



LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI – 600 034

B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION – ENGLISH LITERATURE

THIRD SEMESTER – NOVEMBER 2013

EL 3501 – GENEDEK STUDIES

Date : 08/11/2013
Time : 9:00 - 12:00

Dept. No.

Max. : 100 Marks

PART – A

I. Answer any SIX of the following in about 650 words each. (6x10=60)

1. Explain the need for Gender studies.
2. What did liberal feminism achieve?
3. Discuss first and second wave feminism.
4. Comment on Radical feminism.
5. Write an essay on the achievements of Indian Women's movement.
6. Attempt an essay on Cyberfeminism and its challenges.
7. How did Marxist feminism strive for women's economic independence?
8. List the challenges of the post feminist generation.

PART – B

II. Answer ant TWO of the following in about 250 words each: (2x10=20)

9. Attempt a critical analysis of Adrienne Rich's Snapshots of a Daughter-in law.
10. How does Anuradha Ramanan's The Verdict portray the double standards prevalent in society?
11. Why does the speaker feel the need to go ego tripping in Nikki Giovanni's poem?

PART – C

III. Answer any ONE of the following in about 400 to 500 words each: (1x20=20)

12. What are the gender issues highlighted in the poems prescribed for study?
13. Examine the status of women in society today. How has the feminist movement contributed to women's emancipation?
14. Attempt an analysis of the following poem and discuss the feminist theme:

Woman Work by Maya Angelou

I've got the children to tend
The clothes to mend
The floor to mop
The food to shop
Then the chicken to fry
The baby to dry
I got company to feed
The garden to weed
I've got shirts to press

The tots to dress
The can to be cut
I gotta clean up this hut
Then see about the sick
And the cotton to pick.

Shine on me, sunshine
Rain on me, rain
Fall softly, dewdrops
And cool my brow again.

Storm, blow me from here
With your fiercest wind
Let me float across the sky
'Til I can rest again.

Fall gently, snowflakes
Cover me with white
Cold icy kisses and
Let me rest tonight.

Sun, rain, curving sky
Mountain, oceans, leaf and stone
Star shine, moon glow
You're all that I can call my own.

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