Vikram’s English Academy (ICSE)

**Test: Anne bakes a cake, In the bazaars of Hyderabad**

**SET A ANSWER KEY**

**Q1. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow: (10)**

*“All right! It’s simply horrible. Mr. Allan, don’t try to eat it. Anne taste it yourself. What flavouring did you use?”*

1. What had a horrible taste? For whom was made it? Why? (3)

Ans. Mr. Allan was the new minster in Avonlea. His wife Mrs. Allan had taken a class in Anne’s school. Impressed by her patience, Anne wanted to impress the couple when they would come to their house- the Green Gables. Hence Anne decided to bake a cake in order to make Mr. and Mrs. Allan happy. Unfortunately, the cake didn’t turn not turn out to be as Anne had imagined and it had a horrible taste.

1. What all preparations were made by Anne for Mr. and Mrs. Allan? (3)

Ans. The enthusiastic Anne, in addition to baking a cake, went out to great lengths to decorate table. Anne decided to decorate the table with ferns and wild roses. She even asked Marilla to use her best tea set. The table was decorated so well that both Mr. and Mrs. Allan together exclaimed over its loveliness.

1. Imagine you were in Anne’s place. How could you have avoided or rectified the situation? (4)

Ans. Anne did a grave mistake of accidentally adding Anodyne Liniment instead of Baking powder in a cake. This showed her carefree and casual attitude. If I were in Anne’s place, I would have made sure that I would smell or taste the ingredients before I made something. I would also check their expiry before adding them to my recipe. And if the damage was done and something was spoilt already I would try to make some new and try to be more cautious while making it.

**Q2. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow: (10)**

“What do you weigh, O ye vendors? Safforn and lentil and rice. What do you grind, O ye maidens? Sandalwood, henna and spice. What do you call, O ye pedlars? Chessmen and ivory dice.

1. What the different commodities one sees being sold in the market place? (3)

Ans. In the poem, “In the Bazaars of Hyderabad” written by Sarojini Naidu, she describes the market places and the goods sold in the market place in detail In the market place one sees rice, lentil, rice, sandalwood, henna, spices, chessmen and ivory dice. Besides this, the market place has other goods also like the turbans, tunics, daggers, goldsmiths with their displays, fruitmen, musicians, magicians and flower girls.

1. The market is not just filled with daily, but also with luxurious goods. Justify your statement with examples from the poem. 3

Ans. According to the poem, “In the Bazaars of Hyderabad” the market place is filled with various people selling different items. Where on one hand, there are merchants displaying turbans, tuncis, daggers; vendors selling lentil, rice; maidens sending sandalwood henna spice, fruit men selling citron, pomegranate and plum; and flower girls selling flowers. All of these are the daily goods require for every day. On the other hand, there are goldsmiths and pedlar’s displaying their rich wares and even musicians to add to the beauty of the market place. These account for the wealth and the luxury that one can see being sold in the market place.

1. How can you infer from the poem that India was a rich country? 4

Ans. Sarojini Naidu through her poem, “In the Bazaars of Hyderabad” justifies the old saying that India was known as a ‘Golden Bird.” The market places clearly shows the merchants selling daily goods but it also shows expensive goods created by the craftsmanship of the goldsmiths like the delicate anklets, rings, bells for pigeons, girdles for dancers and scabbards for the king. It also shows the pedlars selling the expensive chessmen and the rare ivory dice. To add to the aesthetic beauty of the market place, one also sees the musicians preforming to enhance the richness of the soul.