Vikram’s English Academy (ICSE)

**Pre-Preliminary Exam: Test 3**

**Stories Poems Drama**

1) India’s Heroes 1) Stopping by woods Merchant

Of

2) The Last Leaf 2) The Professor Venice (Act III)

**Std X Set F**

**Marks 40 1 hour**

Attempt ***any five*** out of the six questions

**Q1) “I never did repent for doing good, nor shall not now;”**

1. Why does Portia make this statement? 2
2. What is Portia’s opinion of good friendship? 3
3. How much price has Portia paid according to herself if her guess about Antonio is correct? Why? 3

**Q2) “I could teach you how to choose right …”**

1. To whom is Portia talking to and where? 2
2. What Portia had said at the beginning of this passage and why? 3
3. Why does Portia curse the naughty times? Is it applicable to their situation? 3

**Q3) “The woods are lovely, dark and deep But I have promises to keep,”**

1. What is the significance of the word ‘but’ in the line? Why does he have to move from the place? 2
2. The speaker has to make a decision. What does he decide to do? Why? 3
3. Why in your opinion, does the poet repeat the line “And miles to go before I sleep”? 3

**Q4) “This is because of sounds habits in youth. How is your health keeping?”**

1. Explain the word ‘nicely’. What does the speaker mean by the use of the word ‘nicely?’2
2. Comment on ‘You were so thin, like stick’. Who is referred here? Give his introduction?3
3. What is a good joke? Is it really a joke? Did you enjoy the joke? 3

**Q5) “Oh I never heard of such nonsense”, complained Sue with magnificent scorn.**

1. Who is Sue talking to? What is her profession? 2
2. What nonsense is being referred to in these lines? Do you think it is nonsense? Why 3
3. Do you think the feeling of depression Johnsy has is common among teenagers? 3

**Q6) India is a land of heroes. Comment in the context of the story ‘India’s Heroes’. 8**