

ELECTRICITY

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Teaching objectives		Time of the unit : 15 hours	
Studying where electricity comes from, how it operates, conductor and insulator materials, how to make changes in circuits. and to carry out an investigation.			
Content	Communication	Cognition	Culture
1.- Where electricity comes from 1.1 from the power station to our homes 1.2 ways of producing electricity 1.2.1 renewable energy: wind and solar power 1.2.2 nuclear power 1.2.3 limited resources: coal, oil and natural gas 1.2.3 greenhouse effect 1.2.4 be ecologically aware 2.- How electricity works 2.1 different components of an electrical circuit 2.2 make a simple circuit 2.3 use electricity safely 2..3.1safety rules 2.4 materials 2.4.1 conductors 2.4.2 insulators 2.5 switches 2.5.1how switches work 2.5.2design some switches 2.6 using conventional symbols 2.6.1recognise them 2.6.2interpret circuit diagrams 2.6.3draw simple circuit diagrams 2.7 changes in circuits 2.7.1changes in batteries 2.7.2carry out an investigation 2.8 assessment 2.8.1design a circuit applying the knowledge about electricity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Giving reasons ➤ Naming ➤ Illustrating ➤ Defining ➤ Generalising ➤ Classifying ➤ Contrasting ➤ Summarising ➤ Predicting ➤ Comparing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Compare ➤ Memorise ➤ Predict ➤ Describe ➤ Identify patterns ➤ Apply ➤ Label ➤ Design ➤ Draw diagrams using conventional symbols ➤ Generalising ➤ Experimenting 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Importance of electricity for modern life. ➤ Contribute with our personal effort to save energy. ➤ Be aware of the dangers of mains electricity ➤ Accuracy when carrying out an investigation

Lesson 2

From the power station to our homes

Teaching objectives		Time of the lesson: 1 hour		
- To know how power gets to our towns and cities				
Activities development	Organization	Communication	Material	Teacher's resources
<p>1) You say to children ;</p> <p>- Can you think of things that we would not be able to do without electricity ?</p> <p>Help them by writing some of the things they have said, then they copy and draw some.</p> <p>worksheet1</p> <p>2) Next question :</p> <p>- Where does the electricity come from ?</p> <p>The children express their own ideas and you interact with them asking more questions.</p> <p>After this, you explain to them that you want to show them how electricity (power) reaches our homes, school, etc.</p> <p>You comment with them the presentation.</p> <p>- pointhow</p> <p>3) The children fill out a worksheet related to the presentation they have watched.</p> <p>worksheet2</p> <p>4) You correct the previous worksheet with the whole group asking some meaningful questions, following the order shown on the sheet :</p> <p>- Give me a definition for power station</p> <p>- What happens in the power station ?</p> <p>- Why do they do ?</p> <p>- What happens then ?</p>	<p>Whole group</p> <p>Individually</p> <p>Whole group</p>	<p>Language of learning</p> <p>power station, transformer, pylon, power lines, cables, substations, wooden poles,...</p> <p>Language for learning</p> <p>Defining</p> <p>- A power station is a place for making electricity</p> <p>- A transformer is a machine that changes voltage</p> <p>Time sequence</p> <p>-First, they burn.....</p> <p>- Second,.....</p> <p>- Next,.....</p> <p>- After that,</p> <p>- Finally,.....</p> <p>Giving reasons</p> <p>- They do it because.....</p> <p>Language through learning</p> <p>All the ones they need to do the different activities.</p> <p>Different vocabulary or phrases that they come across throughout the lesson.</p>	<p>- pointhow</p> <p>- worksheet1</p> <p>-ppointhelpsheets</p> <p>-worksheet2</p>	<p><i>Teacher's notes</i></p> <p>Power: a long way</p> <p>In this website you will find a detailed explanation about how power gets to our homes.</p> <p>www.science.smith.edu/.../ElecPwr_HSW.html</p> <p><i>To know more about the topic</i></p> <p>Books</p> <p>2.- Horrible science</p> <p>Shocking electricity</p> <p>Nick Arnold Scholastic</p> <p>ISBN 0 -439-01272-4</p> <p><i>Comment</i></p> <p>The popular series of books explaining some scientific facts in a funny way with some simple experiments.</p> <p>3.- The science of electricity and magnetism</p> <p>Projects and experiments with electrons and magnets</p> <p>Steve Parker Heinemann</p> <p><i>Comment</i></p> <p>Some experiments about electricity.</p>

HOW ELECTRICITY WORKS

Lesson 1

Make a simple working circuit

Teaching objectives		Time of the lesson: 2 hours		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Name the different components of a circuit - To know how to make a working circuit - To make predictions and check them 				
Activities development	Organization	Communication	Material	Teacher's resources
<p>1) Present children with a collection of batteries, insulated wires and matched bulbs or buzzers.</p> <p>First, you say the names of the different components.</p> <p>They make a worksheet in order to reinforce these words.</p> <p>worksheet1</p> <p>2) Ask children to make the bulb light and then they draw the working circuit.</p> <p>3) The same thing but now make the buzzer sound and the drawing.</p> <p>worksheet2</p> <p>4) Now you ask them to explain why their circuits work and what a circuit needs to work. (a battery, wires, bulb or buzzer)</p> <p>5) Now you show some circuits and they have to predict which will not work and why, then they check it by making them.</p> <p>worksheet3</p> <p>Finally, you comment with them their results emphasizing why it happens.</p>	<p>Whole group</p> <p>Individually</p> <p>Groups of 3 or 4</p> <p>Whole group</p> <p>Whole group</p> <p>Groups of 3 or 4</p>	<p>Language of learning</p> <p>batteries, wires, bulb, buzzer, circuit, propeller, bulb holder, motor</p> <p>Language for learning</p> <p>Defining</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The name for this is <p>Giving reasons</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - We need a battery,..... and.. - My circuit works because - There is a break in the circuit and electricity can't flow through -Both wires are attached to the same side of the bulb - Both wires are attached to the same end of the battery <p>Language through learning</p> <p>All the ones they need to do the different activities.</p> <p>Different vocabulary or phrases that they come across throughout the lesson.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - batteries - wires - bulbs - buzzers - propeller - bulb holder - motor - worksheet1 <p>-ppointhelpsheets</p> <p>- worksheet2</p> <p>-worksheet3</p>	<p><i>Teacher's notes</i></p> <p>The ppointhelpsheets is a tool to help children with key vocabulary and phrases they should use in the different lessons of this unit.</p> <p>It has two different parts: the vocabulary with the images and the phrases with two options so that they have to choose the right one.</p> <p><i>To know more about the topic</i></p> <p>Books</p> <p>5.- Science Workshop</p> <p>Electricity</p> <p>Pam Robson Franklin Watts</p> <p>ISBN 0-7496-0933-8</p> <p><i>Comment</i></p> <p>Some experiments</p>

Lesson 3
Materials; conductors and insulators

Teaching objectives		Time of the lesson: 2 hours		
- To know that electricity flows through some materials, conductors and not others, insulators - To make predictions about which materials conduct electricity, and which do not.				
Activities development	Organization	Communication	Material	Teacher's resources
1) We review the idea of circuit: Show them some circuits and ask them some questions about them, such as: circuits - Will the bulb light up? Why? / Why not? - What does a circuit need to work? - What is the electricity travelling through? - Do you think electricity can travel through anything? - Can electricity travel through the air? Why do you think this? Pay attention to what they say and write down their explanations. 2) Give each group of children a collection of different materials with the necessary equipment and say to them that now they have to explore and predict which materials let the electricity through or not. You can suggest that it would be useful to write two different labels with these phrases: let electricity through and do not let electricity through They have to record their predictions in their own way: lists, tables, etc.	Whole group Groups of 3 or 4	Language of learning conductor, insulator, paper clip, card, silver foil, plastic, scissors with plastic handles, a coin, crocodile clips Language for learning Giving reasons - Yes, because there is a complete circuit - There is no break in the circuit - It needs a battery, a bulb and wires - The electricity is travelling through the battery, the bulb and the wires. - let electricity through because it is a metal Illustrating - For instance/For example let electricity through Language through learning All the ones they need to do the different activities. Different vocabulary or phrases that they come across throughout the lesson.	-circuits -ppointhelpsheets - batteries - wires - bulbs - paper clip - card -silver foil - plastic - scissors with plastic handles - a coin - a pencil - helpcircuit - worksheet1 -worksheet2	<i>To know more about the topic</i> Books 8.- <u>100 Science lessons Y6</u> Clifford Hibbard, Karen Mallinson-Yates Scholastic Scottish Primary 7 ISBN 0 – 439-01807-2 <i>Comment</i> Useful book used for some teachers to plan their lessons with more detail. 9.- <u>Cool circuits and wicked wires</u> Susan Martineau and Nick Bushell b small publishing ISBN 1-902915-33-X <i>Comment</i> Simple experiments using all kinds of household equipment.

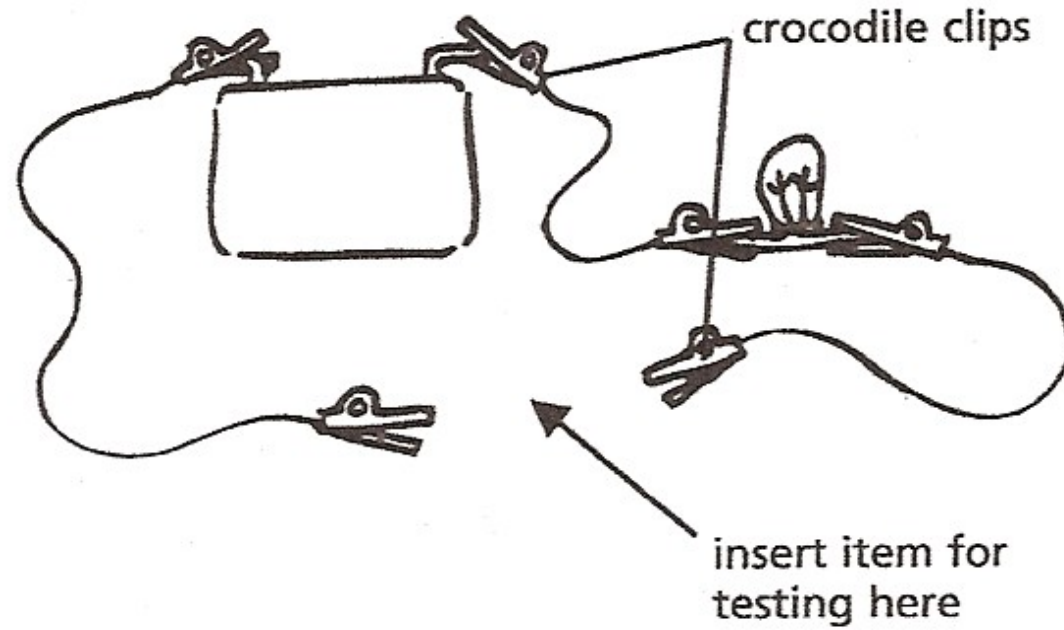
Activities development	Organization	Communication	Material	Teacher's resources
<p>worksheet1 They also have to find out their own way of checking if their predictions are right.</p> <p>If some group needs help in order to do the task , show them how to put different materials into a gap in a circuit.</p> <p>- helpcircuit</p> <p>3) When they finish you can ask some questions - Can you tell me names of some materials that let electricity through them ? - Which materials don't let electricity through them ?</p> <p>You write two columns on the board one named conductors and the other insulators explaining to children that these are the scientific words for these two groups.</p> <p>Then you ask them :</p> <p>- What do conductors have in common ? Probably they answer metals.</p> <p>- Is there anything the insulators have in common ? Here, they can say non-metals.</p> <p>4) In this activity, they copy what you have written on the board and also the conclusions.</p> <p>worksheet2</p>	<p>Whole group</p> <p>Individually</p>			<p><i>To know more about the topic</i></p> <p>Books</p> <p>10.- Science Fun Electricity Neil Ardley Dorling Kindersley ISBN 0-7513-5820-7</p> <p><i>Comment</i> Some simple and curious experiments.</p>

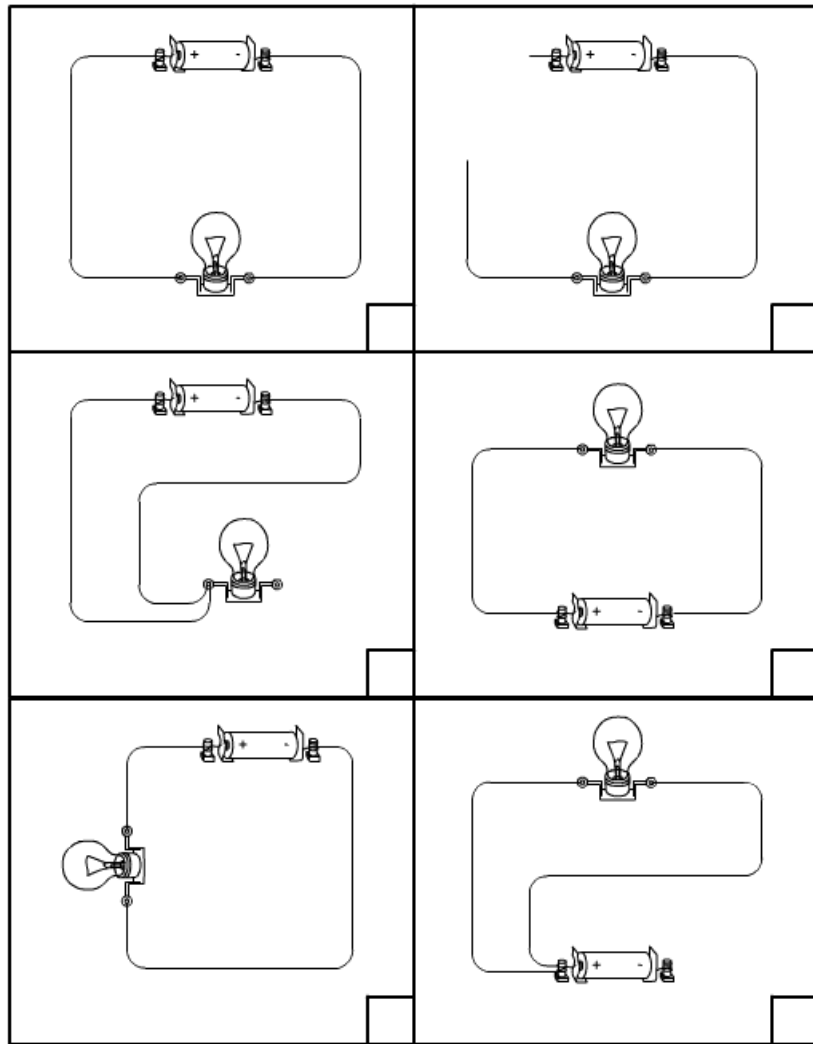
Lesson 5
Using conventional symbols

Teaching objectives		Time of the lesson: 1 hour		
<p>- To recognise conventional symbols of a circuit</p> <p>- To draw, to interpret and to construct simple circuit diagrams using conventional symbols</p>				
Activities development	Organization	Communication	Material	Teachers's resources
<p>1) You explain to children that circuit diagrams use specific symbols that can be understood by anyone who knows these symbols, and can be used for constructing and interpreting circuits. You show children the different symbols of a circuit. Later, they copy the different symbols from the slide and they draw next to the symbol the drawing of the electric component and write the names.</p> <p>-ppointconventionalsymbols</p> <p>-worksheet1</p> <p>2) The children watch the second slide where there are two models of circuit diagrams you comment with them and then, you give a worksheet with two circuit diagrams and they make them.</p> <p>worksheet2</p> <p>3) They make two simple working circuits, (the ones they want), and they draw them using conventional symbols.</p> <p>worksheet3</p> <p>4)The different groups exchange their diagrams and they check if the diagrams of a different group are correct, and if the circuits work. They can ask questions if there is something they think is not clear.</p>	<p>Whole group</p> <p>Individually</p> <p>Whole group</p> <p>Groups of 3 or 4</p> <p>Individually</p> <p>Groups of 3 or 4</p> <p>Individually</p> <p>Groups of 3 or 4</p>	<p>Language of learning</p> <p>circuit diagram, conventional symbols for the electric components</p> <p>Language for learning</p> <p>Defining</p> <p>- The name for this is</p> <p>Illustrating</p> <p>- For instance/ for example</p> <p>Giving reasons</p> <p>- This is because.....</p> <p>- The reason for this is that.....</p> <p>Language through learning</p> <p>All the ones they need to do the different activities.</p> <p>Different vocabulary or phrases that they come across throughout the lesson.</p>	<p>-ppointconventionalsymbols</p> <p>-worksheet1</p> <p>- crocodile clips</p> <p>- bulbs</p> <p>- material to make switches</p> <p>- batteries</p> <p>-worksheet2</p> <p>-worksheet3</p> <p>-ppointhelpsheets</p>	<p><i>Teacher's notes</i></p> <p>Ppointhelpsheets</p> <p>You can see in the helpsheets of this lesson that some of the tables have two options separated by a black line, that means children can use one of the options or the other.</p> <p><i>To know more about the topic</i></p> <p>Websites</p> <p>2.- www.woodlands-junior.kent.sch.uk/teacher/science.html</p> <p><i>Comment</i></p> <p>The most visited school website in the United Kingdom and very useful.</p> <p>3.- www.primaryresources.co.uk</p> <p><i>Comment</i></p> <p>Lots of resources.</p>

Activities development	Organization	Communication	Material	Teacher's resources
<p>The same thing with the rest of the experiments.</p> <p>5)Now, you say to children that they will carry out an investigation like scientists about this matter:</p> <p>- What happens to the brightness of the bulb when we change the number of bulbs ?</p> <p>You try to elicit from them how to plan to do it. In order to help them you can present a model and they can choose the order and take out the parts they don't need .</p> <p><u>modelinvestigationplan</u> <u>-answersmodel</u></p> <p>6) This is the investigation plan they can use to carry out the investigation.</p> <p><u>-investigation plan</u> They start the investigation and you help them by suggesting different things like :</p> <p>- You can only change one factor at a time.</p> <p>6) At the end of the activity the different groups report back to the class one interesting thing they have found out.</p> <p>You take advantage of it to draw children's attention to the most important facts they have found out.</p>	<p>Groups of 3 or 4</p> <p>Whole group</p> <p>Groups of 3 or 4</p> <p>Groups of 3 or 4</p> <p>Whole group</p>	<p>- Finally,</p> <p>Language through learning</p> <p>All the ones they need to do the different activities.</p> <p>Different vocabulary or phrases that they come across throughout the lesson.</p>		<p><i>To know more about the topic</i></p> <p>Websites</p> <p>6.- www.thinktank. ac</p> <p><i>Comment</i></p> <p>Website of the Science Museum in Birmingham. There are some interesting experiments you can do in your science le</p>

Electrical circuit with gap for testing conductivity





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1.- Draw and write the names of the different electrical appliances in the right place

ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES	
MAINS 	BATTERY 

LESSON 1

They need	electricity	to work
	water	

They don't use	electricity to work
They use	

It works because	of the battery
	of the bulb

For instance = For example

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1.- Write and draw in the table below three things we would not be able to do **without** electricity.

1.-	2.-	3.-
.....
.....

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HOW POWER GETS TO OUR HOMES

Electricity travels a long way before it reaches our homes:
you can follow the route it takes below. As you follow the route carefully,
draw in the missing power lines (cables) and find the missing labels
– the answers are all in the text.

1. Power Stations
Power stations make electricity.
They usually burn coal or oil to
work the **generating** machinery

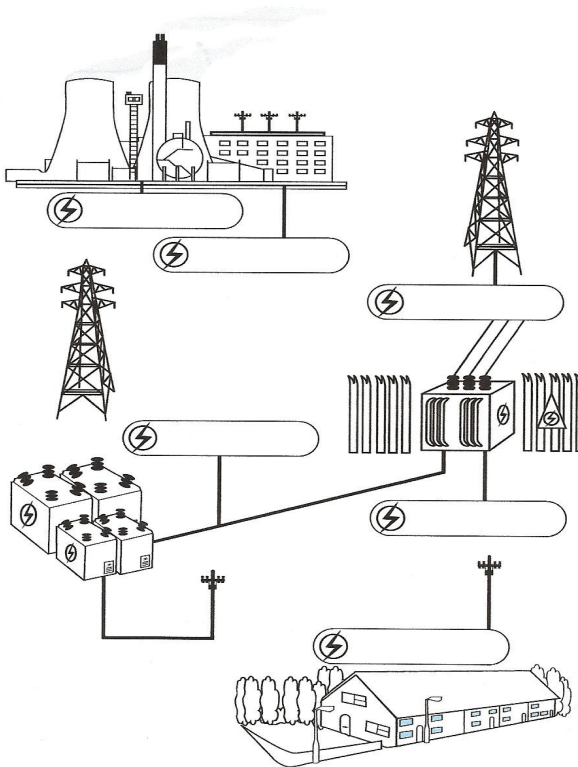
2. Transformers
Machines called **transformers**
change the **voltage** (force) of the
electricity up to 400,000 Volts so it
can travel long distances.

3. Power lines
The electricity is carried along thick
metal **cables** called **power lines**.
Some of them are carried overhead
on **pylons**.

4. Substations
In towns and cities there are more
transformers in **substations**.
These change the electricity down
to 11,000 Volts.

5. Mains Power
Small local substations reduce the
voltage to **230 Volts** for houses,
schools and businesses. In towns,
most **cables are underground**.

6. Cables
In some areas, cables are carried
to buildings on **wooden poles**.



LESSON 2

A pylon	is a place where electricity is made
A power station	

A transformer	is a machine that changes voltage
A substation	

Time sequence (order)
First, Second, Next, After that, Finally,

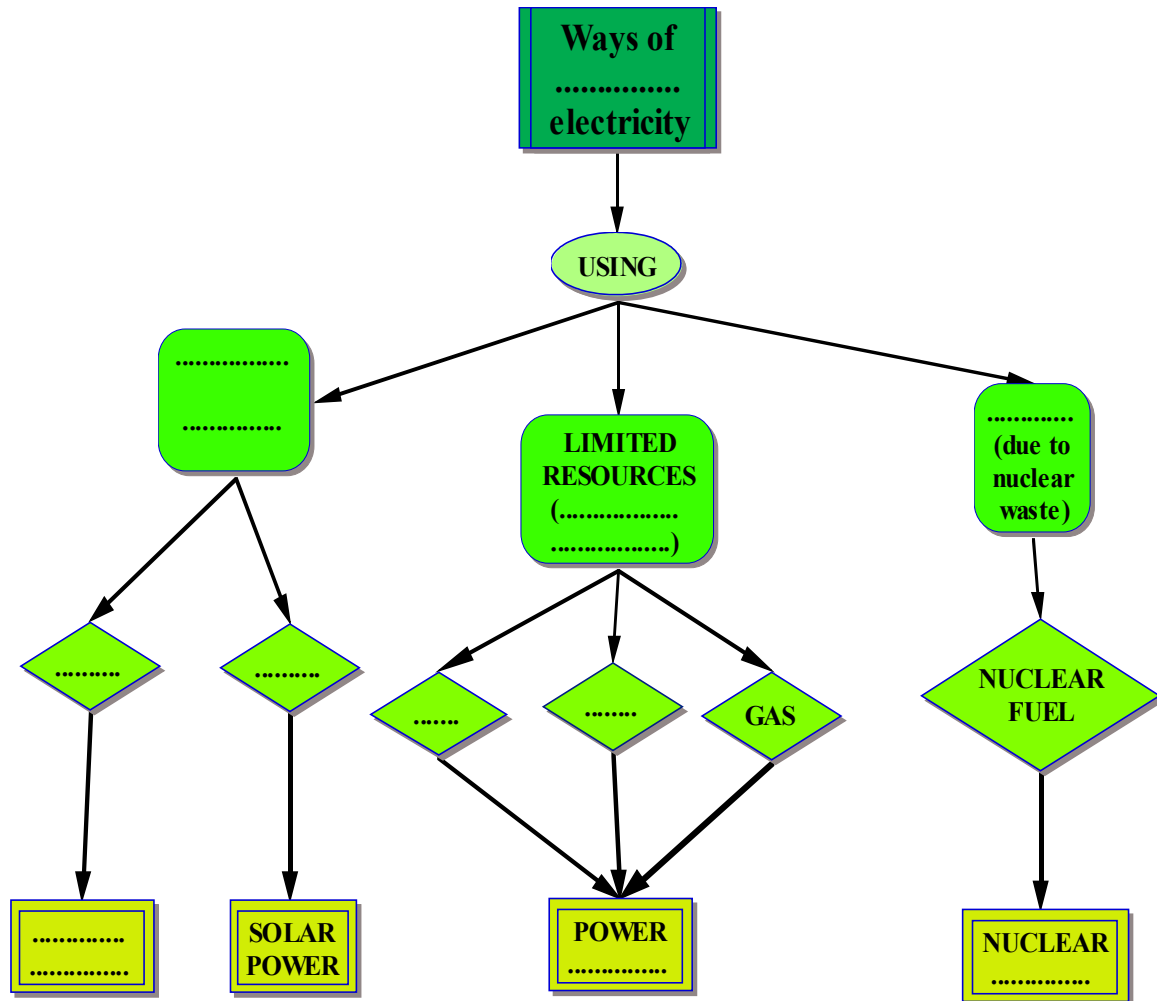
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1.- Fill in all the gaps with the words below.

Greenhouse effect, wind, power, wind power, sun, station, renewable energy, dangerous, coal, making, oil.



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1.- Looking at the presentation fill in the table below.

Ways of making electricity	It uses	Advantages	Disadvantages
	uranium	—	
Power station		—	
Wind power			
	sun		

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1.- Read these sentences related to saving energy and draw the right picture for each one of them.

Turn off lights when not in use. Turn off the television when not in use.	Take short showers and install "water saver" shower heads.	Replace burned-out incandescent light bulbs with compact fluorescent bulbs.
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2.- Which is the right image for the greenhouse effect ?

Write the number and explain why ?

Because

.....

.....

LESSON 3

They use	to produce	<u>electricity</u> coal
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Wind energy	<u>is free</u> is very expensive
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<u>Solar power needs</u>	fuel
Nuclear power needs	

<u>Coal, gas and oil</u>	are running out
Wind and sun	

<u>The greenhouse effect</u>	causes the global warming
The wind	

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1.- Draw the things you need to make a bulb light or a buzzer sound.

BATTERIES	WIRES
BULB	BUZZER

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Drawing of my bulb lightning (Write the names of all the components)

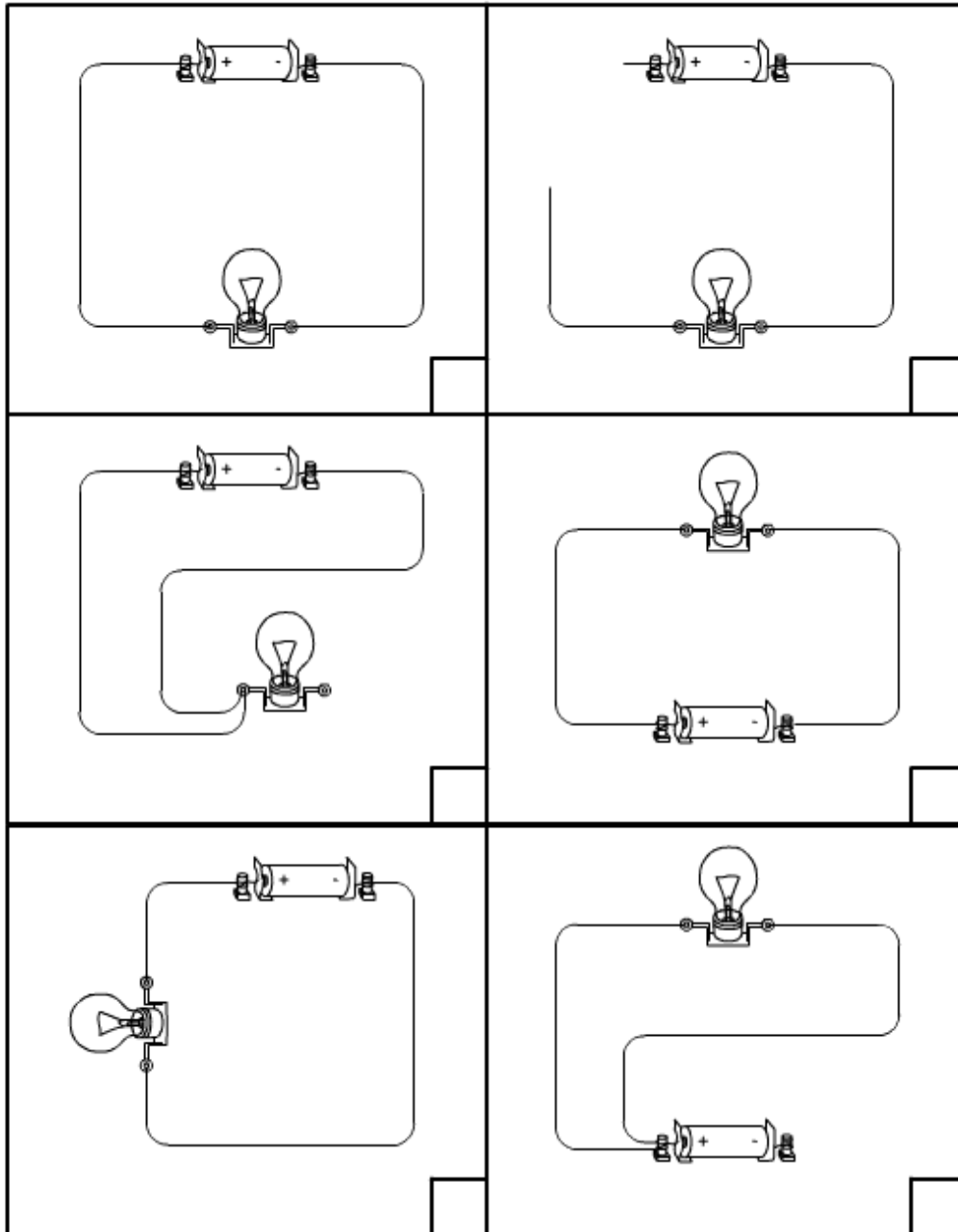
Drawing of my buzzer sounding (Write the names of all the components)

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Look at each circuit below. If you think the bulb will light, colour it yellow and put a tick in the box. If you do not think the bulb will light, put a cross in the box. Then, check your predictions by making the circuits.



LESSON 1

The name for this is

We need	a battery
We don't need	

My circuit works because	there is a break
My circuit doesn't work because	I have a battery

There is a break in the circuit and	electricity can flow through
	electricity can't flow through

Both wires are attached	to the same side of the bulb
	to the same end of the battery

LESSON 2

We call this	electric plug
	electric switch

Battery is dangerous because	it is very powerful and can kill
Mains electricity is dangerous because	

It is dangerous because	electricity can harm you
	electricity can pass through water

Because electricity	can kill you
Because frayed wires	

The main points we have made are.....

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1.- Fill in the gaps and write each material in the right place.

MATERIALS	
..... (let electricity through) (.....)

2.- Copy the conclusions

.....

.....

.....

.....

.....

LESSON 3

Yes, because	there is a complete circuit
No, because	

There is	no break in the circuit
	a break in the circuit

It needs	a battery, a bulb and wires
It doesn't need	

The electricity is travelling	through the battery, the bulb and the wires
	under the battery, the bulb and the wires

..... (a material name)	let electricity through	because it is a metal
	do not let electricity through	

For instance / For example (a material name)
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LESSON 4

I break the circuit because electricity	<u>can pass through air</u> can't pass through air
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<u>I make a break in the circuit because</u> I make a break in the battery because	electricity can't pass through air
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<u>We use switches</u> We use bulbs	to make and break circuits
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Switches are used	<u>to switch lights on and off</u> to switch devices on and off
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Air is an	<u>insulator</u> conductor
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1.- Copy the different conventional symbols, draw the picture next to each of them and write the names.

Names	Conventional symbols	Drawings

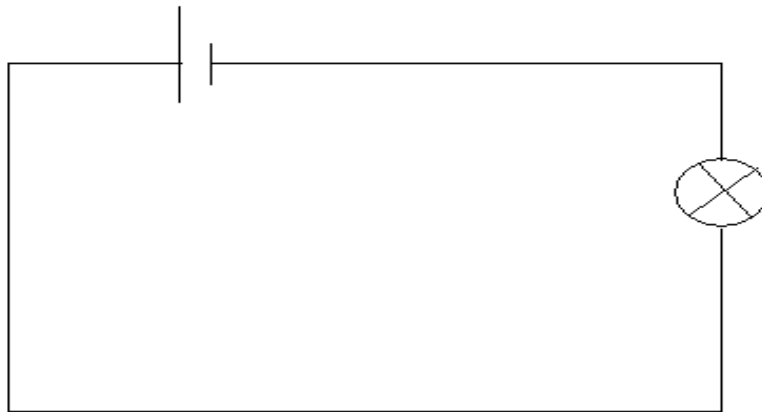
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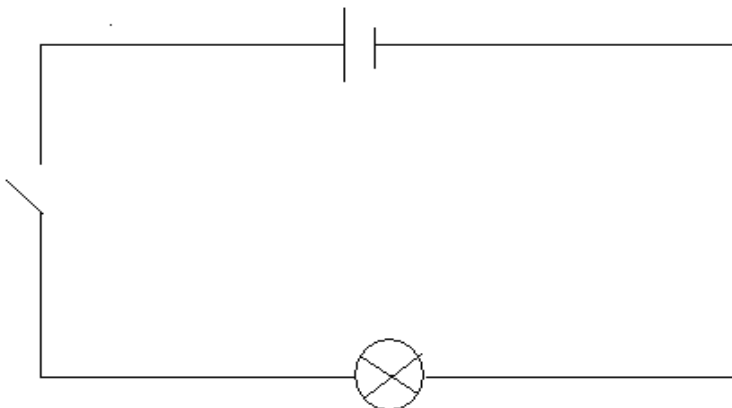
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1.- You have to write the names of the different components of these two circuit diagrams. Finally, complete the two circuits.

CIRCUIT DIAGRAM 1



CIRCUIT DIAGRAM 2



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- 1.- Draw your two circuits using only symbols, do it with a ruler.
Do not use drawings !!
Do not forget to label your diagram circuits !

My diagram circuit 1	My diagram circuit 2

LESSON 5

The name for this is
.....

For example.....

For instance.....

This is because.....

The reason for this is that

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What happens to the speed of the motor ?

1.- Make your predictions, experience it, record your results and decide whether you were right by putting a tick or a cross.

1.- Adding another battery	2.- Changing the battery	3.-Another way of connecting the batteries	4.-.....
Underline your prediction - the motor will be faster - the motor will be as fast as with one battery - the motor will burn out <input type="checkbox"/>	Underline your prediction - the motor will be faster - the motor will be as fast as with one battery - the motor will burn out <input type="checkbox"/>	Underline your prediction - the motor will be faster - the motor will be as fast as with one battery - the motor will burn out <input type="checkbox"/>	Write your prediction - <input type="checkbox"/>
Write your results	Write your results	Write your results	Write your results
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INVESTIGATION PLAN

Name.....

Date

1.- OUR QUESTION

.....

2.- OUR PREDICTION

I think

.....

.....

3.- HOW I DO IT

First,.....

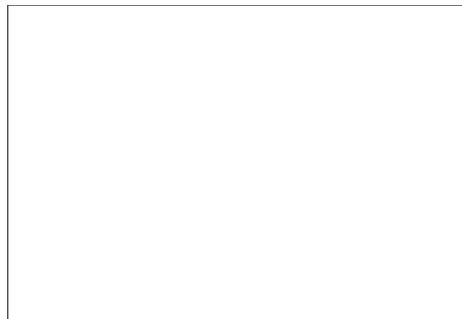
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Second,.....

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4.- DRAWING OF MY TEST



5.- WHAT I WILL CHANGE

I will change.....
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6.- WHAT I WILL NOT CHANGE.....

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7.- WHAT I FOUND OUT

I found out that.....
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LESSON 6

For example.....

For instance.....

This is because.....

The reason for this is that

I think that the	will be faster
I predict that the	will be brighter

The bulb is	faster than
The motor is	brighter..... than

Time sequence (order)

First,
Second,
Next,
After that,
Finally,

**ELECTRICITY
Assessment**

Name

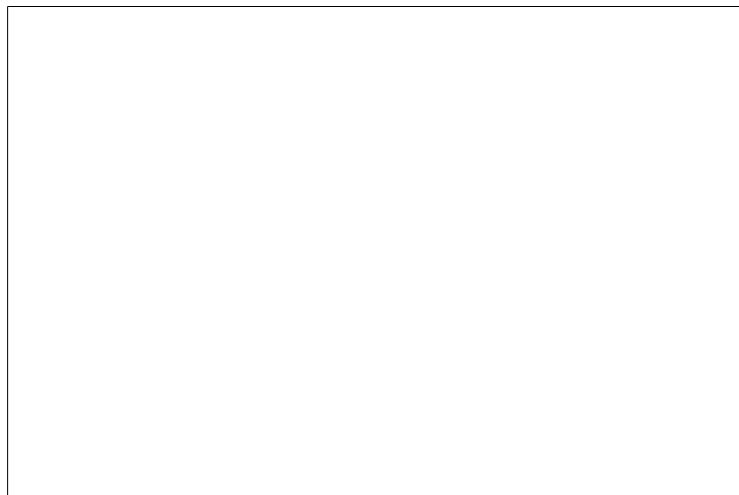
Date.....

1.- Complete these sentences using the words from the box.

bulb	electricity
	wires
switch	battery

- An electrical circuit needs a battery to provide the power.
- The carry the electrical power around the circuit.
- If the circuit is not connected properly, the will not light up.
- A can be used to turn the electricity off in a circuit.

2.- Draw a complete circuit here. Label.



3.- What is an electrical conductor ? List two materials which are conductors.

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4.- What is an electrical insulator ? List two materials that are insulators.

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5.- Name two electrical devices which use mains power.

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6.- Name two electrical devices twchich use battery power.

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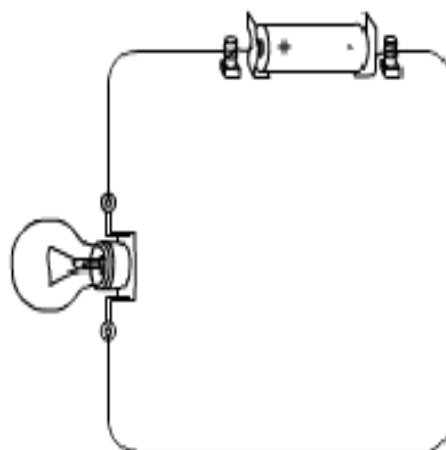
7.- Marta builds a circuit but she wants her bulb to be brighter. What could she do ?

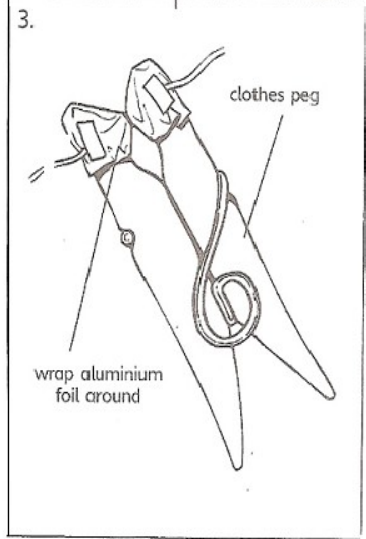
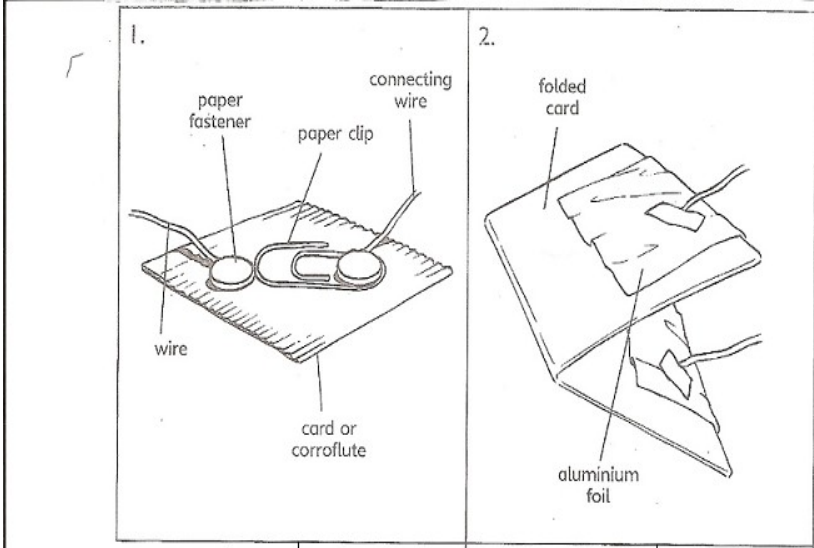
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8.- Draw this circuit using conventional symbols. Use the ruler.

Label.





- THE DATE
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- WHAT I WILL CHANGE
- OUR QUESTION
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- THE VOLTAGE OF THE BATTERY
- OUR PREDICTION

1.-

2.-

3.-

4.-

5.-

6.-

7.-

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BATTERY

WIRES

BULB

PAPER CLIP

FOIL

PLASTIC

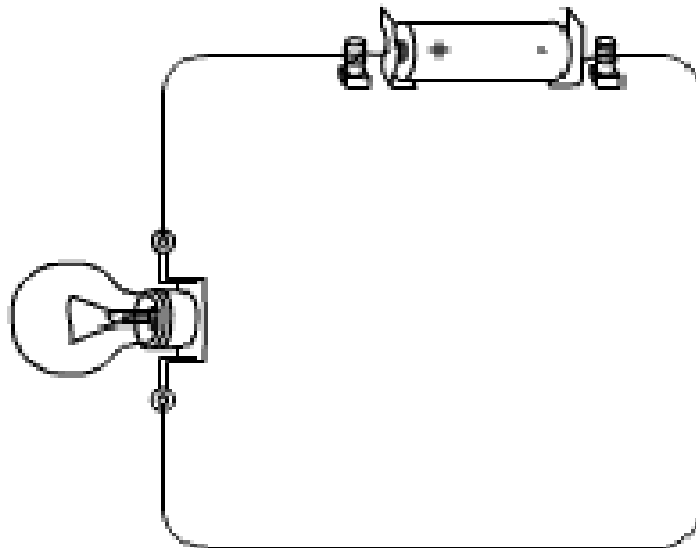
COIN

**PAPER
FASTENER**

DRAWING PINS



ELECTRICITY



NAME

LEVEL

SCHOOL YEAR