

Engineering Design Process

Think, Build, Test, Do It Again

That's the process engineers use when they tackle a problem.

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Engineers don't have official rules telling them to follow this set of steps. But, over time they've learned that **they get the best results this way**.

They **think** and brainstorm about a problem and factors they have to consider to solve it. They come up with an idea and **build** a prototype. They **test** the prototype. And, then they **repeat** the process to improve their results.

It Takes a Lot of Back and Forth

Engineers often **move back and forth within the loop**, repeating two steps over and over again before moving forward. It's a key to engineering success. Sometimes, engineers will focus on one specific step, and when complete, pass the project off to another team with a different skill set.

Engineers are creative problem solvers!

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THINK

TEST

BUILD

Earthquakes

Scientific Concept:	Seismology	
Recommended Ages:	4 to 8	
Scientific Practice:	Engineering	

What to know about this kit:

Learn about how structures stand, or topple, when an earthquake hits.

Survive the Quake— earthquake simulator creates quakes in 5 levels of intensity...and comes with 30 plastic building bricks in a variety of shapes and sizes—so you can test tons of different structures to see if they topple or stand strong!

Quake Challenge—Crank the lever and test the strength of your building to withstand an earthquake.

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Kit Contents & Replacement Costs		
Item Type	Description	Cost
Object	Quake Challenge Set	\$20
Object	Survive the Quake Engineering Kit	\$40
Book	Natural Disasters Earthquake!	\$5
Book	All About Earthquakes	\$8
Packaging & Processing Fee:		\$25
Total Kit Replacement Cost:		\$98



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