Careers in Engineering: Exploding Myths!

In the Video, "Engineering Careers," we learned there are lots of false ideas about what it really means to have a career in engineering.

To Do:

- 1. Read each statement about engineering below.
- 2. Circle to tell if you think each item is TRUE or FALSE.
- 3. Read more about each item to see if you answered correctly.

Quiz

- 1. There are no female engineers. True / False
- 2. Engineering is a very isolating job. Most of the time you work alone. True / False
- 3. There are many different types of engineering careers. True / False
- 4. You can't be an engineer if you don't like math. True / False
- 5. We need more women engineers. True / False

Answers

- 1. False. About 11% of engineers employed in the USA are female.
- 2. False. Engineers often work closely on teams with other engineers and other professionals.
- 3. True. There are six major branches of engineering: Mechanical, Chemical, Civil, Electrical, Management, and Geotechnical. Under each branch, there are hundreds of different types of possible engineering careers.
- 4. False. With engineering, what matters more than a love of math is that you are a person who wants to understand how things work.
- 5. True. The number of women engineers has grown, but there are still far less women engineers than men engineers. There is plenty of room for many new women engineers!