Vikram’s English Academy (ICSE)

**Test: Animal Farm (Chapter 7), The Dying Detective**

**Std VIII Duration: 30min Marks 20**

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

**Q.1 Reference to context (10)**

*‘Suddenly, early in the spring, alarming thing was discovered….*

a. Which fact made Squealer cry out to his comrades? (2)

Ans: The fact that Snowball sold himself to Frederick and Pinchfield farm and they both are plotting to attack and take away Animal Farm from the animals.

b. Who was blamed as a result of the disturbance caused at night? What were the mischiefs that had taken place? (3)

Ans: Snowball was blamed as result of destruction caused at the farm. He used to secretly visit the farm due to which the animals could hardly sleep in their stalls. He not only stole the corn but also upset the milk pails, broke eggs, trampled the seabeds and gnawed the bark of the fruit tree. If anything went wrong at the farm he (Snowball) was blamed

*I warn every animal on this farm to keep his eye very wide open.’*

a. Who emerged after this scene? How? Describe? (2)

Ans: Napolean emerged from the farmhouse. He had worn both his medals (Animal Hero First Class and Animal Hero Second Class) with nine dogs frisking round him and uttering growls which he sent shivers down all animals’ spines.

b. Who were slayed on the spot? How did the other animals react to this? (3)

Ans: The following were the animals slayed on the spot: the four pigs, three hens, a goose, three sheep. The remaining animals except pigs and dogs were shaken up and felt miserable. They were not able to understand what was more shocking- the treachery of the animals who had leagued themselves with Snowball or the cruel retribution they had just witnessed.

**Q.4 Reference to context (10)**

*Oh you did, did you? Well you couldn’t prove it anyhow?*

a. Who has said the above lines? To whom? (2)

Ans: Culverton Smith to Sherlock Holmes

b. Why did Holmes’ voice sink to an inaudible whisper? (1)

Ans: As he was pretending of being ill, he added on more by acting as if he was dying.

c. Whose footsteps were heard at this scene? What was the purpose of his/her arrival? (2)

Ans: Inspector Morton had arrived, his footsteps were heard. He had come to arrest Smith on the charge of Victor’s murder.

*‘Because it is my desire. Is that not enough?’*

a. Who is the sick man compared to? Why? (2)

Ans: Sick man that is Holmes is compared to a child as he spoke gibberish and kept murmuring.

b. Which different names of the diseases does Holmes mention? Where have they originated from? (2)

Ans: Tapanuli Fever and Black Formosa Corruption. Some place in the East of Asia.

c. Who does Watson go to fetch? Why? (1)

Ans: Watson goes to fetch Mr. Culverton Smith of 13, Lower Burke Street because he was suspected to have killed Victor Savage.