Independent Group:*

c) *Implication Group:*

20) Buddhism teaches that no "self" exists. Give a description of this non-existent "self" or self-nature, according to Master Chandrakirti. (Tibetan track students give the Tibetan word for "self.")

21) Can the idea of karma (that is, ethics or morality) co-exist with the idea of emptiness, or do they contradict each other? (Tibetan track give the words for "morality" and for "emptiness" in Tibetan.)

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