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Mark the following statements as true if they are in accordance with Shankara's teaching of Advaita Vedanta. Mark them as false if they are not.

F Devotion to a personal God/dess is the highest form of practice.

T Liberation is the complete knowledge of *brahman*.

Write the terms below next to the appropriate definition:

| Illusion | Advaita | Creative power |
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| <u>Nirguna</u> | Saguna | |
| <u>Creative power</u> | | Vedic understanding of <i>maya</i> |
| <u>Nirguna</u> | | without qualities |
| <u>Illusion</u> | | Shankara's definition of <i>maya</i> |
| <u>Saguna</u> | | with qualities |
| <u>Advaita</u> | | non-dual |

List three things that Shankara created during his lifetime that have survived until the present day:

He founded four *mathas* or monasteries/pilgrimage centers.

He founded ten monastic orders.

He wrote many commentaries that taught his philosophy of Advaita Vedanta.

What was the main point of Gangaji's talk?

Who are you? You are the Self, which is not different or separate from divinity.