

Tara Institute Study Group 2002 - 'Entering the Middle Way'

EXAM

NAME:

BLOCK: **3**
WEEK: **6**
ASSIGNED: **9TH JULY 2002**

MARK:

1. What advice does Nagarjuna give to those who practise the Mahayana path yet achieve no results? As such, summarize the lamrim contemplations from Master Shantideva's '*Compendium of Training*.' [8 marks]

2. Name and describe the six perfections. Give their individual correlations (results) [18 marks]

Total Marks - 48

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3. What is it to be 'contaminated'? Give both the Abhidharma and Consequence schools interpretation. [2 marks]

4. Why are the ten bodhisattva levels of development called 'grounds'? [2 marks]

5. 1. Give the following:

i) The five Paths:					
ii) The four levels of Path #2:					
iii) The learner paths:					
iv) The ordinary paths:					
v) The Arya paths:					

[18*1/2 marks]

6. What are the only three mental afflictions an *Arya* (at the Path of Seeing) completely gives up? [3 marks]

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7. What are the two ways in which practitioners on a Mahayana track outshine other practitioners? Explain the meaning and corresponding stages of these two with the use of Maitreya's 'Prince' analogy. [6 marks]