



LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI – 600 034

U.G. DEGREE EXAMINATION – GENERAL ENGLISH

SECOND SEMESTER – NOVEMBER 2016

EL 2061 - ENGLISH THROUGH SHORT STORIES

Date: 10-11-2016
Time: 01:00-04:00

Dept. No.

Max. : 100 Marks

I. Answer any FIVE of the following in about 150 words each

(5 x 8 = 40) marks

1. Comment on the theme of the story 'The Squirrel'.
2. Name the persons approached by the talkative man to sell the road engine?
3. How did Rakesh serve his father during his illness?
4. Why does Ben Price decide to let Jimmy go free?
5. How did the conjuror prove that he was smarter than the Quick Man?
6. Give an account of the travellers who visited Mulla's house during their journey.
7. Why does Shaw call *sickness* the Great Leveller and *Death* an imposter?
8. What is the surprise at the end of the story "The Ant and the Grasshopper"?

II. Answer any THREE of the following in about 300 words each.

(3 x 15 = 45) marks

9. What is the personality trait of Aksionov that you infer from his attitude in the prison?
10. What lessons of love and compassion does the swallow learn from the Happy Prince? Discuss with examples from the story.
11. Compare the characters of George and Tom as a study in contrast.
12. Do you consider Rakesh a truly 'devoted son'? Explain.
13. Attempt a character sketch of Mulla Nasruddin.

III. Answer any ONE of the following.

(1 x 15 = 15) marks

14. Narrate a humorous incident which brings out the irony of life in a person's life.
15. Write a forgiveness letter to your friend, expressing how guilty you feel for hurting or disappointing him.
