What effect on reactivity toward the Electrophilic Aromatic Substitution reaction would you expect if an **electron-withdrawing group** was placed on the aromatic ring?

- **A)** I would expect the ring to be MORE reactive, because the ring is acting as a nucleophile.
- **B)** I would expect the ring to be LESS reactive, because the ring is acting as a nucleophile.
- **C)** I would expect the ring to be MORE reactive, because the ring is acting as an electrophile.
- **D)** I would expect the ring to be LESS reactive, because the ring is acting as an electrophile.
- **E)** I would expect NO effect on the reactivity of the ring (steric hindrance is the most important factor).