Knowledge Organiser Year 6 Summer 1 ELECTRICITY				
VOCABULARY		CIRCUIT SYMBOLS		CHANGING (SERIES)CIRCUITS
symbol	An image, mark or pattern to represent a real object or to communicate a message		wire	<ul> <li>Changing the number of cells</li> <li>The great<u>er</u> the number of cells there are</li> <li>the bright<u>er</u> the bulb, the loud<u>er</u> the buzzer, the fast<u>er</u> the motor.</li> <li>The few<u>er</u> the cells there are</li> <li>the dimm<u>er</u> the bulb, the quiet<u>er</u> the buzzer, the slow<u>er</u> the motor.</li> </ul>
circuit	A path through which electricity flows, usually beginning and ending at a battery			
circuit diagram	A simple representation of an electric circuit using symbols		bulb	<ul> <li><u>Changing the number of components</u></li> <li>The great<u>er</u> the number of bulbs, the dimm<u>er</u> they will be.</li> <li>The few<u>er</u> the bulbs, the bright<u>er</u> they will be.</li> </ul>
complete circuit	An electric circuit with no gaps, allowing the current to flow	$-\otimes$		
incomplete circuit	An electric circuit with a gap, preventing the flow of current		battery made of one cell	<ul> <li><u>Changing the length of wire</u></li> <li>The short<u>er</u> the wire</li> <li>the bright<u>er</u> the bulb, the loud<u>er</u> the buzzer, the fast<u>er</u> the motor.</li> <li>The long<u>er</u> the wire</li> <li>the dimm<u>er</u> the bulb, the quiet<u>er</u> the buzzer, the slow<u>er</u> the motor.</li> </ul>
voltage	The force that 'pushes' current through a wire			
volts (V)	Unit of measurement of voltage	battery made of two cells	battery made of	
current	The flow of electricity		TYPES OF SWITCHES	
amps (A)	Unit of measurement of current			
series circuit	A simple electric circuit where one component follows another	or —o. o—	switch	dimmer
buzzer	A component of a circuit that converts electrical energy to sound energy		<b>b</b>	buzzer selector push
motor	A component of a circuit that converts electrical energy to moving energy	$\mathbf{Y}$	buzzer	
resistance	A force that opposes ('pushes against') the movement of electricity	- <u>M</u> -	motor	toggle



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