**Vikram’s English Academy (ICSE)**

**Std: VIII-Euro Duration: 1 hour Marks: 40**

**Answer the following questions in reference to the context:**

**Section A (13 Marks)**

1. ***Week in, week out, from morn till night***

***You can hear his bellows blow***

1. Who is he? What can you hear him doing?    (3)

2. Which tool is mentioned in the next line? As a result of his action, whom is he compared to? How?

(3)

1. ***Singing in the village choir***

***And it makes his heart rejoice...***

1. What is his activity on Sunday? (3)

2. Who sings in the village choir? Why does his heart rejoice? How does he go onward through his life (4)

**Section B (13 Marks)**

1. ***A sister of his dead mother lived in the village.***

***She had done what was needful for him as a baby...***

1. What did the mother give the child before dying? Who many siblings did he have? (3)

2. What did the siblings do? What did the father do? (3)

3. Describe what happened when the boy shouted the rhyme the second time. (4)

4. Why was there nothing that could be got of this boy? What would he do instead? (3)

**Section C (14 Marks)**

1. ***I moved easily along the berth and felt for the window ledge…***

1. How is October according to the narrator? Give details. (4)

2. The narrator says that his co-passenger has an interesting face. Justify why he says so. (3)

1. ***He was eating a sandwich hungrily. He had eaten nothing since morning.***

1. Why did he eat hungrily. What else did he have? (3)

2. Who came around the corner of the side street? What was she doing there? (2)

3. What did the sniper do next? (2)