

STEAM

Think like a STEAMer!



How can
we become
a
STEAMER?



Be brave,
try new
things,
and
if you fail,
try again!

Science

Use data to prove
your ideas like a
smart scientist!



Smart
Scientist

Technology

Be a confident
coder and discover
ways to take big
challenges and
organize them into
smaller pieces!



Confident
Coder

Engineering

Solve hard
problems like an
enthusiastic
engineer!



Enthusiastic
Engineer

Art

Be creative like an
awesome artist!

Awesome
Artist



"always"
BELIEVE
- in -
YOURSELF

Math

Prove your thinking
like a mighty
mathematician!

Mighty
Mathematician



ENGINEERING

Think Like an Engineer



**What
problem
are we
exploring?**

Problem

Engineers are problem solvers, think about how you will solve the STEAM problem and follow the constraints.

Step #1:
Ask

Schema

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Thinking

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Step #8:
Share



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When I Work with Others



Eyes

My eyes are on our project or who I am working with.

Ears

My ears are listening to my team's ideas.

Mouth

My mouth is quietly speaking to my team. Remember, kind words.

Hands

My hands are working on our project. They share supplies with my team.

Feet

My feet stay at our spot. I don't wander.

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When I Work with Others

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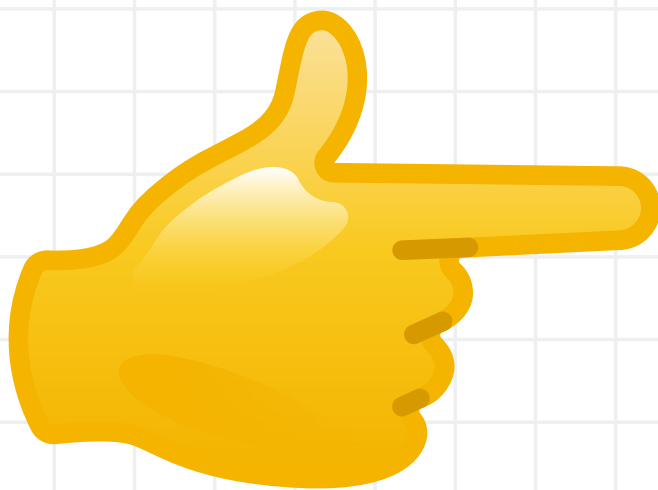
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STEP #1: ASK

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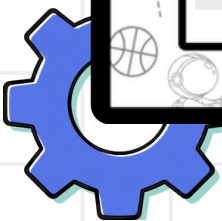
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STEP #1: ASK
What is our problem?

**REVIEW THE
PROBLEM**



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STEP #2: IMAGINE

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STEP #2: IMAGINE

What do you know that could help you?



Draw or write what you know.

STEP #3: ANALYZE

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STEP #3: ANALYZE

What is something new you learned from the research?



Draw or write what you learned.

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STEP #4: PLAN

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STEP #4: PLAN

What is the problem?

DIAGRAM

Draw and label your problem-solving design.

Materials Available

DIAGRAM



CITE YOUR REASONING

Check the box that best cites your evidence for success.

☐

Research

☐

Schema

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STEP #5: CREATE

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STEP #5: CREATE

Check-ins

Check-in #1

Time



I'm doing great. I don't need help.



I'm doing okay. I could use a check-in.



I'm struggling. I could use some help.



Check-in #2

Time



STEP #6: ADAPT

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STEP #6: ADAPT

Mini Test Results

Record the following:

1	Results ☐ Criteria Met ☐ Constraints Followed	Changes Needed
2	Results ☐ Criteria Met ☐ Constraints Followed	Changes Needed
3	Results ☐ Criteria Met ☐ Constraints Followed	Changes Needed
4	Results ☐ Criteria Met ☐ Constraints Followed	Changes Needed
5	Results ☐ Criteria Met ☐ Constraints Followed	Changes Needed



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STEP #7: EVALUATE

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Final Test Results

Check the box if the design met the requirement.

☐

Requirement 1

Totals:

☐

Requirement 2

Totals:

☐

Requirement 3

Totals:

☒

Requirement 4

Totals:



STEP #8: SHARE

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Final Test Results

What information do you want to share with others?

Draw or write down your information.

☐

Results

Explain how your creation did when tested.

☐

Reflect

Explain why you believe your creation was effective or ineffective.

☐

Surprises

What surprised you the most when you were creating?
What did you learn?

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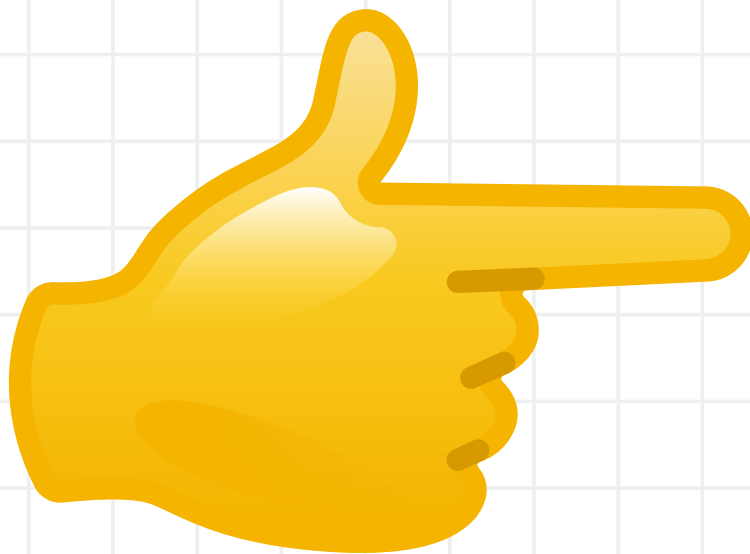


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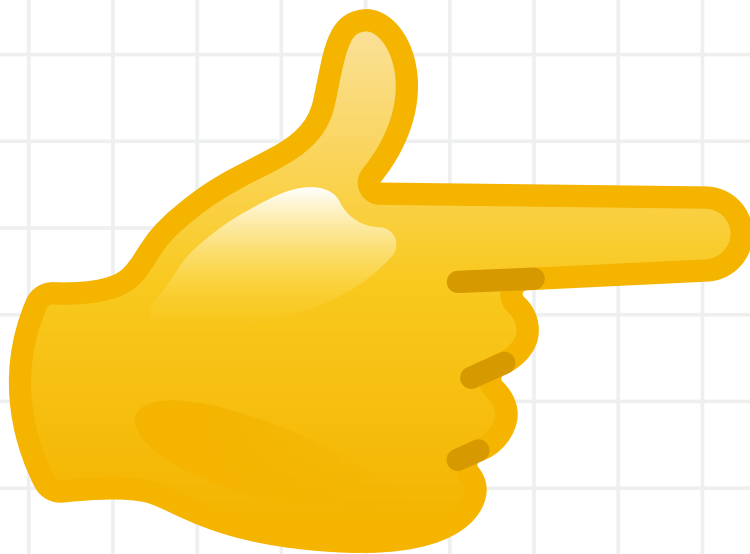


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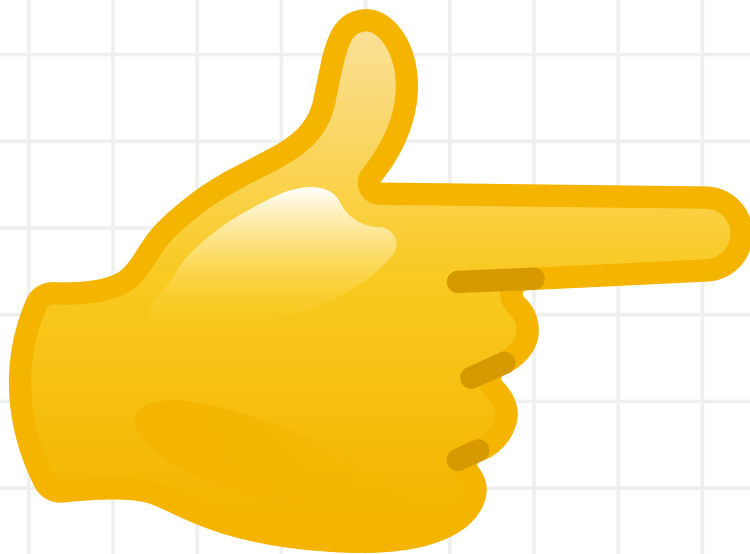


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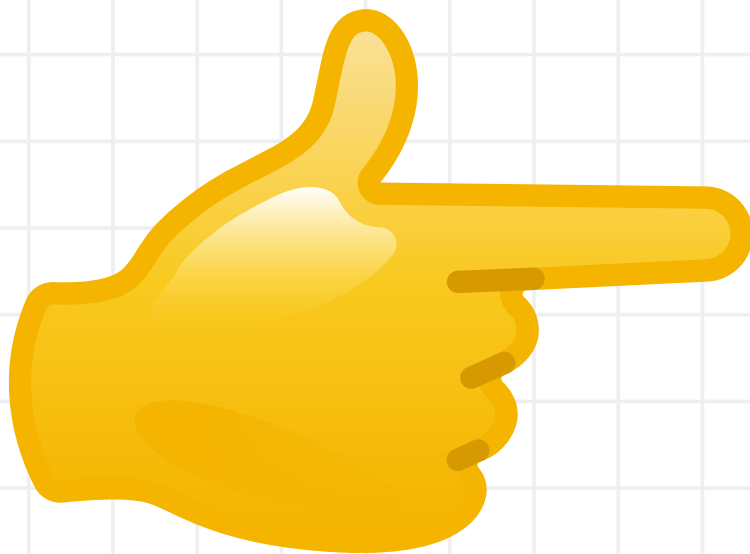


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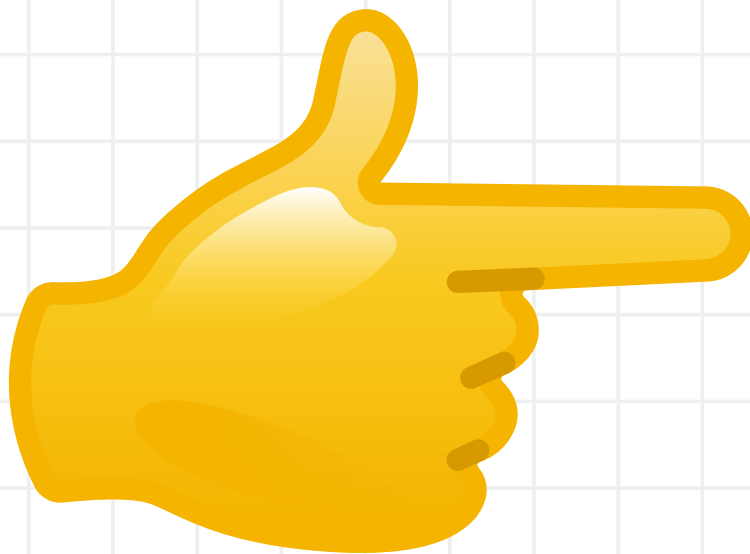


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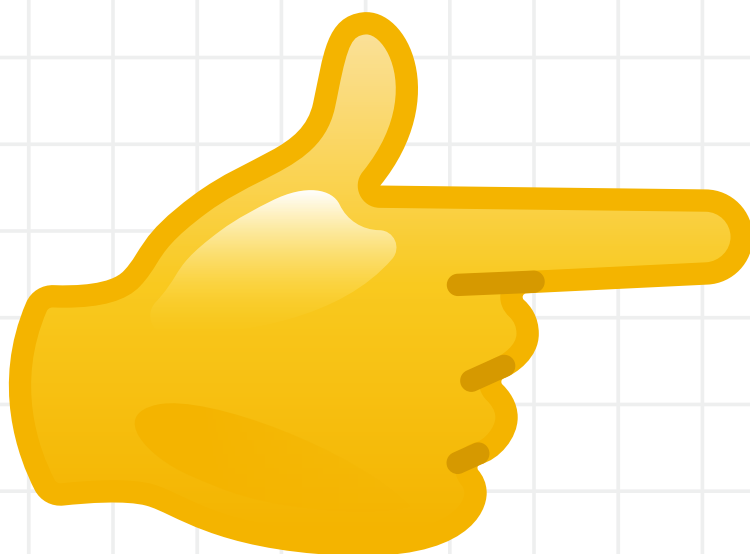


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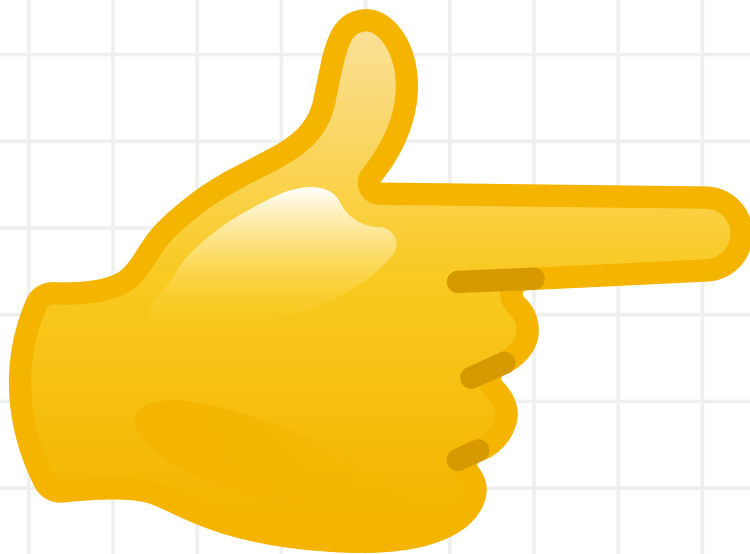


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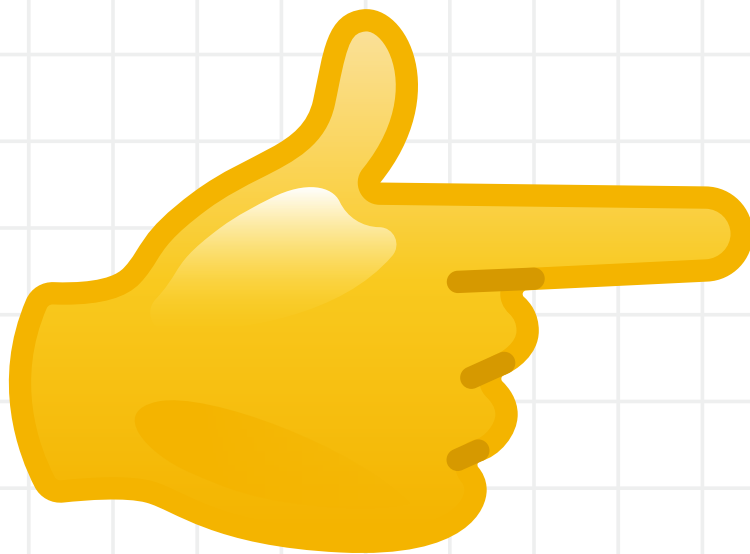


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constraints.

Define the Problem

- ⚙️ What is the problem?
- ⚙️ What can you do to fix the problem?
- ⚙️ What does success look like?



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Step #2: Imagine

Engineers use experience, research, and background knowledge to form initial ideas.

Activate Schema

- ⚙️ What do you know about the topic?
- ⚙️ What do you know that could help you?
- ⚙️ Have you seen this before?



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Step #3: Analyze

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Research

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Changes

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Prove

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Step #8: Share

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Reflect

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ASK

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**ENGINEERS ARE
PROBLEM SOLVERS.
THINK ABOUT HOW YOU
WILL SOLVE THE STEAM
PROBLEM AND FOLLOW
THE CONSTRAINTS.**



- What is the problem?
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IMAGINE

Engineering Design Process



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EXPERIENCE, RESEARCH,
AND BACKGROUND
KNOWLEDGE TO FORM
INITIAL IDEAS.**



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ANALYZE

Engineering Design Process



ENGINEERS LEARN
SOMETHING NEW
THROUGH REAL-WORLD
RESEARCH AND
INFORMATION.

- What do you notice about the research topic?
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PLAN

Engineering Design Process



**ENGINEERS MAKE
STRATEGIC DECISIONS
BASED ON THEIR
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AND PLAN.**



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CREATE

Engineering Design Process



**ENGINEERS
EXPERIMENT AND TRY
TO CREATE SOMETHING
THAT SOLVES THE
PROBLEM.**

- Do the elements of my plan meet the constraints?
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ADAPT

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ENGINEERS USE MINI-TESTS TO REFLECT AND MAKE CHANGES AS NECESSARY TO THEIR CREATION.

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EVALUATE

Engineering Design Process



**ENGINEERS MAKE FINAL
IMPROVEMENTS
TO THEIR CREATION AND
CONDUCT EVALUATIONS
TO TEST FINAL RESULTS.**

- Which of the requirements did my creation meet?
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SHARE

Engineering Design Process



**ENGINEERS FIND WAYS
TO THINK
DIFFERENTLY BASED ON
THEIR EXPERIENCE
WITH THE
ENGINEERING PROCESS.**

- What happened when you tested your creation?
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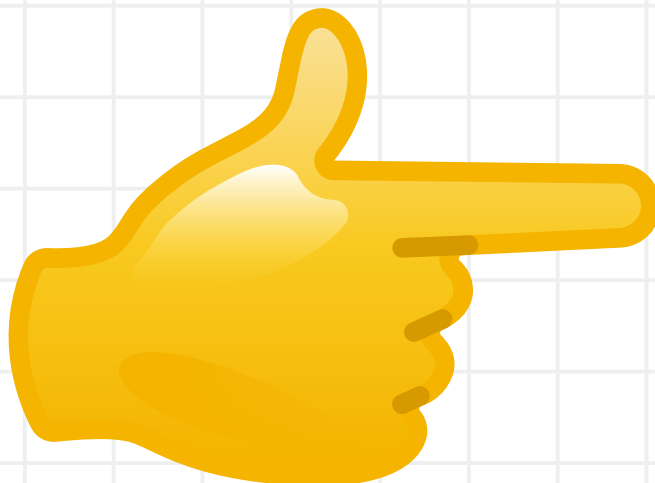


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ENGINEERING TIPS & TRICKS



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MAKE
CONNECTIONS
TO THINGS
YOU ALREADY
KNOW



**Activate Schema:
Background Information**

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LEARN FROM
OTHERS AND
WORK WITH THEM
TO FIND
SOLUTIONS



1

Tell others your
“What”

⚙️ What will your creation look like?

⚙️ What will each part be made of?

I will make my _____
by _____.

2

Tell others your
“Why”

⚙️ Why do you think your idea will work?

- Based on your schema?
- Based on what we saw in the research?

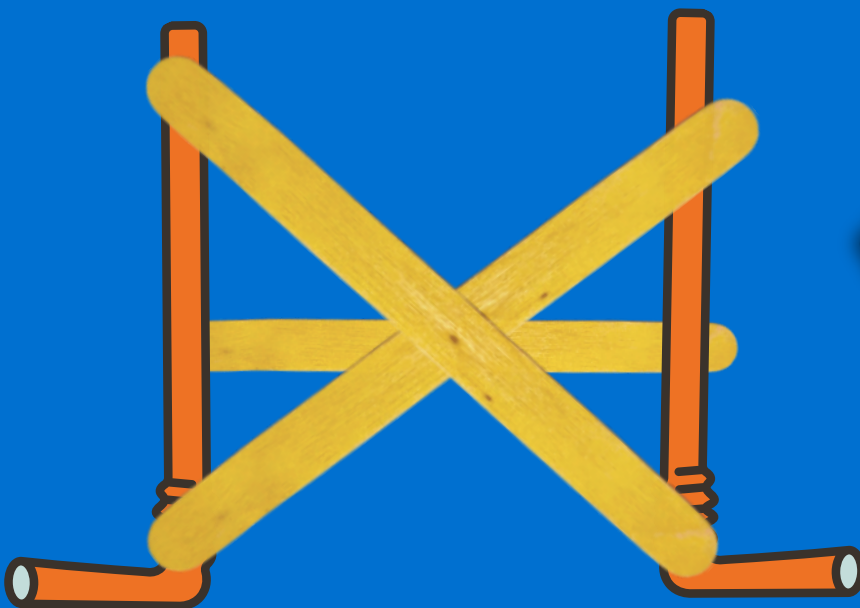
This should work
because _____.

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ADD
SUPPORTS TO
KEEP
STRUCTURES
STURDY



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USE MINI-TESTS TO MAKE PREDICTIONS AND CHANGES



We use mini-tests to find *failure points* and determine what needs to change before final testing.

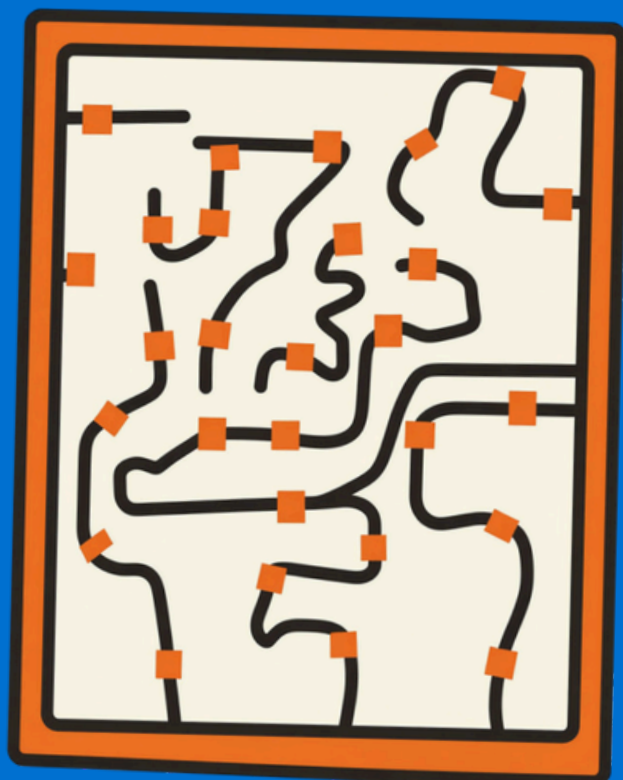
Then, during the final test, we can trust *that* our creation will be *successful*.

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DON'T BE
AFRAID
TO
TRY NEW IDEAS

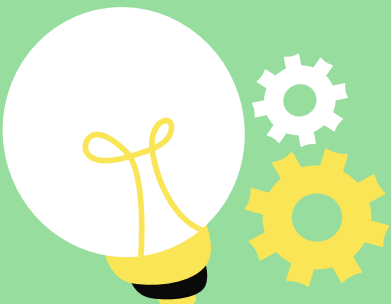


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How to Diagram

Brainstorm



1 Brainstorm your idea.

2 Draw your idea.

Picture



Pictures are pretty!

Diagrams help engineers determine the materials they'll use for different parts of their designs.

Diagram

Yarn

Popsicle Sticks

Straws

Cardboard Base

Blue Paper

3 Determine what materials each part of your creation will be made of.

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“I will make my
_____ by
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SHARE IDEAS WITH OTHERS

2

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“This should work because
_____.”



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Positive Feedback

Try: "I think your idea will work well because_____."

Be specific! Focus on a specific aspect of their plan, like materials or structure.

Talk 

Talk 

Negative Feedback

Try: "I am concerned that_____ may not work because_____."

Be specific! Focus on a specific aspect of their plan, like materials or structure.

GIVING HELPFUL FEEDBACK

AGREEMENTS

TRY

Do your best to help the other person.

TRY

Try not to make it personal by focusing on the idea instead of the person.

TRY

Try to speak kindly.



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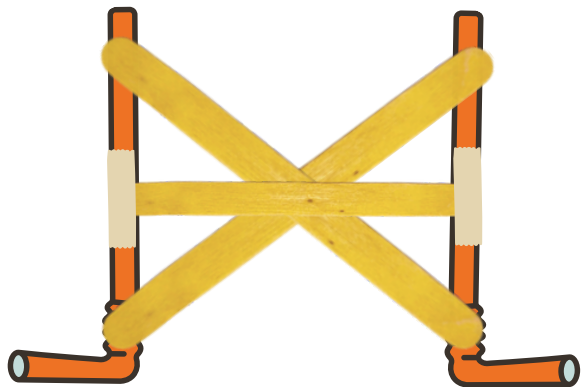
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ENGINEERING REMINDERS

REMEMBER

POSTS NEED BEAMS!

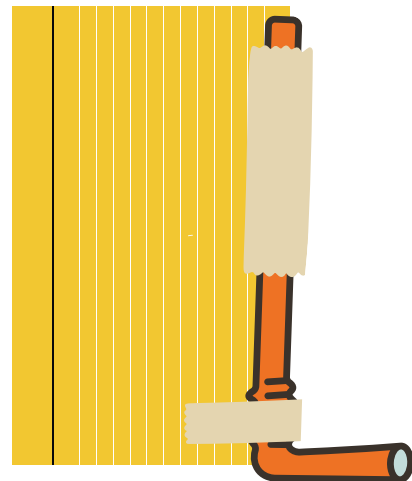
Posts stand upright.
Beams are necessary to keep
them stable and connected.



REMEMBER

MAKE CHANGES AS NEEDED!

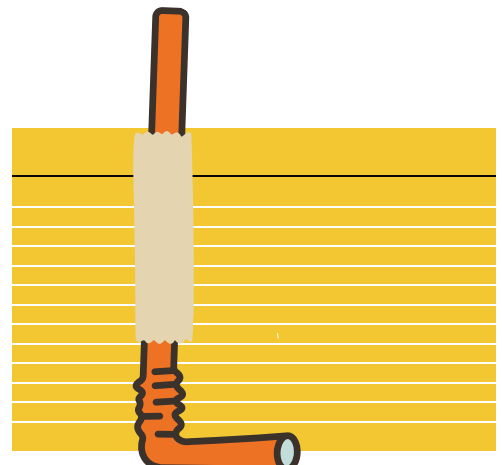
These are just prototypes;
adapt to challenges.



REMEMBER

KEEP JOINTS STRONG!

Joints happen where two
materials meet. Tape along
the joints, not just over them.



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Engineering Process

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Engineering Learning Targets

Be presented with a big question and try and solve it.

Use our schema and new information to create prototypes that solve the problem.

Persevere when a challenge gets hard.



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