PRODUCING VISIBLE LIGHT



Bioluminescence



- The ability of a plant or animal to produce light
- Most deep sea creatures are bioluminescent
- Some fish produce their own light, while others have bacteria that carry out the light-producing chemical reaction for them.



Bioluminescence

- used to attract prey, provide camouflage, and keep schools together.
- fire flies use light to attract mates.
- Some Fungi and bacteria can also produce light



Incandescent Light

 Produced light at a very high temperature. (inefficient)

- a tungsten filament is heated with electric current to an extremely high temperature.
- The filament release energy as glows.
- only 5 percent of the electrical energy used is converted to light



Fluorescent Light

- electricity running through the gas in the bulb ultraviolet radiation.
- the gas is mercury vapour.
- The bulb is coated with a white powder called a phosphor.



Fluorescent Light



- the ultraviolet radiation emitted strikes the phosphor, emits ****visible light****
- 20% of the energy in light. The rest is heat

Phosphorescent Light

 Some substances have the ability to store energy from radiation.





Phosphorescent Light

- Phosphorescence is the ability to store energy then emit it slowly over a long period.
- 'glow in the dark' materials





Chemiluminescence

- Light produced from a chemical reaction without a rise in temperature.
- bioluminescence is kinds of chemiluminescence.
- Example: Glow sticks





Chemiluminescence

- Chemiluminescence is also used in analyzing crime scenes.
- Investigators use a chemical called luminol to detect
- traces of iron found in blood cause the chemical to glow





Triboluminescence

- Producing light from friction
- Some crystals can be made to glow simply by rubbing them together or crushing them.



Electric Discharge

- like fluorescences light, electric currents pass through a gas (usually noble gases)
- Example: Neon lights, Lightning, Carbon arcs, HIDs



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Light-Emitting Diode (LED)



- The process of transforming electrical energy directly into light energy is called electroluminescence
- (LED) is an electroluminescent light source made out of a material called a semiconductor.
- a semi conductor release positive 'holes' and join with negative charged electrons from a different semiconductor come together to release light
- <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lwv5momDiKQ</u>

Light-Emitting Diode (LED)

- since solid materials are used, they are very rugged
- LEDs are very efficient producers of light
- Uses: electronic billboards, traffic lights, new car lights, new bulbs.



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