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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 dot that reached the clinic first

In Bequia, Jo used coloured counters to build a pretend booking system for a school project. A red counter was the patient. A green square was a free appointment in Kingstown. On the computer, the red counter jumped straight into the green square.

Her cousin laid a blue ribbon across the table. “That is the water,” he said. They added cards for the crossing, the ride to the clinic and the journey home. Suddenly the first free appointment meant leaving before their paper boat could go.

Jo changed the game. A booking counted only when the person could get there and return. Her teacher asked to keep the blue ribbon for the next class.

> **Discuss.** What would you ask a patient before counting the first available slot as a successful booking?

The empty line in the landing book

One evening on Union Island, a buyer’s worksheet predicted fewer fish for the next market. A column of blank entries had turned into a column of zeroes. She was about to reduce her order when a boat owner came by for a receipt.

He had landed at another site. A second boat had stayed ashore. The original book recorded one trip in the margin and had no catch entry for the other. The worksheet treated both alike.

She marked which figures needed checking, agreed the morning order by telephone and left the fishing locations out of the copy she shared. At the next meeting, the buyer asked collectors to mark “not observed” in a separate box.

> **Discuss.** Which entries would you count when checking forecast accuracy, and what would you do with the rest?