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Section 1: Key Terms and Definitions				
1	Closed	No net (overall) change in the energy of a system. All		
1.	System	energy transfers take place within the system only.		
2.	System	Object or group of objects		
	Consequation	This law states that energy cannot be created or		
3.	Conservation of Energy	destroyed, it can only be transferred from one energy		
		store to another.		
4.	Joules	Unit of energy: One joule (1J) of work is done when a		
		force of one Newton (1N) causes a displacement of (1M)		
		1 Joule – 1 Newton-metre		
5.	Specific Heat	The energy needed to raise the temperature of 1kg of a		
J.	Capacity	material by 1°C.		
		A contact force. Work to overcome this is mainly		
6.	Friction	transferred to thermal energy. Friction in machines		
		always results in unwanted energy transfers.		
7.	Work Done	Another way of describing energy transfer, work is done		
/·	WOLK DOLLE	when a force moves an object		
8.	Output	The energy given out by a device, can be useful or		
°.	Energy	wasted.		
9.	Input Energy	The energy supplied to a device		
10.	Useful	Energy transferred in device into the intended energy		
10.	Energy	store to allow it function.		
	Wasted	Energy that is not transferred in a way that is useful. In		
11.	Energy	most devices, the wasted energy will be transferred to		
	Lileigy	the thermal energy store.		
12.	Non-	A resource for which there is a limited supply which		
	Renewable	cannot be easily replaced. These resources will run out.		
		Resources that can replenish themselves or for which		
13.	Renewable	the supply is so large it isn't believable that they could		
		run out.		
14.	Dissipation	Energy being transferred to the stores of surrounding		
		objects (usually wasted thermal energy)		
, _	Lubrication	A method of reducing unwanted energy transfers by		
15.		application of a lubricant (e.g. oil) to reduce friction.		
<u> </u>		Occurs in machines.		
16.	Insulation	A method of reducing energy transfers by the use of		
		insulators (non-conductive material) Occurs in buildings.		

Section 2: Energy Stores					
1.	Chemical Energy stored in chemical bonds waiting to react. Fuels and foods store energy way.				
2.	Elastic	Describes the energy stored in a springy object when you stretch or squash it			
3.	Electrostatic Energy stored by the attraction or repulsion of electric charges				
4.	Gravitational	Energy stored by raising objects up against the force of gravity			
5.	Kinetic	Energy stored as a result of objects moving.			
6.	Magnetic	Energy stored as a result of attraction or repulsion in a magnetic field.			
7.	7. Nuclear Energy stored in the nuclei of atoms. Can be released by the fusing or splitt nuclei.				
8.	Thermal	Energy stored as a result of the temperature of a substance. Often stored as a result of the vibrations of movement of particles within the substance.			

Section 3: Reducing Heat Loss from a House

Roof

25% of the heat lost from a house is lost through the roof.

This can be reduced by installing loft insulation

Doors

15% of the heat lost from a house is lost straight through the doors
This can be reduced by fitting draught excluders

Wall

35% of the heat lost from a house is lost through the walls.

This can be reduced by installing cavity wall insulation

Floors

15% of the heat lost from a house is lost through the floors

This can be reduced by re-sealing wooden floors or laying carpets

Windows

10% of the energy lost from a house is lost through the windows.

This can be reduced by installing double glazed windows

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Section 4: Energy Pathways					
1.	1. Mechanical Energy transferred by forces acting on objects				
2.	2. Electrical Energy transferred when an electrical charge mo				
3.	Radiation Energy transferred by electromagnetic radiation				
4.	Heating	Energy transferred when an object is heated			

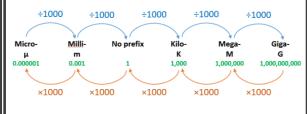
Section 5: Internal Energy

Internal Energy is slightly different, it is a combination multiple energy stores within a substance. All objects have internal energy. This includes:

- energy caused by the movement of particles in the object, sometimes called thermal energy
- energy due to the bonds between particles, sometimes called chemical energy

Section 6: Power

Power is the rate of energy transfer. It is usually measured in Watts, one Watt is the transfer of one joule of energy per second. More powerful devices can transfer a lot of energy and it is necessary to be able to convert units of different sizes



Section 7: Efficiency

- The efficiency of a device is the proportion of the total input energy that is transferred in useful ways given as a decimal or percentage.
- No device can be 100% efficient.
- Machines waste energy due to friction between moving parts, resistance in electrical circuits and noise.
- To improve efficiency, it is important to reduce the amount of energy wasted. For example, car engines use oil as a lubricant to reduce the friction between the moving parts of the engine.

Section 8: Energy Resources						
Resource	Renewable?	Uses	Advantages	Disadvantages		
Fossil Fuels (coal, oil, gas)	Non-renewable	Electricity, Transport, Heating	Reliable – electricity can be generated all of the time. Relatively cheap	Produces carbon dioxide, a greenhouse gas that causes global warming Can produce sulphur dioxide, a gas that causes acid rain		
Nuclear Fuel	Non-renewable	Electricity	Produces no Carbon Dioxide when generating electricity. Reliable – electricity can be generated all of the time.	Produces nuclear waste that remains radioactive for thousands of years. Expensive to build and decommission power stations		
Biofuels	Renewable	Heating, Electricity	Carbon Neutral Reliable – electricity can be generated all of the time.	Production of fuels may damage ecosystems and develop a monoculture.		
Wind	Renewable	Electricity	No CO ₂ produced whilst generating electricity.	Unreliable – may not produce electricity during low wind. Expensive to construct.		
Hydroelectricity	Renewable	Electricity	No CO ₂ produced whilst generating electricity.	Blocks rivers stopping fish migration. Unreliable – may not produce electricity during a drought.		
Geothermal	Renewable	Electricity, Heating	Does not damage ecosystems. Reliable method of electricity generation	Fluids from the ground may contain greenhouse gases such as CO2 and Methane. These contribute to global warming.		
Tidal	Renewable	Electricity	No CO ₂ produced whilst generating electricity.	Unreliable – tides vary May damage tidal ecosystem e.g. mudflats.		
Waves	Renewable	Electricity	No CO ₂ produced whilst generating electricity.	Unreliable – may not produce electricity during calm seas		
Solar	Renewable	Electricity, Heating	No CO₂ produced whilst generating electricity.	Unreliable – does not produce electricity at night. Limited production on cloudy days. Expensive to construct.		