Vikram ’s English Academy (ICSE)

**Pre-Preliminary Exam: Test 1**

**Short Stories Poems Drama**

1) Princess September 1) I Believe Merchant

Of

2) A Tiger in the Tunnel 2) Psalm of life Venice (Act I)

**Std X Set G**

**Marks 40 1 hour**

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

**Q1) And out of doubt you do me now more wrong….**

1. Who is the speaker of these lines? How has the other one wronged the speaker? 2
2. Describe Portia through Bassanio’s eyes. 4
3. What solution is given to Bassanio to raise a present sum? 2

**Q2) Then meet me forthwith at the notary’s…**

1. Who is instructed to go to the notary? Why? 2
2. What did the speaker do after having said this? 3
3. Is Bassanio happy with the bond? How does Antonio convince him? 3

**Q3) “I believe I can soar to the heights….”**

1. Which modal auxiliary is used? What does it signify? 2
2. What will the poet do after soaring to the heights? Explain its significance. 3
3. Which role is assigned to the poet? 3

**Q4) ‘For the soul is dead that slumbers…’**

1. What does the poet request in the first two lines of the poem? 2
2. What is said about three stages of life in the poem? 4
3. Give an example of Antithesis in the poem 2

**Q5) He cried bitterly when he said this…..**

1. Who is ‘he’ referred to? Why was he crying? 2
2. What would happen after the birth of December? What is the significance of the number? 3
3. Which unusual habit did the King of Siam have? Where should it be imitated? Why? 3

**Q6) Explain the relevance of the title ‘Tiger in the Tunnel’ 8**