Vikram’s English Academy (ICSE)

**ENGLISH Paper- 1**

**Set G**

***(Two hours)***

**ANSWER KEY**

Q3) a) i) trot- run at moderate pace, short steps, pace faster than a walk

ii) clumsily- awkwardly, careless way

iii) undulating- move with a smooth rise and fall motion

iv) perched- rest on something

v) imbecile- stupid person, idiotic

b) i) The narrator was travelling from Treguier to Kervanda by road in a horse carriage.

ii) The season is likely to be Summer or Spring. The sun was shining violently upon the undulating surface of the land, there were clumps of meagre trees. There were rectangular patches of vivid greens and yellows.

iii) The driver clicked his tongue to indicate to the horse to go downhill.

iv) Yes, the driver was a localite. He knew those four children, their background and where they lived. He even knew about their dead parents. He could anticipate where they had placed themselves and also knew about their daily routine.

Precis:

c) There were four children, a pair of twins, a girl and a boy. They were farmer’s children. Their parents were dead. During the time of the day, the children knocked about on the road and came home at dusk along with the cattle. The narrator referred all four children as idiots. Their grandmother lived on the farm near the Ploumar.

Q4) A) 1) including 2) were arrested 3) accused

4) were caught 5) had assembled 6) had received 7) had planned 8) had been laid

B) i) aback ii) over iii) at iv) for

v) through vi) at vii) with viii) off

C) i) After the fish lashed back, she dodged to one side throwing another fin.

ii) On summoning all his strength, he threw himself into the air head first. /After summoning all his strength, he threw himself into the air head first.

iii) Neither could he get into the pen as he wasn’t tall enough to jump over the fence nor he was interested.

iv) There is absolutely nothing beyond the limit of nothingness as it is the lowest one can go.

D) i) The thing always seems too ridiculously simple to not do it myself.

ii) I asked him/her/you if he/she/you had any reason to be dissatisfied with my choice.

iii) Should you need any help, he is just a call away.

iv) My fate was cursed by me for having bumped into him at the party.

v) I had never dreamt more imaginative a nightmare than it. / I had never dreamt a nightmare more imaginative than it.

vi) No sooner had the train chugged into the station than I saw it. / did chug

vii) Was I ever going to believe him?

viii) It was a thrilling experience, wasn’t it?