



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

**B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION - ENGLISH LITERATURE**

THIRD SEMESTER – NOVEMBER 2015

**EL 3502 - AMERICAN LITERATURE**

Date : 04/11/2015

Dept. No.

Max. : 100 Marks

Time : 09:00-12:00

**PART - A**

**Answer the following in about 30 words each:**

**(10 x 2 = 20 marks)**

1. The purpose of the Mayflower contract.
2. What are the precepts of good writing according to Poe?
3. The unicorn in The Glass Menagerie.
4. The neighing of the horse in The Road not Taken.
5. Why is poetry a destructive force?
6. Why is poetry writing compared to a mathematical problem?
7. Dependency in The Glass Menagerie.
8. Moral in Emerson's Fable.
9. What are the briars and thorns in "As Weary Pilgrim"?
10. What does the clayhouse represent?

**PART – B**

**Answer any FIVE of the following in about 150 words:**

**(5 x 8 = 40 marks)**

11. Comment on the lack of humanity in "The Minister's Black Veil".
12. Comment on the Raven as a portender of evil.
13. Comment on what Poe talks about the Unities in a literary work.
14. Write about the Puritan fervor in "The Joy of Church Fellowship".
15. Is Willy Loman a tragic hero?
16. Classify The Zoo Story as an absurd play.
17. Absence of men in The Glass Menagerie.
18. Analyse the Spirit of the Declaration of Independence.

**PART – C**

**Answer the following in about 300 words each:**

**( 2 x 20 = 20 marks)**

19. a) Write a critical analysis of The Glass Menagerie as a memory play.  
(OR)  
b) Comment on the Spirit of the New England Poets and the philosophy they expounded.
20. a) Critically Analyze Phillis Wheatley's To S.M. a Young African Painter, On Seeing His works.  
(OR)  
b) Analyse the poem "As the Weary Pilgrim".

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