

(3) Problems Covering Intro to Circuits, Ohm's Law and Resistivity

Directions: For full credit, show all work including the equation, substitution and units.

#1) A 12 V battery is in parallel with (2) bright intensity lamps. The circuit is also setup to have a switch controlling a variable resistor in series with (2) medium intensity lamps. The switch controls the variable resistor and lamps only.

- a) Draw a schematic of the above described circuit and label all parts of the circuit.

- b) When the switch is open, which (if any) lamps will be lit?

- c) When the switch is closed, which (if any) lamps will be lit?

- d) When the switch is closed and the variable resistor set to low resistance, how can you make the medium intensity lamps dimmer?

#2) The current through a $10\ \Omega$ resistor is 1.2 amps. What is the potential difference across the resistor?

b) If this current occurs over a period of 1.2×10^{-2} seconds, how many coulombs of charge were transferred?

c) How many electrons passed through the resistor?

3) What is the resistance of a piece of nichrome wire at 20°C that is 20 m in length and 0.010m^2 in cross sectional area?

