Sentence Patterns Practice #1

Directions: Underline and label each of the following clauses in the sentences as (IC) for independent or (DC) for dependent. Then, identify each of the following sentences as simple (S), compound (CD), complex (CX), or compound-complex (CD-CX).

- _____1. No one could remember when the tribe had begun its long journey.
- _____2. The land of the great rolling plains that had been its first home was now no more than a half-forgotten dream.
- _____3. For many years, Shann and his people had been fleeing through a country of low hills and sparkling lakes, and now the mountains lay ahead.
- _____4. Shann wondered if he could climb the mountains ahead, and within his heart he dared to kindle a little flame of hope.
- _____5. In the southern lands of which the legends spoke, his people might find refuge at last.
- _____6. The most valuable shell is the cowry, and the rare white-toothed variety is the most valuable of all.
- _____7. Bread was used as currency in ancient Europe, and pictures of bakeries served as symbols of wealth in the occupant's tomb.
- _____8. The Romans used salt as a form of money, and the word salary comes from salarium, which is Latin for "payments of salt" to the soldiers of Julius Caesar.
- _____9. Because pepper was a highly valued spice during the Middle Ages, in some towns it could be used to pay taxes.
- ____10. At one time, dried codfish served as money in Newfoundland, and sugar served as money in the West Indies.
- ____11. Even tobacco, the mainstay of the economy of the southern colonies, was used as currency for a short time in Virginia.
- _____12. In Iran, people use money, or they negotiate with fine carpet, which can be used as collateral.
- _____13. In Austria, some groups still use bird feathers as currency!
- _____14. Perth is normally a quiet place; however, it became a beehive of frenzied activity while the America's cup race was in progress.
- _____15. The bicyclist and the runner were pleased to have won the relay.