- **1** What is the function of a relay?
 - A to allow a current in one circuit to operate a switch in another circuit
 - **B** to prevent an electric shock by earthing a metal case
 - C to protect a circuit by melting if the current becomes too large
 - **D** to transform a d.c. voltage to a different value
- 2 A domestic circuit includes a 30 A fuse. This protects the wiring if there is too much current in the circuit.

In which wire is the 30 A fuse positioned, and what does it do when it operates?

| | position | operation |
|---|--------------|-----------------------------|
| Α | live wire | disconnects the circuit |
| В | live wire | reduces the current to 30 A |
| С | neutral wire | disconnects the circuit |
| D | neutral wire | reduces the current to 30 A |

3 After some building work in a house, a bare (uninsulated) live wire is left protruding from a wall.

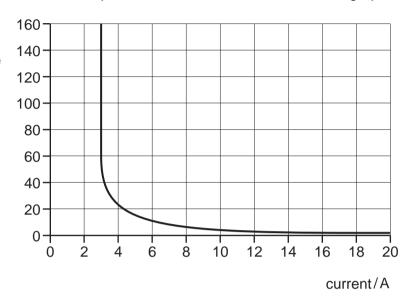
What is the greatest hazard?

- A a fire
- **B** a fuse blows
- **C** an electric shock
- **D** no current flows

4 A circuit-breaker is designed to protect a circuit which usually carries a current of 2A.

The time taken to break the circuit depends on the current, as shown in the graph.

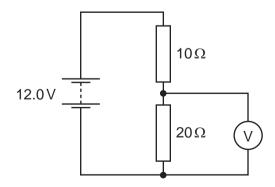
time taken to break the circuit/s



What happens when the current in the circuit is 2A and what happens when the current is 18A?

| | when the current is 2A | when the current is 18A |
|---|-------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|
| Α | the circuit breaks in less than 5 seconds | the circuit breaks in less than 5 seconds |
| В | the circuit breaks in less than 5 seconds | the circuit does not break |
| С | the circuit does not break | the circuit breaks in less than 5 seconds |
| D | the circuit does not break | the circuit does not break |

5 The diagram shows a 10Ω resistor and a 20Ω resistor connected in a potential divider circuit.

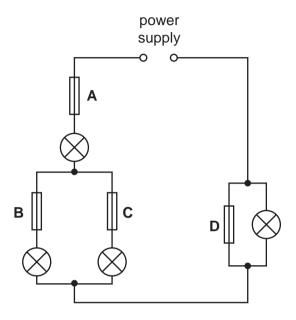


What is the reading on the voltmeter?

- **A** 4.0 V
- **B** 6.0 V
- **C** 8.0 V
- **D** 12.0 V

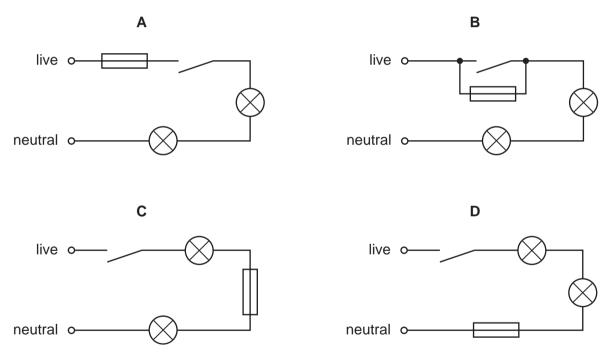
6 In the circuit shown, only one of the fuses has blown, but none of the lamps is lit.

Which fuse has blown?

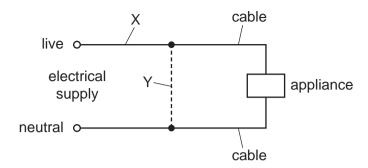


- 7 In an electrical circuit, what is the purpose of a fuse?
 - A to connect the metal case of an appliance to the earth
 - **B** to cut off the electrical supply if the current is too large
 - **C** to keep an electrical appliance dry in damp conditions
 - **D** to maintain a steady voltage as the current varies
- 8 A fuse is used to protect an electric circuit.

Which diagram shows where the fuse should be connected?



9 Either a fuse or a circuit-breaker can be used to protect electrical cables from large currents that could cause overheating.

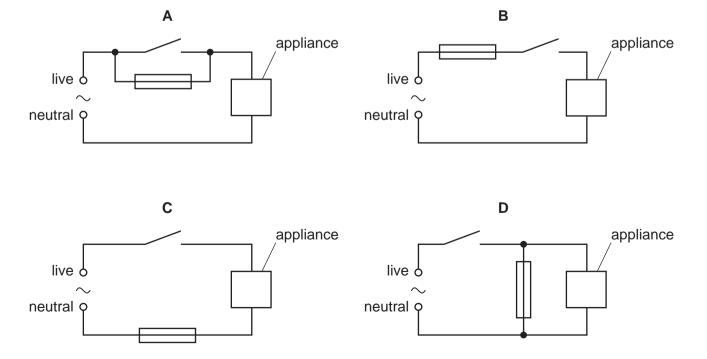


When a fuse is used, where should it be connected, and when a circuit-breaker is used, where should it be connected?

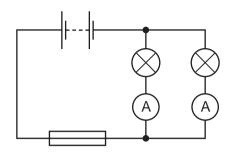
| | position of fuse | position of circuit-breaker |
|---|---------------------|-----------------------------|
| Α | Х | Х |
| В | × | Υ |
| С | Y | X |
| D | Υ | Υ |

10 An appliance is connected to a mains supply. Its circuit also contains a switch and a fuse.

Which circuit shows the fuse in the correct position?



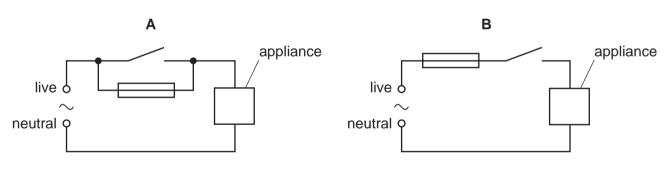
11 In the circuit shown, the current from the battery divides equally between the two lamps. Each ammeter reads 6.0 A.

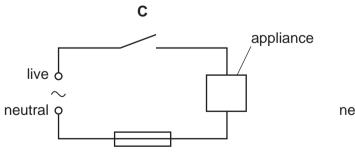


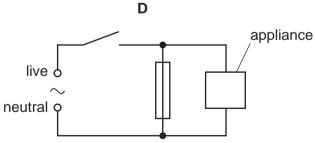
What is a suitable rating for the fuse in this circuit?

- **A** 3.0 A
- **B** 6.0 A
- **C** 10.0 A
- **D** 13.0 A
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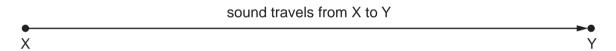


13 The current in a kettle is 10 A and it is protected by a 13 A fuse.

The owner of the kettle replaces the 13 A fuse with a 3 A fuse.

What happens when the kettle is switched on?

- A The fuse blows and the kettle is damaged.
- **B** The fuse blows and the kettle is undamaged.
- **C** The fuse does not blow and the kettle works correctly.
- **D** The fuse does not blow but the kettle fails to work.
- 14 In an experiment to measure the speed of sound, a student uses a stopwatch to find the time taken for a sound wave to travel from X to Y. She does this six times.



The table shows her results.

| measurement | /s |
|-------------|-----|
| first | 0.5 |
| second | 0.7 |
| third | 0.6 |
| fourth | 0.4 |
| fifth | 0.9 |
| sixth | 0.5 |

Which value for the time should be used to calculate the speed of sound?

- **A** 0.4s
- **B** 0.5s
- **C** 0.6s
- **D** 0.9s

15 A desk lamp should have a 3A fuse fitted, but a 13A fuse has been fitted by mistake.

The lamp is not faulty.

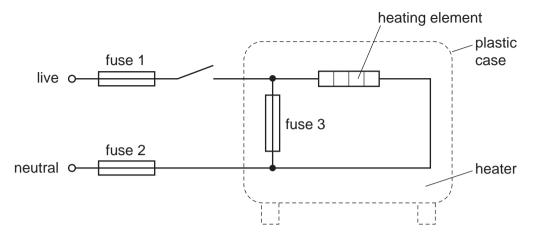
The lamp is switched on. What happens?

- **A** The fuse blows.
- **B** The fuse does not blow but the lamp does not light.
- **C** The lamp draws too much current and the supply cables could melt.
- **D** The lamp works normally.
- 16 Each branch of a domestic circuit often includes a circuit-breaker. This protects the wiring if too much current flows in the circuit.

In which wire is the circuit-breaker placed and what does it do when it operates?

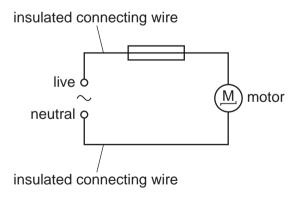
| | circuit-breaker in | when the circuit-breaker operates it |
|---|--------------------|------------------------------------------------|
| Α | live wire | disconnects the circuit |
| В | live wire | reduces the current to a safe value (not zero) |
| С | neutral wire | disconnects the circuit |
| D | neutral wire | reduces the current to a safe value (not zero) |

17 The diagram shows the connections to an electric heater. Three fuses have been added to the circuit.



Which of the fuses are correctly placed?

- A fuse 1, fuse 2 and fuse 3
- **B** fuse 1 and fuse 2 only
- C fuse 1 only
- **D** fuse 2 only
- 18 An electric motor is connected to the mains supply by insulated wires. The circuit is protected by a fuse, but the connecting wires become hot.

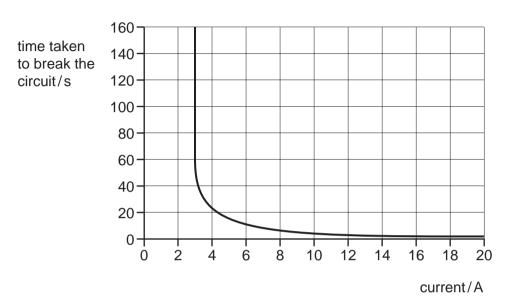


How could the wires be prevented from becoming so hot?

- A Connect a second fuse in the neutral wire.
- **B** Use a fuse with a higher current rating.
- C Use thicker connecting wires.
- **D** Use thicker insulation on the connecting wires.

19 A circuit-breaker is designed to protect a circuit which usually carries a current of 2A.

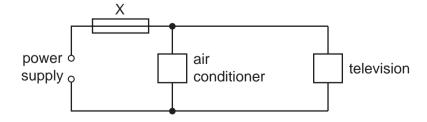
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20 An air conditioner and a television are both connected to the same electrical circuit.



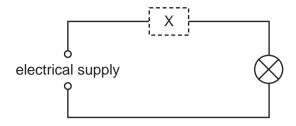
The current in the air conditioner is 4.0 A and the current in the television is 6.0 A.

Several different fuses are available.

Which fuse should be connected at X?

A 3A **B** 5A **C** 10A **D** 13A

21 In this circuit, a component at X automatically protects the wiring from overheating if there is a fault.



Which components are suitable to use at X?

- A a circuit-breaker, a fuse or a switch
- B only a circuit-breaker or a fuse
- C only a circuit-breaker or a switch
- **D** only a fuse

22 Which circuit includes a capacitor and what does the capacitor do in this circuit?

| | circuit | what the capacitor does |
|---|-------------------|-------------------------|
| Α | potential divider | stores current |
| В | potential divider | stores energy |
| С | time delay | stores current |
| D | time delay | stores energy |

23 A fuse and a relay each use an effect of an electric current.

Which effect of an electric current is used by a fuse and which effect is used by a relay?

| | effect used by a fuse | effect used by a relay |
|---|-----------------------|------------------------|
| Α | heating effect | heating effect |
| В | heating effect | magnetic effect |
| С | magnetic effect | heating effect |
| D | magnetic effect | magnetic effect |

| 24 | Afte | After some building work in a house, a bare (uninsulated) live wire is left protruding from a wall. | | |
|----|------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|--|
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