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| Year 4 - Electricity  |
| **National Curriculum Objectives:**\* Identify common appliances that run on electricity.\* Construct a simple series electrical circuit, identifying and naming its basic parts, including cells, wires, bulbs, switches and buzzers.\* Identify whether or not a lamp will light in a simple series circuit, based on whether or not the lamp is part of a complete loop with a battery.\* Recognise that a switch opens and closes a circuit and associates this with whether or not a lamp lights in a simple series circuit.\* Recognise some common conductors and insulators, and associate metals with being good conductors.**IN YEAR 4 – CHILDREN DRAW A PICTORIAL CIRCUIT, THEY DO NOT NEED TO USE CONVENIONLA CIRCUIT SYMOBLS** |
| **Prior Learning:**  | **Working Scientifically (NC) Links:** | **Opportunities for working Scientifically:** | **Story / Book Opportunities:** | **Maths Opportunities:** | **Vocabulary:** |
| **IN EYFS:**Children know about similarities and differences in relation to places, objects, materials and living things. They talk about the features of their own immediate environment and how environments might vary from one another. They make observations of plants and animals and explain why some things occur and talk about changes. | \* Observe patterns;- bulbs get brighter if more cells are added,- that metals tend to be conductors of electricity,- some materials can and some cannot be used to connect across a gap in a circuit. | \* Can you design a decision tree / flow diagram to find the fault in a circuit?\* Can you make a switch?\* Can you identify which circuits will light the bulb?\* What impact on daily life did Thomas Eddison have?\*Sort the materials into electrical conductors and insulators.\* Can you sort these according to their power source?\* Do all batteries hold the same amount of power? | **Until I Met Dudley**(Roger McGough)**Oscar and the Bird: A Book about Electricity**(Geoff Waring)**Electrical Wizard: How Nikola Tesla Lit Up the World**(Elizabeth Rusch) | \*Venn diagrams -sort appliances run on electricity / batteries / both\* Carroll Diagram - sort conductors / non-conductors / metal/ non-metal\*Decision tree / flow diagram | cell, wire, bulb, switch, buzzer, battery, series, circuit, conductor, insulator electricity, electrical appliance/device, mains, plug, complete circuit, component, positive, negative, connect/connections, loose connection, short circuit, crocodile clip, motor, metal, non-metal |
| **Types of scientific Enquiry:**Fair & Comparative testingResearch using secondary sourcesIdentifying, classifying & groupingPattern seekingObserving over time | **Famous Scientists:****Thomas Eddison**(First Working Lightbulb)**Joseph Swan**(Incandescent Light Bulb) |
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| **In KS3:**\* Electric currents, measured in amperes, in circuits in series and parallel circuits, currents add where branches meet and current as flow of change.\* Potential difference measured in volts, battery and bulb ratings; resistances measured in ohms, as the ration of potential difference ((p.d) to current.\* Differences in resistance between conducting and insulating components.\* Static electricity. |

