

**LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI – 600 034**



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

**SIXTH SEMESTER – APRIL 2019**

**16UEL6MC02– AMERICAN LITERATURE - II**

Date: 03-04-2019  
Time: 09:00-12:00

Dept. No.

Max. : 100 Marks

**SECTION - A**

**I. Answer any FIVE of the following in about 100 words each: (5x4=20)**

1. How is Maya Angelou's Poem, "Phenomenal Woman" a source of inspiration to all women?
2. What does "the red fox stain covering blue hill" symbolize in "Skunk Hour"?
3. Justify the title "The Petrified Man".
4. What does the "way" represent in "The Way to Rainy Mountain"?
5. Which is a greater threat to the children in *The Bluest Eye*, racism or sexism?
6. What characters serve as positive role models for Maya? Specifically, how does Maya come to her conclusions about the strength of black women?
7. How many different time periods are described in the story *Everyday Use*?

**SECTION- B**

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

8. Give a critical analysis of the poem "The Gift"
9. How is class addressed in the short story "The Swimmer"?
10. How does Mr. Johnson affect Mama in Lorraine Hansberry's *A Raisin in the Sun*?
11. Sketch the character of Madeleine.
12. Write an essay on Obama's *Yes We Can*.
13. Explain the theme of John Updike's "Separating".

**SECTION- C**

**III. Answer any TWO following in about 300 words each: (2x20=40)**

14. Discuss the theme and motif of the poem by Elizabeth Bishop's "The Unbeliever".
15. What are the most significant moments in "The Short and Happy Life of Francis Macomber"?
16. What is the significance of the title "The Way to Rainy Mountain"?
17. Discuss Pecola Breedlove as the central character of the novel "The Bluest Eye".
18. Describe how the "Store" came into existence in the book "I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings".

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