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Quality is what the customer wants. It does not count the hours spent in the requirements updating, project planning, or testing... We discuss so much about how to work and improve, and we often forget about the reason to work. Make the customer happy. Everything else is consequence.

—StickyMinds member Gerson deAlmeida in the recently concluded RoundTable discussion "What Is Quality?"

Quality is not what the customer wants, because the customer cannot precisely describe clearly what he wants... Quality is not process. Quality is not just hard work either. Quality is the result of process and hard work.

—StickyMinds member Bing Fang commenting in the same discussion.

EDITOR'S PICK

Dueling Gurus

Even Johanna Rothman and Elisabeth Hendrickson, two of the best minds in project management, don't always see eye to eye. In a classic point-counterpoint series of columns, they present

their differing views on priority and severity ratings: How ratings are used and how they could be used more effectively. In this friendly debate, Johanna and Elisabeth offer insights and suggestions to



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improve your project's workflow, coordination of efforts, and teamwork. You might be inspired to show these articles to others on your team to start your own constructive discussion.

In addition to the articles, you'll see long strings of comments that your peers have added, with responses from the authors. Take a minute and check out this classic duel on project management:

Clarify Your Ranking for System Problem Reports

By Johanna Rothman

<http://www.stickyminds.com/r.asp?F=W6288>

and

Arguing Apples and Oranges

By Elisabeth Hendrickson

<http://www.stickyminds.com/r.asp?F=W6323>

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