Vikram’s English Academy (ICSE)

First Terminal Examination

Std VIII EURO Duration: 2 hours Marks 80

**Attempt any five**

**Section A- Novel**

**Question 1 (16)**

***“This is the School, the old man said mildly”***

1. Who said these words? What was Ged carrying? 3
2. Which spell did Ged use to enter? Was he successful, first? Why or why not? 3
3. Did the doorkeeper help Ged? What did he tell Ged to do? 3
4. What response had Ged received from the old woman? 3
5. Describe the doorway. 4

**Question 2**

1. Write a brief note on Moon’s Night and Long Dance. 8
2. Mention the different tricks that the boys played as pure frolic. 8

**Section B- Poetry**

**Question 3 (16)**

***“I will arise and go now, and go to Innisfree,”***

1. What is the narrator going to build there? How is he going to survive there? 3
2. What is the narrator expecting to achieve? How is it going to come? 3
3. Describe the way in which the narrator has described the entire day. 3
4. When does the poet hear the low sound of the lake water? What does this signify? 3
5. Is the narrator happy where he is? Justify with examples from the poem. 4

**Question 4 (16)**

***His brow is wet with honest sweat, he earns whate’er he can***

1. Who is ‘he’ here? Where is he? How are his hands described? 3
2. Describe his face. 3
3. What aspect of his nature is described in the second and the third stanza? 3
4. What happens when the evening sun is low? 3
5. Is the protagonist religious? Justify. 4

**Section C- Prose**

**Question 5 (16)**

***I was to hear it again, all along our trip home.***

1. What does ‘it’ refer to? Where was the narrator when she heard ‘it’ for the first time? Where was the narrator going? 3
2. Describe the scene on the railway station. (Any 3 points) 3
3. Describe the unique goodbye as the boat pulled out at Yokohama port. 4
4. How is ‘Sayonara’ different than a ‘goodbye’ and ‘farewell’? 4
5. Mention the goodbyes in German and French language and what do they mean? 2

**Question 6 (16)**

***“To get any useful instruction out of such a spectacle is impossible.***

1. Which spectacle is being mentioned in the extract? 3
2. What is the sober truth, according to the narrator, that zoos give? 3
3. What are the three reasons of zoos’ existence, mentioned in the first paragraph? 3
4. What wrong information is imparted about a giraffe, according to the narrator? 3
5. How does the narrator end his article? Which question does he ask? What is the purpose of the question? 4