1^{ST} UNIT TEST SUBJECT : ENGLISH MARKS : 20 STD : 8^{TH} **DURATION: 1 HOUR**

Q1. READ THE GIVEN PASSAGE AND ANSWER THE FOLLOWING. (6)

By chance, Dick had fallen in front of a house belonging to a rich merchant called Mr Fitzwarren. The cook was trying to drive Dick away, when Mr Fitzwarren returned home from inspecting his ships. He stopped and said to Dick, "Why don't you work if you need food ?" "I would work," said Dick, "but I know nobody who will give me anything to do." Dick Whittington and his Cat "Take him into the kitchen," Mr Fitzwarren ordered the cook. "Feed him first and then find some work for him." So Dick was given a home and a living. He had a small corner of the attic to sleep in and his job was to help the cook with all the pots and pans in the kitchen. Dick's life should have been much than before, but he still had two difficulties to face. The first was that the attic he slept in was overrun by rats and mice. At night they scampered all over him and kept him awake. After a time he solved this problem by saving the few pennies he was paid, and buying himself a cat. In no time at all, the cat chased away all the rats and mice, and Dick was able to sleep peacefully. The other difficulty, which was not so easy to overcome, was the cook's bad temper. She shouted and screamed all day, and would scold Dick and hit him with a wooden spoon, even when he was working as hard as he could.

1.TRUE / FALSE

- 1. Dick was given place in the attic to sleep.
- 2. Dick had slept off infront of a priest's house

2.write from the passage which mean the following.

- 1. follow =
- 2. assist =

3. write opposite words from passage.

- 1. night x
- 2. before x

Q2. READ THE GIVEN POEM AND ANSWER THE FOLLOWING.(6)

"To believe is to know that everyday is a new beginning. Is to trust that miracles happen, and dreams really do come true. To believe is to see angels dancing among the clouds. To know the wonder of a stardust sky and the wisdom of the man in the moon. To believe is to know the value of a nurturing heart, The innocence of a child's eyes and the beauty of an aging hand, for it is through their teachings, we learn to love. To believe is to find the strength and courage that lies within us, When it is time to pick up the pieces and begin again. To believe is to know we are never alone, That life is a gift and this is our time to cherish it. To believe is to know that wonderful surprises are just waiting to happen, And all our hopes and dreams are within reach. If only we believe."

1.(A) Rearrange the letters to make meaningful words, occurring in the poem.

(1) clearmis – (2) sowmid – (B) Write words from the poem that describe the following. (1) beginning – (2) surprises – (c) Make a list of any two things that the poet wants us to accept as true. 1. 2. Q3. DO AS DIRECTED. (8) A) Remove the Affixes (Prefix and Suffix) and write the Root-word.

1. Successful -

2. Fallen-

B) Break the words below into syllables us shown in the first one.

1. belonging =			
2. morning =			
C) Complete the table of degrees of comparison.			
I	Positive	Comparative	Superlative
((1) great		greatest
((2)	more famous	most famous
d) Identify figures of speech in the given lines.			
1.To a chasm, deep and vast and wide			
2.A pilgrim, going a lone highway			