

Electromagnetism - Magnetism



Magnets				
I	Poles	Magnets have two poles – a north pole and a south pole		
2	Magnetic materials	These will a experience a non-contact force when placed into a magnetic field. The magnetic metals are: I – Iron 2 – Nickel 3 - Cobalt		
3	Attract	North poles attract South poles South poles attract North poles		
4	Repel	South poles repel South poles North poles repel North poles		

Magnetic Fields

I	Fields	Fields are regions around a magnet where a magnetic material experiences a force	
2	Field lines	Field lines represent the field and always point away from the north pole and into the south pole.	
3	Use small compasses or iron filings to find the shape of the field	small compasses	

	Electromagnets							
I	Wrap wire round an iron core to make one	iron core with current on		1	N			
2	Advantages	I – Can be turned on and off 2 – Can be made stronger than a permanent magnet		_	fo			
3	To make it stronger:	 I – increase the current 2 – increase the number of turns of wire 3 – Use a more magnetic material for the 		3				
		core		4	R			
	Using Electromagnets				P			
I	Electric bells	Metal arm C Bell			n			
		Contact screw Spring Cell Switch		6	E			
2	Loud speakers	sound waves		7	C			
3	Circuit breakers	Devices which use an electromagnet to turn off the current in a house if the current gets too high		8	C			

Key Vocabulary

Ι	Magnetic field	A region where a magnetic material will experience a force		
2	Non-contact force	A force that does not need objects to be touching		
3	Attract	A force that tries to pull objects towards each other		
4	Repel	A force that tries to push two objects away from each other		
5	Permanent magnet	A magnet that produces it's own magnetic field all the time		
6	Electromagnet	A magnet created by wrapping wire with a current around an iron core		
7	Core	The material in the middle of the electromagnet – usually made of soft iron		
8	Current	The amount of charge flowing per second		