Engineering Design Quiz Answers

- 1. In engineering, the design process begins when...
 - a. information about an existing product is gathered by an engineer
 - b. an engineering design team comes up with ideas for a new product

c. The design engineer recognizes the need for a solution to a problem

2. Identifying the "target population" or "target audience" occurs during which step of the engineering design loop?

a. Identify the Need

- b. Research the Problem
- c. Develop Possible Solutions
- 3. Engineers must understand the difference between requirements and constraints. Let's say a team of engineers is asked to design a pair of kids' tennis shoes for less than \$20. They determine that the only way to manufacture shoes for this price is to use recycled materials. What is the team's *constraint*?
 - a. The shoes must be designed for kids
 - b. The shoes must be made out of recycled materials

c. The shoes must cost less than \$20 to manufacture

- 4. During a brainstorming session we want to focus more on:
 - a.) quantity of ideas rather than quality
 - b. quality of ideas rather than quantity
- 5. Which step of the engineering design loop distinguishes an engineer from a technician?
 - a. Construct a Prototype
 - b. Test and Evaluate a Prototype
 - c. Redesign
- 6. Although the terms "model" and "prototype" are often used interchangeably, they are not the same thing. A ______ is used to test different aspects of a product before the design is finalized. A ______ is used to demonstrate or explain how a product will look or function.

a. model, prototype

b. prototype, model

7. When following the engineering design loop, the different stages can occur in which direction?

a. clockwise

- b. counter-clockwise
- c. both clockwise and counter-clockwise

d. in any direction, including shortcuts

- 8. The engineering design process is iterative. This allows engineers to...
 - a. become proficient at different engineering software applications

b. find the most optimal solution to a design problem

- c. Incorporate both math and science concepts into a design problem
- 9. When finding the solution to an engineering design problem, there is/are usually...
 - a. only one possible correct solution
 - b. a very limited number of possible correct solutions

c. many possible correct solutions

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