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SETTING UP "IF" STATEMENTS FOR NO RECORDS MATCHING A CRITERIA - Apr 1st, 2012

This one plagued me for a while until Jason Sauchuk, a programmer with Interactive Tools came to the rescue.

I had a checkbox field in a multi-record editor and I wanted to be able to output a "no records found with the checkbox checked" message if there were no records with the checkbox checked.

Here's what he offered:

```
<?php $ischeck= 0; ?>
  <?php foreach ($e_blast_events_noticeRecords as $record): ?>
    <?php if($record['apbc_event']==1) $ischeck=1; ?>
  <?php endforeach ?>

<?php if ($ischeck==0) echo "no records found."; ?>
```

I could have also added:

```
<?php if ($ischeck==1) echo "records were found."; ?>
```

In the previous recipe, I was using a "where" statement to restrict which dates are displayed in a group. The code I used to show only events that had a start date or a reception date in the next 7 days was:

```
<?php
  list($my_tableRecords, $my_tableMetaData) = getRecords(array(
    'Table name' => 'my_table',
    'where' => '(NOW() + INTERVAL 7 DAY) >= event_reception_date AND event_reception_date >= TIMESTAMP(CURDATE(),
"00:00:00") OR (NOW() + INTERVAL 7 DAY) >= event_start_date AND event_start_date >= TIMESTAMP(CURDATE(), "00:00:00"),
  ));
?>
```

If there were no records that met the criteria, I wanted to output the same kind of "no records found" notice.

This was one I should have been able to figure out but I just couldn't come up with a solution. Again, Jason came to the rescue. He suggested a simple solution:

```
<?php if(!$e_blast_events_noticeRecords) echo "No events are opening or have a reception during the next 7 days.";
?>
```

And

```
<?php if($e_blast_events_noticeRecords) echo "These events are opening or have a reception during the next 7 days."; ?>
```



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