

# "HOW A RESISTOR WORKS"



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#### LESSON PLAN

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Experiment 1 Parts Kit

#MC1-01-PK

**PREPARATION:** You can put the Page 12 poster up on your classroom wall to announce the fact that you are going to do the Science-Electronics Experiment.

**Step 1** - Make a copy of pages 1 through 8 for each student. The students can read and do these pages on their own or you can guide them.

**Step 2** - Hand out Parts Kit #MC1-00-PK (that has the Solderless Circuit Board) and Parts Kit #MC1-01-PK (that has the experiment parts) with a 9-Volt battery. Give these items to each student along with the 8 pages.

**Step 3** - When your students have completed the experiment, collect all the Parts Kits and batteries for later use.

**Step 4** - Collect all the Written Quizzes for grading and use the Answer Key to grade them.

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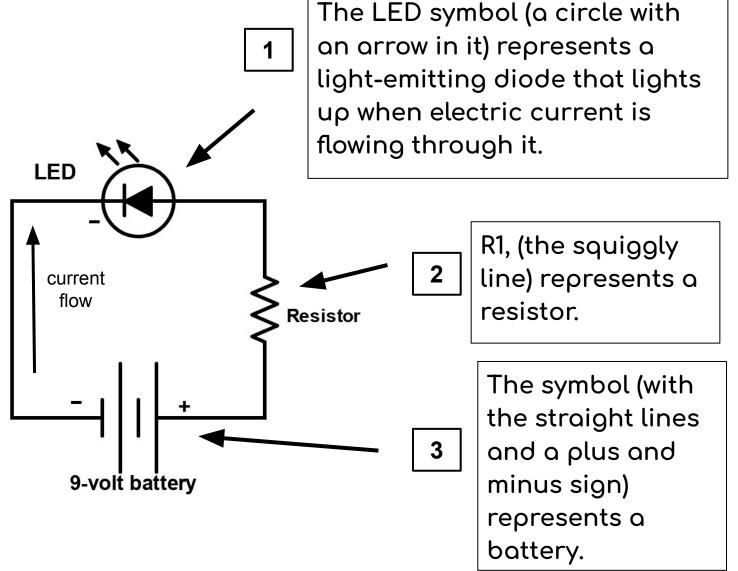
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## EXPLANATION OF EXPERIMENT

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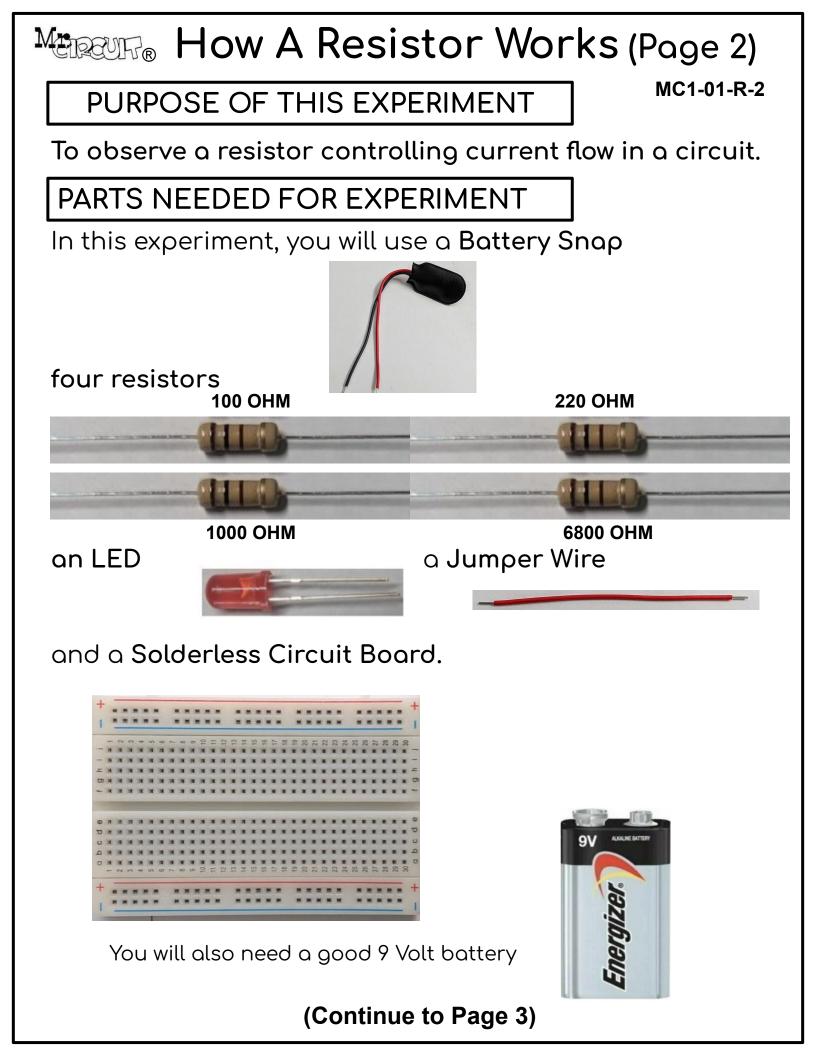
You are going to build a circuit to observe a resistor controlling current flow in a circuit.

Here is the SCHEMATIC DIAGRAM of the circuit you will build.



The current in this circuit flows out of the negative side of the battery to the LED. Then the current flows out of the LED and through the resistor back to the battery.

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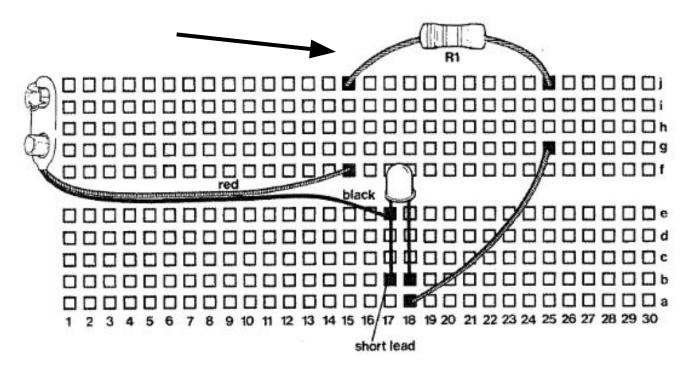
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## DO THE EXPERIMENT (part 1 of 3)

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You are going to build a circuit to demonstrate how resistors control the amount of current in a circuit.

**Step 1 -** Take out a **100 Ohm resistor** from your parts kit. (It has color bands Brown, Black, Brown, Gold) Install the resistor by putting one lead into hole 16j and the other lead into hole 25j as shown in the pictorial diagram.



**Step 2 -** Install an LED with its short lead into hole 17b and its long lead into hole 18b.

Step 3 - Install a Jumper Wire into holes 18a and 25g.

**Step 4 -** Install a **Battery Snap** with its Red lead in hole 15f and its Black lead in hole 17e.

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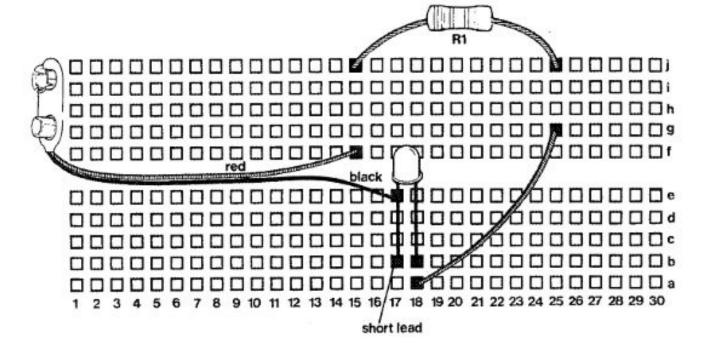
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### DO THE EXPERIMENT (part 2 of 3)

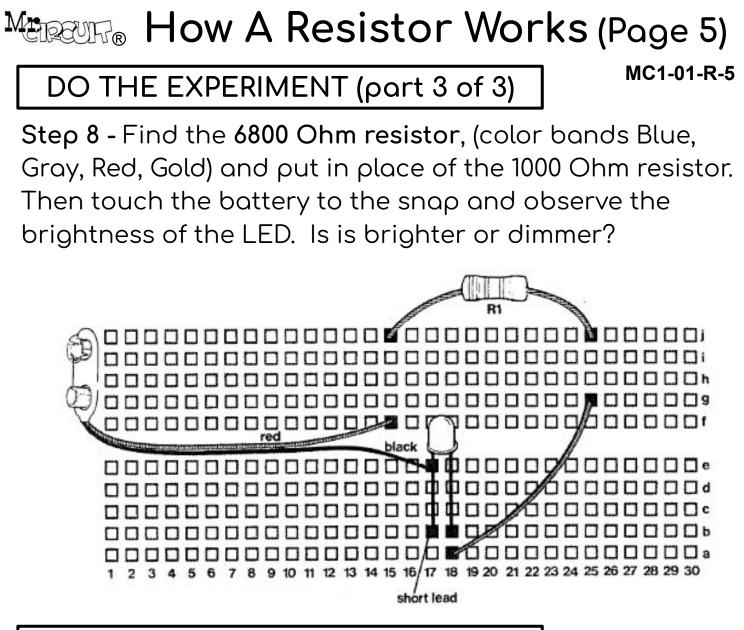
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**Step 5 -** Touch the battery to the battery snap and observe how bright the LED is.

**Step 6 -** Find the **220 Ohm resistor,** (color bands Red, Red, Brown, Gold) and put in place of the 100 Ohm resistor. Then touch the battery to the snap and observe the brightness of the LED. Is is brighter or dimmer?



**Step 7 -** Find the **1000 Ohm resistor**, (color bands Brown, Black, Red, Gold) and put in place of the 220 Ohm resistor. Then touch the battery to the snap and observe the brightness of the LED. Is is brighter or dimmer?



## CONCLUSION

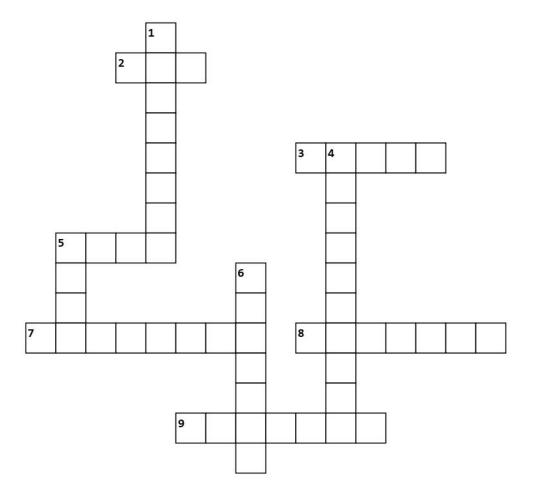
You should have noticed that as you increase the ohms of the resistor in the circuit, the LED gets dimmer. So, therefore, a resistor controls the amount of current flowing in a circuit. The higher the resistance, the lower the current flowing in a circuit.

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#### CROSSWORD

### **Experiment 1 - "How A Resistor Works"**



#### Across

**2.** What color is the positive lead on the battery snap?

3. What is the first color on a 1000 Ohm resistor?

**5.** What is the color of the third band on a 6.8k Ohm resistor?

**7.** The brightness of the LED depends on the Ohms of the

**8.** What is the short lead on an LED is connected to?

9. How many Ohms made the LED the brightest?

#### Down

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**1.** Which side of the battery do the electrons flow from?

4. What reduces the current flow in a circuit?

**5.** What is the first color band on a 6800 Ohm resistor?

6. What determines the brightness of the LED?



#### WORD SEARCH

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	This Quiz covers the training learned	d by completing	-
	"How a Resistor Wo	orks" Experiment 1	
	Circle the letter for your answer to each quest	ion and then hand this quiz in to your teacher.	
	<b>#1</b> In Experiment #1, the brightness of the LED depends on	#6 The short lead on an LED is?	A
3	<b>A.</b> the capacitor value in the circuit	<b>A.</b> the Gate	В
)	<b>B.</b> the value of the resistor in the circuit	B. the Anode	C
)	<ul><li>C. the solderless circuit board</li><li>D. the battery snap</li></ul>	<ul><li>C. the Cathode</li><li>D. the Positive</li></ul>	
١	<b>#2</b> Of the four values of resistors in Exp. #1, which value caused the LED to be the	<b>#7</b> What are the colors on a 1000 Ohm ±5% resistor?	A
	brightest? <b>A.</b> 100 ohm	<b>A.</b> brown, black, red, gold	E
	<b>B.</b> 220 ohm	B. green, blue, red, silver	
)	C. 1k ohm D. 6.8k ohm	<ul><li>C. blue, gray, red, gold</li><li>D. brown, red, green silver</li></ul>	
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	resistor?	brightness.	E
	A. blue B. green	A. air B. capacitance	
,	C. black	C. current	
)	D. red	D. light	
<b>\</b>	<b>#4</b> Which side of battery does the electron current flow from?	<b>#9</b> To reduce the amount of current flowing in a circuit, you can the amount of	Α
		resistance.	E
,	<ul><li>A. positive side</li><li>B. left side</li></ul>	A. increase B. decrease	
	C. negative side	C. rotate	
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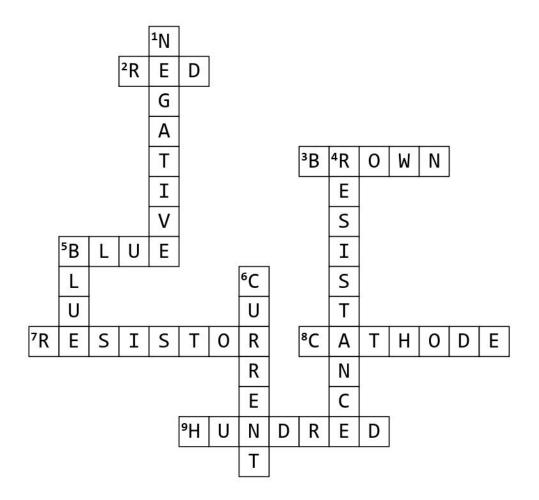
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# **ANSWERS FOR CROSSWORD**

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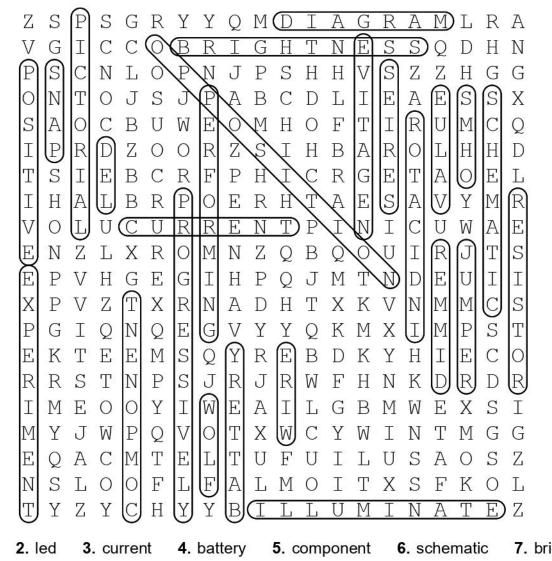
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### **ANSWERS FOR WORD SEARCH**

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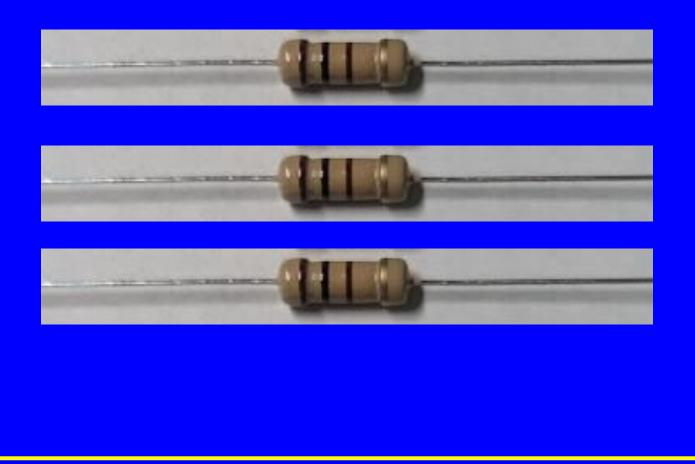
#### (Page 11) QUICK-CHECK ANSWER KEY for Experiment 1 QUIZ for Mr Circuit Electronics Training ("How a Resistor Works")

Place this sheet over top of the STUDENT QUIZ (offset a little to the left and then offset to the right) to compare the answers on this sheet to the answers that the student marked. Put an 'X' for each wrong answer. Count the right answers and record the score of right answers in your grade book.

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