

## BUDDHISM EXAM 2

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### VOCABULARY / TERMINOLOGY

#### Matching/fill in the blank.

**Amitabha:** Buddha of the pure lands  
**Shantideva:** Indian Buddhism monk...  
**bhumi:** Stages of enlightenment/acceptance of the Mahayana Buddhism  
**svabhava:** One-being, or essential nature.  
**sunyata:** Emptiness/Voidness of ultimate reality  
**Madhyamaka:** Indian school of Buddhism  
**Nagarjuna:** Philosopher to founded Madhyamaka  
**Adhidharma:** New texts, expanding upon the previous sutras  
**nianfo:** Pure land Buddhism, worship Amitabha  
**sravaka:** Disciple who accepts the Buddha as their teaching.  
**pratyekabuddha:** Solitary Buddha.  
**samyaksambodhi:** Complete enlightenment, the enlightenment that the Buddha gets  
**dharani:** Sacred phrase or talisman.  
**bodhicitta:** The mind that strives towards awakening.  
**Vajryana:** Tantric Buddhism  
**Vairochana:** Celestial Buddha  
**tantra:** Esoteric forms of Buddhism  
**mudra:** Sacred gesture or pose.  
**mantra:** Sacred utterance  
**mandala:** Visual representation of the spiritual universe.  
**upaya:** Skillful means  
**Nichiren:** Priest emphasizing the Lotus Sutra.  
**Zhiyi:** Founder of Tiantai Buddhism (Inclusive).  
**Saicho:** Japanese monk founding Tendai school based off of Tiantai Buddhism.  
**Tendai:** Very inclusive teachings of Buddhism.  
**daimoku:** Chant in Nichiren Buddhism which is devoting to the Lotus Sutra.  
**Daochuo:** Teacher of pure land Buddhism

#### Complete the Chart.

Tradition	Vehicle	What you “get”	What you “become”
Mahayana Buddhism	bodhisattva	samyaksambodhi	Buddha
Nikaya Buddhism	sravaka	nirvana	Arhat

## SHORT ANSWERS

**Vimalakirti's "illness".** Vimalakirti manifests an illness so as to teach the lay people about the five bundles of the body, and their impermanence.

**How to get into Sukhavati.** Complete devotion to Amitabha, with emphasis on the invocation, and chanting of the Pure Land sutras.

**Method and result of Mahamudra meditation.** Great seal that wisdom and emptiness are linked together. Meditation is separated into two groups, "mindfulness" and "insight". For mindfulness focus on a specific object. Insight consists of ten contemplations to meditate on.

**Worship of Avalokitesvara in China.** Manifestation of the eternal Buddha Amitabha, also called Guanyin(female form). Purest of Buddhas?

**Function of miracle tales in medieval East Asia.** To associate the lotus sutra with the here and now, and to make it more deletable. To associate its power with helping the everyday and to associate it with nature.

**Parables in the Lotus Sutra.** All of these demonstrate the power of the lotus sutra, and its association with nature. It is all powerful, and every letter can do amazing things.

**Final Dharma Age and religious movements in Kamakura-period Japan.** The final age of the Buddhas teachings, where the teachings are filtered thought flawed understanding and enlightenment is difficult. Many monks of the time, decided the complete devotion to a single practice is the best method to achieve enlightenment at this time.

**Main object of worship for Nichiren.** Nichiren taught that Buddhahood is achieved by solely embracing faith in the Lotus Sutra and chanting its title (daimoku). The title contained the entirety of the sutra.

**Exchange between Sariputra and Dragon Girl in Chapter 12 of the Lotus Sutra.** Sariputra claims that a girl cannot become a Buddha. Then the dragon girl becomes a Buddha, by first transforming into a man. Or possibly her transformation was just some expedient means to not confuse the others (But thats BS, Buddhism is just sexist).

## PASSAGE ANALYSIS

- Daochuo's Compendium on the Happy Land
- Tantra on the Complete Enlightenment of Vairochana
- Dharani Sutra of the Five Mudras of the Compassionate White-Robed Guanyin
- Lotus Sutra
- Miraculous Tales of the Lotus Sutra