Cashinahua

Adapted from Merrifield 1987, problem 164

1. Ʉ bica cakakj  'My brother shoots it.'
2. mĩ bica isu haida cakakj  'Your brother shoots many spider monkeys.'
3. mĩ butukj  'You go down.'
4. Ʉ kanų  'I will go.'
5. hasĩ Ʉ bica  uğkj  'A wild turkey sees my brother.'
6. hasĩ kuți kakj  'A wild turkey runs (goes fast).'  
7. yeʃ Ʉ bica  uğnu  'An armadillo will see my brother.'
8. isu kuți kanų  '__________________________'

A. Where is Cashinahua spoken? ____________________________

B. Translate example #8.

C. Analyze any morphology you see in these data. This may be in prose or a position class diagram.

D. Write a Phrase Structure Grammar that sanctions all of these clauses. Be sure to include phrase structure rules for S (clause level), NP and VP (there is no evidence for DP or IP here), and a complete lexicon.

E. Draw constituent structure trees for examples 2 and 5 based on your phrase structure rules.