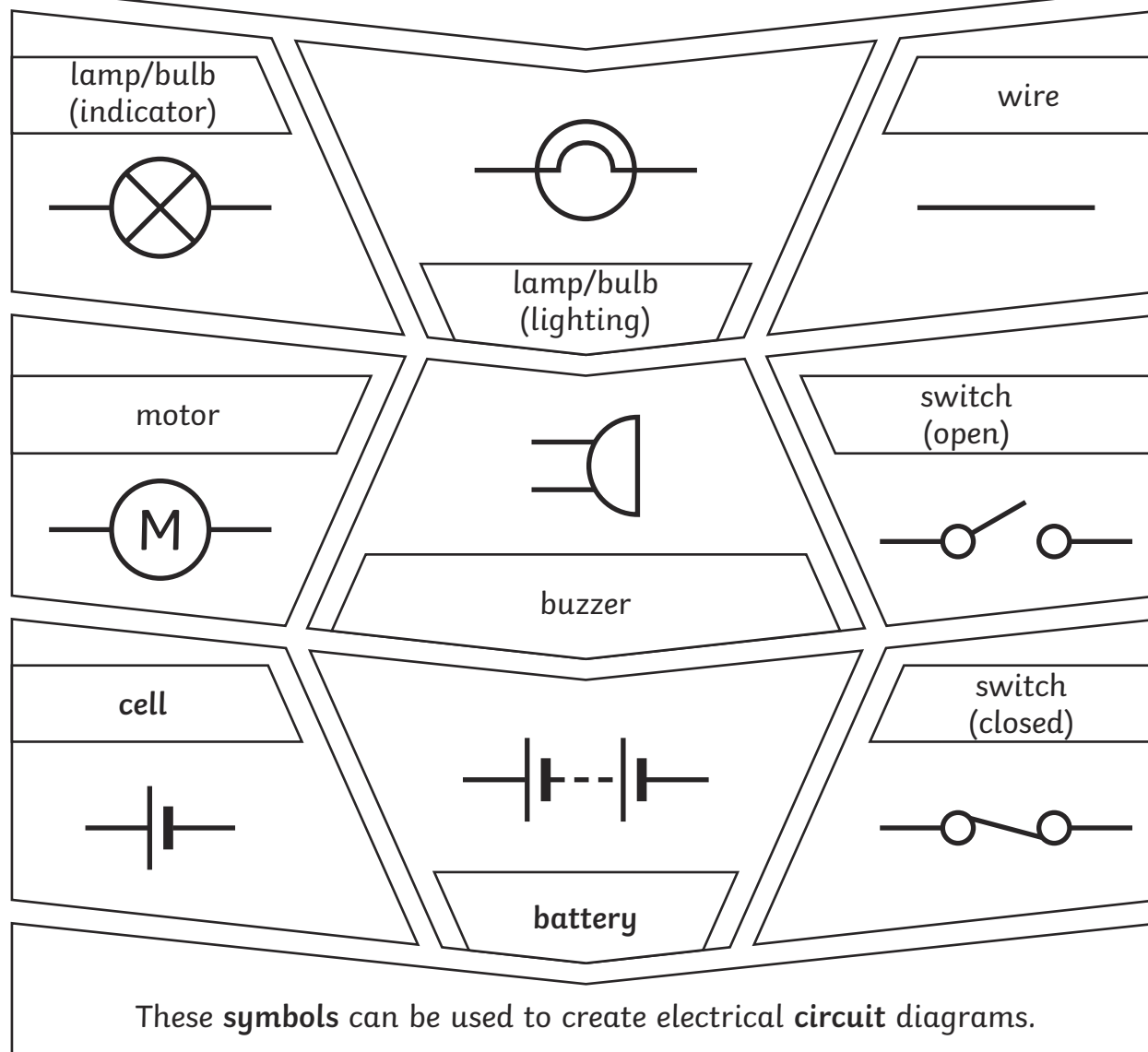


## Key Vocabulary

<b>circuit</b>	A path that an electrical <b>current</b> can flow around.
<b>symbol</b>	A visual picture that stands for something else.
<b>cell/battery</b>	A device that stores chemical energy until it is needed. A <b>cell</b> is a single unit. A <b>battery</b> is a collection of <b>cells</b> .
<b>current</b>	The flow of <b>electrons</b> , measured in <b>amps</b> .
<b>amps</b>	How electric <b>current</b> is measured.
<b>voltage</b>	The force that makes the electric <b>current</b> move through the wires. The greater the <b>voltage</b> , the more <b>current</b> will flow.
<b>resistance</b>	The difficulty that the electric <b>current</b> has when flowing around a <b>circuit</b> .
<b>electrons</b>	Very small particles that travel around an electrical <b>circuit</b> .

## Key Knowledge

## Components of a Circuit and Their Symbols

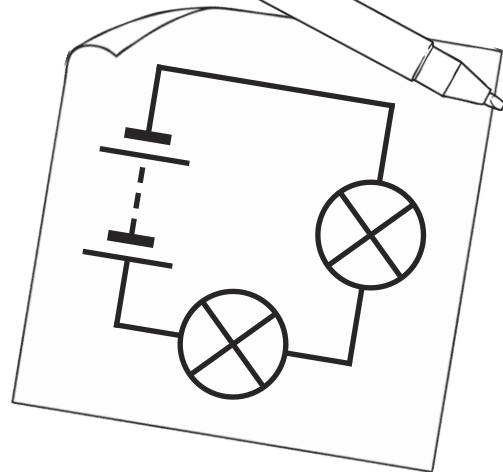
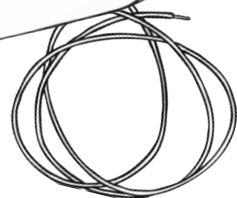
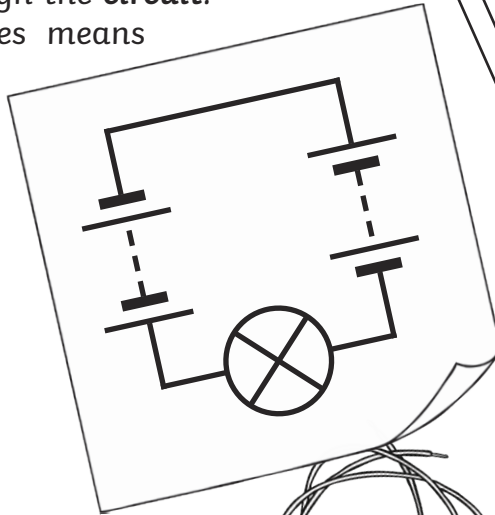


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## Key Knowledge

What will make a bulb brighter or a buzzer louder?

- More **batteries** or a higher **voltage** create more power to flow through the **circuit**.
- Shortening the wires means the **electrons** have less **resistance** to flow through.

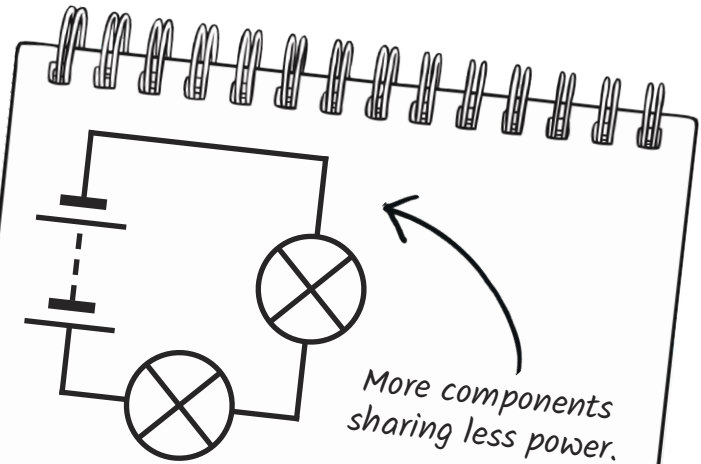


What will make a bulb dimmer or a buzzer quieter?

- Fewer **batteries** or a lower **voltage** give less power to the **circuit**.
- More buzzers or bulbs mean the power is shared by more components.
- Lengthening the wires means the **electrons** have to travel through more **resistance**.

## Series Circuit

A **circuit** that has only one route for the **current** to take. If more bulbs or buzzers are added, the power has to be shared and so they will be dimmer or quieter. If just one part of this series **circuit** breaks, the **circuit** is broken and the flow of **current** stops.



A broken **circuit** with no electrical **current**.

