



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

**M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION – ENGLISH LITERATURE**

**SECOND SEMESTER – APRIL 2016**

**EL 2810 - LITERARY THEORY AND APPRECIATION**

Date: 22-04-2016  
Time: 01:00-04:00

Dept. No.

Max. : 100 Marks

**PART-A**

**I. Write short notes on any FIVE of the following terms choosing not less than TWO from each section: (5x8=40marks)**

**Section-1**

1. Oscuscenie
2. Parole
3. Transcendental Signifier
4. New Historicism

**Section-2**

5. Cultural Materialism
6. Phenomenology of reading process
7. Indoctrination by the Culture Industry
8. Manifesto of Formalism

**PART-B**

**II. Answer any TWO of the following questions in about 300 words each: (2x20=40marks)**

9.a) Examine the concepts of 'hyper reality' and 'Simulation' in Postmodern society.

**Or**

9.b) In what ways has Russian Formalism enriched our understanding of literary texts?

10.a) Highlight the differences between Formalism and Reader-Response Theory.

**Or**

10.b) Explicate the main arguments of Adorno and Horkheimer about the Mass Media and its influence on society.

**PART-C**

**III. Answer the following:**

**(20marks)**

11. Analyze the poem given below using any School of Literary Theory:

**ELEMENTAL**

I would have words as tenacious as mules  
To bear us, sure-footed  
up the mountain of night  
  
to where, at daybreak,  
we would shake hands with the sun  
and breathe the breezes of the farthest ocean  
and, as we descended,  
in sunlight,  
We would be amazed  
To see what hazards we had passed.

**EDWARD BAUGH**

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