Ch 35 – Electric Circuits Guided Reading

1. What is a circuit?

2. The flow of charge through a circuit is compared to the flow of water through a closed system. What does each part represent?

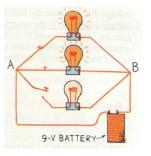
1) Pump=_____ 2) Pipes=_____ 3) Any device operated by the water=_____

- 3. What type of circuit forms a single pathway for electricity to flow?
- 4. What type of circuit forms multiple branches for electrons to flow?
- 5. What type of circuit will fail if any portion of the circuit is cut off?
- 6. What is a schematic diagram?
- 7. Draw the symbols for the following 5 circuit devices: Closed switch: Battery: Resistance:

Connecting wire:

Open switch:

- 8. When the electric lines in your home carry more than the safe amount of current, they are said to be . This can lead to melted insulation and can start a fire.
- 9. What is put in a circuit to prevent overloading?
- 10. What type of circuit is pictured to the right?
- 11. What happens to the voltage in each branch of the circuit?
- 12. What happens to the current when all three switches are "on" or "closed?"
- 13. If you remove one of the 3 bulbs, can you still light the other two?



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- 14. What type of circuit is pictured to the right?
- 15. If you remove the middle bulb, can the other two still light up?
- 16. Does the electric current change throughout the circuit?
- 17. What happens to the voltage as it moves through the three bulbs?
- 18. Which bulb could you remove and still have two other bulbs lit?
- 19. Bulbs A & B are in ______ while bulbs B & C are _____
- 20. Draw a switch on the picture that would operate bulb C only.
- 21. Draw the circuit using the correct schematic symbols?

Bonus Stamp: What is the total current in the circuit shown?

(Show your work)

