## Quiz #2

## 1. (10 points)

Consider the following termination step in the free-radical bromination of 2-methylpentane. Use the Hammond postulate to characterize the transition state for this step in terms of timing, energetics, and structure. Explain your reasoning clearly. Draw an annotated reaction- energy diagram (graph of potential energy versus reaction coordinate) to illustrate your answer.

$$H_3C$$
 $CH_3$ 
 $H_3C$ 
 $CH_3$ 
 $Br$ :

_	reaction coordinate
potential energy	

## 2. (10 points)

Place a star next to the asymmetric carbon in the following carbonyl compound. Use the IUPAC (Cahn-Ingold-Prelog) rules to determine whether this asymmetric carbon has an (R) or (S) configuration. Write and analyze the relevant triads to show your reasoning clearly.