(Organic)

Note that this is not an all inclusive assignment. Anything that was covered in class is "fair game". For example, not a single question is asked about reaction coordinate diagrams, intermediates, or transition states. Not everything on this assignment will necessarily be on the your test.

This assignment is to give you a feeling for how the questions on your test will be asked.

1. Provide names for the following molecules (include Z or E designation where appropriate).

- a. <u>2-methyl-2-pentene</u>
- b. <u>(*E*)-3-methyl-3-hexene</u>
- c. <u>(Z)-2,3-dichloro-2-butene</u>
- 2. Alkenes are nucleophilic, but alkanes are not. What is it about alkenes that makes them nucleophilic?

The electrons in the -bond stick out away from the nuclei; thus, they can be attracted to electrophiles.

- 3. Which of the following molecules are nucleophilic?
 - $a. \ OH^- \ nucleophilic$
- $b. \ \ Cl^{\scriptscriptstyle -} \, nucle ophilic$
- c. BF₃

- d. CH₃OH nucleophilic
- e. Hg(O₂CCH₃)₂

- f. H⁺
- 4. HBr reacts with alkenes to form bromoalkanes. In the first step of the two step reaction, a carbocation forms. Draw a mechanism for the addition of HBr to 1-propene.

$$H \xrightarrow{Br} H$$
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H included here to show the bond that formed

H not included here because it was not involved in this step of the mechanism

5. Predict the products of the following reactions.

a.
$$\frac{1. \text{ Hg}(O_2\text{CCH}_3)_2, \text{ H}_2\text{O}}{2. \text{ NaBH}_4}$$
b.
$$\frac{\text{HBr, HOOH}}{\text{Br}}$$
c.
$$\frac{\text{H}^+, \text{H}_2\text{O}}{2. \text{ NaOH, HOOH}}$$
HO

e.
$$\frac{\text{Br}_2}{\text{CH}_3\text{OH}}$$
f.
$$\frac{\text{Br}_2}{\text{Br}}$$
Br

6. A chemist wants to make the following molecule.

Knowing that the addition of aqueous H_2SO_4 to an alkene produces an alcohol, the chemist tried the reaction, but the following reaction occurred instead.

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a. What went wrong (you can explain in words or by using a mechanism)?

$$H^{+}$$
 H_{20}
 H^{+}
 H_{20}

b. How can how can the desired product be synthesized from the starting alkene?

alkene + Hg(O₂CCH₃)₂ in water followed by NaBH₄ reduction

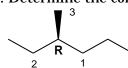
7. Describe how to make the following molecules.

a.

+ BH₃ followed by NaOH and HOOH

8. Identify the chiral molecules.

9. Determine the configuration of the following chiral centers



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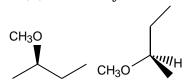
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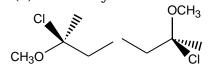
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10. Use perspective drawings to draw the following molecules

a. (R)-2-methoxybutane





b. (S)-2-methoxy-2-chlorobutane c. (R)-2-chloro-2-bromo-1-propanol