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UNIT: ELECTRICAL CIRCUITS

ACT-BASED READING: ANALYZING A SCIENTIFIC ARGUMENT – SERIES VS. PARALLEL CIRCUITS ANSWER KEY

ACT-STYLE MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTION:

Question 1 (Integration of Knowledge and Ideas):

- Which of the following best describes the key difference between series and parallel circuits as discussed in the excerpts?
 - A. Series circuits are more complex than parallel circuits.
 - B. Parallel circuits stop functioning if one component fails.
 - C. Series circuits use less wiring but are less reliable.
 - D. Parallel circuits are mainly used in low-power devices.

(Correct Answer: C – Series circuits use less wiring but are less reliable.)