

## ERECTOR THREAT

### *"I should erect an obvious dummy" [EMPT]*

*One of the challenges of running this biweekly comic strip (something we've been doing every other Sunday since February 2017) is coming up with relevant and entertaining commentary to preface each strip.*

*We secretly think the Baker Street Elementary crew deliberately tries to stump us, which makes us try even harder.*

*In this case, if Watson assessed our knowledge of engineering like he assessed Sherlock Holmes's knowledge of various topics in **A Study in Scarlet**, it would fall somewhere between "nil" and "feeble."*

*However, our appreciation for puns, witticisms, and wordplay would be on the*

*"profound" level.*

*As such, we developed a few alternate titles for this particular strip, including:*

- *The Problem of More Bridge*
- *The Engineer's Dumb (imagine our surprise when we discovered it had already been used!)*
- *The Nor-Would Builder*
- *Knowledge of Engineering —Practical (Joking)*

*Perhaps our readers have suggestions for some pun-laden titles?*

*Meanwhile, the boys at Baker Street Elementary befuddle their physics and mathematics tutors...*

**ON THE FIELD TRIP YESTERDAY, I NOTICED  
THE MAIN BRIDGE HAD A SIGN WHICH  
READ, "WEIGHT LIMIT: 12 TONNES".**



**HOW DO THEY DETERMINE HOW MUCH  
WEIGHT THE BRIDGE CAN HOLD?**



**IT IS REALLY AN AMAZING  
FEAT OF ENGINEERING, USING  
SOME VERY COMPLICATED...**

**...ACTUALLY IT'S  
QUITE SIMPLE.**



1. THEY BUILD THE BRIDGE;
2. THEY STACK DRUMS FILLED WITH WATER ONTO THE BRIDGE UNTIL IT COLLAPSES;
3. THEY WEIGH THE DRUMS;
4. THEY REBUILD THE BRIDGE;
5. AND, THEY PUT THE SIGN UP.



**AND YOU SAID IT WAS  
COMPLICATED...**



**ENGINEERS  
THROUGHOUT  
ENGLAND JUST  
COLLECTIVELY  
SHUDDERED...**

**I WONDER IF  
THEY ERECT  
BUILDINGS  
THE SAME  
WAY ?**

