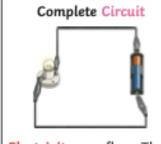
# Electricity Year 4

Key Vocabulary	
electricity	The flow of an electric current
	through a material, e.g. from a power
	source through wires to an appliance.
appliances	A piece of equipment or a device
	designed to perform a particular
	job, such as a washing machine or
	mobile phone.
battery	A device that stores electrical energy
	as a chemical.
circuit	A pathway that electricity can flow
	around. It is based around wires
	and a power supply. Examples of
	components (parts) you can add in to
	a circuit are bulbs, switches, buzzers
	and motors.

#### Components (Parts) Vocabulary buzzer: Makes a noise in cell: Normally, we would bulb: Lights up in a call this a battery but complete circuit. a complete circuit. scientifically, this is a cell. Two or more cells joined together form a battery. switch: Used to turn wires: Used to connect motor: Produces the different components other components in the movement in a in the circuit together. complete circuit. circuit on or off.



Electricity can flow. The components will work.

## Incomplete Circuit



There is a break in the circuit that prevents the electricity from flowing. The components will not work.

Switches can be used to open or close a circuit. When off, a switch 'breaks' the circuit to stop the flow of electricity. When on, a switch 'completes' the circuit and allows the electricity to flow.



toggle switch



push button switch



slide switch

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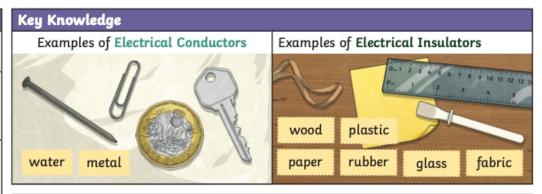
Key Vocabulary	
mains electricity	<b>Electricity</b> supplied through wires to a building.
electrical conductor	A conductor of electricity is a material that will allow electricity to flow through it.
electrical insulator	Materials that are electrical insulators do not allow electricity to flow through them.

### **Appliances**

Many everyday appliances rely on electricity for them to work. Some appliances use mains electricity (are plugged into a socket) and others have a battery to make them work. Examples of mains-powered appliances include toasters and televisions. Battery-powered appliances can include mobile phones and torches.



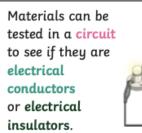




To work safely with circuit components in the classroom:

- None of the equipment needs to use mains power, so do not put any of it in or near plugs.
- Report any damaged or broken equipment to your teacher. Do not use it.

- Only use equipment as instructed.
- Connect equipment correctly.
- Disconnect equipment after use and put it away neatly.







test circuit



ruler = plastic = electrical insulators