5A) (5 pts) For the given pair of reactions, name the mechanism, indicate which reaction will be faster (a or b or neither) and <u>briefly explain</u> why. No explain = no crecit.

5B) (6 pts) Provide a <u>complete</u> mechanism for the following S_N 2 substitution reaction. Be sure to **provide a detailed structure for NaCN**, and pay close attention to details (lone pairs, formal charges, curved arrows).

5C) (8 pts) Four sets of reagents are provided below. **Identify the correct reagents** needed to achieve the given transformation, and **show why the other reagents fail** to produce the desired target molecule. You do not have to provide a detailed explanation, but you must **provide support** for your answers (i.e., what products are generated using the other methods?). **No work = no credit.**

1) *t*-BuOK

1) EtONa

2) BH₃-THF

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- 3) H_2O_2 , NaOH
- 3) H₂O₂, NaOH

1) *t*-BuOK

- 1) NaOH
- 2) H₂O, H₂SO₄
- 2) H_2O , H_2SO_4