# LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI – 600 034

## M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION - ENGLISH LITERATURE

#### FIRST SEMESTER - NOVEMBER 2007

### **EL 1805 - FEMINIST THEORY AND PRACTICE**

**AP 7** 

Date: 31/10/2007	Dept. No.	Max.: 100 Marks
Time: 1:00 - 4:00		

#### **SECTION - A**

Answer any FIVE of the following in about 200 words each. (5x8=40 marks)

- 1. How, according to radical feminism, will a biological revolution enhance the feminist cause?
- 2. Highlight aspects of female angst in Sister of My Heart.
- 3. Comment on the protagonist's dilemma in *All for a Husband*.
- 4. What does Adrienne Rich mean by, "a thinking woman sleeps with monsters"?
- 5. Distinguish facts from fiction in the claims of the persona of the poem **Ego Tripping**.
- 6. How does Toril Moi distinguish a feminist from others? Discuss.
- 7. Consider 'Night Mother as the depiction of a failed relation ship between the mother and the daughter.
- 8. Analyse critically the feminist symbols in **To The Lighthouse**.

#### **SECTION B**

Answer the following in about 500 words each.

(3x20=60 marks)

9. Discuss the implications of girlpower in a postfeminist age

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What does the writer mean by black macho? How does it shortchange the black woman of her dignity?

10. Bring out the loneliness of motherhood in *The Woman Destroyed*.

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How does Dale Spender establish the supremacy of the women writers in literature? Discuss.

11. Discuss the feministic concerns in **Small Remedies**.

OR

Consider 'Night Mother as the tragedy of a depressed woman.

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