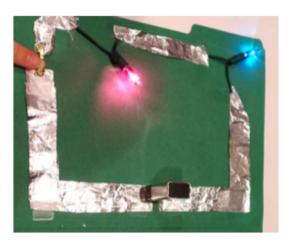
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## CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

## **Materials:**

Green construction paper 3 brass fasteners 9 volt battery 3-4 holiday lights aluminum foil tape, scissors, markers



## **Procedures:**

- **1.** Draw an outline of a Christmas tree on your green paper.
- 2. Construct a series of circuits on the construction paper that will decorate and light up your tree. Your circuit will have a beginning that connects to one node of the battery followed by a series of connections of foil and lights that connect back to the other node of the battery. You will also create a switch to turn off/on your lights. This will create a closed circuit and when the battery is in place and the switch is turned on, your lights will light up.
- 3. When constructing your circuits, you will need to keep the following requirements in mind:
  - Leave a 1/4 inch space in aluminum foil for the battery.
  - o Leave at least a one-inch gap in aluminum foil when placing a light.
  - o When taping down the aluminum foil, make sure the metal is always touching metal.
  - Use three brass fasteners for a switch two push down through folder with a 1-inch gap between them, one pushes up through the middle of the two and opens to act as a switch that can be turned on and off. (see photo)
  - You may only use 3-5 lights
  - You must use at least 5 separate pieces of foil.
- 4. You may decorate your tree with additional foil or by coloring.

## Clean up:

- 1. You may keep your paper, brass fasteners and the foil.
- 2. You will need to return the lights and battery to your teacher.

Draw a picture of your circuit tree in the box below.		