Vikram’s English Academy (ICSE)

**ENGLISH Paper- 1**

**Set G**

***(Two hours)***

**ANSWER KEY**

Q3) a) i) sympathetic- expressing pity/sorrow for someone’s misfortune

ii) prim- proper, neat

iii) cordially- courteously, politely, warmly, friendly

iv) shrilly- high pitched, piercing sound

v) undignified- demeaning, befitting, degrading, appearing foolish

b) i) The guest’s name was Cousin Barbara. She was the narrator’s mother’s cousin. She has arrived after four long years.

ii) Musician. She had her music pupils in a little Pennsylvania mining town…

iii) Marguerite’s life was full of interests and pleasures. Her full name was Mrs. Marguerite Avery. Her friends addressed her as Daisy Dilly Dally in the school. She was careless, irresponsible as a child, often late to school, losing her pencils and forgetting her books.

iv) Mr.Avery came in an omnibus as Marguerite had left her watch on the dressing table and purse with her trunk keys in it and they had just six minutes to catch the train.

v) ‘I feel like a patriarch beside her.’- The line means that the narrator feels more mature, responsible, a senior, fatherly, careful, dutiful and elderly.

Precis:

c) Marguerite and Judith were childhood friends. Marguerite has been married and visits Westbrooke after four years. Her interests had changed from childhood. She is more interested in housekeeping and babies. They have known each other completely. Judith remembers that as a child Marguerite was carefree, irresponsible, losing pencils and forgetting books. Judith is like a patriarch in front of Marguerite.

4) A) 1) were damaged 2) is learnt 3) had caught 4) gripped

5) could have prevented 6) would have led

7) added 8) have been reported

B) i) since ii)in iii)within iv) of

v) from vi) for vii) up viii) to

C) i) The corporates will provide good facilities however it will not meet the

needs of … (Though, although)

ii) Teachers in school who are hardly ever tested take their jobs for granted as they have regular salaries.

iii) The distinctive Indian Railways logo will still be spotted by the TTEs on their new uniforms which symbolises the continuation of tradition./ The distinctive Indian Railways logo will still be spotted by the TTEs on their new uniforms as it symbolises the continuation of tradition.

iv) He will be participating in his first-ever concert which is a matter of great pride for him.

D) i) There is no hope beyond it.

ii) Parents don’t think their children hang on to things as tight as they always do.

iii) She said that she likes to sit still and she has always been rather quiet.

iv) She was alone when she died.

v) Didn’t the delicacy smell good?

vi) A rousing welcome had been given to him by us.

vii) Had he not stepped up his game, it would have been the end of the world for him.

viii) She was not only brilliant, beautiful but also loyal to the end.