Can you be an engineering detective?
Find solutions that engineers designed in your home, school, and neighborhood communities.
Write them down on the chart below.

Make sure you notice whether they make life easier, safer, or more fun.

Name:			

Date: _____

Exploring My Community Worksheet

Solutions in My School Community

Name of solution	Easier, safer, or more fun?
	This solution makes life at school
	This solution makes life at school
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Solutions in My Home Community

Name of solution	Easier, safer, or more fun?
	This solution makes life at home
	This solution makes life at home
	This solution makes life at home
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	This solution makes life at home
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Solutions in My Neighborhood Community

Easier, safer, or more fun?
This solution makes life in my neighborhood
This solution makes life in my neighborhood
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Mindset Sorting Chart		
Read the statements below. Which show a growth mindset? Which show a fixed mindset? Sort the statements and write them in the chart.		
If I keep trying, I know I can finish it.	I will keep practicing until I get it right.	
It is too hard. I can't figure it out.	I am just not good at it.	
I will never get it right.	I can't wait to learn something new.	
I will try it a different way next time.	I haven't found the answer yet.	
Growth Mindset	Fixed Mindset	

Date: _____

Name:

Name: Date:
Engineering Challenge Sheet
Time to be an engineer and find a solution to a problem! Are you up for the challenge?
Jack and Jill need help to carry their bucket of water up the hill. Design a way to lift a bucket from the floor to the top of your desk.
Your design must: Use paper as one material Include three or more materials in total Be easy to use and carry Hold the bucket safely as you lift it from the floor to the desk Make sure no water spills!
Start by filling your bucket with water. Lift it to see how heavy it is. Then, get started!
Planning Our Design Here are our ideas:
Our best idea is:

Building Growth Mindset

These are the materials we will need:		
This is what our design will look like:		

Name:	Date:
MY	GROWTH MINDSET
Think about the engineering ch Write three or more sentences	allenge you completed. How did you show growth mindset

Name: Date:			
Model Planning and Testing Sheet Planning Our Model			
Our solution:			
Planning our model How will you show your idea? Write down the steps your group will take to build a model of your solution.	Materials Write down all of the materials you will need to build your model.		
Draw a picture of how your model will look:			

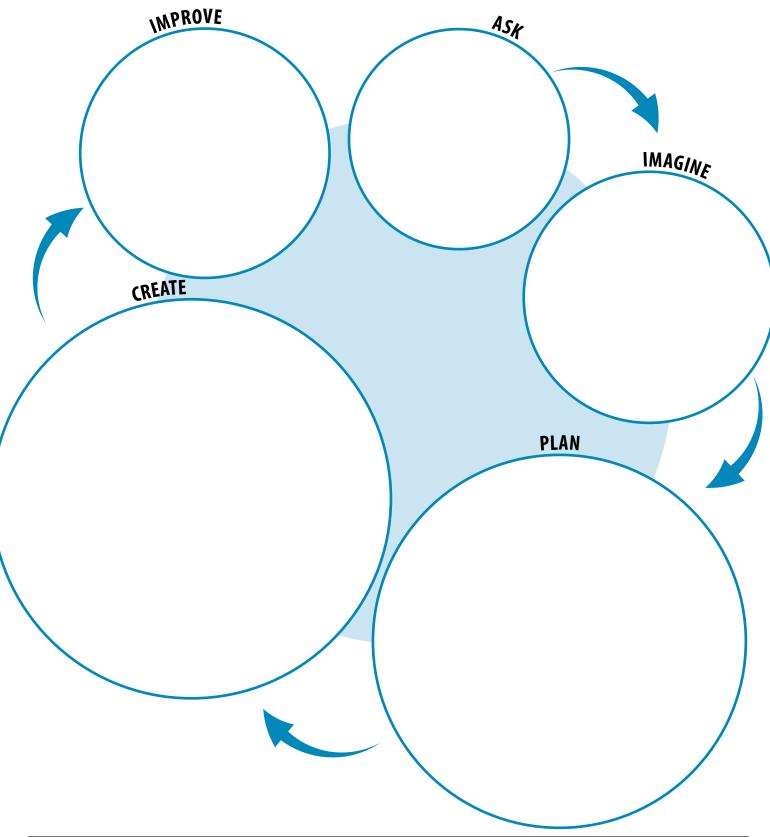
Testing Our Model

Try out your model to see if it solves the problem. Write down things that worked, and things that could be better.

Things that worked	Things that could be better
Door my model colve the mablem?	
Does my model solve the problem?	
☐ Yes ☐ No	
Write down at least one way you will improve	your idea:
Draw a picture of how your improved model	will look:

Name:	Date:	

Engineering Design Process Worksheet



Names:	Date:
Model V Jane brings her lunches to sch lunch box. But every time she lunchtime, her juice box has s sandwich! Help Jane design a	opens it at quished her
Brainstorm ideas for a lunchtime solution here:	Make a drawing or diagram of your best solution idea here:
Our best solution idea is:	
What materials will you need to make a phy	•

When you are finished this page, show it to your teacher.

Name: Completed Example

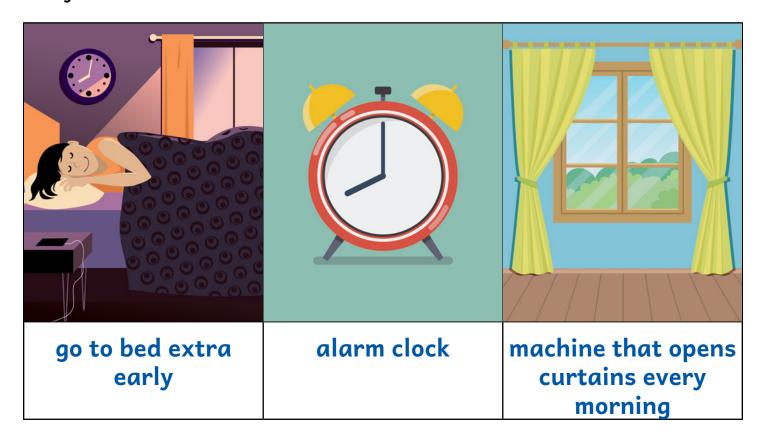
My Solution Story Worksheet

Sally and Henry are engineers. But they have a problem!

They were late for work every morning! They could not

wake up on time, no matter how hard they tried.

Sally and Henry knew they could find a solution. They brainstormed ideas.



Sally and Henry looked at their ideas. They picked the best solution. It is <u>an alarm clock</u>.

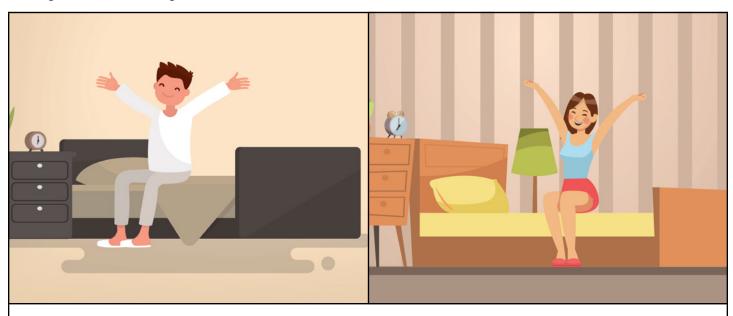
They tested the solution. But their tests found a problem!



The alarm clock is TOO LOUD! It could hurt people's ears.

Let's fix it!" Sally said. "We can let people choose how loud the alarm should be."

"Good idea," agrees Henry. The engineers improve the model. Sally and Henry have found the best solution!



The alarm clock helps Henry and Sally wake up on time every morning.

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	Card Challenge Handout
	enge: Make the tallest or strongest structure you can, cards and whatever you need to hold them together.
What proble	em are we trying to solve?
How much t	ime do we have? What materials do we have to work with?
Card Challeng	ie

What are some solutions to the problem? Draw pictures if that is easier.	
Which solution do we think will work best? Why?	

Animal Experts Handout



Names:	Date:		
	Invent It! Worksheet		
• •	ur animal carefully. Follow the steps below to come up with an idea your animal.		
Write the	name of your animal:		
STEP 1: D	escribe your animal. What parts do most people notice?		
STEP 2: W	/hat does each part of the animal help it do?		
	hat inventions could you come up with based on these parts? ds could they fill?		

Choose one of your ideas. Draw it on another piece of paper.