LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI – 600 034



B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION – **ENGLISH LITERATURE**

FOURTH SEMESTER – APRIL 2014

EL 4203/4204 - BUSINESS COMMUNICATION

Date : 01/04/2014 Time : 01:00-04:00 Dept. No.

Max.: 100 Marks

SECTION-A

I Answer FIVE of the following questions briefly in about 75 words each $: 5 \ge 6 = 30$

- 1. **Pope Francis's** recipe for a successful marriage is the use of three magical words:"Please, thanks and sorry". Comment.
- 2. Why is 'Small Talk' a big deal ?
- 3. What are the cardinal principles of good listening, in your opinion ?
- 4. Is it true to say that your **Resume** is the first window to your personality ?
- 5. What do you mean by **'Table Talk'** ? Illustrate.
- 6. How important is **Body Language** in today's context ?
- 7. What is meant by **New Block American Style** in Letter Writing ?
- 8. Do you think Spelling and Grammar are absolutely necessary in the age of texting, Twitter and Face Book ?

SECTION-B

II Attempt any **FOUR** of the following middle-length essay questions in not less than 150 words each : $4x \ 10 = 40$

- 9. Attempt an appreciation of the various strategies involved in effective reading.
- 10. Present your 'Curriculum Vitae'/Resume for a job application of your interest.
- 11. Construct a **Group Discussion** among the executive officers of two companies initially to evolve by-laws for an **MOU** (Write it in a dialogue format).
- 12. What are the hindrances identified in comprehensive reading ?
- 13. Great speakers were good listeners first. Do you agree with the view ? Debate.
- 14. What are the essentials of **Telephone Etiquette**, in your view point?

SECTION-C

III Answer any **TWO** of the following application-oriented questions (Word limit :250 words or 2 pages): $2 \ge 15 = 30$

- 15. **Simulate** a situation in which you are encountering an alumnus/alumnae of Loyola College in a flight to the Andaman Islands, and you indulge in a **Small Talk** with him/her. Write out the dialogue.
- 16. What is the mechanics of writing a memo ? Serve a memo to a lady employee, who is regularly irregular, as the Assistant Manager of a company.
- 17. What are the many steps required for **Report Writing**? **Imagine** you are the **IQAC Coordinator** of the College. Write a brief Report about the functioning of the college, to be sent to **UGC** or **NAAC**.
- 18. What is cross-cultural communication ? How will you practise **Table Manners**, if you are sent as an envoy to Japan ?
