

ěngineer : to bring about or cause to happen by the use of devious means.

Take One:

Two engineering students were cycling across a university campus when one of them asked the other, "Where did you get such a great bike?"

The second engineer replied, "Well, I was walking along yesterday, minding my own business, when a beautiful woman rode up on this bike, threw it to the ground, took off all her clothes and said, 'Take what you want'."

The first engineer nodded approvingly. "Good choice; the clothes probably wouldn't have fitted you, anyway."

Take Two:

To an optimist, the bucket is half full. To a pessimist, the bucket is half empty. To an engineer, the bucket is twice the size it needs to be.

Take Three:

A priest, a doctor and an engineer were waiting behind a particularly slow group of golfers. The engineer fumed, "What's with those players? We must have been here for fifteen minutes!"

The doctor chimed in, "I don't know, but I've never seen such inept golf!"

The priest said, "Here comes the groundsman. Let's have a word with him." He hailed, "Hello, George! What's wrong with the group ahead of us? They're rather slow, aren't they?"

The groundsman replied, "Oh, yes. That's a group of blind fire fighters. They lost their sight saving our clubhouse from a fire last year, so we always let them play for free, any time."

The group fell silent for a moment. Then the priest remarked, "That's so sad. I think I will say a special prayer for them tonight."

"Good idea," replied the doctor. "I'm going to contact an ophthalmologist friend and see if there's anything he can do for them."

The engineer cocked his head to one side and asked, "Why can't they play at night?"

Take Four:

Mechanical engineers build weapons, electronic engineers build controls, aeronautical engineers build launchers, chemical engineers produce fuel and civil engineers build targets.

Take Five:

Normal people believe that if something is not broken, don't try to fix it. Engineers assume that it just doesn't have enough features yet.