Vikram’s English Academy (ICSE)

**Pre-Preliminary Exam: Test 5**

**Stories Poems Drama**

1) God lives in the… 1) Where the mind… Merchant

Of

2) Kabuliwala 2) The Inchcape Rock Venice (Act V)

**Std X Set A**

**Marks 40 1 hour**

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

**Q1) “The crow doth sing as sweetly as the lark when neither is attended”**

1. Who is speaking these lines? To Whom? 2
2. Explain the given line. What other example is given by the speaker to reinforce her point? 3
3. Whom does the speaker notice at the end of the speech? What does he/she say about the person? 3

**Q2) “Portia, forgive me this enforced wrong, and in the hearing...”**

1. What wrong is the speaker talking of? 2
2. How does Portia make a mincemeat of the speaker by the play of words? 3
3. Who intervenes on the behalf of the speaker? In what way? 3

**Q3) ‘Sir Ralph the Rover sailed away, he scoured the seas for many a day’**

1. Where did Sir Ralph sail to? Why? 2
2. Were they able to see the sun? Why? How was the wind in that part of the poem? 3
3. Where is Sir Ralph stationed? What does he observe? 3

**Q4) ‘Where tireless striving stretches its arms towards perfection’**

1. Explain the lines given. 3
2. Which figure of speech has been used here? Justify. 2
3. Do you think that the poem is nationalistic in its approach? Why? 3

**Q5) ‘The friendship was not the outcome of any sudden impulse’**

1. What was the foundation of the friendship between the two friends? Give its background? 3
2. What was Alagu’s father belief about educating a child? 3
3. What which things were Alagu and Jumman respected respectively in the village? 2

**Q6) In what way was the Kabuliwala able to break the ice with Mini? 8**