

Adding Resistors in Series Ramped Questions

1. Two resistors are connected in series in a simple circuit. One resistor is $2\ \Omega$ and the other is $5\ \Omega$. Calculate the total resistance.
2. A small lamp circuit has two resistors in series: $4\ \Omega$ and $6\ \Omega$. Calculate the total resistance.
3. Three resistors are connected in series: $3\ \Omega$, $7\ \Omega$ and $10\ \Omega$. Calculate the total resistance.
4. A student builds a series circuit using resistors of $12\ \Omega$, $8\ \Omega$ and $5\ \Omega$. Calculate the total resistance of the circuit.
5. A series circuit has a total resistance of $30\ \Omega$. One resistor is $18\ \Omega$. Calculate the resistance of the second resistor.
6. A circuit contains three resistors in series. The total resistance is $45\ \Omega$. Two of the resistors are $12\ \Omega$ and $20\ \Omega$. Calculate the missing resistance.
7. A student connects four resistors in series: $6\ \Omega$, $9\ \Omega$, $15\ \Omega$ and $20\ \Omega$. Calculate the total resistance.
8. A series circuit has a total resistance of $80\ \Omega$. It contains resistors of $15\ \Omega$, $25\ \Omega$ and $30\ \Omega$, plus one unknown resistor. Calculate the resistance of the unknown resistor.
9. A $12\ \text{V}$ battery is connected to three resistors in series: $2\ \Omega$, $4\ \Omega$ and $6\ \Omega$.
 - a) Calculate the total resistance.
 - b) Calculate the current in the circuit.
10. A $24\ \text{V}$ supply is connected to four resistors in series: $3\ \Omega$, $5\ \Omega$, $7\ \Omega$ and $9\ \Omega$.
 - a) Calculate the total resistance.
 - b) Calculate the current in the circuit.
 - c) Explain why adding another resistor in series would decrease the current.