

## Keywords: Autumn 2 Science

**Topic Title: P2 - Electricity** 

Introduction to the topic: Electric currents, different components and how different variables effect the resistance in a circuit

What lessons will you cover during the topic? Static, circuits, resistance, generating electricity

Keyword	Definition
Current	Moving electric charges, eg electrons moving
	through a metal wire.
Potential Difference	The potential difference (or voltage) of a
	supply is a measure of the energy given to the
	charge carriers in a circuit. Units = volts (V).
	This is the voltage between two points that
	makes an electric current flow between them.
Resistance	The opposition in an electrical component to
	the movement of electrical charge through it.
	Resistance is measured in ohms.
Power	The energy transferred each second,
	measured in watts (W). Power = work done $\div$
	time taken.
Charge Series Circuit	Property of matter that causes a force when
	near another charge. Charge comes in two
	forms, positive and negative. For example, a
	negative charge causes a repulsive force on a
	neighbouring negative charge.
	A circuit where one component follows directly from another, eg three bulbs in a row with no
	junctions are said to be connected in series.
Parallel Circuit	In a parallel circuit, the current divides into
	two or more paths before recombining to
	complete the circuit. Lamps and other
	components in these different paths are said
	to be in parallel.
Resistor	An electrical component that restricts the flow
	of electrical charge. Fixed-value resistors do
	not change their resistance, but with variable
	resistors it is possible to vary the resistance.