LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI – 600 034

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

FIRST SEMESTER – NOVEMBER 2010

# EL 1053 / 1051 - LITERARY APPRECIATION

Date : 01-11-10 Dept. No. Max. : 100 Marks

Time : 1:00 - 4:00

**I** Answer **any six** of the following in about 200 words each (6x10=60 marks)

1. Bring out the satire on the medical profession in Herriot’s experience with the dentist.
2. Do you agree that Emily Grierson is a victim of gossip and old fashioned ideas of aristocracy?
3. Discuss Keats’ use of imagery to bring out the spirit of Autumn.
4. Comment on the theme of race and gender exploitation in *In My Name.*
5. Show how the writer uses silence to create a sense of fear in *The Silence of Snow.*
6. Bring out the humour in Mulk Raj Anand’s observations on mustachios.
7. Examine aspects of biography writing in Khushwant Singh’s portrait of Mother Teresa.
8. What challenges that the new imperialist agenda pose for developing nations?

**II** Answer **any two** of the following in about 300 to 400 words each. (2x20=40 marks)

1. Using contemporary English idiom/style, write a song or a poem in 30 to 40 lines that begins or ends with the following lines:

*I have a dream*

*You have a dream.*

1. Suppose the character of the Solitary Reaper in Wordsworth’s poem is upset and annoyed with the poem on her. She wants to protest. Write a humorous or angry letter on her behalf. Begin your letter with “Dear Mr. Wordsworth,”
2. Write an essay on the topic, “Our Delhi Commonwealth Games: a Patriotic Appreciation.”
3. One day the God of Small Things and the Man of Big Things meet at Valluvar Kottam, Chennai. Write an imaginary conversation between them or a short story based on their meeting.

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