



LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI – 600 034

U.G. DEGREE EXAMINATION – GENERAL ENGLISH

FIRST SEMESTER – APRIL 2016

EL 1050 - GENERAL ENGLISH – I

(12th Batch Onwards)

Date: 30-04-2016

Dept. No.

Max. : 100 Marks

Time: 01:00-04:00

I. Answer any ten of the following in about 50 – 100 words each:

(10 X 4 = 40)

1. State the reasons for which Swaminathan disliked Monday mornings.
2. What are the personality traits of Swami's teachers?
3. Why should we adjust our speech style to the occasion?
4. List down any three uses of English in the contemporary world.
5. What are the disadvantages of science that are portrayed in the poem "Your Attention Please?"
6. Bring out any three instances of poverty as mentioned by Jo Goodwin Parker.
7. Define the kind of freedom Martin Luther King envisages for the future of African-Americans.
8. Suggest ways and means to prevent deforestation.
9. How does the poet describe his house in "Ecology"?
10. What are the needs of the tramps in "Two Tramps in Mud Time"?
11. What are the different warnings given by birds in "The boy who could speak with birds"?
12. What did the boy do in the jungle in "The Boy who could speak with Birds"?
13. How did the post master teach Ratan?
14. How did the post master and Ratan spend their leisure time?

II. Answer any FIVE of the following in about 150 – 200 words each:

(5 X 6 = 30)

15. Why did the post master leave the job?
16. Why is Martin Luther's speech considered to be an epoch making speech?
17. What is theme of the poem, 'Ecology'? Bring out the tone of the entire poem.
18. Estimate the relationship that Swaminathan maintains with his friends in "Monday Morning".
19. Poverty is man- made. Give examples.
20. Bring out the central idea of the poem- "Two Tramps in Mud Time"?
21. What are the different ways in which we can respect the inherent worth of life in Nature with reference to "The boy who could speak with birds"?
22. Under what conditions one can say that somebody's speech is acceptable.

III. Answer the following in about 250 to 300 words each:

(2X15= 30)

23. a. Narrate some of the memorable experiences of Swami in school on a Monday morning.

OR

- b. What according to Shaw are the advantages in learning to speak well?
24. a. Have you ever had a memorable experience with a close friend? How did you feel? Write a letter to that friend recording your happiness over the experience.

OR

- b. Write a poem beginning either on "I have a dream for myself" or "Environment" in about 15 lines.
