Requirements Engineering

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Some Definitions

Requirements Engineering: process of establishing the features that client requires from a system and... constraints under which such features must operate

The Requirements: the recorded description of the system features and constraints are generated during the above process

Dangers of **not** doing Req. Eng.

- We <u>must</u> find out <u>what</u> to build <u>before</u> we build it!
- Common trap: to <u>think</u> we know what client wants
- And <u>blaze ahead</u> building it...
- Only to realise later on that we were <u>wrong</u>!
- Having <u>wasted</u> much time, effort, money (grades)