Vikram’s English Academy (ICSE)

**Test: Old Man at the Bridge, Merchant of Venice**

**(Act 1 Scene 1)**

**Std IX-PPS Set D**

**Marks 20 30min**

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

1. Describe the old man and the place he was seen at. (4)
2. What unusual contrast did the narrator observe in the way the old man was dressed and the work he did? (2)
3. Where had the old man come from? Why did he leave the place? (2)
4. The old man repeats the words ‘I was taking care of animals’. What does this signify? (3)
5. What was the Elizabethan belief about jaundice? In what way did Gratiano feel would it be applicable to Antonio? (3)
6. What example does Bassanio give to substantiate his demand for more money from Antonio? (3)
7. How does Antonio react when he is not able to clearly understand Bassanio’s demand? (3)