Key Vocabulary:

<u>Appliance</u>— A device or pieceof equipment designed to perform a specific task e.g. hoover, remote control

<u>Battery</u> – A small device where chemical energy is made into electricity and used as a source of power

<u>Bulb</u> – A glass bulb which provides light by passing an electrical current through a filament

<u>Buzzer</u> – An electrical device that makes a buzzing noise and is used for signalling

<u>Cell</u> – A devise ised to generate electricity. A battery is an example of a cell

<u>Current</u> – A flow of electricity through a wire

<u>Series Circuit</u> – A circuit that has one path for the electricity to flow through.

<u>Conductor</u> – A material or device which allows electricity to carry through e.g. metals are usually good conductors

<u>Insulator</u> – A material that does not readily conduct electricity e.g. plastic, wood, glass and rubber are good electrical insulators

<u>Electricity</u> – A form of energy supplied from power stations to households

<u>Mains</u> – An appliance that requires to be plugged in to work

<u>Socket</u> – A device on a wall that you plug electrical equioment into

<u>Switch</u> – A device for opening and closing the connection in an electric circuit

<u>Voltage</u> – An electrical force that makes electricity move through a wire, measured in volts

<u>Wire</u> – A long thin piece of metal that carries electricity. Often covered in plastic for safety

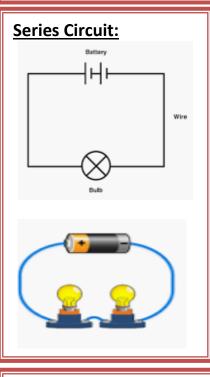


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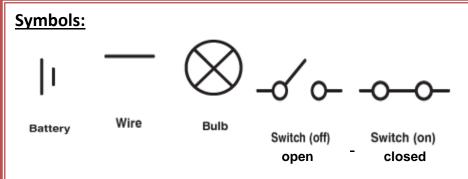


Learning Objectives:

- Identify common appliances that run on electricity.
- Construct a simple series electrical circuit identifying & naming the basic parts of a simple electrical circuit, including cells, wires, bulbs, switches and buzzers.
- Identify whether or not a lamp will light in a simple series circuit based on whether or not the lamp is part of a complete loop with a battery.
- Recognise that a switch opens and closes a circuit and associate this with whether or not a lamp lights in a simple series circuit.
- Recognise some common conductors and insulators, and associate metals with being good conductors.







Conductors and Insulators:

| Electrical Conductors | Electrical Insulators |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Copper | Rubber |
| Iron | Wood |
| Steel | Plastic |
| Silver | Paper |
| Gold | |