ASSIGNMENT NO. 3

1. In the document Revisiting the Definition of Software Quality (Required Reading No. 15), one statement reads:

“In fact, ordering the ‘ilities’ at the beginning of a project is a vital, identifiable task and one in which your customers/users must participate”.

In your own words, explain what you understand the author meant by this statement. You may explain using an example.

2. Continuing on question 1 above, another statement reads:

"Wishing and believing that quality should be quantified are not enough to make it so. Some elements are quantifiable, others are not“.

Again in your own words, explain what you understand by this statement. You may explain using an example.

(Hints: How do you measure/quantify ‘modifiability and understandability’? "Inverted, there is no absolute measure of quality").

3. Is there a standard for software quality? If there is one, what is it about or what does the standard cover? If there is none you are not required to answer this question. Ha.. ha.. ha

4. A formal tender and specifications document for a project can be viewed as a “Contract Style Requirements List”. This is mentioned in Required Reading No. 16. It was also stated that

“These requirements lists are no help in system design, since they do not lend themselves to application”.

Explain what you understand by the above statement.

5. For your class group project you are required to finally submit a well documented User Requirements Specifications (URS). Why is the quality of information in the URS document important? In your answer you must consider relevancy to the URS.

Take Note: Required Reading No. 18 gives you a guide and does not specifically address this question. So please do not quote it per se.

Author: WRY. What is the time when an elephant sits on the fence? Think.  
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Answer to Author’s Corner: For Assignment No. 2

The string “ant”. That’s the similarity. Ha.. ha.. ha.. Cheeriooos….