

In the circuit



Background knowledge

Electricity always flows in a circuit from the negative pole of a battery to its positive pole. The flow of electricity creates an electric current. Electrical circuits can be represented by special diagrams. There is a symbol for each electrical component in a circuit.

Battery:

Buzzer:

Bulb:

Motor:

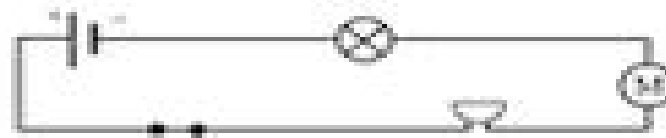
Switch (open):

and

Wire:

Science activity

Look at the circuit diagram shown below.



Label each of the five components shown in the circuit.

Complete the following sentences about the circuit shown above.

The electric current leaves the battery and passes through the _____.

It then travels through the _____, next through the _____.

and finally passes through the _____ before returning to the battery.

Science investigation

Create a model of a parallel circuit that contains two bulbs, one motor, and one battery. You might draw the symbols on 3x3 cards and then arrange them into the circuit. Connect the circuit with wires.

