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Read about James Lind's clinical trial in which he tried to find out whether different foods had an effect on sailors with scurvy. Answer the questions below.

Why was scurvy such a problem for sailors?

Why do you think James Lind was so keen to prevent cases of scurvy?

Why do you think he used two sailors for each group he tested instead of just one?

Why do you think he gave the sailors all the same diet apart from one item?

What do you think James Lind could have tested next after he found out that citrus fruits cured scurvy? Think of as many ideas as you can.

Which of the above experiments do you think Lind should have chosen to explore next and why?

How would you have carried out the next experiment if you were James Lind?