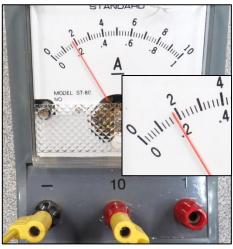
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At the simplest level, what is electric current?

- 2. Things that electric current can flow through are called ______, while things that
- electric current can't flow through are called ______.

 Electric current is measured using a device called an ______. Electric current is (officially) measured in ______ (but this unit is often simplified to ______). The symbol for the unit is _____.
- Part B Draw a circuit diagram showing how to place an ammeter in a circuit so that it can measure the current flowing in a single light globe.
 - If you measure that the current in a certain part of an electrical circuit is 1 amp, it means that electrons are flowing past that point per second.
 - 6. A school ammeter is connected to various circuits. Noting that the 10 A scale is being used, what current is passing through the circuits?







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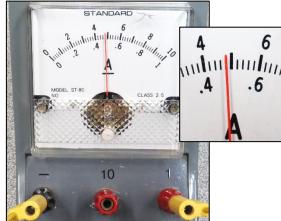
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7. For this ammeter, currents of less than 1 Amp are best measured using the 1 Amp terminal. What current is being displayed in each circuit?







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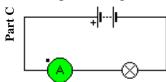
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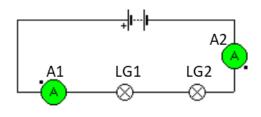
- 8. A car headlight running off a car battery draws about ______ A.
- 9. List two household appliances that draw large currents.
- 10. List two household appliances that draw small currents.

11. 1 Amp =	milliamps; 1 mA =	A	
2 A =	mA; 0.2 A =	mA	
300 mA =	A; 450 mA =	A; 20 mA =	A

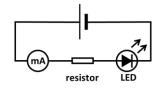
- 12. In Australia and most of the rest of the world, mains voltage is ______. (In North America and a few other places, the mains voltage is 110 V to 120 V.)
- 13. The higher the power of an electrical device, the ______ the current that it draws (for an equal voltage).



- 14. A student sets up the circuit on the left. If the ammeter reads 0.5 Amps, what is the current
- (a) in the light globe?
- (b) coming out of the battery?



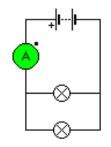
- 15. The student wires up another circuit shown on the left. The current in Ammeter 1 is 0.3 Amps. What is the current
 - (a) in Light Globe 1?
 - (b) in Light Globe 2?
 - (c) in Ammeter 2? _____
 - (d) coming out of the battery?
 - (e) going back into the battery?



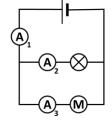
- 16. A milliammeter, an LED, and a resistor are connected to a 9 Volt battery. The current in the milliammeter is 12 mA. What is the current in
- (a) the resistor?

(b) the LED? _____

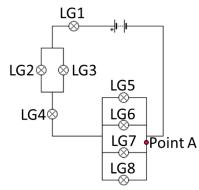
17. What general rule applies to electric current when components are connected in series?



- 18. Two <u>identical</u> headlights are connected to a car battery in parallel. The ammeter reads 7 Amps. What is the current in each light globe? _____
- 19. An electric motor and a light globe are connected in parallel and ammeters are placed in the circuit to measure the current. If Ammeter 1 reads 2.8 amps and Ammeter 2 reads 1.5 Amps, what neter 3 read? ______. What therefore is the current



will Ammeter 3 read? ______. What therefore is the current in the motor? ______



20. If $I_{LG1} = 60$ mA and all the light globes are identical,

 $I_{LG3} = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$

 $I_{LG4} = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$, and

 $I_{LG6} =$ _____.

21. I_{Point A} = _____