Knowledge Organiser: Year 6 Electricity

Careers connected to electricity: mechanical engineering technician, electricity distribution worker, electrical engineer, energy engineer



Lesson Sequence



1. Describe the parts of an electric circuit



2. Explore voltage and its effect on an electrical circuit



3. Apply knowledge to identify and correct problems in a circuit

4. Investigate what affects the output of a circuit



5. Build a set of traffic lights

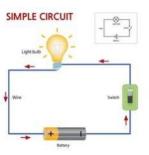


6. Apply knowledge of conductors and insulators

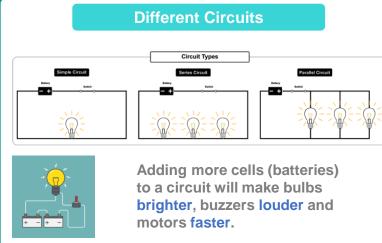
Circuit Symbols

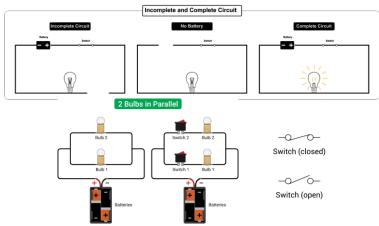


Wires are always drawn with a straight line using a ruler in scientific diagrams.



The current flows from negative to positive. There are no gaps - it is a complete circuit and the bulb lights up.





Switches can be placed in a parallel circuit, so that 1 light can be turned on while another is off (just like in a house).