

# Chapter 7.1: Electricity

## 1. Introduction to Electricity

- **Electricity in Daily Life:** Used in appliances like washing machines, televisions, and computers.
- **Importance of Energy:** Energy is required for all living things to function.

*Example Sentence:* Electricity is essential for operating various home appliances.

## 2. Energy

- **Definition:** Energy is the ability to do work.
- **Daily Activities Using Energy:**
  - Running
  - Photosynthesis in plants
  - Cars moving using fuel
  - Light bulbs producing light

*Example Sentence:* Energy powers daily activities such as running and plant growth.

## 3. Forms of Energy

- **Sound Energy**
- **Kinetic Energy**
- **Electrical Energy**
- **Gravitational Potential Energy**
- **Elastic Potential Energy**
- **Light Energy**
- **Nuclear Energy**
- **Heat Energy**

- **Chemical Energy**

*Example Sentence:* Different forms of energy include kinetic energy from running and light energy from bulbs.

## 4. Sources of Energy

- **The Sun**
- **Geothermal**
- **Water**
- **Biomass**
- **Fossil Fuels**
- **Radioactive Substances**
- **Wave Energy**
- **Wind Energy**

*Example Sentence:* The Sun is a primary source of energy for various processes on Earth.

## 5. Electrostatic Charges

- **Definition:** Transfer of electric charges resulting in static electricity.
- **Examples:** Feeling a shock when touching a doorknob.
- **Properties:**
  - **Same Charges:** Repel each other.
  - **Opposite Charges:** Attract each other.

*Example Sentence:* Electrostatic charges cause the shock felt when touching a doorknob.

## 6. Electroscope

- **Purpose:** Detects the existence of electric charges on an object.
- **Working Principle:**

- **Neutral 中立 Strip:** No divergence 偏差.
- **Positively Charged Strip:** Diverges because same charges repel 相斥.
- **Negatively Charged Strip:** Diverges similarly.

*Example Sentence:* An electroscope is used to detect and measure electrostatic charges.

## 7. Examples of Electrostatics in Daily Life

- **Lightning:** Caused by friction between clouds and air, creating an electric charge.
- **Lightning Conductor:** Provides a safe path for electric charges, protecting buildings.

*Example Sentence:* Lightning is a natural phenomenon related to electrostatic charges.

## 8. Electric Current

- **Definition:** The rate of flow of electric charges through a conductor.
- **Sources:**
  - Electrical Generators
  - Dry Cells
  - Solar Cells

*Example Sentence:* Electric current is essential for the operation of electrical appliances.

## 9. Measuring the Quantity of Electricity

- **Ammeter:** Measures electric current (ampere, A).
- **Voltmeter:** Measures voltage (volt, V).

*Example Sentence:* An ammeter is used to measure the flow of electric current in a circuit.

## 10. Ohm's Law

- **Formula:**  $V = IR$  (Voltage = Current  $\times$  Resistance)
- **Explanation:** The electric current flowing through a conductor is directly proportional to the voltage across it, provided other conditions remain unchanged.

*Example Sentence:* Ohm's Law helps in understanding the relationship between voltage, current, and resistance in an electrical circuit.

## Summary

- Electricity is fundamental in daily life, powering various appliances and devices.
- Energy, defined as the ability to do work, exists in multiple forms including kinetic, electrical, and light energy.
- Energy sources include the sun, geothermal, water, and fossil fuels.
- Electrostatic charges result in phenomena like static electricity and lightning.
- Electric current is the flow of electric charges through a conductor, measured by ammeters.
- Ohm's Law ( $V = IR$ ) describes the relationship between voltage, current, and resistance in electrical circuits.