Vikram’s English Academy (ICSE)

**Question Bank: Whose place is it anyway?**

1. **What threatens the golden mole?**

**Ans:** The workings of a mine threaten the golden mole.

1. **Who lives on borrowed time?**

**Ans:** The pine marten and polecat live on borrowed time.

1. **From whom can the hippos not hide?**

**Ans:** Hippos cannot hide from illegal poacher’s guns.

1. **In what way does the poet show concern about the cheetahs of Botswana?**

**Ans:** The poet asks if the cheetahs of Botswana would be able to watch their last setting suns.

1. **What happens as Arctic ice dissolves?**

**Ans:** Polar bears decline as the Arctic ice dissolves.

1. **Who cannot trust the humankind? In what way does the poet express this idea?**

**Ans:** The wolves of Ethiopia cannot trust humankind. The poet says so by asking a rhetorical question to the readers. He does so to highlight a point rather than getting an answer.

1. **Mention the two types of sharks mentioned in the poem. What should they avoid to survive?**

**Ans:** The two types of sharks mentioned in the poem are whitetip shark and angel shark. They should avoid fishing trawl to survive.

1. **About whose final fall has the poet asked in the poem?**

**Ans:** The poet has asked about the Mpingo tree’s final fall.

1. **Who troubles the manta ray?**

**Ans:**  The pollution of the waters troubles the manta ray.

1. **Who scarpers from a slaughter?**

**Ans:** The cats of the Andes scarper from a slaughter.

1. **What is expected from the jaguar?**

**Ans:** The jaguar is expected to outrun hunter’s cold pursuit.

1. **How is the pursuit of the hunter described? Why?**

**Ans:** The pursuit of the hunter is described as ‘cold’. It is because the hunter is heartless and he hunts down the animals mercilessly.

1. **For whom should we save our ponds?**

**Ans:** We should save our ponds for the Great crested newt.

1. **What question does the poet ask about the snakes?**

**Ans:** The poet asks if the snakes would find their lairs because the human beings would turn their lair to roads.

1. **According to the poet, what should come first and should be ignored? Why?**

**Ans:** According to the poet, habitat of Puerto Rican toad comes first. A parking lot can be ignored as the life of animals is more important than the urbanization.

1. **From whom should the Koalas survive? Where?**

**Ans:** The Koalas should survive from ruthless logging in their hollows.

1. **According to the poet, what should we bother about?**

**Ans:** According to the poet, we should bother to find out about these animals and how human beings are responsible for their extinction.

1. **What does the poet want us to remember?**

**Ans:** The poet wants us to remember with whom we share the earth. He also wants us to value the true worth of the animals and honour them.

1. **Who are called our best friends? What does the poet request everyone to do?**

**Ans:** The animals with whom we share the earth are called our best friends. The poet wants everyone to work together and restore their rightful place. He doesn’t want these animals to simply vanish without trace.