



Electronics 101

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ANYONE SEEKING TO ADAPT THIS WORKSHOP SHOULD CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION.

WARNING - This workshop makes use of small coin cell/ button batteries.

 WARNING	
KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN Swallowing can lead to chemical burns, perforation of soft tissue, and death. Severe burns can occur within 2 hours of ingestion. Seek Medical attention immediately.	

In December 2020, the Australian Government made mandatory safety and information standards for button/coin batteries and consumer goods that contain button/coin batteries (the standards). The standards included an 18 month transition period and became mandatory from 22 June

2022. From 22 June 2022 manufacturers, importers, wholesalers and retailers of button/coin batteries or consumer goods that contain button/coin batteries supplied to Australia, must comply with the applicable Australian mandatory safety and information standards. Supplying or selling non-compliant products to consumers in Australia is illegal. The four mandatory standards are as follows:

- [Consumer Goods \(Products Containing Button/Coin Batteries\) Safety Standard](#)
- [Consumer Goods \(Products Containing Button/Coin Batteries\) Information Standard](#)
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- [Consumer Goods \(Button/Coin Batteries\) Information Standard](#)

This is an adaptation of the basics circuits component of the [2022Christmas Tree](#) works and also covers some content that could be covered in an Electronics bench induction.

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Promotional Copy

Simple circuitry 101 Keen to learn the basics of how electronics work? Join us for an introduction to how circuits flow and what basics components do. Learn how to use breadboards to create solderless circuits.

About 101 workshops 101 skills development workshops give you the basic skills you need to start your new creative journey. Each workshop is delivered by an experienced facilitator and no prior experience required, just basic computer skills, a willingness to learn and a bit of patience.

Acknowledgement

We acknowledge Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and their continuing connection to land and as custodians of stories for millennia. We respectfully acknowledge the land on which we all meet today, and pay our respects to elders past, present and emerging.

Summary

Skills and Understandings Introduced

As such, the workshop will focus on the following basic skills and understanding:

- Feeling confident we know how to be safe around electricity
- Key concepts of Current flow and Voltage in a circuit, Resistance and the basic application of Ohms Law
- How to use a breadboard to test a circuit
- how to identify basic components and how to use them
- how to read a basic circuit diagram
- How to use a multimeter to test a circuit
- understanding of the use of a transistor in a basic circuit
- where to find more information

Materials

If your workshop does not require any materials (maybe digital only) delete this section or change to something more appropriate.

Material/ equipment	Quantity per kit	equip to share	Cost	Supplier	SOP/SDS
Electric Circuits 101 kits					
2032 Coin Cell	10				SOP
2032 Coin Cell carrier	10				
breadboard	10				
LED	20				
Resistor 330R	10				
9 Volt Battery	10				
9V battery clip	10				
BC547b NPN Bipolar Transistor	10				
AA Battery	20				
2xAA Battery holder	10				
Jumper Leads (m-m)	50				
Capacitor	5				
Equipment Required					
PC laptop/desktop with IDE	5				
Soldering iron	2				SOP
Wire strippers	2				
Helping Hands	2				
Magnifier	2				
Light	2				

Multimeter	2		
Laser Cutter	1		SOP
Laser Computer (Ruby machine)	1		
Solder			SDS
USB Microscope	Projector	Soldering Iron & Bench Tools	

Workshop Session Plan

Detailed Powerpoint and facilitation notes are linked below

[Zipped powerpoint file](#)

[Powerpoint including facilitator notes](#)

[zipped Fritzing file for Tranistor contolled LED project](#)

References

Electricity

[Physics Videos by Eugene Khutoryansky's animated visualisations of "Electric Circuit Components"](#)

[Steve Mould's video on Spintronics "Mechanical circuits: electronics without electricity"](#)

[youtube.com/ElectroBOOM](https://www.youtube.com/ElectroBOOM) on youtube

[Electricity Basics, youtube.com/@EngineeringMindset](#)

[Engineering Mindset's tutorial for using a multimeter properly](#)

[Engineering Mindset's Ohms Law Calculator](#)

[Electronics Turtorials - Bipolar Transistors](#)

Downloads

[3-easy-transistor-projects-for-beginners.pdf](#)