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 A**

**Marks 40 1 hour**

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

**Q1) “There is more difference between thy flesh and hers than between jet and ivory”**

1. Who is the speaker of these lines? To whom are they spoken? 2
2. Explain the comparisons that are drawn about here. 3
3. How does Shylock refer to Antonio immediately after this dialogue? 3

**Q2) “I never did repent for doing good, nor shall now...”**

1. To what speech of Lorenzo is this dialogue meant to be an answer? 2
2. How does Portia describe friends in this speech? 3
3. What excuse does Portia make to Lorenzo for leaving her house? 3

**Q3) ‘Our progress is progressing. Old values are going’**

1. What is the price of old age according to the professor? 2
2. How does the professor describe his health? 3
3. What was the age of the professor then? How much dies he hope to live? What does it show about the Indian mentality? 3

**Q4) ‘Whose woods these are I think I know.’**

1. What does the poet realise about the owner of the place? 2
2. What can you guess about the social status of the narrator by this description? How? 3
3. Describe the evening and the surroundings as is done by the narrator. 3

**Q5) “Wonderful!” Mrs Baruah said. “Remember it does not have to be a profession.”**

1. Why was Mrs Baruah so chirpy that morning? 2
2. Who were the first three speakers in the class? 3
3. What was Kabir’s condition when he got up to speak? Why? 3

**Q6) Was Johnsy completely whimsical. Would you attribute the death of Behrman to her stupidity? 8**