# LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI - 600 034



### U.G. DEGREE EXAMINATION - GENERAL ENGLISH

#### FIRST SEMESTER - APRIL 2013

#### EL 1050 - GENERAL ENGLISH - I

(12 BATCH ONLY)

Date: 07/05/2013 Dept. No. Max.: 100 Marks
Time: 1:00 - 4:00

### I. Answer any TEN of the following in about 50 – 100 words each:

(10 X 4 = 40)

- 1. Why did Swaminathan despise Monday mornings?
- 2. What is your estimate of Swami's teachers?
- 3. What are the different warnings given by birds in "The boy who could speak with birds"?
- 4. What did the boy do in the jungle in "The Boy who could speak with Birds"?
- 5. Why should we adjust our speech style to the occasion?
- 6. List down any three uses of English in the contemporary world.
- 7. What are the drawbacks of science as portrayed in the poem "Your Attention Please?"
- 8. Bring out any three instances of poverty as mentioned by Jo Goodwin Parker.
- 9. Explain the freedom that Martin Luther King envisages for the future of African –Americans.
- 10. How can we prevent deforestation?
- 11. How does the poet describe his house in "Ecology"?
- 12. What did the tramps want to do in "Two Tramps in Mud Time"?
- 13. How did the post master teach Ratan?
- 14. How did the post master and Ratan spend their leisure time?

## II. Answer any FIVE of the following in about 150 – 200 words each:

 $(5 \times 6 = 30)$ 

- 15. Describe the circumstances under which the post master leaves the job.
- 16. Why is Martin Luther's speech considered to be significant?
- 17. What is the meaning expressed in the poem, 'Ecology'? Comment on the tone of the entire poem.
- 18. Bring out the friendship between Swaminathan and his friends in "Monday Morning".
- 19. Poverty is man- made. Explain.
- 20. Bring out the central idea of the poem- "Two Tramps in Mud Time".
- 21. What are the different ways in which we can respect the inherent worth of life in Nature with reference to "The boy who could speak with birds"?
- 22. When can we say that somebody's speech is acceptable?

#### III. Answer any TWO of the following in about 250 to 300 words each:

(2X15=30)

23. Narrate the experiences of Swami in school on a Monday morning.

OR

What according to Shaw are the advantages in learning to speak well?

24. Have you ever experienced a bitter quarrel with a close friend? How did you feel? Write a letter to that friend recording your emotions and explaining how you managed the situation.

OR

Write a poem beginning either on "I have a dream" or "Ecology" in about 15 lines.

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