

Class-7 Chapter-7 (Some Ideal Biographies) Notes Date:05/11/2020

Lesson-13, 14, 15 and 16 (Swami Vivekananda):

Identity of Swami Vivekananda:

Swami Vivekananda was born in Kolkata on 12th January 1863. His original name was Narendra Nath Dutta. He had another name in his childhood-Bireshwar. But everybody called him 'Bilay' adoringly. His father Bishwa Nath Dutta was a famous lawyer. His mother Vuboneswari Debi was a skilled homemaker.

Narendranath was different in outlook with courageousness, truthfulness, liberal outlook and kindness to living beings. He was very scholar in his early age. He did well in the examinations of schools and colleges. He passed BA too.

He went to America in 1893. He delivered a speech there at the convention of world religions in Chicago on 11th of September. After his speech, Vivekananda's name spread all over America.

Death of Swami Vivekananda:

He had a short life of only 39 years 5 months and 23 days. Due to lack of sufficient rest, his health broke down within very short time. As a result, this great saint died at Belur Math on 4 July, 1902 leaving the people of India.

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Worksheet

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Short Questions from Lesson-13, 14, 15 and 16:

- 1) When and where was Swami Vivekananda born?
- 2) Who was the father of Vivekananda?
- 3) What did Swami Vivekananda's father do?
- 4) Who was Swami Vivekananda's mother? What did Swami Vivekananda's mother do?
- 5) What was the original name of Vivekananda?
- 6) Who was Bireshwar? Why did people call him 'Bilay'?
- 7) How was Bilay from his childhood?
- 8) What did Bilay do seeing anyone in distress?
- 9) What was one of Bilay's favourite games?
- 10) What are the symptoms from his childhood that one day Bilay would be a heroic saint like Swami Vivekananda?
- 11) Why did Narendranath like Sri Ramkrishna Paramhongshodev?
- 12) Who called Vivekananda Swami or Swamiji?
- 13) When did Vivekananda go to America?
- 14) At which age was Vivekananda judged the best speaker in America?
- 15) Where did Vivekananda give many lectures?
- 16) How did many people become Vivekananda's earnest fans?
- 17) Who was sister Nibedita?
- 18) When did Vivekananda return to his own country?
- 19) What did Vivekananda say to his country people in his welcome reception? Explain.
- 20) What did Vivekananda say about serving living beings? Explain.
- 21) What is Ramkrishna Math? Where is it situated?
- 22) What is known as Belur Math? What was the mission of establishing it?
- 23) Why did Vivekananda establish Ramkrishna Mission?
- 24) What are the services of Ramkrishna Mission?
- 25) When and where did this great saint die?

Broad Questions from Lesson-13, 14, 15 and 16:

- 1) Write on Vivekananda's childhood.
- 2) Evaluate the result of Swami Vivekananda's presence in Chicago and his lecture there.
- 3) How did Bilay show honesty and fearlessness? Explain.
- 4) Which steps did Vivekananda advocate for the development of the country?

5) What are the reasons of Vivekananda being the best speaker at the conference of world's
religions?
6) What can we learn from Swami Vivekananda? Explain.