Apply Your Knowledge

Is It Hot Enough?

Decide if the food in each situation is safe to serve. Explain why or why not.

1. At 9:00 a.m., Lin clocked in, said hello to her manager, and started to set up the buffet. Fifteen minutes later, she headed to the walk-in cooler, where she grabbed a stockpot of chili that had been made a few days earlier. She placed the stockpot on the stove and started reheating it. At 11:30 a.m., she checked the temperature of the chili, which had reached 155°F (68°C). Satisfied, she moved on to her next task.

   Is the chili safe to serve? _____
   Why or why not? __________________________
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2. Thursday at lunch, a customer ordered a stacked hot roast beef and cheddar sandwich. Mina took precooked slices of beef from the reach-in cooler and put them in a bain of hot au jus. She heated the slices of beef for a few minutes. Then she made the sandwich, topping it with melted cheddar, and placed it on the counter for pickup.

   Is the sandwich safe to serve? _____
   Why or why not? __________________________
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