Vikram’s English Academy (ICSE)

**Test: A Horse and Two Goats, Abou Ben Adhem**

**Std IX-PPS Set D**

**Marks 20 30 min**

**Answer Key**

1. No, Abou Ben Adhem was not at all frightened to see the angel. Abou was a pious and holy man, who believed in not only loving God but also loving his fellow beings. He selflessly served people. Such human beings are always at peace and not afraid of anything.
2. This is a Simile. Here there is a direct comparison between two unlike objects ‘the angel’ and ‘a lily’ using the word ‘like’.
3. Abou Ben Adhem was a pious human being who loved his fellow beings.He was the epitome of goodness and righteousness. Thus, in the above line the poet wishes that people like Abou Ben Adhem should increase in this world which is otherwise full of selfish and wicked people.
4. Muni would get some things from the shop man by humouring him and also promising repayment later. No, the shop man did not always oblige. Some days, when the shop man was in a good mood, he would give in. Sometimes he would lose his temper suddenly and bark at Muni for daring to ask for credit.
5. When the red faced foreigner presented his card, Muni thought it was a warrant to arrest him. He wanted to take all that was offered and run away. At that time, he wished he was younger so that he could run away.
6. Muni’s wife told him to buy a measure of rice or millet, dhall, chilly, curry leaves, mustard, coriander, gingelley oil and one large potato for the sauce. When he did not get the ingredients , his wife told him that he would not be getting any sauce or anything else as there wasn’t anything to prepare and he would have to fast till the evening which would be good for him.
7. We can imply that the relations between people of Kritam and Kuppam are not cordial. According to Muni, people of Kuppam can go to any extent and will not stop at anything. He was also sure that his village has always had a clean record and the culprit must be definitely from the other village.