

DISCUSSION

BLOCK: 6
WEEK: 5

ASSIGNED: 11TH OCT 05

1. Can a false object possessor apprehend a false object? Give an example to illustrate your answer, and describe the end result of correct realisation of this premise. [3]

2. Is there any difference between the aggregates / self - which are made true by ignorance, and the illusions that are generated by the magician and reflections? [2]

3. Can one meditate on emptiness while watching a movie? Give an example to illustrate your answer. [3]

4. Explain the reasoning that comes to the conclusion that functionality and non-functionality are mutually exclusive. How does this become another useful proof for emptiness? [4]

5. Name and describe the two-fold function of realizing emptiness. [4]

6. State the proof that establishes the lack of inherent existence with dependent arising. [3]

7. List the eight worldly dharmas. What does it mean to eliminate these eight? [5]

8. Describe an emptiness meditation that can help a person who is overwhelmed by the eight worldly dharmas? [2]

9. '*Despite desiring happiness, they are not beyond suffering.*' Discuss this statement and explain why '*those who desire happiness*' are a worthy object of compassion. [2]

10. What factors of this life prevent opportunities to practise virtue? [4]