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PV stands for photovoltaic, and it is the PV technology that turns the energy from the sun into electricity. It doesn't require direct sunlight to work (although it helps to improve efficiency), meaning that it can work even in cloudy weather. The energy that is produced does not contribute to climate change in any way, and there is no associated pollution – making it a greener energy option.

There are no moving parts either, which makes it more reliable and also low-maintenance. There are also no running costs, so once it has been installed, it is completely free. The way in which PV solar energy works is that electricity flows between two semiconductors, which are traditionally made from crystalline silicon, when they are put into contact with each other and exposed to the sunlight.

By linking a number of these cells into a panel, a steady and useful flow of electricity can be created. Any number of panels can be used in a system (or array), as long as you have the space for it. If you combine your solar PV panels with a battery (or batteries), you will be able to provide yourself with a reliable source of energy throughout the day and night. PV systems that use battery storage are a very popular option, and are used worldwide to power things like lights, sensors, recording equipment, switches, appliances, televisions, and power tools.

It may come as a surprise that PV solar panels tend to work better when at colder temperatures. In fact, some of the best efficiency levels were recorded at the South Pole. They are also perfectly capable of working in cloudy weather, so the British climate doesn't need to put you off this fantastic energy source. Of course, while they do work in cloudy weather, they are not as effective at producing electricity in it, and so you may see a decline in efficiency levels.

If there is some overcast, so light cloud, the solar panels may produce around half as much as they normally would if there was full sunlight. During dark overcast, you may see as little as 5-10% of the usual amount produced. This can be disappointing for many, but it is a factor that is constantly being worked on and improved.

In fact, it is possible to purchase panels that have three semiconductor layers, which absorb a different part of the light spectrum. This means that in temperate conditions (especially in the north of the world) power may be produced more efficiently than before. Overcast conditions will not necessarily result in such drastic changes in efficiency levels, which can be beneficial to many. It may even help with better operation when there is only partial cloud, resulting in better efficiency control once more.

You will most commonly find a 250w solar panel on the roof of your home. They tend to be placed together to form a solar array, providing your home with hot water or electricity (or even both). Their higher wattage makes them ideal for running a home, as each panel works together to absorb sunlight and transform it into



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electricity. It is also possible to use these panels on caravans, motor homes, and boats – fueling out electrical needs while you are on holiday or traveling.

While you may find these panels on stationary homes as opposed to motorised ones, they do provide an excellent source of energy – especially when connected to a 12v battery.

As with most things, there are several advantages and disadvantages to the use of solar panels. Below are some of the main reasons for and against this form of renewable energy. The advantages:

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