# LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI – 600 034



### M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION - ENGLISH

### THIRD SEMESTER - NOVEMBER 2022

### PEL 3501 - BRITISH PROSE AND FICTION

Date: 21-11-2022 Dept. No.
Time: 09:00 AM - 12:00 NOON

Max.: 100 Marks

## I. Answer any FOUR of the following in about 100 words each:

 $(4 \times 5 = 20 \text{ marks})$ 

- 1. Comment on the element of pathos in "The Chimney Sweepers".
- 2. Why does Hazlitt prefer solitude while going on a journey?
- 3. What are the elements of a fable found in "The Star Child".
- 4. Examine the theme of epiphany in "Araby".
- 5. What does the fate of Fanny Robin signify in Far From Madding Crowd?
- 6. Analyze the leadership skills of Ralph in Lord of the Flies.

## II.Answer any FOUR of the following in about 200 words each:

(4x10 = 40 marks)

- 7. How radical and revolutionary are the ideas of Bertrand Russell in the essay "In Praise of Idleness"?
- 8. Attempt a character sketch of Leslie Crosbie, one of the lead characters in "The Letter".
- 9. Examine the elements of Gothicism in "The Demon Lover".
- 10. How does Katherin Mansfield depict class consciousness in "The Garden Party".
- 11. Analyze the attempts made by the man in black to hide his benevolent nature.
- 12. How does the obsession with money and wealth bring destruction to the family of Hester in "The Rocking Horse Winner"?

## III. Answer any TWO of the following in about 400 words each:

(2x 20=40 marks)

- 13. Comment on the narrative style and themes in *To the Lighthouse* by Virginia Woolf.
- 14. Justify the title and describe the use of Symbolism in White Teeth by Zadie Smith.
- 15. Critically evaluate Bacon's views on the fruits of friendship.
- 16. Compare and contrast the three suitors of Bathsheba Everdene in Far From Madding Crowd.

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