AI stories from El Salvador



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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 red cooking pot

Mateo’s class zoomed in on a picture of a kitchen at Joya de Cerén. On the floor sat a bright red pot. Mateo copied it into his notebook and wrote that the people who lived there liked red pots.

His friend clicked on the photograph of the excavated object. The shape matched. The red did not. Their teacher asked who had chosen the colour. No one could find the colour in the notes that came with the picture.

Mateo kept the drawing. Under it he wrote two sentences, one about the shape they could see and one about the artist’s choice. He thought the pot was more interesting with a question beside it.

> **Discuss.** What evidence would let Mateo change the second sentence?

Two names on one screen

At a payment counter in Santa Ana, a cashier saw an alert beside a transfer. Two customers had similar names. The assistant had pulled an earlier transaction onto the screen and suggested the cashier hold the new one. The woman at the counter had her own reference number.

The cashier passed that number to the supervisor through the desk’s verification procedure. The supervisor found the two separate records and corrected the match. The woman asked for the reference to the correction as well as her receipt.

At closing time the cashier entered the extra wait in the trial log. The office would otherwise have counted the payment as an ordinary completion.

> **Discuss.** What did the receipt prove, and what did the trial log reveal?