## LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI - 600 034



## U.G. DEGREE EXAMINATION – GENERAL ENGLISH SECOND SEMESTER – APRIL 2015

## EL 2051 - LITERARY APPRECIATION (NEW)

Date: 22/04/2015	Dept. No.	Max. : 100 Marks
Time: 01:00-04:00		

I. Answer any **TEN** of the following in about 50 words each:

(10x3=30)

- 1. Write a short note on the friendship between Miller and Hans as evident from the story, *A Devoted Friend*.
- 2. How did the manuscript disappear in the story, Paper Money?
- 3. What was the careless blunder committed by Stephen Leacock in the bank?
- 4. Why was the kitten Buster considered a Christmas gift by Mrs Ainsworth?
- 5. Recall any three visualizations of Manderlay by the author in her dream.
- 6. Illustrate any two wrong usages of English by the professor in Nizzim Ezekiel's poem, *The Professor*.
- 7. I am silver and exact. I have no preconceptions.

  Explain the above line from the poem, *Mirror*.
- 8. Who is the dark villain referred to in the poem, A Bronzville Mother Loiters in Missisipi. Meanwhile, A Missisipi Mother Burns Beacon?
- 9. What does the poetic refrain in the poem, Tonight I can Write suggest?
- 10. What does Abdul Kalam talk about, replying to a few letters during his office as the president of India?
- 11. How does Maya Angelou express her liking for her grandmother's store in her autobiography?
- 12. Was Steve Jobs successful in his spiritual journey to India? Why?
- 13. Talking about Writing, what was the only plausible advice the author could give to the writers?
- 14. How did Miller justify his indifference to Hans during the winter season?

II Answer any **FOUR** of the following in about 200 words each: (4x10=40)

- 15. Explain how irony is used in the stories, *The Devoted Friend* and *Paper Money*.
- 16. Highlight the humour in the essay, *My Financial Career* and comment on the circumstances that lead to the author's dissolving of his account.
- 17. *Mirror* is a poem that dwells on the vanity of women. Comment.
- 18. Talking About Writing is an essay that conveys a message that it is not an easy task. Explain with reference to the views of the author.
- 19. What do you understand about the personality of Steve Jobs from the extract? Explain how Walter Isaacson has succeeded in bringing it out.
- 20. Explain how Maya Angelou portrays the mind of a child in a vivid manner in her autobiography.

III Answer any **TWO** of the following in about 250 words each: (2x15=30)

- 21. Attempt an epilogue to the story, *The Devoted Friend*, with a conclusion that sums up your views on friendship.
- 22. With reference to the essay, *My Financial Career*, explain how the latest technologies and fast changing trends cause embarrassment to people, using human interest stories.
- 23. What are your views on love? Draft a poem giving vent to your feelings on the theme of love.
- 24. Attempt a brief account of a biographical sketch of a well-known personality.

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