Year 4 - Science - Term 5: Electricity



Curriculum Key Question: Where are we going? Topic: Amazing Africa!

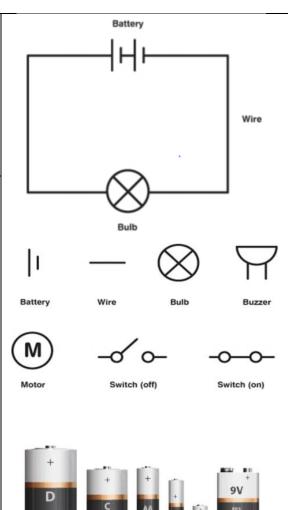
What should I already know?

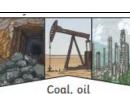
 No discreet teaching of eletricity before, but they will have some knowedlge from ICT lessons and ICT safety precautions.

Scientific Skills I will develop:

- Make some of the planning decisions about what to change and measure/observe.
- Recognise obvious risks and how to keep myself and others safe.
- With some

 independence, analyse
 results /observations by
 writing a sentence that
 matches the evidence
 i.e. deciding the
 important aspect of the
 result and summarising
 in a conclusion (e.g.
 metals tend to be good
 conductors of
 electricity).





and natural gases are fossil fuels which, when burnt, produce heat which can be used to generate electricity.

Electricity can be generated from wind power used to turn windmills and hydroelectric power from water used in dams. The Sun's rays can be converted into electricity by solar panels.



Nuclear energy is created when atoms are split. This creates heat which can be used to generate electricity. Geothermal energy is heat from the Earth that is converted into electricity.

Common electrical hazards			Key V
	1.	Overloading a plug extension socket.	defini
			digest
•	2	Exposed wires.	box).
	2.		Electri
•	3.	Damaged wall sockets.	curren
	5.	Damaged wall sockets.	from a
	4.	Wires left along the carpet for people to	wires t
		trip over.	Genera
•	5.	Placing metal into electrical appliances	Renew
		or open sockets.	that w
•	6.	Electrical appliances and wires near	solar, ı
		water.	Non-re
			energy
	NOTE:	WATER IS AN EXCELLENT ELECTRICAL	eventu
		UCTOR SO IT CAN BE VERY DANGEROUS	natura
	TO HA	VE ELECTRICAL DEVICES NEAR WATER	Applia
Some appliances use batteries and some use			or dev particu
	mains electricity.		
		ries come in different sizes depending on	Batter
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 Batteries come in different sizes depending on how much and for how long the appliance is used.

• Common appliances that use electricity.

toaster	lamp	kettle
Laptop	X-box	phone
torch	headlights	television

Key Vocabulary (including definition: (see parts of digestive system in previous box).

Electricity: The flow of an electric current through a material e.g. from a power source through wires to an appliance.

Generate: To make or produce.

Renewable: A source of electricity that will not run out. Includes solar, nuclear, hydro and wind.

Non-renewable: A source of energy that will run out eventually. Includes coal, oil and natural gas.

Appliances: A piece of equipment or device designed to perform a particular job.

Battery: A device that stores electrical energy as a chemical.

Circuit: A complete route which an electrical current can flow around.

Wire: Long, thin piece of metal that carries electrical current.

Bulb: Electrical device that lights up.

Cell: A device used to generate electricity e.g. a battery.

Switch: A component that can turn the electrical device on or off.