The Phoenicians

The student should be able to answer the following points if they come in the form of questions of True / False or fill in the blanks.

1. The Phoenicians are a group of individuals migrated from the Arabian Peninsula into the land of Canaan around 3000 BC.
2. By 1200,the Phonecians controlled a narrow strip of land that bordered along the Mediterranean Sea in northern Canaan where they built a number of cities and villages.
3. In Canaan cities were bount to one another by culture but were governed independently as separate city-states.( T,F)
4. The major Phoenician cities were Tyre , Sidon , Byblos , and Arwad
5. The name Phoenicians is derived from the Greek language referring to the purple colour which the Phoenicians extracted from the murex shell.
6. The Phoenicians were masters of the sea .
7. The Phoenicians economy was based on trade.
8. The Phoenicians built large sailing ships instead of moving goods over the land in massive caravans.
9. Many historians believe that the Phoenicians may have travelled to lands as distant as Great Britain and Spain .
10. The Phoenicians controlled Carthage on the north coast of Africa ,present day Tunisia.
11. The Phoenician craftsmen and artists kept the purest ideals of their Canaanite ancestors and transmitted them throughout the Mediterranean world. (T, F ) .
12. The Phoenicians were skilled in metalworking , ivory carving , jewelry manufacturing ,and glass-making.
13. One of the most significant contributions of the Phoenicians was in developing the alphabet invented by the Canaanites and passing it into the Greeks.
14. The alphabet invented by the Canaanites is the same alphabet used today in English and other European languages.(T,F )