Vikram’s English Academy (ICSE)

**Test: Animal Farm Chapter 2, March**

**Std VIII-PPS Set B**

**Marks 20 30min**

**Answer the following questions according to their weightage:**

***Q.1 At the beginning they met with much stupidity and apathy… (4)***

**a*.* Whom does the word ‘they’ refer to? Who is the master? (2)**

(The word ‘they’ refers to Snowball, Napolean and Squealer. The master here is Mr Jones.)

1. **Who asked the most stupid question? What was it? (2)**

**(**The most stupid question was asked by Mollie if there would be sugar after the rebellion.)

***Q.2 When Boxer heard this he fetched the small straw hat…. (4)***

1. **Explain the word ‘this’. What does Boxer do? (2)**

(The word ‘this’ refers to the comment made by Snowball that clothes signify human beings and all animals should go naked. Boxer flings his hat on to the fire which he wore to keep the flies out of his ears.)

1. **What happened after everything that reminded them of Mr Jones was destroyed? (2)**

(Napoleon led all the animals back to the store-shed and served out a double ration of corn to everybody, with two biscuits for each dog. The animals then sang Beasts of England from end to end seven times running, and after that they settled down for the night and slept as they had never slept before.)

***Q.3 What unanimous resolution was passed on the spot? (2)***

(The farmhouse should be preserved as a museum. All animals agreed that no animal must ever live there.)

***Q.4 Cite two instances where the writer has compared the nature in India and England. (4)***

(The writer has said that the month of March in India is as unpredictable as May in England. The Englishmen have fetish about hearing the first cuckoo in spring, whereas the writer is eager to hear the koel’s full-throated cry rather than the half gurgles.)

***Q.5 For a few days its caterpillar-like fruits are free to all for picking. (6)***

**a. What does the word ‘its’ refer to? What colour is it? What are the different names? (3)**

(The word ‘its’ refer to the mulberries. White or purple in colour. The different names are- shahtoot in Hindi and Morus Alba in Latin. )

**b. Give two more examples of trees whose names are foreign names. Explain the meaning of their names too. (3)**

(Ailanthus (tree of heaven) excelsea (very tall)- in Latin. Quisqualis- (who? What?) given by a Dutch botanist because of its eccentric growth.)