

STELLA MARIS COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS) CHENNAI 600 086  
(For candidates admitted during the academic year 2015–16 & thereafter)

SUBJECT CODE: 15EL/PI/PF34

MASTERS DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2019  
SECOND SEMESTER

COURSE: INDEPENDENT ELECTIVE

PAPER: POPULAR FICTION

TIME: 3 HOURS

MAX. MARKS: 100

I. Answer four out of six questions in about 1000 words. (25 x 4 = 100 marks)

1. How does Eleanor Oliphant view herself? Is there any change in the way she perceives herself as the story progresses?
2. What is the significance of the title *Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine*?
3. How does *Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine* deal with mental health issues? What role does Raymond play in the changes Eleanor goes through?
4. Of the two texts you have chosen, pick one to assess as a work of popular fiction. What makes the text popular in the contemporary world?
5. Comment on the nature of the relationship between Elio and Oliver. Why do you think a novel such as *Call Me By Your Name*, that is set in the 1980s, would be relatable to a reader in 2019?
6. How does the author make the setting of *Call Me By Your Name* come alive?

