

E. The 5 Faculties

I. The 5 Faculties (page 136)

- A. Are the exact same qualities as “The Five Strengths”
- B. are 5 factors that must dominate the mind for Awakening
 - i. all of the items listed in the 7 Sets (37 factors) can be categorized under these 5 faculties:
 - a) 4 Frames Of Reference
 - b) Right Exertion
 - c) Conviction
 - d) Concentration
 - e) Discernment

II. Conviction [\$69] (page 137)

- A. is built out of the 4 factors of stream entry
 - i. involves:
 - a) trust in wise people to know what they are talking about.
 - b) belief in the teachings
 - c) a willingness to practice the teachings
- B. comes down to a belief in the principal of Buddhist kamma
- C. develops the faculty of persistence (pg 138)

III. Right Exertion / Persistence (page 136)

- A. develops mindfulness which helps develop
 - i. concentration, faculty #4
 - ii. discernment, faculty #5
 - a) which eventually makes one able to see for oneself that the teachings work, allowing you to dispense with concentration[\$89]

IV. "Heedfulness" [\$78] (page 138)

- A. is a combination of Right Exertion & relentless mindfulness
- B. leads to seeing the teachings as being in every daily act

V. Development of the 5 faculties

- A. is complete when one is liberated and no longer needs them [\$188]
 - i. when one finished the path they transcend the need for skill or skillful means