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 - d. None of the above
 - 3. What best describes Voltage?
 - a. It resists (prevents or limits) current flow in a circuit
 - b. It is measured in Amps
 - c. It is the pressure that forces current to flow in a circuit
 - d. All of the above
 - 4. Current flow is:
 - a. Resistance in a circuit
 - b. Voltage drop in a circuit
 - c. The flow of electrons in a circuit
 - d. None of the above
 - 5. A short in a circuit could cause a:
 - a. Fuse to blow
 - b. Circuit breaker to close
 - c. Battery to discharge
 - d. Both 'a' and 'c'
 - 6. Voltage drop is:
 - a. Current consumed to push through a load
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- 7. Current is measured in:
 - a. Ohms
 - b. Amps
 - c. Volts
 - d. Watts
- 8. Resistance is measured in:
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- 9. An example of a load is a:
 - a. Battery
 - b. Fuse
 - c. Switch
 - d. Motor

10. Which is an example of a power source?

- a. Starter
- b. Alternator
- c. Battery
- d. Both b and c
- 11. Which represents circuit protection?
 - a. Fuse
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21. Series circuit	a. electrical pressure
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- 22. Parallel circuit b. prevents current flow
- 23. Conductor c. one path
- 24. Insulator d. passes current easily

f. unit of resistance

- 25. Amperage e. volts times amps
- 26. Voltage
- 27. Relay g. more than one path
- 28. Resistance h. quantity of electrons
- 29. Ohm i. control device
- 30. Wattage j. slows current flow
- 31. A DVOM is generally connected in _____with a load.
 - a. Series
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- 32. An Ammeter is always connected in _____with a load.
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- 33. An Ammeter connected between the battery posts will result in:
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- 36. When choosing a DVOM:
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 - d. All of the above
- 37. Prior to using your DVOM:
 - a. Verify Ammeter fuses are good
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- 38. Five 20-Ohm resistors are wired in Parallel. Total resistance is:
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- 39. How much current will flow in a 12 Volt circuit with 4 Ohms of resistance?
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43. Location codes are generally given for:

- a. Splices
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