



Attainment Band :	P2 Electricity (AQA)
Knowledge and Understanding	
Yellow Plus/ Yellow	<p>Explain the concept that current is the rate of flow of charge. Rearrange and apply the equation <math>Q = It</math>.</p> <p>Recall that the current in a series circuit is always the same and that the total current in a parallel circuit is the sum of the currents through each branch.</p> <p>Explain the effect of adding more resistors to series and parallel circuits.</p> <p>Analyse and interpret <math>I-V</math> graphs for a fixed resistor.</p> <p>Describe applications of diodes, thermistors and LDRs and explain their uses.</p> <p>Use <math>I-V</math> graphs to determine if the characteristics of components are ohmic or non-ohmic.</p> <p>Explain the difference between direct and alternating potential difference.</p> <p>Explain the dangers of providing any connection between the live wire and earth or our bodies.</p> <p>Explain why electrical power is transmitted at high voltages in the National Grid.</p> <p>Recall and apply the equation energy transferred <math>E = QV</math>.</p> <p>Recall and apply the equation <math>P = I^2R</math>.</p>
Blue	<p>Remember that charge is measured in coulombs (C) and recall and use the equation <math>Q = It</math>.</p> <p>Draw and recognise series and parallel circuits. Compare the brightness of lamps connected in series and parallel.</p> <p>Recall and apply the equation <math>V = IR</math> and for series circuit <math>R_{\text{total}} = R_1 + R_2</math>.</p> <p>Draw <math>I-V</math> graphs for a fixed resistor.</p> <p>Describe the behaviour of a thermistor and LDR in terms of changes to their resistance.</p> <p>Explain the properties of components using <math>I-V</math> graphs.</p> <p>Recall that domestic supply in the UK is 230 V a.c. and 50 Hz.</p> <p>Explain why a live wire may be dangerous even when a switch in the main circuit is open.</p> <p>Describe how step-up and step-down transformers change the potential difference in the National Grid.</p> <p>Recall and use the equation energy transferred <math>E = Pt</math>.</p> <p>Recall and use the equation <math>P = V \times I</math>.</p>
Green	<p>Recall that an electric current is a flow of electrical charge and is measured in amperes (A).</p> <p>Recognise and use electric circuit symbols in circuit diagrams.</p> <p>Recall that the current through a component depends on the resistance of the component and the potential difference across it.</p> <p>Set up a circuit to investigate the relationship between <math>V</math>, <math>I</math> and <math>R</math> for a fixed resistor.</p> <p>State the main properties of a diode, thermistor and light-dependent resistor (LDR).</p> <p>Draw <math>I-V</math> graphs for a filament lamps.</p> <p>Recall that cells and batteries produce low-voltage direct current.</p> <p>Identify live, neutral and earth wires by their colour-coded insulation.</p> <p>Recall that the National Grid is a system of cables and transformers linking power stations to consumers.</p> <p>Understand that everyday electrical appliances bring about energy transfer.</p> <p>Recall that power is measured in watts (W) and <math>1 \text{ kW} = 1000 \text{ W}</math>.</p>
White	<p>Some elements of the above have been achieved</p>