## <u>◎Electricity by:Calvert Ebanks ◎</u>

Most people would agree that electricity is power and it is a circuit with no breaks. It can be sent through pipes underground or under the sea. If the wires shut down divers have to go down and replace it. Replacing the wires is really hard because if the wires snap it might electrocute the diver. If there was no electricity they would have to use solar panels on top of the house. Some people use wind powered fans up high. If you were flying a kite on a rainy day and it got stuck on those high wires, you would get killed by the power!

If we had a whole week without electricity, I don't think I'll survive? In Cayman a company called CUC gives us electricity. If you're in a mall and there's lightning outside don't go in an elevator or you'll get stuck in there for a couple of days. Cars don't use electricity. They use gas and a battery but the gas is pumped with an electronic pump and therefore could not work. When we went to a field trip we went to Miss Lassie's house and her house had no electricity at all. Miss Lassie is one of the Visionary Artists in Grand Cayman. She used a gas lamp and a double door to let the air in. Long time ago there was no electricity and this meant that without electricity our food will get cold and rot. If we didn't have electricity for one week it would be terribly. Some things don't need electricity some things need batteries like cars, wrist watches and lots more. CUC looks after our Power plant. If the car tires are flat they couldn't be pumped up because the pump has a plug and you would have to do it by hand. Lightning is made out of electricity and power. If you get shocked by lightning sometimes you will die or live. If lightning struck a light pole the light would go out completely. Light is the fastest thing on earth. Without electricity our food couldn't be heated and this means that germs would breed quickly and make the food decay faster. In the old days they made thatch fans to keep up cool. Lots of things have electricity such as TVs, Computers and lots of more. At night there will be no light so you would have to have a flashlight or a match. Without CUC there will be no light at all. We need a reliable electricity service to let us grow and develop on these islands.

Benjamin Franklin was one of the first people who found out about electricity. If the power goes out you must us a generator to bring back power. In the olden day they use to eat canned food. They used to use fire to light up things. Now we use solar panels on top the house. If you see wires on the floor do not touch it at all. If you are in the water and you see an electric eel do not touch it or you will die. The electric eel has so much electric it can stop your heart. Electricity gives you a massive shock. Just one touch and you'll get shocked. Plugs make electric flow through the wire inside. Some shops have electric doors that open themselves. Blackouts are worse than a power outage. You don't get electricity for lots of days or weeks. If you see a spark when you put two wires together it means it has a lot of electricity. In the olden days they didn't have games like we play now. So they had to make their own games like gigs and more. In the old Cayman Islands they didn't have light so they just use fire or torches. Without electricity you couldn't watch sports, cartoons or any shows or movies. Huge wires carry a lot of electricity to houses. Never ever pour water on electronics because the electricity will go in the water and shock you.



Plug and socket

Plugs have to be put in a socket to work. Benjamin Franklin also found out about tele-phones. Almost every country has electricity. The Homeless don't have or get electricity. Lots of people need or don't need electricity to live. Lots of places need electricity such as the hospital, the airport, the supermarket and lots of more. If lightning hits a light pole CUC comes right over. A place without electricity is so lame.

My opinion is that a week without electricity would be terrible because there is nothing to do at all, businesses would not be able to work, people would not be safe and we would loose contact with the outside world. I like CUC because they help parents by letting them work for their company and CUC also sponsors the North Side club because they have CUC on their football shorts.