

SHLOKAS FOR 9 – 12 YEAR OLDS

(includes shlokas taught in the 3-5 year AND 6-8 year class)

GANESHA SHLOKAMS

Gajananam Bhuta Ganathi Sevitam
Kapittha Jambu Palasara Bhaksitam
Uma Sutam Shoka Vinasha Karanam
Namami Vignesvara Pada Pankajam

He who has the face of an elephant, one who is worshipped by the Bhootha ganam, He who eats the essence of kapitha and Jumbu fruits, He who is the son of Uma Devi and He who allievates the ill feelings in us. O! Lord Vigneshwara who is an embodiment of all the above, we offer our Namaskarams at your Divine feet.

Shuklambara Dharam Vishnum
Shashivarnam Chatur Bhujam
Prasanna Vadanam Dhyayet
Sarva Vignopa Santaye

Sanskrit to English Word Meaning

Suklambaradaram-one who wears a white garmetn; visnum; all pervading; sasivarnam; who ahs a brilliant complexion; chaturbhujam-who had four hands; prasannavadanam- who has an ever smiling face; dhyayet- I meditate upon; sarvavighnopashantaye- for the removal of all obstacles

Translation

Lord Vigneshwara, who wears a white garment, who is all pervading, who has a bright complexion (like a full moon), who has four hands (representing all power), who has an ever-smiling face, upon that deity I meditate, for the removal of all obstacles.

Brief Explanation

Lord Ganesha is the older son of Lord Shiva son Goddess Parvati. He is invoked before any undertaking for the removal of obstacles. He is also worshipped for knowledge and wisdom that he bestows upon devotees.

Sri Vakratunda Mahakaaya

Koti-soorya samaprabha
Nirvighnam kuru me Deva
Sarva-karyeshu Sarvadaa

*O, Lord Ganesha of the curved trunk and massive body, the one whose
splendor is equal to millions of Suns, please bless me to that I do not face
any obstacles in my endeavors.*

Mooshika vahana modaka hasta
Chamara karna vilambita sootra
Vamana roopa Maheswara putra
Vigna-vinayaka paada namaste

*He who has the mouse as his vahana(vehicle),
He who always keeps Modhakam (a traditional type of sweet)
He who has ears that resemble a hand held fan,
He who wears a chain-like ornament around his waist,
He who is short in stature,
He who is the son of Parameshwar,
O Lord Vinayaka who is all the above and he who always removes our
obstacles,
We worship your Divine Feet.*

Gajavaktram Sura-shreshtam
Karna-chaamara-bhooshitam
Paashaankusha-dharam Devam
Vandeham Gana-naayakam

*I bow before that God, who is the leader of Shiva's ghosts, whose face resembles
that of an elephant. Who is supreme among the deities, Who sports ears that look
like fans and Who is armed with noose and goad.*

Ekadantam Mahakayam
Lambodara Gajananam
Vigna Nashakarma Devam
He Rambam Prana Mamyaham

*I bow to that God, Who has one tusk, one Who has a large body, one Who
has a big stomach, one Who has the face of an elephant; He who destroys
all obstacles and Who is also called Herambh (beloved of the Mother).*