# LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI - 600 034

B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION - ENGLISH LITERATURE

THIRD SEMESTER - NOVEMBER 2007

### **EL 3500 - AMERICAN LITERATURE**

**AP 18** 

Date: 27/10/2007 Dept. No. Max.: 100 Marks
Time: 9:00 - 12:00

### **SECTION - A**

I Answer the following questions in not more than 30 words each.

(10x2=20)

- 1) Who, according Thomas Paine, are the Whigs and Tories?
- 2) How does Poe achieve the effect of contrast in his poem **The Raven**?
- 3) How does Marianne Moore define a lover of poetry?
- 4) What is the theme of the poem **Fable**?
- 5) Bring out the irony in the title of the poem **The Road Not Taken**.
- 6) How does Edward Taylor experience the presence of God?
- 7) What do the sufferings mean to Anne Bradstreet?
- 8) Define the boy's free will.
- 9) Why does the poet justify the status of the animals?
- 10) Should art contain a high theme?

## **SECTION - B**

II Answer any FIVE of the following in 150 words each.

(5x8=40)

- 11) Consider Steinbeck's **Open Boat** as a short story.
- 12) From your study of **Brahma** and **Fable** consider Emerson as a philosopher.
- 13) What aspects of modern society does the dramatist portray in **Zoo Story**?
- 14) Attempt a critical analysis of the poem **Poetry is the Destructive Force**.
- 15) Comment on the significance of the title: The Glass Menagerie.
- 16) Write on the optimistic view of Emily Dickinson on Death.
- 17) Whitman looks only at the deception and dejection of the world. Discuss
- 18) Narrate Longfellow's sweet recollection of the past.

### SECTION – C

III Answer the following in about 300 words each.

(2x20=40)

19) Discuss Poe's views on poetry as expressed in his **Philosophy of Composition**.

(OR)

Analyse the theme of friendship in **Of Mice and Men**.

20. Write an essay on the theme of "JOY" as portrayed in the poems of **As Weary Pilgrim** and **The Joy of Church Fellowship.** 

(or)

The personality of an artist as depicted in the poem There was a Child went forth.

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