1	Label these circuit symbols:			
		o switch (open)() lamp		
	$\sim$			
		switch (closed) fuse		
	-†⊢ -(v)-	+ cell V voltmeter		
	-+	_+       battery		
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		diode		
		thermistor resistor		
		variable resistor LDR		
		<i>'</i> ,		
		LED		
2	Draw a series circuit containing a cell and a bulb.			
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3	Draw a parallel circuit containing a cell and two bulbs.			
4	What is needed for electrical charge to flow	A source of potential difference.		
	through a closed circuit?			
5	What is electric current?	The rate of flow of electrical charge.		
6	In most circuits, what is the charge that flows to carry the current.	Electrons		
7	What is the word equation for flow of charge?	charge flow = current x time		
8	What is the symbol equation for flow of charge?	Q=It		
9	What is the unit of charge?	Coulombs, C		
10	What is the unit of current?	Amperes, A		
11	At any point in a single closed loop, the current	is the same.		
12	The current through any component depends on	the resistance (R) of the component and the potential difference (V) across it.		
13	What is the definition of resistance?	The amount that a component or circuit opposes the		
		flow of current.		
14	What is the unit of resistance?	Ohms, Ω		
15	What is the alternative term for potential difference, that means the same thing?	Voltage		
16	What is the word equation for potential difference?	potential difference = current x resistance		

17	What is the symbol equation for potential	V = I R	
18	difference? What is the unit of potential difference?	Volts, V	
19	What is a series circuit?	A circuit where all of the components are connected in	
	What is a series on sair.	one loop.	
20	What is a parallel circuit?	A circuit where there is more than one loop of	
2.1		components.	
21	What piece of equipment is used to measure current?	Ammeter	
22	How should it be connected into a circuit?	In series	
23	What piece of equipment is used to measure potential difference?	Voltmeter	
24	How should it be connected into a circuit?	In parallel with the component that you are measuring	
		the potential difference across.	
25	In the required practical on measuring resistance, what is the dependent variable?	Resistance	
26	For some resistors, the resistance always remains	the current changes.	
	constant. In others, it can change as		
27	At a constant temperature, the current through	directly proportional to the potential difference across	
	an ohmic conductor is	the resistor.	
28	What does the I-V graph for an ohmic conductor look like?	Current	
	look like?		
		Potential difference	
		dimerence	
29	What does it mean that a component is "ohmic"?	Resistance remains constant as current changes.	
30	What happens to the resistance of a filament	It increases.	
	lamp as temperature of the filament increases?		
31	What does the I-V graph for a filament lamp look like?	Current	
	liker		
		Potential difference	
32	Describe the current flow through a diode.	It can only flow in one direction. There is a very high	
		resistance in the reverse direction.	
33	What does the I-V graph for a diode look like?	Current /	
		Potential	
		difference	
34	What is a thermistor?	A resistor that decreases its resistance as temperature	
		increases.	
35	When would a thermistor be useful?	Thermostats – to make things change with temperature	
36	What is an LDR?	A Light Dependent Resistor decreases its resistance as light intensity increases.	
37	When would an LDR be useful?	Light sensors - to switch on lights when it gets dark	
38	To measure the resistance of a component, what	Measurements of the current through the component	
1	measurements should be made?	and the potential difference across it.	
	measurements should be made.		

39	Draw a circuit to show how the resistance of a resistor could be measured?	A	
40	In the required practical on investigating I-V characteristics of components, what is the independent variable?	The component that is being measured.	
41	In a series circuit, what can be said about the current, potential difference and resistance?	The current is the same through each component. The total potential difference of the power supply is shared between the components. The total resistance is the sum of the individual resistances.	
42	What is the equation for the total resistance of a series circuit?	$R_{tot} = R_1 + R_2 \dots$	
43	In the branches of a parallel circuit, what can be said about the current, potential difference and resistance?	The total current splits between the "branches" of the parallel circuit. The potential difference across each branch is the same. The total resistance of two resistors in parallel is less than the resistance of the lowest of the resistors.	
44	Why does adding resistors in parallel decrease the total resistance?	There are more routes for electrons to take between the branches, so it is easier for current to flow.	
45	What is DC?	Direct Current (DC) is when current always flows in one direction. It is the current found in circuits powered by a cell or battery.	
46	What is AC?	Alternating Current (AC) is when the direction of current flow rapidly changes, giving an alternating potential difference. It is how mains electricity is supplied in the UK.	
47	What the frequency of the AC domestic electricity supply in the UK?	50 Hz	
48	What is the potential difference of the domestic electricity supply in the UK?	230 V	
49	How many wire-cores make up the wire of most electrical appliances?	3	
50	Why is each wire wrapped in a plastic coating?	As a safety feature. The plastic acts as an insulator from the electricity in case anyone were to touch it. The colours also indicate which wire is inside it.	
51	What does the colour coding on each wire identify it as?	Brown - live wire. Blue - neutral wire. Green and yellow stripes - earth wire.	
52	What does the live wire do, and what is its potential difference?	It carries the alternating potential difference from the power supply. The potential difference between the live wire and earth is around 230 V.	
53	What does the neutral wire do, and what is its potential difference?	It completes the circuit, and is close to earth potential (0 V).	
54	What does the earth wire do, and what is its potential difference?	It is a safety wire to stop the casing of the appliance from becoming live, so is at 0 V and only carries a current if there is a fault.	
55	When is a live wire dangerous?	They are always dangerous when a current is flowing, but it may still be dangerous even if a switch is open.	
56	Why would it be dangerous to provide a connection between the live wire and the earth wire?	It could cause a spark.	

57	What is the power transfer in a circuit related to?	The potential difference across the circuit, the current through it and the energy changes over time.	
58	What two word equations relate power, potential difference, current and resistance?	power = potential difference x current power = (current) <sup>2</sup> x resistance	
59	What two symbol equations relate power,	P=VI	
39	potential difference, current and resistance?	$P = I^2 R$	
60	What is the unit of power?	Watts, W	
61	What does the amount of energy an appliance transfers depend on?	The power of the appliance and how long it is switched on for.	
62	What does work have to do with electric circuits?	Work is done when charge flows in a circuit.	
63	What two word equations relate energy	energy transferred = power x time	
03	transferred, power, time, charge and potential difference?	energy transferred = power x time energy transferred = charge x potential difference	
64	What two symbol equations relate these quantities?	E = P t E = Q V	
65	What are the units of energy?	Joules, J	
66	What is the National Grid?	The National Grid is a system of cables and	
00	viriat is the inational driu:	transformers linking power stations to consumers.	
67	What is a transformer?	A device which alters the potential difference and	
"	This is a cransformer.	current of electricity in the cables.	
68	What does a step-up transformer do?	They are used to increase the potential difference from	
		the power station to the transmission cables to reduce	
		energy loss in transportation.	
69	What does a step-down transformer do?	They are used to decrease, to a much lower value, the	
		potential difference for safe domestic use.	
70	Why is static electricity called "static"?	It is related to "static" (or still) electrons which build up	
		on materials.	
71	What type of charge do electrons have?	Negative charge	
72	How is static electricity produced?	When certain insulating materials are rubbed against	
		each other they become charged. Negatively charged electrons are rubbed off one material and on to the	
		other. The material that gains electrons becomes	
		negatively charged. The material that loses electrons is	
		left with an equal positive charge.	
73	What happens when electrically charged objects	When two electrically charged objects are brought	
	are brought close together?	close together they exert a force on each other.	
74	What happens to two objects with the same type of charge?	They repel each other.	
75	What happens to two objects with different types of charge?	They are attracted to each other.	
76	What is an electric field?	A charged object creates an electric field around itself,	
		which is strongest close to the object. The further away	
		from the charged object, the weaker the field.	
77	What happens if another charged object is placed	A second charged object placed in the field experiences	
	in the field?	a force. The force gets stronger as the distance	
		between the objects decreases.	
78	What does the electric field pattern look like for a		
	positive charge near a negative charge?		
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84	State the rule for current in a series circuit	the current is the same at every point in the circuit and
	otate the rate for carrene in a series cheat	in every component
85	State the rule for potential difference in a series circuit	the total potential difference of the power supply is
86	State the rule for resistance in a series circuit	shared between components  the more resistors, the greater the resistance. R <sub>T</sub> =R <sub>1</sub> +R <sub>2</sub>
87	State the rule for current in a parallel circuit	the total current through the whole circuit is the sum of
87	State the rule for current in a parallel circuit	the currents through the separate components
88	State the rule for potential difference in a parallel	the potential difference across each branch in the
	circuit	circuit is the same
89	State the rule for resistance in a parallel circuit	adding more resistors in parallel decreases resistance
90	What colour is the live wire in a three core cable?	brown
91	What colour is the neutral wire in a three core cable?	blue
92	What colour is the earth wire in a three core cable?	green and yellow
93	The brown wire in a plug is the	live
94	The blue wire in a plug is the	neutral
95	The green and yellow wire in a plug is the	earth
96	The potential difference between the live wire and others in the plug is V	230V
97	Current flows into an appliance through the wire	live
98	Current flows out of an appliance through the wire	neutral
99	The wire is a safety feature of appliances	earth
100	Potential difference between the neutral wires	OV
	and others in the plug should be V	
101	Electric Current is?	the flow of electric charge
102	Potential difference between two points in a	the work done when a couloumb of charge passes
103	circuit is? In a circuit the potential difference causes?	between the points. charge to flow
103	Resistance is?	caused by anything which opposes the flow of electric
104	Resistance is!	charge
105	Particles which can be 'charges' in electric circuits are	electrons or ions
122	Describe the I-V characteristic for a fixed resistor	Current and potential difference are directly proportional, resistance is constant
123	Describe the I-V characteristic of a filament lamp	Resistance is not constant, it increases as p.d. increases
124	Explain why resistance increases with increased	temperature increases causing ions to vibrate and
124	p.d. in a filament lamp	increasing collisions with electrons flowing through the filament
125	Describe the I-V characteristic of a diode	The current only flows through the diode in one
		direction, there is a very high resistance in the reverse
126	Current which regularly changes direction is	direction.
126	Current which regularly changes direction is called	alternating current
127	An example of alternating current is?	mains electricity
128	Current which flows in one direction is?	direct current
129	An example of direct current is	batteries
130	What is the potential difference of mains	230V
	electricity in the UK?	

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131	What is the frequency of the alternating current	50Hz
	in UK mains electricity?	
132	The national grid consists of?	Cables and transformers
133	Are power stations par of the national grid?	no
134	What does a step up transformer do?	Increases p.d.
135	What does a step down transformer do?	reduces p.d. to 230 V
136	Why are transformers used?	reduce current so that less heat is lost in cables,
		increases efficiency