**McDonnell** Placement Test

Name:

Phone no:       Date

Time: 30 minutes

Total marks: 35

part 1

**Fill in the gaps using words from the box. You do not have to use all the words.**

My name is Pedro and I’m  *from*  Andorra. I am studying in a language school in England. (1)       teacher is from Scotland and she

(2)       twenty-six years old. There (3)       fifteen people in my class. The students come from ten different countries. They (4)       all speak a little English. We do some grammar every day. Sometimes we (5)       videos and listen to songs.

Last week I (6)       to London to do some shopping. I wanted

(7)       some presents for my family. But I found that some things are very expensive in London so I (8)       a lot.

Next week we (9)       to Edinburgh, in Scotland. My teacher says that it is the most beautiful city in Britain, but it will probably be (10)       than here. We are leaving (11)       five o’clock on Friday afternoon and travelling all night. We’re going to stay in a hotel in the centre of Edinburgh, (12)       there are lots of shops and things to see.

are - are going - at - buying - can

colder - didn’t buy - from - going - has

having - is - mine - my - not buy

on - to - to buy - very cold - was

watch - watching - went - where - which

part 2

**Fill in the gaps using words from the box. You do not have to use all the words.**

I started learning English when I (13)       in Secondary School. I didn’t find it easy but my teacher advised me to listen to songs and

(14)       books in English in my spare time and that helped.

I have (15)       English for four years and I have been in England now (16)       six weeks. Since I arrived I (17)       quite a lot of vocabulary but I still find grammar difficult. While I’m in England (18)       improve my speaking and learn to be (19)       .

My father, who works in a hotel, wants (20)       and write English fluently so that I can help him in his business. But if I (21)       in the hotel, I won’t be able to go to university to study law. When people ask me what (22)       to do, I usually tell them that my dream is to be a lawyer.

Now I’m in England I’m enjoying the chance to meet people from all over the world. I’ve made lots of good friends and I hope I’ll (23)       to go and see them in their countries. Sometimes I wish I (24)       speak more languages - but then I think of all the grammar I would have to learn!

be able - been learning - can - could

do I want - during - for - have learned

I’d like to - I like - I want - learning

me to speak - more accurate - most accurately - read

reading - since - that I speak - to be able

was - went - will work - work

part 3

**Fill in the gaps using your own words. Use one word only in each space.**

One of the keys to effective language learning seems to be the environment

(25)       which the learning (26)       place.

Students (27)       to do well in a relaxed and happy atmosphere where they can (28)       up confidence and experiment with language without the fear of (29)       mistakes. Another key factor, namely motivation, is something which may come from (30)       environment or from within the students (31)      . Although neither of these factors can be easily measured, (32)       of them seem to be required (33)       language acquisition and this may be one of the principal reasons (34)       the classroom remains an effective preparation area for language use in the (35)       world.