Vikram’s English Academy (ICSE)

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

**Std VIII-PPS Set C**

**Marks 20 30min**

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

***Q.1 The work of teaching and organising the others fell naturally upon the pigs…. (4)***

1. Why? (1)

(They were generally recognised as being the cleverest of the animals)

1. Name the two pigs that were most active in this work. Give one example each of their contribution. (3)

(Snowball’s writing Animal Farm and seven commandments. Napolean led animals to store shed and served out a double ration of corn to everybody with two biscuits for each dog)

***Q.2 Mollie agreed, but she did not sound very convinced. (4)***

1. What did Mollie agree to? (2)

(Mollie agreed that the ribbons that she was so devoted were actually a badge of slavery and that liberty is worth more than ribbons.)

1. Was she actually convinced? Justify your answer. (2)

(No, she wasn’t convinced as after Mr Jones’ and his men’s repulsion, when all the animals visited the farmhouse Mollie was seen holding a piece of blue ribbon near her shoulder and admiring herself in the mirror in a foolish manner.)

***Q.3 Mention the unbelievable luxury found in the farmhouse. (2)***

*Beds with feather mattresses, the looking-glasses, the horsehair sofa, the Brussels carpet, the lithograph of Queen Victoria over the drawing room mantelpiece.*

***Q.4 Humans are not the only ones fooled by the weather. (6)***

1. Who else is fooled by the weather? What happens to them? (3)

(Insects who are supposed to have extra sense of forecasting the weather suffer many losses. They come out to pester humans but suddenly find the weather has turned inclement and are frozen to death.

1. Which insect does he hear earlier in his apartment? Why? When? (3)

(He hears cricket’s chirp earlier in his apartment as he as a log of fire burning every winter night. This usually happens in the second week of March.

***Q.5 No songbird in India can match…. (4)***

1. Which bird is being spoken about? When does it sing? (2)

(The bird that is being spoken about here is magpie robin. It usually sings only in the early hours of the morning or at twilight and evening.)

1. Name the butcherbird and justify why it is called so. (2)

(The shrike is known as butcherbird because of its nasty habit of impaling live insects on thorns.)