



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

**B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION – ENGLISH**

**SIXTH SEMESTER – APRIL 2023**

**16/17/18UEL6MC02 – AMERICAN LITERATURE - II**

Date: 03-05-2023

Dept. No.

Max. : 100 Marks

Time: 09:00 AM - 12:00 NOON

**PART – A**

**Answer any FIVE questions in 100 words each**

**(5x6=30 marks)**

1. Discuss the literary devices used in the poem "To the Diaspora".
2. Explain the technique used by Li young Lee in the poem "The Gift" to connect the past and the present.
3. What is the significance of the setting and allusions used in "The Journey"
4. Sketch the character of Momma.
5. How is the poem "Phenomenal Woman" a source of inspiration to all women?
6. Explain the theme of John Updike's "Separating".
7. What characters serve as positive role models for Maya?

**PART – B**

**Answer any THREE questions in 200 words each**

**(3x10=30 marks)**

8. Justify the title "The Petrified Man"
9. Write an essay on Obama's "Yes We Can".
10. Critically analyse how the final tercet changes the tone of the poem "Purdah".
11. Why does Pecola want the bluest eye? Explain.
12. What does the quilt symbolise in "Everyday Use"?

**PART – C**

**Answer any TWO in about 400 words each**

**(2x20=40 marks)**

13. Do you think *The Marriage Plot* is an apt and significant title? Justify
14. Examine the matriarchal and religious imagery in the poem "Skunk Hour".
15. Discuss how the themes of racism, displacement, abuse and trauma in *I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings* are relevant today.
16. Write an essay on the themes of racism and gender discrimination with reference to the prescribed plays and fiction in the syllabus

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