AI stories from Colombia



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Two imagined local cases for readers to discuss. Each turns on a choice someone can make when a tool gives an answer that needs checking.

The appointment that moved

In Palenque, Lina helped her grandfather try a practice telephone reminder. It said the name of the clinic clearly. It said the day clearly too. When Lina asked him when he would leave home, he pointed to a different square on the calendar.

They played the recording again. Lina had been reading the time on the screen. Her grandfather had only heard the voice. They took the calendar and the phone to the woman checking the service.

She covered the screen for the next listener and asked the same question. Two people pointed to different days. She set the recordings aside, and the next reminders went out by ordinary calls.

> **Discuss.** How could Lina check the message without giving away the answer?

A lorry at the gate

A dispatcher in Cartagena watched the scheduling screen turn green. Every container booked for that morning had a collection slot. Outside, a driver held up a paper slip. His slot had ended while he was still waiting for the gate to open.

The dispatcher went outside with a notebook. Three drivers had arrived on time. The screen counted their trips from the instant the gate scanned a number plate. It had erased the very wait the trial was meant to shorten.

She kept the manual queue running and added the drivers’ arrival slips to the comparison. Her report to the manager included the hours spent outside the fence.

> **Discuss.** Whose clock should start a measurement of waiting time?