LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI - 600 034

M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION - ENGLISH LITERATURE

SECOND SEMESTER - APRIL 2013

EL 2803 - 20TH CENTURY POETRY (BRITISH AND AMERICAN)

Date: 26/04/2013	Dept. No.	Max. : 100 Marks
Time: 9:00 - 12:00		

I. Interpret the following in not more than 50 words each:

(10x2=20 marks)

- 1. And by his smile, I knew that sullen hall, By his dead smile I knew we stood in Hell.
- 2. I swear she cast a shadow white as stone.
- 3. Each, fool and hero, will be an immortal.
- 4. You shall be leaders when zero hour is signalled, Wielders of power and welders of a new world.
- 5. He says again, "Good fences make good neighbors."
- 6. "O beautiful men, O men I loved, O whither are you gone, my company"
- 7. ' I'll love you till the ocean Is folded and hung up to dry
- 8. If they think they ha' slain our Goodly Fere They are fools eternally.
- 9. Two,of course,there are two It seems perfectly natural now.
- 10. My birthday began with the water-Birds and the birds of the winged trees flying my name.

II. Answer any five in not more than 300 words each:

(5 x8 = 40 marks)

- 11. How does Yeats view history in *The Second Coming*?
- 12. Review critically Robert Frost's philosophy of peaceful co-existence in 'Mending Wall.'
- 13. What makes 'Strange Meeting' unearthly?
- 14. Comment on the theme of reconstruction in 'You that love England.
- 15. Comment on the voices in 'The Snake' by D.H.Lawrence.
- 16. Discuss the vampiric imagery in 'Death and Co.'.
- 17. Comment on the theme in Herbert Read's poem 'My Company'.
- 18.Discuss how Ezra Pound perceives Christ in his poem'The Ballad of The Goodley Fere'.

III. Answer any four of the following in about 350 words each:

 $(4 \times 10 = 40 \text{ marks})$

- 19. Consider the major themes in *The Waste Land*.
- 20. Bring out the ecological concerns as seen in the Twentieth Century British and American Poetry.
- 21. Does the Twentieth Century Poetry approve of warfare? Elucidate your answer with suitable examples.
- 22. Write a critical appreciation of the poem 'The Journey of the Magi'.
- 23. How is death viewed with ambivalence in 'Death and Co.' by Sylvia Plath..?
- 24. How does Louis Simpson bemoan a nation of self seekers in the poem 'Walt Whitman at Bear Mountain?
