How Do Engineers Use the Design Process?

Science Words

Say each word quietly to yourself. Then read the meaning. Read the tip to help you remember.

design process [dih•ZEYEN PRAHS•es] the process engineers follow to solve problems

Design has six letters and five sounds. The design process has five steps.



These children are using the design process to solve a problem.

Science Concepts

Read the Ideas more than once. Do your best to remember them.

- 1. Engineers follow a design process that has many steps.
- 2. First, engineers find and explore a problem.
- 3. The next step is to decide on a solution, make a plan, and build.
- 4. Taking exact measurements is an important part of creating a design.
- 5. Then, engineers test their solution and make it better.
- 6. Part of improving a solution may be to redesign it.
- 7. The last step in a design process is to communicate the solution to others.
- 8. Graphs, tables, and drawings are used to communicate the solution.
- 9. Engineers use this information to help solve problems in other places.
- 10. Solutions to problems are always being improved upon.