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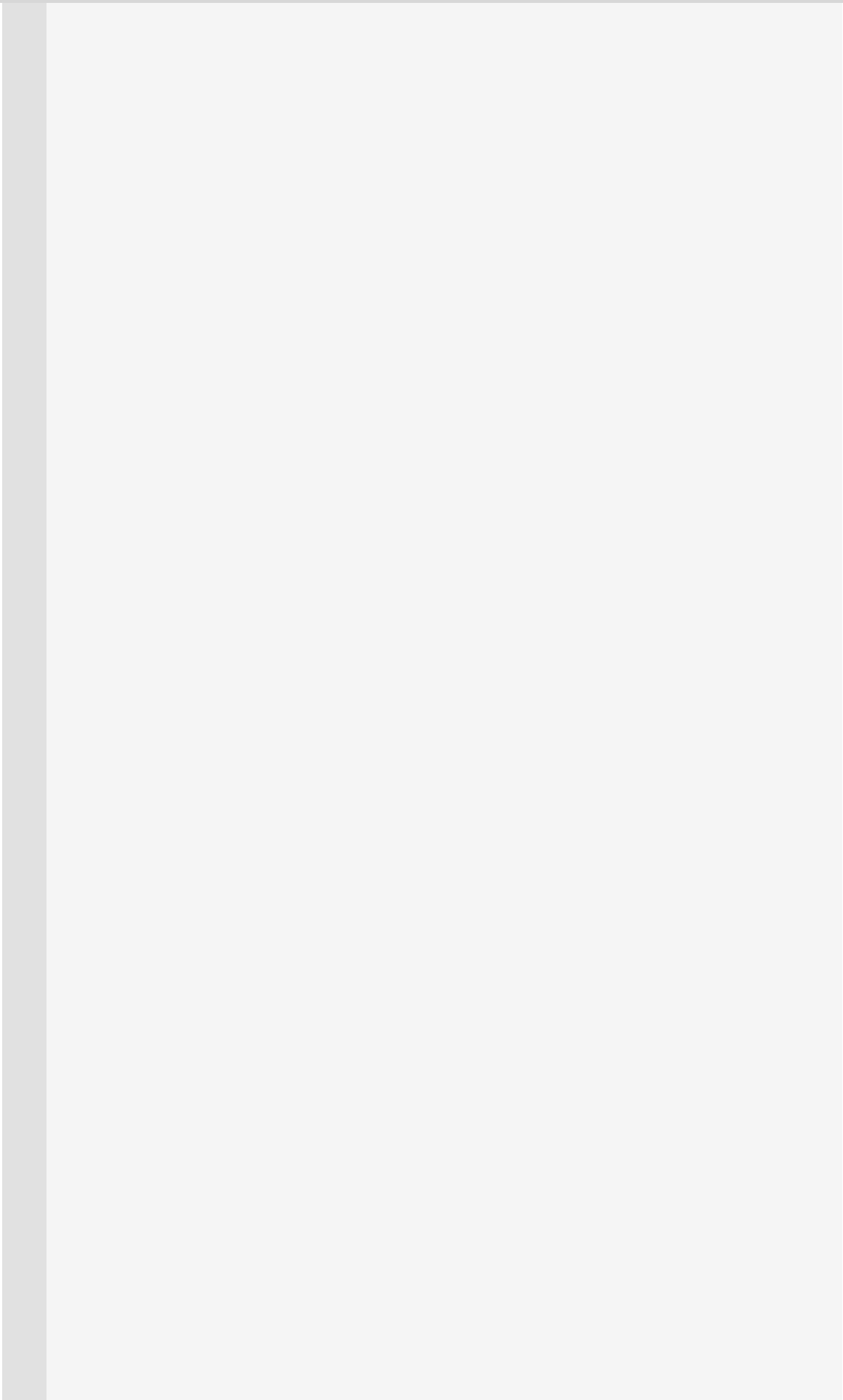
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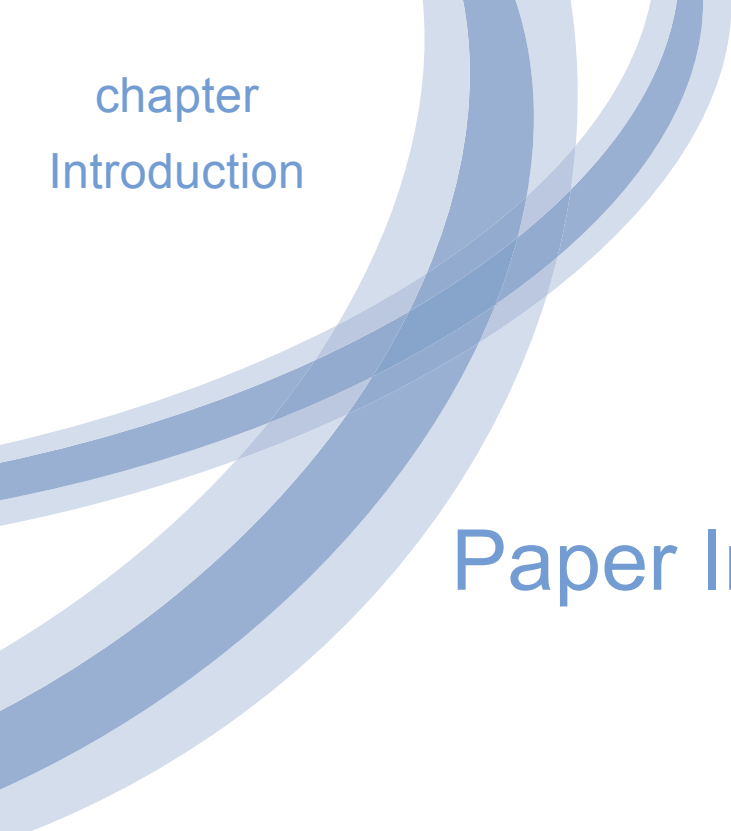
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Introduction

Paper Introduction

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Introduction to accounting

Chapter learning objectives

Upon completion of this chapter you will be able to:

define accounting

- explain the different types of business entity:
 - sole trader
 - partnership
 - limited liability company
- explain who users of the financial statements are and their information needs
- explain the nature, principles and scope of accounting
- explain how the accounting system contributes to providing useful information and complies with organisational policies and deadlines.

1 Definition of accounting



2 Types of business entity

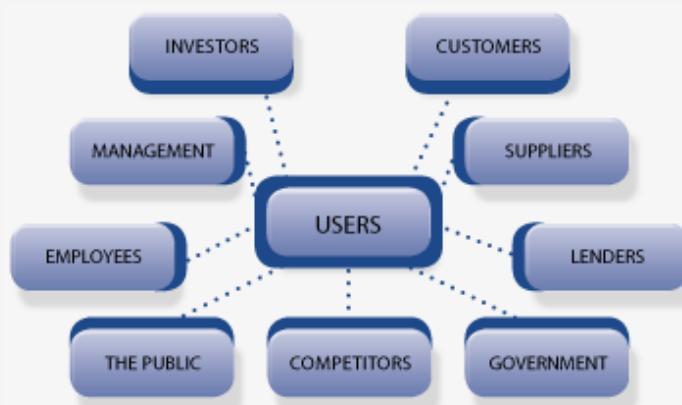
A business can be organised in one of several ways:

- Sole trader – a business owned and operated by one person.
- Partnership – a business owned and operated by two or more people.
- Company – a business owned by many people and operated by many (though not necessarily the same) people.



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3 Users of the financial statements

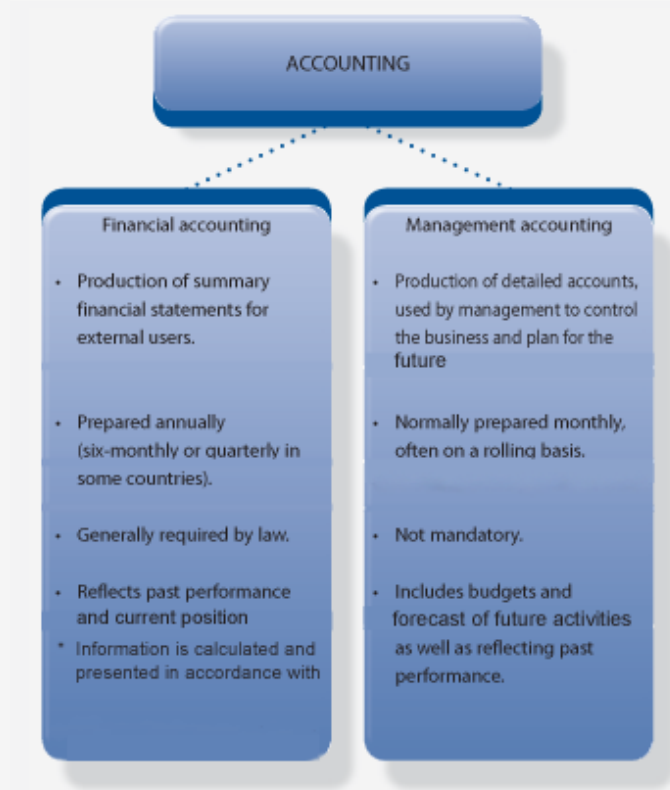


Test your understanding 1

Why do you think the following user groups are interested in a company's financial statements?

- Management
- Investors and potential investors
- Employees and trade union representatives
- Lenders
- Government agencies
- Suppliers
- Customers
- Competitors
- The public.

4 Types of accounting



Expandable text

5 How an accounting system contributes to providing useful information

The main features of an accounting system and how it helps in providing information to the business are as follows:

- In a computerised system all information about the business transactions can be quickly accessed. This will help in decision making.
- It provides details of transactions of the business in the relevant accounts.
- When the accounts are closed off the balances for each outstanding account are determined. This will give the value of assets and liabilities in the business.
- It gives a summary of outstanding balances.
- This summary can then be used for the preparation of financial statements.

- Normally the financial statements are prepared at regular intervals. The accounting system will allow the business to obtain the data and also prepare the financial statements to determine the profitability, liquidity, risks, etc. applicable to the business for a particular period. For internal reporting purposes this could be monthly, whilst for external reporting purposes this is usually yearly.

Chapter summary



Test your understanding answers



Test your understanding 1

- **Management** need detailed information in order to control their business and plan for the future. Budgets will be based upon past performance and future plans. These budgets will then be compared with actual results. Information will also be needed about the profitability of individual departments and products. Management information must be very up to date and is normally produced on a monthly basis.
- **Investors** and potential investors are interested in their potential profits and the security of their investment. Future profits may be estimated from the target company's past performance as shown in the income statement. The security of their investment will be revealed by the financial strength and solvency of the company as shown in the statement of financial position. The largest and most sophisticated groups of investors are the institutional investors, such as pension funds and unit trusts.
- **Employees** and trade union representatives need to know if an employer can offer secure employment and possible pay rises. They will also have a keen interest in the salaries and benefits enjoyed by senior management. Information about divisional profitability will also be useful if a part of the business is threatened with closure.
- **Lenders** need to know if they will be repaid. This will depend on the solvency of the company, which should be revealed by the statement of financial position. Long-term loans may also be backed by 'security' given by the business over specific assets. The value of these assets will be indicated in the statement of financial position.
- **Government** agencies need to know how the economy is performing in order to plan financial and industrial policies. The tax authorities also use financial statements as a basis for assessing the amount of tax payable by a business.
- **Suppliers** need to know if they will be paid. New suppliers may also require reassurance about the financial health of a business before agreeing to supply goods.
- **Customers** need to know that a company can continue to supply them into the future. This is especially true if the customer is dependent on a company for specialised supplies.
- **Competitors** wish to compare their own performance against that of other companies and learn as much as possible about their rivals in order to help develop strategic plans.

- **The public** may wish to assess the effect of the company on the economy, local environment and local community. Companies may contribute to their local economy and community through providing employment and patronising local suppliers. Some companies also run corporate responsibility programmes through which they support the environment, economy and community by, for example supporting recycling schemes.

Statement of financial position and income statement

Chapter learning objectives

Upon completion of this chapter you will be able to:

- explain the main elements of financial statements:
 - statement of financial position
 - income statement
- explain the purpose of each of the main statements
- list the main types of business transactions
- explain how the accounting equation and business entity convention underpin the statement of financial position
- define assets and liabilities
- identify examples of receivables and payables
- explain how and why assets and liabilities are disclosed in the statement of financial position.
- draft a simple statement of financial position in vertical format
- explain the matching convention and how it applies to revenue and expenses
- explain how and why revenue and expenses are disclosed in the income statement
- illustrate how the statement of financial position and income statement are interrelated
- draft a simple income statement in vertical format

- identify the two sides of each transaction (duality concept)
- determine the accounting equation after each transaction.



1 Financial statements

There are **two** elements to the financial statements:

- **Statement of financial position**, showing the financial position of a business at a point in time, and
- **Income statement**, showing the financial performance of a business over a period of time.

The financial statements show the effects of business transactions. The main types are:

- sales of goods (either for cash or on credit)
- purchase of inventory for resale (either for cash or on credit)
- purchase of non-current assets
- payment of expenses such as utilities
- introduction of new capital to the business
- withdrawal of funds from the business by the owner.



The business entity concept

- The business entity concept states that financial accounting information relates only to the activities of the business entity and not to the activities of its owner.
- The business entity is treated as **separate** from its owners.



Expandable text

2 Statement of financial position

The vertical format of the statement of financial position is shown below:

W Xang Statement of financial position as at 31 December 20X6

	\$	\$
Non-current assets:		
Motor van		2,400
Current assets:		
Inventory	2,390	
Receivables	1,840	
Cash at bank	1,704	
Cash in hand	56	
	—————	5,990
		—————
		8,390
Capital account:		
Balance at 1 January 20X6	4,200	
Add: Net profit for year	3,450	
Increase in capital	1,000	
	—————	
	8,650	
Less: Drawings for year	(2,960)	
	—————	
		5,690
Non-current liabilities:		1,000
Current liabilities:		
Payables		1,700
		—————
		8,930
		—————



- The top half of the statement of financial position shows the assets of the business.
- The bottom half of the statement of financial position shows the capital and liabilities of the business.

The accounting equation

The statement of financial position above shows the position of W Xang's business at one point in time – in this case at close of business on 31 December 20X6. A statement of financial position will always satisfy the accounting equation as follows:



$$\text{ASSETS} = \text{PROPRIETOR'S CAPITAL} + \text{LIABILITIES}$$

Assets and liabilities

An **asset** is something the business owns or controls such as:

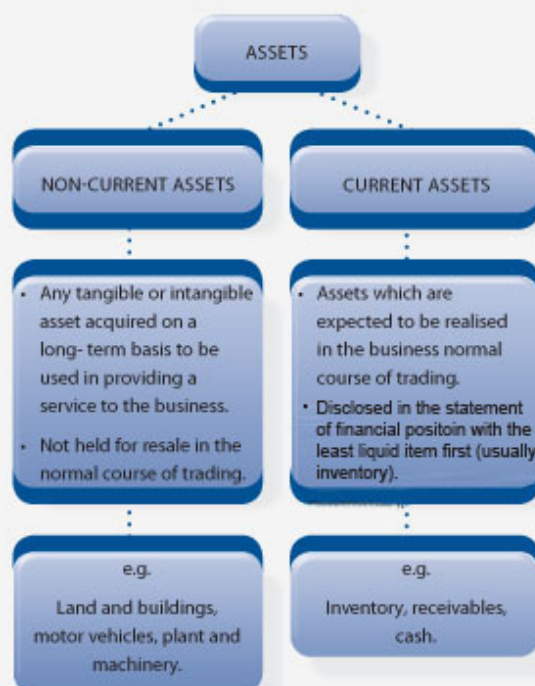
- inventory, e.g. goods manufactured or purchased for resale
- receivables, e.g. money owed by credit customers, prepaid expenses
- cash
- non-current assets
- and is available for use in the business.

A **liability** is something owed by the business to someone else, such as:

- payables, e.g. amounts owed to credit suppliers, accrued expenses
- loans.

Capital is a type of liability. This is the amount that is due to the owner(s) of the business. It will increase each year by any new capital injected into the business and by the profit made by the business. It will decrease by any amounts withdrawn from the business by the owner(s).

Disclosure of assets and liabilities in the statement of financial position





Test your understanding 1

Classify the following items into current and non-current assets and liabilities:

- land and buildings
- receivables
- cash
- loan repayable in two years' time
- payables
- delivery van.



Test your understanding 2

List the following items showing the least liquid items first:

- cash in hand
- inventory of finished goods
- cash at bank

- receivables
- inventory of raw materials.

3 Income statement

The format of the income statement is shown below:

Mr W Xang Income statement for the year ended 31 December 20X6

	\$	\$
Sales revenue		33,700
Cost of sales		
Opening inventory	3,200	
Purchases	24,490	
	<u>27,690</u>	
Less: Closing inventory	(2,390)	
		<u>(25,300)</u>
Gross profit		8,400
Wages	3,385	
Rent	1,200	
Sundry expenses	365	
	<u>(4,950)</u>	
Net profit		<u>3,450</u>

- The income statement shows the performance of the business over a period of time, in this case for a full year.
- The income statement is prepared following the accruals concept. This means that income and expenses are recorded in the income statement as they are earned/incurred regardless of whether cash has been received/paid.
- The sales revenue shows the income from goods sold in the year, regardless of whether those goods have been paid for.
- The cost of buying the goods sold must be deducted from the revenue. It is important that the cost of any goods remaining unsold is not included here.

- The current year's sales will include goods bought in the previous year, so this **opening inventory** must be added to the current year's purchases.
- Some of this year's purchases will be unsold at 31 December 20X6 and this **closing inventory** must be deducted from purchases to be set off against next year's sales.
- The income statement is split into two parts, the first part gives gross profit and the second part, net profit.
- Gross profit divided by sales revenue gives the **gross profit margin ratio** which illustrates the profitability of the business at a trading level.



Expandable text

4 Relationship between the statement of financial position and income statement

The link between the statement of financial position and income statement is shown below:



- The statement of financial position are not isolated statements; they are linked over time with the income statement.
- As the business records a profit in the income statement, that profit is added to the capital section of the statement of financial position, along with any capital introduced. Cash taken out of the business by the proprietor, called drawings, is deducted.

5 The accounting equation

$$\text{ASSETS} = \text{PROPRIETOR'S CAPITAL} + \text{LIABILITIES}$$

$$\text{ASSETS} - \text{LIABILITIES} = \text{PROPRIETOR'S CAPITAL}$$

- The accounting equation is a simple expression of the fact that at any point in time the assets of the business will be equal to its liabilities plus the capital of the business.
- It follows that assets less liabilities equal the capital of the business. Assets less liabilities are known as net assets.
- Each and every transaction that the business makes or enters into has two aspects to it and has a double effect on the business and the accounting equation. This is known as the duality concept.



e.g.

Illustration 1– The accounting equation

This illustration involves a series of transactions using the dual effect of transactions and then the accounting equation to build up a set of financial statements. The transactions are as follows:

Day 1 Avon commences business introducing \$1,000 cash.

Day 2 Buys a motor car for \$400 cash.

Day 3 Buys inventory for \$200 cash.

Day 4 Sells all the goods bought on Day 3 for \$300 cash.

Day 5 Buys inventory for \$400 on credit.

Using the accounting equation, we will draw up a statement of financial position at the end of each day's transactions.



Expandable text



Test your understanding 3

Continuing from the illustration above, prepare the statement of financial position at the end of each day after accounting for the transactions below:

Day 6 Sells half of the goods bought on Day 5 on credit for \$250.

Day 7 Pays \$200 to his supplier.

Day 8 Receives \$100 from a customer.

Day 9 Proprietor draws \$75 in cash.

Day 10 Pays rent of \$40 in cash.

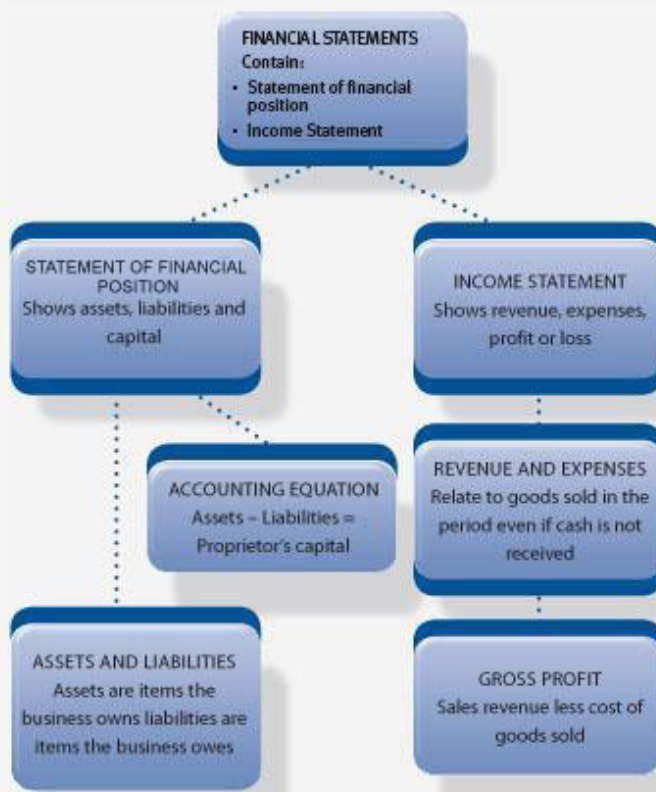
Day 11 Receives a loan of \$600 repayable in two years.

Day 12 Pays cash of \$30 for insurance.

Your starting point is the statement of financial position at the end of Day 5, from the illustration above.

Once you have dealt with each of the transactions, prepare a **statement of financial position** at the end of Day 12 and an **income statement** for the first 12 days of trading.

Chapter summary



Test your understanding answers



Test your understanding 1

- Land and buildings – **non-current asset**.
- Receivables – **current asset**.
- Cash – **current asset**.
- Loan repayable in two years time – **non-current liability**.
- Payables – **current liability**.
- Delivery van – **non-current asset**.



Test your understanding 2

The correct order is:

- inventory of raw materials
- inventory of finished goods
- receivables
- cash at bank
- cash in hand.



Test your understanding 3

Day 6: Sells half of the goods bought on Day 5 on credit for \$250

This transaction introduces two new concepts:

- **Sale on credit.** Essentially this is the same as a sale for cash, except that the asset increased is not cash, but receivables.
- Sale of **part** of the inventory. In practice this is the normal situation. The important accounting requirement is to separate:
 - inventory still held as an asset, from
 - cost of inventory sold.

Statement of financial position for Day 6

Assets	\$	Capital and liabilities	\$
Motor car	400	Capital introduced	1,000
Inventory	200	Add: Profit to date	
Receivables	250	(\$100 + \$50)	150
Cash	700		
			1,150
		Payables	400
	1,550		1,550

Day 7: Pays \$200 to his supplier

- The dual effect of this transaction is:
 - (a) The business has paid out \$200 in cash.
 - (b) The business has reduced the payable (liability) by \$200.

This is simply the reduction of one liability (payables) and one asset (cash) by a corresponding amount (\$200).

Statement of financial position for Day 7			
	\$		\$
Assets		Capital and liabilities	
Motor car	400	Capital	1,000
Inventory	200	Add: Profit to date	150
Receivables	250		
Cash (\$700 – \$200)	500		
			1,150
		Payables	
		(\$400 – \$200)	200
	1,350		1,350
	1,350		1,350

Day 8: Receives \$100 from a customer

- The dual effect of this transaction is:
 - (a) The business has received \$100 in cash.
 - (b) The receivables of the business have reduced by \$100.

Statement of financial position for Day 8			
	\$		\$
Assets		Capital and liabilities	
Motor car	400	Capital	1,000
Inventory	200	Add: Profit to date	150
Receivables			
(\$250 – \$100)	150		1,150
Cash (\$500 + \$100)	600	Payables	200
			1,350
	1,350		1,350
	1,350		1,350

Day 9: Proprietor draws \$75 in cash

This shows on the statement of financial position as a reduction of capital, and as a reduction of cash.

Cash or other assets taken out of the business by the owner are called 'amounts withdrawn', or 'drawings'.

- The dual effect of this transaction is:
 - (a) The business has reduced cash by \$75.
 - (b) The business has a drawings balance of \$75 which reduces capital.

Statement of financial position for Day 9

Assets	\$	Capital and liabilities	\$
Motor car	400	Capital	1,000
Inventory	200	Add: Profit to date	150
Receivables	150		<hr/>
Cash (\$600 – \$75)	525		1,150
		Less: Drawings	(75)
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			1,075
		Payables	200
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	1,275		1,275
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Day 10: Pays rent of \$40

This is an example of a business expense.

The dual effect of this transaction is:

- (a) The business pays out \$40 in cash.
- (b) The business has a rent expense of \$40 which reduces profit.

Statement of financial position for Day 10

	\$		\$
Assets		Capital and liabilities	
Motor car	400	Capital	1,000
Inventory	200	Add: Profit to date	
Receivables	150	(\$150 – \$40)	110
Cash (\$525 – \$40)	485		
			1,110
		Less: Drawings	(75)
			1,035
		Payables	200
	1,235		1,235

Day 11: Receives a loan of \$600 repayable in two years' time

The dual effect of this transaction is:

- (a) The business receives \$600 in cash.
- (b) The business has a liability of \$600.

Statement of financial position for Day 11

Assets	\$	Capital and liabilities	\$
Motor car	400	Capital introduced	1,000
Inventory	200	Add: Profit to date	110
Receivables	150		
Cash (\$485 + \$600)	1,085		
			1,110
		Less: Drawings	(75)
			1,035
		Loan	600
		Payables	200
	1,835		1,835

Day 12: Pays cash of \$30 for insurance

The dual effect of this transaction is:

- (a) the business pays out \$30 in cash
- (b) the business has an insurance expense of \$30 which reduces profit.

Statement of financial position for Day 12

Assets	\$	Capital and liabilities	\$
Motor car	400	Capital introduced	1,000
Inventory	200	Add: Profit to date	
Receivables	150	(\$110 – \$30)	80
Cash (\$1,085 – \$30)	1,055		
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	1,805	Less: Drawings	(75)
			<hr/>
			1,005
		Loan	600
		Payables	200
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	1,805		1,805
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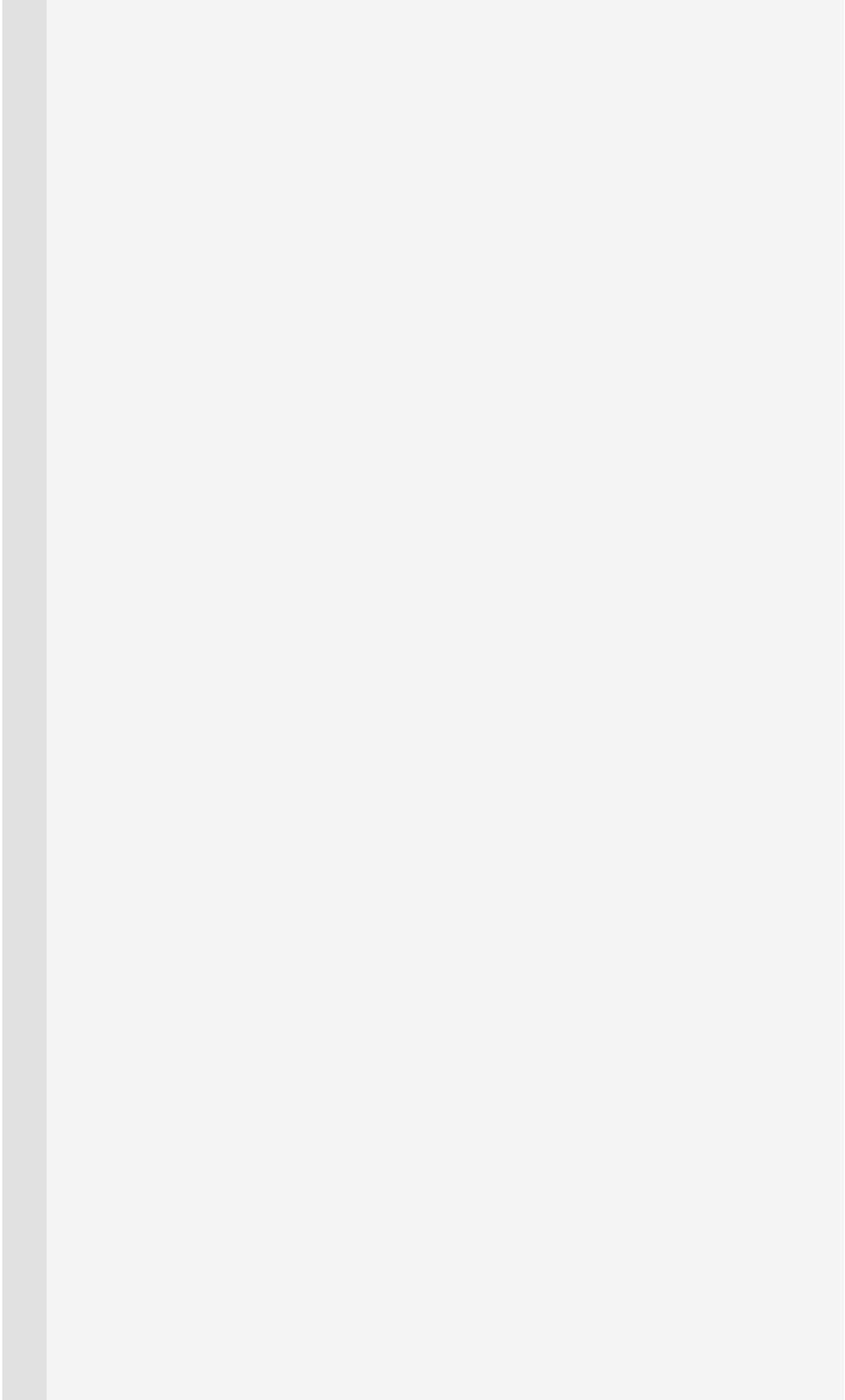
This marks the end of the transactions. The financial statements for the 12 day period can now be considered.

Avon, income statement for the 12 days

		\$	\$
Sales revenue:	Cash		300
	Credit		250
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			550
Cost of sales:	Purchases:	Cash	200
		Credit	400
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			600
Less: Closing inventory			(200)
			<hr/>
Cost of goods sold			(400)
			<hr/>
Gross profit			150
Rent		40	
Insurance		30	
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			(70)
			<hr/>
Net profit			80
			<hr/>

Avon, statement of financial position as at end of Day 12

		\$	\$
Non-current asset:	Motor car (at cost)		400
Current assets:	Inventory	200	250
	Receivables	150	—
	Cash	1,055	550
		<hr/>	1,405
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			1,805
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Capital account:	Capital introduced	1,000	
Cost of goods sold	Net profit	80	
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		1,080	
Less: Drawings		(75)	
		<hr/>	1,005
Non-current liability:	Loan		600
Current liabilities:	Payables		200
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			1,805
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Double entry bookkeeping

Chapter learning objectives

Upon completion of this chapter you will be able to:

- explain the concept of double entry and the duality concept
- explain the debit and credit principle
- explain the meaning of the balance on each type of account
- record cash transactions in ledger accounts
- record credit sale and purchase transactions in ledger accounts
- illustrate how to account for discounts
- explain sales and purchase returns and demonstrate their recording
- illustrate how to balance a ledger account
- extract the ledger balances into a trial balance
- identify the purpose of a trial balance
- prepare a simple income statement and statement of financial position from a trial balance
- explain and illustrate the process of closing the ledger accounts in the accounting records when the financial statements have been completed.



1 The duality concept and double entry bookkeeping

- Each transaction that a business enters into affects the financial statements in two ways, e.g.

A business buys a non-current asset for cash.

The two effects on the financial statements are:

- (1) There is an increase in non-current assets.
 - (2) There is a decrease in cash.
- To follow the rules of double entry bookkeeping, each time a transaction is recorded, both effects must be taken into account.
 - These two effects are equal and opposite such that the accounting equation will always prove correct:

$$\text{ASSETS} - \text{LIABILITIES} = \text{CAPITAL}$$

- Traditionally, one effect is referred to as the debit side (abbreviated to Dr) and the other as the credit side of the entry (abbreviated to Cr).

2 Ledger accounts, debits and credits

- Transactions are recorded in the relevant ledger accounts. There is a ledger account for each asset, liability, revenue and expense item.
- Each account has two sides – the debit and credit sides:

Debit (Dr)	Name of account e.g. cash, sales	Credit (Cr)
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Date	Narrative	\$	Date	Narrative	\$
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- The duality concept means that each transaction will affect two ledger accounts.
- One account will be debited and the other credited.
- Whether an entry is to the debit or credit side of an account depends on the type of account and the transaction:

Debit	Credit
Increase in: Expense (Income statement) Asset (Statement of financial position)	Increase in: Liability (Statement of financial position)
Income (Income statement)	
Drawings (Statement of financial position)	Capital (Statement of financial position)



Summary of steps to record a transaction

- (1) Identify the two items that are affected.
- (2) Consider whether they are being increased or decreased.
- (3) Decide whether each account should be debited or credited.
- (4) Check that a debit entry and a credit entry have been made and they are both for the same amount.

Recording cash transactions

Cash transactions are those where payment is made or received immediately.

Cheque payments or receipts are classed as cash transactions

Double entry involves the bank ledger:

- a debit entry is where funds are received
- a credit entry is where funds are paid out.



Test your understanding 1

Recording cash transactions

Show the following transactions in ledger accounts: (Tip: the ledger accounts you need are Bank, Rent, Drawings, and Sales)

- (1) Kamran pays \$80 for rent by cheque.
- (2) Kamran sells goods for \$230 cash which he banks.
- (3) He then takes \$70 out of the business for his personal living expenses.
- (4) Kamran sells more goods for cash, receiving \$3,400.



Test your understanding 2

Yusuf enters into the following transactions in his first month of trading:

- (1) Buys goods for cash for \$380.
- (2) Pays \$20 in sundry expenses.
- (3) Makes \$1,000 in sales.
- (4) Receives a bank loan of \$5,000.
- (5) Pays \$2,600 for fixtures and fittings.

What is the total entry to the credit side of the cash T account?

- A \$6,000
- B \$6,380
- C \$3,000
- D \$2,620

Recording credit sales and purchases

Credit sales and purchases are transactions where goods or services change hands immediately, but payment is not made or received until some time in the future.

Money that a business is owed is accounted for in the receivables ledger.

Money that a business owes is accounted for in the payables ledger.



Test your understanding 3

Norris notes down the following transactions that happened in June.

- (1) Sell goods for cash for \$60.
- (2) Pay insurance premium by cheque – \$400.
- (3) Sell goods for \$250 – the customer will pay in a month.
- (4) Pay \$50 petrol for the delivery van.
- (5) Buy \$170 goods for resale on credit.
- (6) Take \$57 out of the business for living expenses.
- (7) Buy another \$40 goods for resale, paying cash.
- (8) Buy a new computer for the business for \$800.

Record these transactions using ledger accounts



Test your understanding 4

For each of the following individual transactions state the two ledger accounts affected, and whether the ledger account should be debited or credited:

- (1) Ole purchases goods for \$5,000, and pays by cheque.
- (2) Ole makes a sale to a customer for \$500. The customer pays in 30 days' time.
- (3) Ole pays a telephone bill amounting to \$40, and pays by cheque.
- (4) Ole receives bank interest income of \$150.
- (5) Ole purchases stationery for \$12 and pays cash.
- (6) Ole makes a sale to a customer for \$400. The customer pays cash.

3 Recording sales and purchases returns

- It is normal for customers to return unwanted goods to a business; equally the business will occasionally have cause to return unwanted goods to their supplier.

- The double entries arising will depend upon whether the returned goods were initially purchased on credit:

	Originally a credit transaction	Originally a cash transaction
Sales returns (returns inwards)	Dr Sales returns Cr Receivables	Dr Sales returns Cr Cash
Purchases returns (returns outwards)	Dr Payables Cr Purchases returns	Dr Cash Cr Purchases returns



Test your understanding 5

For each of the following, state the double entry required to record the transaction in the accounts:

- (1) Alfie invests \$10,000 of his life savings into his business bank account.
- (2) He then buys goods from Isabel, a supplier for \$1,000 and pays by cheque.
- (3) A sale is made for \$400 – the customer pays by cheque.
- (4) Alfie makes a sale for \$600 and the customer promises to pay in the future.
- (5) Alfie then buys goods from his supplier, Kamen, for \$500 on credit.
- (6) Alfie pays a telephone bill of \$150 by cheque.
- (7) The credit customer pays the balance on her account.
- (8) Alfie pays Kamen \$340.
- (9) Bank interest of \$30 is received.
- (10) A cash customer returned \$20 goods to Alfie for a refund.
- (11) Alfie sent goods of \$100 back to Kamen.

4 Accounting for discounts

Discounts may be given in the case of credit transactions for prompt payment:

- A business may give its customer a discount – known as **Discount allowed**.
- A business may receive a discount from a supplier – known as **Discount received**.

The correct double entries are:

Discount allowed

Dr Discount allowed (expense)	X
Cr Receivables	X

The expense is shown beneath gross profit in the income statement, alongside other expenses of the business.

Discount received

Dr Payables	X
Cr Discount received (income)	X

The income is shown beneath gross profit in the income statement.

Test your understanding 6

George owes a supplier, Herbie, \$2,000 and is owed \$3,400 by a customer, Iris. George offers a cash discount to his customers of 2.5% if they pay within 14 days and Herbie has offered George a cash discount of 3% for payment within ten days.

George pays Herbie within ten days and Iris takes advantage of the cash discount offered to her.

What ledger entries are required to record these discounts?

A	Dr Payables	60	Dr Discount allowed	85
	Cr Discount received	60	Cr Receivables	85
B	Dr Discount allowed	60	Dr Payables	85
	Cr Receivables	60	Cr Discount received	85
C	Dr Payables	50	Dr Discount allowed	102
	Cr Discount received	50	Cr Receivables	102
D	Dr Discount allowed	50	Dr Payables	102
	Cr Receivables	50	Cr Discount received	102

5 Balancing off a statement of financial position ledger account

Once the transactions for a period have been recorded, it will be necessary to find the balance on the ledger account:

- (1) Total both sides of the T account and find the larger total.
- (2) Put the larger total in the total box on the debit and credit side.

- (3) Insert a balancing figure to the side of the T account which does not currently add up to the amount in the total box. Call this balancing figure 'balance c/f' (carried forward) or 'balance c/d' (carried down).
- (4) Carry the balance down diagonally and call it 'balance b/f' (brought forward) or 'balance b/d' (brought down).



Test your understanding 7

Balance off the following account:

Cash			
	\$		\$
Capital	10,000	Purchases	200
Sales	250	Rent	150
		Electricity	75



Test your understanding 8

Balance off the following account:

Bank			
	\$		\$
Capital	10,000	Purchases	1,000
Sales	300	Rent	2,500
		Electricity	750
		New van	15,000

6 The trial balance

- Once all ledger accounts have been balanced off a trial balance is prepared.
- A trial balance is a list of the 'balance b/f' on the ledger accounts according to whether they are on the debit or credit side. Trial balance as at 31 December 2005

Trial balance as at 31 December 2005

Name of account	Dr \$	Cr \$
Sales		X
Purchases	X	
Receivables		
Payables		X
Capital		X
	<hr/>	<hr/>
	X	X

What does the trial balance prove?

The trial balance will balance if for every debit entry made, an equal credit entry was made and the balances were correctly extracted and cast (added up!).

- The purpose of a trial balance is:
- to check that for every debit entry made, an equal credit entry has been made.
- as a first step in preparing the financial statements.

Note that a number of adjustments will be made after the trial balance is extracted. These adjustments do not therefore appear in the trial balance.

7 Closing off the ledger accounts

At the year end, the ledger accounts must be closed off in preparation for the recording of transactions in the next accounting period.

Statement of financial position ledger accounts

- Assets/liabilities at the end of a period = Assets/liabilities at start of the next period, e.g. the cash at bank at the end of one day will be the cash at bank at the start of the following day.
- Balancing the account will result in:
 - a balance c/f (being the asset/liability at the end of the accounting period)
 - a balance b/f (being the asset/liability at the start of the next accounting period).

7.2 Income statement ledger accounts

- At the end of a period any amounts that relate to that period are transferred out of the income and expenditure accounts into another ledger account called the income statement.
- This is done by closing the account.
- Do not show a balance c/f or balance b/f but instead put the balancing figure on the smallest side and label it 'income statement'.

Capital account

- At the start of the next accounting period the capital account will have an opening balance, i.e. a balance b/f equal to the amount that is owed to the owner at the start of that period.
- This amount is equal to what was owed to the owner at the start of the previous period, plus any capital that the owner introduced in the period, plus any profits earned in the period less any drawings taken out in the period.
- Therefore we transfer the balance on the income statement and the balance on the drawings account to the capital account at the end of the period so that it will have the correct opening balance at the start of the next.

Capital			
	\$		\$
		Balance b/f	X
Loss for year	X	Profit for year	X
Drawings	X	Cash injections	X
Balance c/f	X		
	-----		-----
	X		X
	-----		-----
		Balance b/f	X



Test your understanding 9

Oddjob had \$7,800 capital invested in his business at the start of the year. During the course of the year he took \$3,100 cash out of the business and also paid his wife, who did some secretarial work for him, \$500. The business' profit for the year was \$8,900. Oddjob also paid \$350 for a new suit using the business cheque book during the year.

What is the balance on the capital account at the end of the year?

- A \$12,750
- B \$13,250
- C \$13,600
- D \$13,100

8 Opening balances in the ledger accounts

- If a business has been in operation in the previous year, then at the beginning of any accounting period it will have assets and liabilities such as cash and non-current assets.
- Any opening amounts are shown in statement of financial position ledger accounts as opening balances.
- The opening balance on an asset account is a debit entry.
- The opening balance on a liability account is a credit entry.
- Transactions during the year are then entered as normal in the ledger account, and at the year end it is balanced off taking into account the opening balance.

Note: Income statement ledger accounts do not have an opening balance.

Test your understanding 10

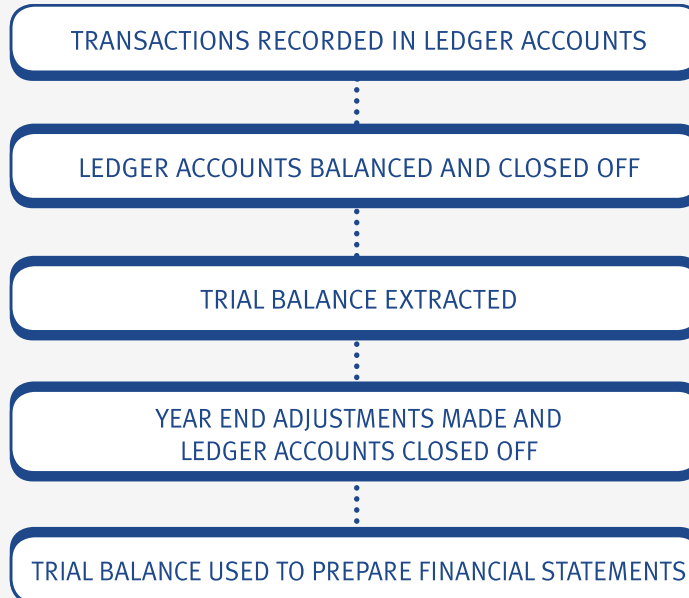
Johnny had receivables of \$4,500 at the start of 20X5. During the year to 31 December 20X5 he makes credit sales of \$45,000 and receives cash of \$46,500 from credit customers.

What is the balance on the receivables account at 31 December 20X5?

- A \$6,000Dr
- B \$6,000Cr
- C \$3,000Dr
- D \$3,000Cr

9 Preparation of financial statements

The process seen thus far is as follows:



Examination questions may draw on any particular stage of this process.



Test your understanding 11

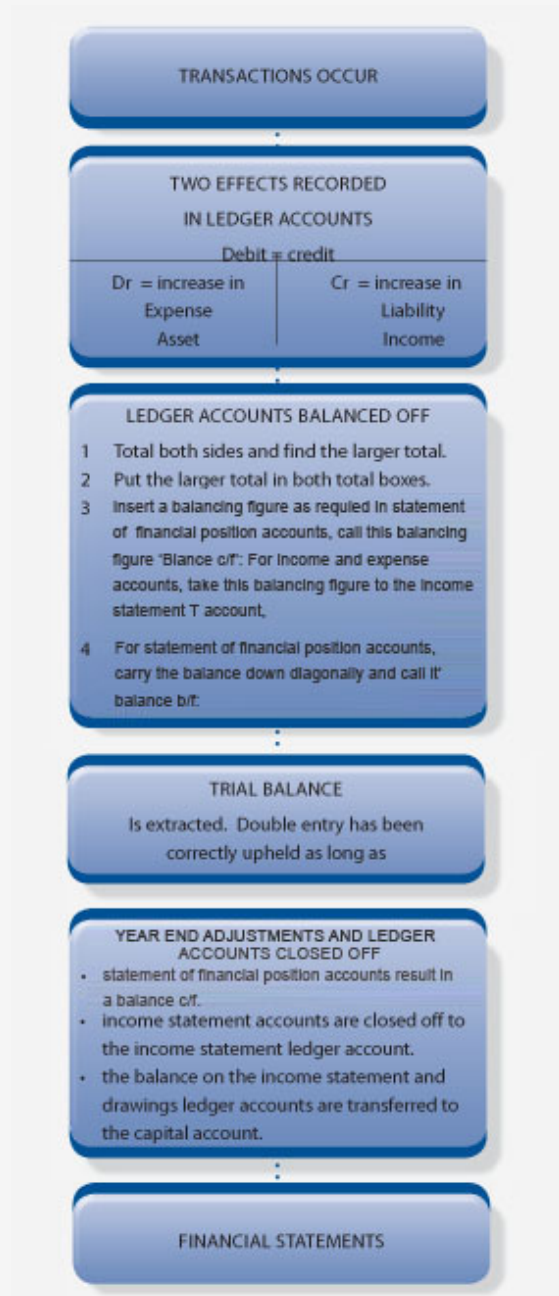
Matthew set up a business and in the first nine days of trading the following transactions occurred:

- | | |
|------------------------|---|
| (1) January
Matthew | introduces \$10,000 capital by cheque. |
| (2) January
Matthew | buys supplies worth \$4,000 and pays by cheque. |
| (3) January
Matthew | buys a delivery van for \$2,000 and pays by cheque. |
| (4) January
Matthew | buys \$1,000 of purchases on credit. |
| (5) January
Matthew | sells goods for \$1,500 and receives a cheque of that amount. |
| (6) January
Matthew | sells all his remaining goods for \$5,000 on credit. |
| (7) January
Matthew | pays \$800 to his supplier by cheque. |
| (8) January
Matthew | pays rent of \$200 by cheque. |
| (9) January
Matthew | draws \$100 for living expenses from the business bank account. |

Required:

- (a) Complete the relevant ledger accounts.
- (b) Extract a trial balance.
- (c) Prepare the income statement for the first nine days.
- (d) Prepare the Statement of financial position as at 9 January.

Chapter summary



Test your understanding answers

Test your understanding 1

Bank	
\$	\$
Sales (2) 230	Rent (1) 80
Sales (4) 3,400	Drawings (3) 70
Sales	
\$	\$
	Bank (2) 230
	Bank (4) 3,400
Rent	
\$	\$
Bank (1) 80	
Drawings	
\$	\$
Bank (3) 70	

Test your understanding 2

The correct answer is C

Cash	
\$	\$
Sales 1,000	Purchases 380
Loan 5,000	Sundry expenses 20
	Fixtures and fittings 2,600



Test your understanding 3

Bank	
	\$
Sales (1) 60	Insurance (2) 400
	Motor expenses (4) 50
	Drawings (6) 57
	Purchases (7) 40
	Non-current assets (8) 800
	\$
Sales	
	\$
	Bank (1) 60
	Receivables (3) 250
	\$
Insurance (expense)	
	\$
Bank (2) 400	
	\$
Receivables	
	\$
Sales (3) 250	
	\$
Motor expenses	
	\$
Bank (4) 50	
	\$
Purchases	
	\$
Payables (5) 170	
Cash (7) 40	
	\$
Payables	
	\$
	Purchases (5) 170
	\$

Drawings			
	\$		\$
Bank (6)	57		
Non-current asset (computer)			
	\$		\$
Bank (8)	800		


Test your understanding 4

			\$	\$
1	Dr	Purchases	5,000	
	Cr	Bank		5,000
2	Dr	Receivables	500	
	Cr	Sales		500
3	Dr	Telephone expense	40	
	Cr	Bank		40
4	Dr	Bank	150	
	Cr	Interest income		150
5	Dr	Stationery expense	12	
	Cr	Cash		12
6	Dr	Cash	400	
	Cr	Sales		400



Test your understanding 5

			\$	\$
1	Dr	Bank	10,000	
	Cr	Capital		10,000
2	Dr	Purchases	1,000	
	Cr	Bank		1,000
3	Dr	Bank	400	
	Cr	Sales		400
4	Dr	Receivables	600	
	Cr	Sales		600
5	Dr	Purchases	500	
	Cr	Payables		500
6	Dr	Telephone expense	150	
	Cr	Bank		150
7	Dr	Bank	600	
	Cr	Receivables		600
8	Dr	Payables	340	
	Cr	Bank		340
9	Dr	Bank	30	
	Cr	Interest income		30
10	Dr	Sales returns	20	
	Cr	Bank		20
11	Dr	Payables	100	
	Cr	Purchases returns		100


Test your understanding 6

The correct answer is A

Payables

\$		\$	
Cash (97% x 2,000)	1,940	Balance b/f	2,000
Discount received	60		
	<u>2,000</u>		<u>2,000</u>

Receivables

\$		\$	
Balance b/f	3,400	Cash (97.5% x 3,400)	3,315
		Discount allowed	85
	<u>3,400</u>		<u>3,400</u>

Discount received

\$		\$	
		Payables	60

Discount allowed

\$		\$	
Receivables	85		



Test your understanding 7

Cash			
	\$		\$
Capital	10,000	Purchases	200
Sales	250	Rent	150
		Electricity	75
		Balance c/f	9,825
	<hr/> 10,250		<hr/> 10,250
Balance b/f	<hr/> 9,825		



Test your understanding 8

Bank			
	\$		\$
Capital	10,000	Purchases	1,000
Sales	300	Rent	2,500
		Electricity	750
Balance c/f	8,950	New van	15,000
	<hr/> 19,250		<hr/> 19,250
		Balance b/f	<hr/> 8,950



Test your understanding 9

The correct answer is B.

Capital			
	\$		\$
Drawings	3,100	Balance b/f	7,800
Drawings (suit)	350	Profit for the year	8,900
Balance c/f	13,250		
	16,700		16,700
	13,250	Balance b/f	13,250



Test your understanding 10

The correct answer is C.

Receivables			
	\$		\$
Balance b/f	4,500	Cash received	46,500
Sales	45,000	Balance c/f	3,000
	49,500		49,500
Balance b/f	3,000		



Test your understanding 11

Bank

		\$			\$
(a) 1 Jan	Capital	10,000	2 Jan	Purchases	4,000
5 Jan	Sales	1,500	3 Jan	Delivery van	2,000
			7 Jan	Payables	800
			8 Jan	Rent	200
			9 Jan	Drawings	100
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				Balance c/f	4,400
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		11,500			
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	Balance b/f	4,400			

Capital

		\$			\$
	Balance c/f	10,000	1 Jan	Bank	10,000
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		10,000			10,000
		<hr/>			<hr/>
				Balance b/f	

Purchases

		\$			\$
2 Jan	Bank	4,000	2 Jan	Balance c/f	5,000
4Jan	Payables	1,000			<hr/>
		<hr/>			5,000
		5,000			<hr/>
		<hr/>			
	Balance b/f	5,000			

Delivery van					
		\$			\$
3 Jan	Bank	2,000	Balance c/f		5,000
		2,000			5,000
	Balance b/f	2,000			
Payables					
		\$			\$
7 Jan	Bank	800	4 Jan	Purchases	1,000
		200			1,000
	Balance c/f	1,000			1,000
				Balance b/f	2,00
Sales					
		\$			\$
	Balance c/f	6,500	5 Jan	Bank	1,500
		6,500	6 Jan	Receivables	5,000
					6,500
				Balance b/f	6,500
Receivables					
		\$			\$
7 Jan	Sales	5,000	Balance c/f		5,000
		5,000			5,000
	Balance b/f	5,000			
Rent					
		\$			\$
8 Jan	Bank	200	Balance c/f		200
		200			200
	Balance b/f	200			

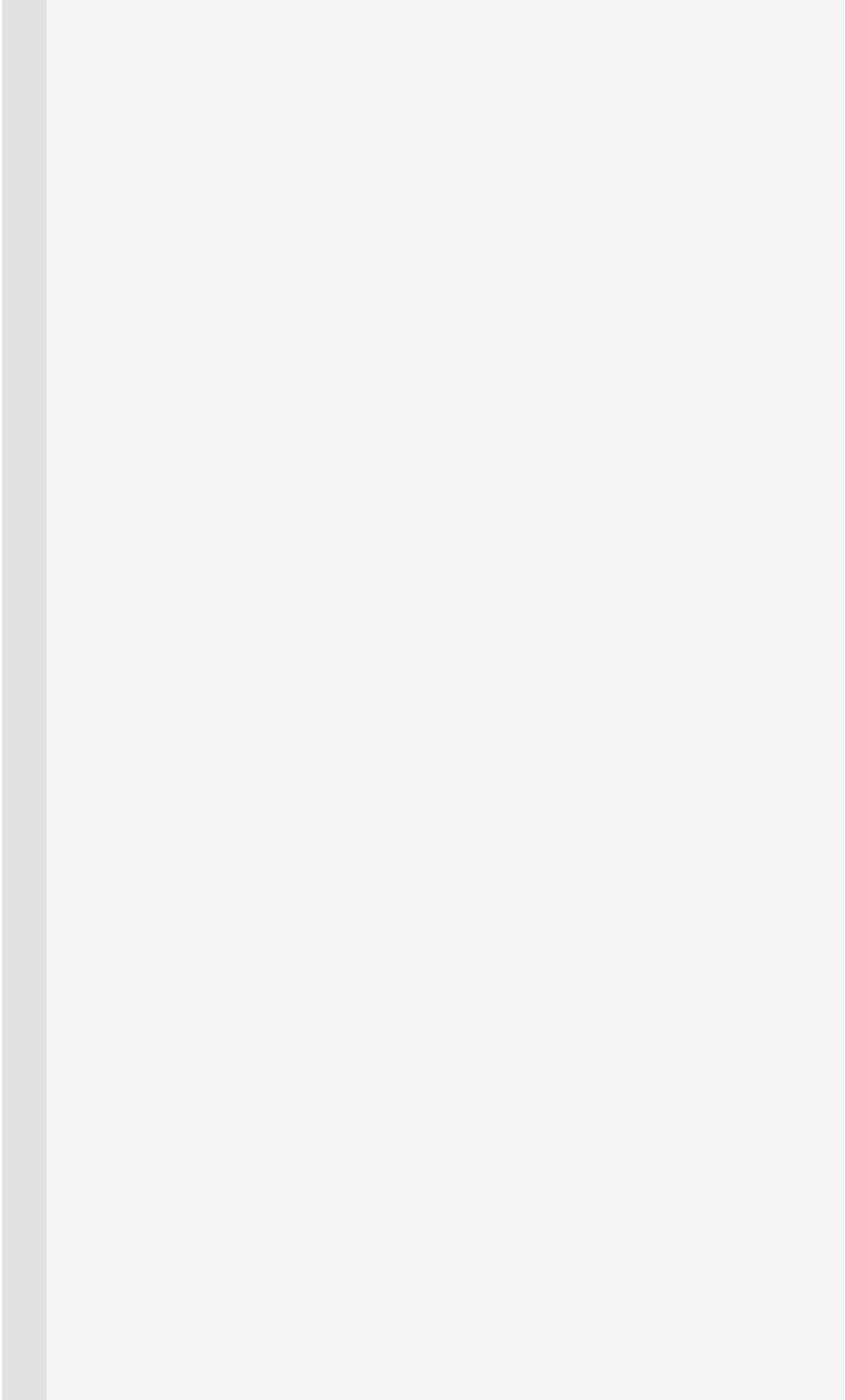
Drawings				
		\$	\$	
9 Jan	Bank	100	Balance c/f	100
		<u>100</u>		<u>100</u>
	Balance b/f	<u>100</u>		

Trial balance as at 9 January			
		Dr	Cr
		\$	\$
Bank		4,400	
Capital			10,000
Purchases		5,000	
Delivery van		2,000	
Payables			200
Sales			6,500
Receivables		5,000	
Rent		200	
Drawings		100	

Income statement for the period ended 9 January			
		\$	\$
Sales			6,500
Opening inventory		-	
Purchases		5,000	
Closing inventory		-	
		<u>5,000</u>	
Gross profit			1,500
Expenses			
Rent			200
			<u>1,300</u>
Net profit			<u>1,300</u>

Statement of financial position as at 9 January

	\$	\$
Non current assets		
Delivery van		2,000
Current assets		
Inventory	-	
Receivables	5,000	
Bank	4,400	
	9,400	
		11,400
Capital		10,000
Profit		1,300
Drawings		(100)
		11,200
Current liabilities		
Payables		200
		11,400
		11,400

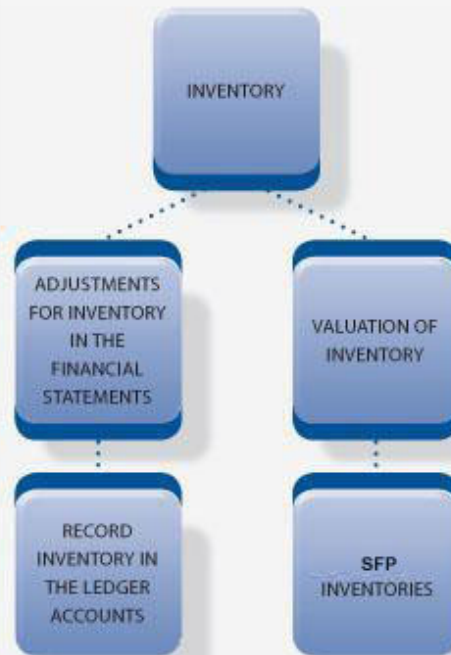


Inventory

Chapter learning objectives

Upon completion of this chapter you will be able to:

- explain the need for adjustments for inventory in preparing financial statements
- illustrate income statements with opening and closing inventory
- explain and demonstrate how opening and closing inventory are recorded in the inventory account
- explain the IAS 2 requirements regarding the valuation of closing inventory
- define the cost and net realisable value of closing inventory
- discuss alternative methods of valuing inventory
- explain and demonstrate how to calculate the value of closing inventory from given movements in inventory levels, using FIFO (first in first out) and AVCO (average cost)
- assess the effect of using either FIFO or AVCO on both profit and asset value
- explain the IASB requirements for inventories
- explain the use of continuous and period-end inventory records.



1 Adjustments for inventory in the financial statements

- In order to be able to prepare a set of financial statements, inventory must be accounted for at the end of the period.
- Opening inventory must be included in cost of sales as these goods are available for sale along with purchases during the year.
- Closing inventory must be deducted from cost of sales as these goods are held at the period end and have not been sold.



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Illustration 1– Adjustments for inventory

Peter buys and sells washing machines. He has been trading for many years. On 1 January 20X7, his opening inventory is 30 washing machines which cost \$9,500. He purchased 65 machines in the year amounting to \$150,000 and on 31 December 20X7 he has 25 washing machines left in inventory with a cost of \$7,500. Peter has sold 70 machines with a sales value of \$215,000 in the year.

Calculate the gross profit for the year ended 31 December 20X7.



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2 Recording inventory in the ledger accounts

- Inventory is only recorded in the ledger accounts at the end of the accounting period.
- In the inventory ledger account the opening inventory will be the brought forward balance from the previous period. This must be transferred to the income statement ledger account with the following entry:

Dr Income statement (Ledger account)

Cr Inventory (Ledger account).

- The closing inventory is entered into the ledger accounts with the following entry:

Dr Inventory (Ledger account)

Cr Income statement (Ledger account).

- Once these entries have been completed, the income statement ledger account contains both opening and closing inventory and the inventory ledger account shows the closing inventory for the period to be shown in the statement of financial position.

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Illustration 2 – Recording inventory in the ledger accounts

Continuing from previous Illustration, we will now see how the ledger accounts for inventory are prepared.

We will look at the ledger accounts at the following times:

- Immediately before extracting a trial balance at 31 December 20X7.
- Immediately after the year-end adjustments and closing off of the ledger accounts.

(a) Ledger accounts before extracting a trial balance

Inventory		
20X7	\$	\$
1 Jan Balance b/f	9,500	

The inventory is an asset and therefore is a debit entry in the inventory account.

Purchases			
20X7	\$		\$
Various suppliers	150,000		
Sales revenue			
	\$	20X7	\$
		Various customers	215,000

- The balance of \$9,500 in inventory account originated from last year's statement of financial position when it appeared as closing inventory. This figure remains unchanged in the inventory account until the very end of the year when closing inventory at 31 December 20X7 is considered.
- The closing inventory figure is not usually provided to us until after we have extracted the trial balance at 31 December 20X7.
- The purchases and sales figures have been built up over the year and represent the year's accumulated transactions.
- The trial balance will include opening inventory, purchases and sales revenue in respect of the inventory transactions.

(b) Ledger accounts reflecting the closing inventory

- Closing inventory for accounting purposes has been valued at \$7,500.

Step 1

The income statement forms part of the double entry. At the year end the accumulated totals from the sales and purchases accounts must be transferred to it using the following journal entries:

Dr Sales revenue	\$215,000
Cr Income statement	\$215,000
Dr Income statement	\$150,000
Cr Purchases	\$150,000

These transfers are shown in the ledger accounts below.

Step 2

The opening inventory figure (\$9,500) must also be transferred to the income statement account in order to arrive at cost of sales.

Dr Income statement \$9,500 Cr Inventory \$9,500

Step 3

The income statement cannot be completed (and hence gross profit calculated) until the closing inventory is included.

Dr Inventory \$7,500 Cr Income statement \$7,500

After summarising and balancing off, the ledger then becomes:

Inventory			
20X7	\$	20X7	\$
1 Jan Balance b/f	9,500	31 Dec Income statement	9,500
31 Dec Income statement	7,500	31 Dec Balance c/f	7,500
	17,000		17,000
20X8			
1 Jan Balance b/f	7,500		
Purchases			
20X7	\$	20X7	\$
Various dates		31 Dec	
Payables	150,000	Income statement	150,000
Sales revenue			
20X7	\$	20X7	\$
31 Dec		Various dates	
Income statement	215,000	Receivables	215,000

Income statement ('T' account form)			
20X7	\$	20X7	\$
31 Dec		31 Dec	
Purchases	150,000	Sales revenue	215,000
Inventory	9,500	Inventory	7,500
Gross profit c/f	63,000		
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	222,500		222,500
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		Gross profit b/f	63,000



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Test your understanding 1

The trading position of a simple cash-based business for its first week of trading was as follows:

	\$
Capital introduced by the owner	1,000
Purchases for cash	800
Sales for cash	900

At the end of the week there were goods which had cost \$300 left in inventory.

Write up the ledger accounts for the first week, including the income statement, and then prepare a vertical income statement together with a statement of financial position at the end of the first week.



Test your understanding 2

The business described in Test your understanding 1 now continues into its second week. Its transactions are as follows:

	\$	
Sales for cash		1,000
Purchases for cash		1,100

The goods left in inventory at the end of this second week originally cost \$500.

Write up the ledger accounts for the second week, including the income statement, and then prepare a vertical income statement together with a statement of financial position at the end of the second week.

3 Drawings of inventory

It is not unusual for a sole trader to take inventory from their business for their own use. This type of transaction is a form of drawings.

The correct double entry to account for such drawings is:

Dr Drawings	cost of inventory taken
Cr Cost of sales	cost of inventory taken

The credit entry ensures that the cost of inventory taken is not included as part of the cost of inventory sold in the income statement.

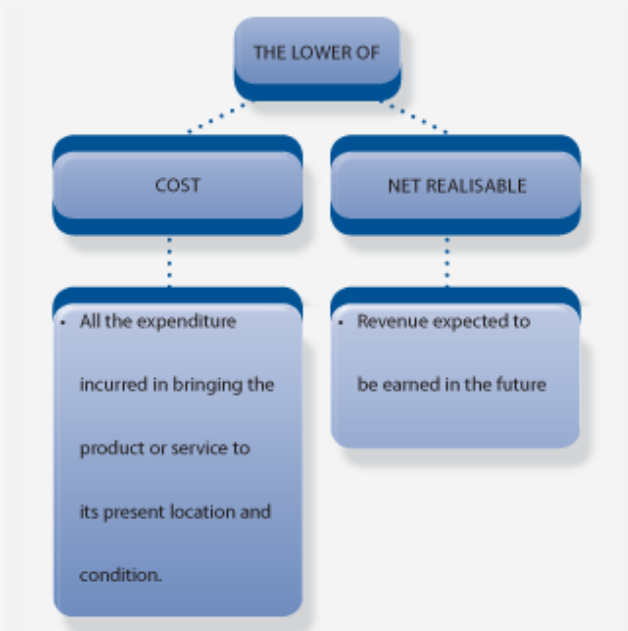
4 Valuation of inventory

Inventory consists of:

- goods purchased for resale
- consumable stores (such as oil)
- raw materials and components (used in the production process)
- partly-finished goods (usually called **work in progress – WIP**)
- finished goods (which have been manufactured by the business).



Inventory is included in the statement of financial position at:



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Test your understanding 3

Cole's business sells three products X, Y and Z. The following information was available at the year end:

	X	Y	Z
	\$	\$	\$
Cost	7	10	19
Net realisable value (NRV)	10	8	15
Units	100	200	300

What is the value of the closing inventory?

- A \$8,400
- B \$6,800
- C \$7,100
- D \$7,200

**Test your understanding 4**

In what circumstances might the NRV of inventories be lower than their cost?

5 Methods of calculating cost of inventory

Method	Key points	
Unit cost	This is the actual cost of purchasing identifiable units of inventory.	Only used when items of inventory are individually distinguishable and of high value
FIFO – first in first out	For costing purposes, the first items of inventory received are assumed to be the first ones sold.	The cost of closing inventory is the cost of the younger inventory.
AVCO – Average cost	The cost of an item of inventory is calculated by taking the average of all inventory held.	The average cost can be calculated periodically or continuously.

**Expandable text****Test your understanding 5**

Sam started her business on 1 January and provides details of the following transactions:

Purchases

- (1) January 5 units at \$4/unit
- (2) January 5 units at \$5/unit
- (3) January 5 units at \$5.50/unit

She then sold 7 units for \$10/unit on 5 January.

- (a) Calculate the value of the closing inventory at the end of the first week of trading using the FIFO and the AVCO methods.
- (b) Prepare the income statement for the first week of trading under both FIFO and AVCO.



Test your understanding 6

A business commenced on 1 January and purchases are made as follows:

Month	No of units	Unit price \$	Value \$
Jan	380	2.00	760
Feb	400	2.50	1,000
Mar	350	2.50	875
Apr	420	2.75	1,155
May	430	3.00	1,290
Jun	440	3.25	1,430
	2,420		6,510

In June, 1,420 articles were sold for \$7,000.

What is the cost of closing inventory and gross profit for the period using the FIFO method:

	Closing inventory \$	Gross profit \$
A	2,690	3,180
B	2,310	2,800
C	3,077	3,567



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6 IAS 2 Inventories

The key requirements of IAS 2 Inventories are:

- Inventories are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.
- Cost includes costs of purchase, costs of conversion and other costs incurred in bringing the inventory to its present location and condition.
- Costs which must be excluded from the cost of inventory are:
 - selling costs
 - storage costs
 - abnormal waste of materials, labour or other costs
 - administrative overheads.

- Cost should be unit cost (if identifiable), FIFO or AVCO.
- Disclosures must be made about the accounting policy for inventory and classification of inventory included in the financial statements.

Keeping inventory records

A business may choose to keep inventory records on a continuous basis throughout the year or only count inventory at the period end.



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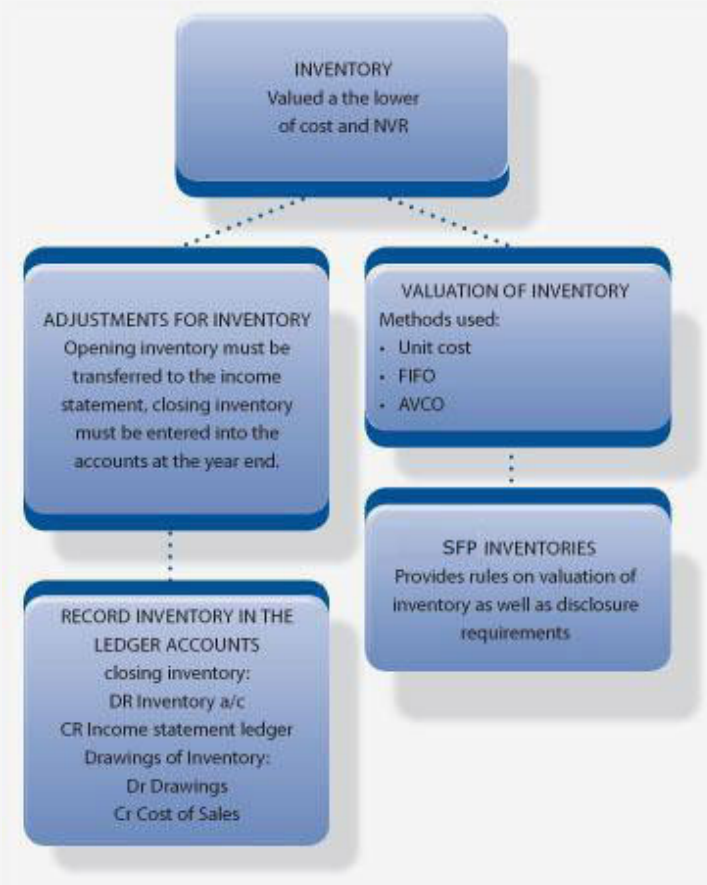
Test your understanding 7

IAS 2 Inventories defines the items that may be included in computing the value of an inventory of finished goods manufactured by a business.

Which one of the following lists consists only of items which may be included in the statement of financial position value of such inventories according to IAS 2?

- A Foreman's wages, carriage inwards, carriage outwards, raw materials.
- B Raw materials, carriage inwards, costs of storage of finished goods, plant depreciation.
- C Plant depreciation, carriage inwards, raw materials, foreman's wages.
- D Carriage outwards, raw materials, foreman's wages, plant depreciation.

Chapter summary



Test your understanding answers



Test your understanding 1

First, the transactions are entered into the ledger accounts, and the accounts are balanced. Revenue and purchases are then transferred to the income statement ledger account.

Capital			
	\$		\$
		Cash	1,000
Cash			
	\$		\$
Capital	1,000	Purchases	800
Sales revenue	900	Balance c/f	1,100
	1,900		1,900
Balance b/f	1,100		
Sales revenue			
	\$		\$
Income statement	900	Cash	900
Purchases			
	\$		\$
Cash	800	Income statement	800

Next, the closing inventory must be accounted for in the inventory account and the income statement account. There is no opening inventory as this is the first week of trading for the business.

Inventory			
	\$		\$
Income statement	300	Cash	1,000

Income statement			
	\$		\$
Purchases	800	Sales revenue	900
Gross profit c/f	400	Closing inventory	300
	1,200		1,200
		Gross profit b/f	400
Sales revenue			
	\$		\$
Income statement	900	Cash	900
Purchases			
	\$		\$
Cash	800	Income statement	800

The income statement is prepared in the vertical format by rearranging the income statement ledger account.

Cash			
	\$		\$
Balance b/f	1,100	Purchases	1,100
Sales revenue	1,000	Balance c/f	1,000
	2,100		2,100
Balance b/f	1,000		

The statement of financial position is prepared by listing the balances brought down from the ledger accounts

Statement of financial position as at Week 1

Inventory	300
Cash	1,100
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	1,400
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Capital	1,000
Profit for the week	400
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	1,400
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Statement of financial position as at Week 1

Inventory	300
Cash	1,100
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	1,400
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Capital	1,000
Profit for the week	400
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	1,400
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**Test your understanding 2**

First, the ledger accounts must be written up. You must remember that there are opening balances on the statement of financial position accounts (cash and capital) but the income statement accounts have no opening balances as they were transferred to the income statement in Week 1.

Cash			
	\$		\$
Sales revenue			900
Cost of goods sold:			
Purchases		800	
Less: Closing inventory		(300)	
		(500)	
Gross profit			400
Sales revenue			
	\$		\$
Income statement	1,000	Cash	1,000
Purchase			
	\$		\$
Cash	1,100	Income statement	1,100
Income statement			
	\$		\$
Purchases	1,100	Sales revenue	1,000

The opening inventory must be transferred to the income statement, and the closing inventory entered into the ledger accounts (inventory and income statement) leaving the balance carried forward which will be included in the statement of financial position.

Inventory			
	\$		\$
Balance b/f	300	Income statement	300
Income statement	500		

Income statement

	\$		\$
Purchases	1,100	Sales revenue	1,000
Opening inventory	300	Closing inventory	500
Gross profit c/f	100		
	1,500		1,500
		Gross profit b/f	100

Income statement for week 2

	\$	\$
Sales revenue		1,000
Cost of goods sold:		
Opening inventory	300	
Purchases	1,100	
	1,400	
Less: Closing inventory	(500)	
		(900)
Gross profit		100

Statement of financial position as at week 2

	\$
Inventory	500
Cash	1,000
	1,500
Capital at start of Week 2	1,400
Profit for Week 2	100
	1,500



Test your understanding 3

The correct answer is B

X	\$7	(cost) x 100	=	\$700
Y	\$8	(NRV) x 200	=	\$1,600
Z	\$15	(NRV) x 300	=	\$4,500
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Total				\$6,800



Test your understanding 4

NRV may be relevant in special cases, such as where goods are slow-moving, damaged or obsolete. However, most items of inventory will be stated at cost.



Test your understanding 5

Units purchased $(5 \times 3) = 15$

Units sold = 7

Closing inventory = 8

(a) FIFO

3 units @ \$5 = \$15.00

5 units @ \$5.50 = \$27.50

\$42.50

AVCO Average cost per unit: $((5 \times \$4) + (5 \times \$5) + (5 \times \$5.50))/15 = \4.83

Closing inventory = $8 \times \$4.83 = \38.64

(b) FIFO

	\$	\$
Sales (7 x \$10)		70
Cost of sales		
Purchases (5 x \$4) + (5 x \$5) + (5 x \$5.50)	72.50	
Less: Closing inventory	(42.50)	
	<hr/>	(30)
Profit		<hr/> 40
	\$	\$
Sales (7 x \$10)		70
Cost of sales		
Purchases (5 x \$4) + (5 x \$5) + (5 x \$5.50)	72.50	
Less: Closing inventory	(38.64)	
	<hr/>	(33.86)
Profit		<hr/> 36.14



Test your understanding 6

- The correct answer is C
- Inventory valuation (inventory in hand 2,420 – 1,420 = 1,000 units)
- FIFO – inventory valued at latest purchase prices

		\$
440	articles at \$3.25	1,430
430	articles at \$3.00	1,290
130	articles at \$2.75	357
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1,000		3,077

Calculation of gross profit:

	\$	\$
Sales revenue		7,000
Purchases	6,510	
Less:		
Closing inventory	(3,077)	
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Cost of goods sold		(3,433)
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Gross profit		3,567



Test your understanding 7

The correct answer is C

The other three answers contain items which cannot be included in inventory according to IAS 2.

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Sales tax

Chapter learning objectives

Upon completion of this chapter you will be able to:

- explain the general principles of the operation of a sales tax
- calculate sales tax on transactions correctly
- enter sales tax on sales and purchases into the ledger accounts.



1 Principles of sales tax

- Sales tax is a form of indirect taxation.
- A business that is registered for sales tax is essentially a collection agent for the government.
- Sales tax is charged on purchases (input tax) and sales (output tax).
- Sales tax is excluded from the reported sales and purchases of the business.
- Periodically the business pays the sales tax to the tax authorities.
- If output tax exceeds input tax, the business pays the excess to the tax authorities.
- If input tax exceeds output tax, the business is repaid the excess by the tax authorities.
- Sales tax is sometimes called value added tax (VAT) or goods and services tax.
- Sales tax is charged on most goods and services.

2 Calculation of sales tax

- It is common for a rate of 17.5% sales tax to be charged on the selling price.
- The following is therefore true:

Net selling price (tax exclusive price)	100.0%
Sales tax	17.5%
Gross selling price (tax inclusive price)	117.5%

- The net selling price is the amount that the business wishes to achieve.
- The gross selling price is the price charged to customers.
- The difference is paid to the tax authorities.

**Illustration 1 – Calculation of sales tax**

Calculation of sales tax

Orlando sells the following goods:

- (1) to Bruno at a tax inclusive price of \$470.
- (2) to Cosmo at a tax exclusive price of \$700.

How much sales tax is Orlando collecting on behalf of the government?

**Expandable Text****Test your understanding 1**

Lorenzo purchases goods for \$170,625 (including sales tax) and sells goods for \$230,500 (including sales tax).

What amount of sales tax is ultimately payable to the tax authorities?

- A \$8,918
- B \$14,926
- C \$4,471
- D \$10,479

The sales tax rate is 17.5%.

3 Accounting entries for sales tax

The usual bookkeeping entries for purchases and sales are only slightly amended by sales tax, the main addition being the introduction of a sales tax account, which is a receivable or payable account with the tax authorities.

Sales tax paid on purchases (input tax)

Dr Purchases cost excluding sales tax (net cost)

Dr Sales tax Sales tax

Cr Payables/cash Cost including sales tax (gross cost)

- The purchases account does not include sales tax because it is not an expense – it will be recovered.
- The payables account does include sales tax, as the supplier must be paid the full amount due.

Sales tax charged on sales (output tax)

Dr Receivables/cash sales price including sales tax

(gross selling price)

Cr Sales sales price excluding sales tax

(net selling price)

Cr Sales tax Sales tax

- The sales account does not include sales tax because it is not income – it will have to be paid to the tax authorities.
- The receivables account does include sales tax, as the customer must pay the full amount due.

Payment of sales tax

Dr Sales tax amount paid

Cr Cash amount paid

- If output tax exceeds input tax, a payment must be made to the tax authorities.

Receipt of sales tax

Dr Cash amount received

Cr Sales tax amount received

- If input tax exceeds output tax, there will be a receipt from the tax authorities.

 **Test your understanding 2**

		Net	Sales tax	Total
		\$	\$	\$
Purchases	(all on credit)	180,000	31,500	211,500
Sales	(all on credit)	260,000	45,500	305,500

Record these transactions in the ledger accounts.

 **Test your understanding 3**

Valerie's business is registered for sales tax purposes. During the quarter ending 31 March 20X6, she made the following sales, all of which were subject to sales tax at 17.5%:

\$10,000 excluding sales tax

\$7,402 including sales tax

\$6,745 excluding sales tax

\$11,632 including sales tax.

She also made the following purchases all of which were subject to sales tax at 17.5%:

\$15,000 excluding sales tax

\$12,455 including sales tax

\$11,338 including sales tax

\$9,870 including sales tax.

What is the balance on the sales tax account on 31 March 20X6?

- A \$7,639 Dr
- B \$1,875 Dr
- C \$7,639 Cr
- D \$1,875 Cr

Chapter summary

Principles of sales tax

- It is charged on purchases and sales.
- It is excluded from the reported sales and purchases of the business.
- The business is a collection agent for the government.

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Accounting entries for sales tax

- Sales and purchases ledger accounts are net of sales tax.
- Receivables and payables ledger accounts are inclusive of sales tax as the business collects the sales tax from customers and pays it to suppliers.

Test your understanding answers



Test your understanding 1

The correct answer is A

	\$
Output tax:	
Sales (including sales tax)	230,500
Sales tax (17.5/117.5)	34,330

Input tax:	
Purchases (including sales tax)	170,625
Sales tax (17.5/117.5)	25,412

Payable to tax authorities:	
Output tax – Input tax (34,330 – 25,412)	8,918



Test your understanding 2

Sales

\$	\$
	Receivables
	260,000
	<u>260,000</u>

Note that sales are recorded excluding sales tax, as this is not income for the business.

Purchases

\$	\$
Payables	
180,000	
<u>180,000</u>	

Note that purchases are recorded net of sales tax, as this is not a cost to the business.

Receivables

\$	\$
Sales/Sales tax	
305,500	
<u>305,500</u>	

Receivables are recorded including sales tax (the gross amount) as the customer must pay to the business the cost of the goods plus the sales tax.

Payables

\$	\$
	Purchases/Sales tax
	211,500
	<u>211,500</u>

As with receivables, the payables must be recorded inclusive of sales tax, as the business needs to pay its suppliers the gross amount.

Sales tax account(a personal account with tax authorities)

	\$		\$
Payables	31,500	Receivables	45,500
Balance c/f	14,000		<u>45,500</u>
	<u>45,500</u>		<u>45,500</u>
	<u>45,500</u>	Balance b/f	14,000
			<u>14,000</u>

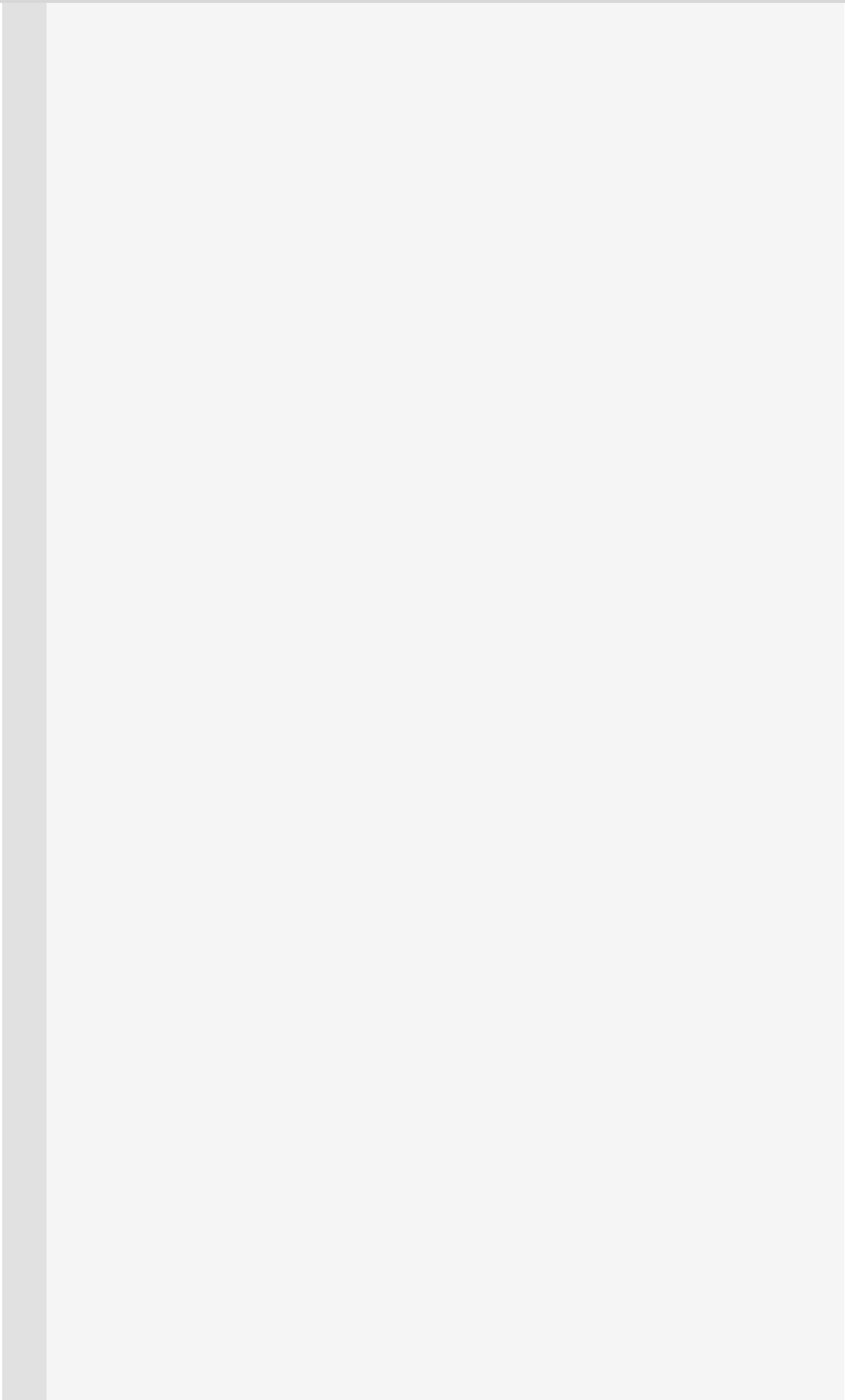
Note: As the balance on the sales tax account represents a normal trade liability it is included in accounts payable on the statement of financial position.

Test your understanding 3

The correct answer is B

Sales tax

Purchases:		\$	Sales:		\$
15,000 x 17.5%		2,625	10,000 x 17.5%		1,750
12,455 x 17.5/117.5		1,855	7,402 x 17.5/117.5		1,102
11,338 x 17.5/117.5		1,689	6,745 x 17.5%		1,180
9,870 x 17.5/117.5		1,470	11,632 x 17.5/117.5		1,732
			Balance b/f		1,875
		<u>7,639</u>			<u>7,639</u>
Balance b/f		<u>1,875</u>			<u>1,875</u>

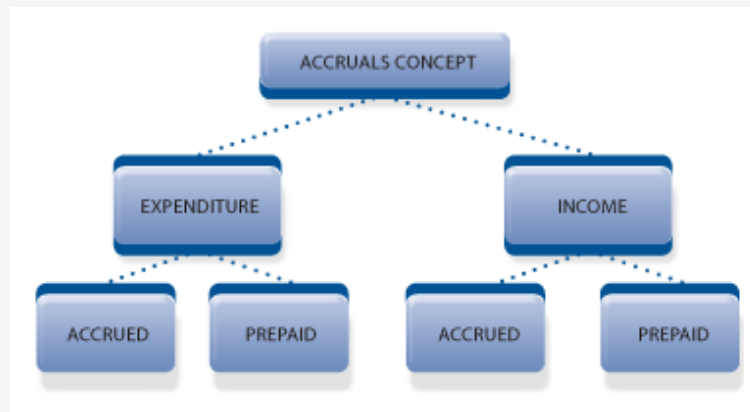


Accruals and prepayments

Chapter learning objectives

Upon completion of this chapter you will be able to:

- explain the need for adjustments for accruals and prepayments in preparing financial statements
- illustrate the process of adjusting for accruals and prepayments in preparing financial statements.



1 Accruals basis of accounting

The accruals basis of accounting means that to calculate the profit for the period, we must include all the income and expenditure relating to the period, whether or not the cash has been received or paid or an invoice received.

Profit is therefore:

Income earned	X
Expenditure incurred	(X)
Profit	<hr style="width: 100%; border: 0.5px solid black; margin-bottom: 5px;"/> X



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2 Accrued expenditure



An accrual arises where expenses of the business, relating to the year, have not been paid by the year end.

In this case, it is necessary to record the extra expense relevant to the year and create a corresponding statement of financial position liability (called an accrual):

Dr Expense account X
 Cr Accrual X

An accrual will therefore reduce profit in the income statement.

**Illustration 1 – Accrued expenditure****Accrued expenditure**

A business' electricity charges amount to \$12,000 pa. In the year to 31 December 20X5, \$9,000 has been paid. The electricity for the final quarter is paid in January 20X6.

What year-end accrual is required and what is the electricity expense for the year?

Show the relevant entries in the ledger accounts.

**Expandable text****Test your understanding 1**

John Simnel's business has an accounting year end of 31 December 20X1. He rents factory space at a rental cost of \$5,000 per quarter, payable in arrears.

During the year to 31 December 20X1 his cash payments of rent have been as follows:

- 31 March (for the quarter to 31 March 20X1) \$5,000
- 29 June (for the quarter to 30 June 20X1) \$5,000
- 2 October (for the quarter to 30 September 20X1) \$5,000

The final payment due on 31 December 20X1 for the quarter to that date was not paid until 4 January 20X2.

Show the ledger accounts required to record the above transactions.

**3 Prepaid expenditure**

A prepayment arises where some of the following year's expenses have been paid in the current year.

In this case, it is necessary to remove that part of the expense which is not relevant to this year and create a corresponding statement of financial position asset (called a prepayment):

Dr Prepayment X

Cr Expense account X

A prepayment will therefore increase profit in the income statement.



Illustration 2– Prepaid expenditure

The annual insurance charge for a business is \$24,000 pa. \$30,000 was paid on 1 January 20X5 in respect of future insurance charges.

What is the year-end prepayment and what is the insurance expense for the year?

Show the relevant entries in the ledger accounts.



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Test your understanding 2

Tubby Wadlow pays the rental expense on his market stall in advance. He starts business on 1 January 20X5 and on that date pays \$1,200 in respect of the first quarter's rent. During his first year of trade he also pays the following amounts:

- 3 March (in respect of the quarter ended 30 June) \$1,200
- 14 June (in respect of the quarter ended 30 September) \$1,200
- 25 September (in respect of the quarter \$1,400
- ended 31 December)
- 13 December (in respect of the first quarter of 20X6) \$1,400

Show these transactions in the rental expense account.

4 Proforma expense T account

Expense

	\$		\$
Balance b/f (opening prepaid expense)	X	Balance b/f (opening accrued expense)	X
Bank (total paid during the year)	X	Income statement (total expense for the year)	X
Balance c/f (closing accrued expense)	X	Balance c/f (closing prepaid expense)	X
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	X		X
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Balance b/f (opening prepaid expense)	X	Balance b/f (opening accrued expense)	X

Test your understanding 3

On 1 January 20X5, Willy Mossop owed \$2,000 in respect of the previous year's electricity. Willy made the following payments during the year ended 31 December 20X5:

- 6 February \$2,800
- 8 May \$3,000
- 5 August \$2,750
- 10 November \$3,100

At 31 December 20X5, Willy calculated that he owed \$1,800 in respect of electricity for the last part of the year.

What is the electricity charge to the income statement?

- A \$1,800
- B \$11,450
- C \$11,650
- D \$13,450

5 Accrued income



Accrued income arises where income has been earned in the accounting period but has not yet been received.

In this case, it is necessary to record the extra income in the income statement and create a corresponding asset in the statement of financial position (called accrued income):

Dr Accrued income (SFP) X

Cr Income (IS) X



Illustration 3– Accrued income

Accrued income

A business earns bank interest income of \$300 per month. \$3,000 bank interest income has been received in the year to 31 December 20X5.

What is the year-end asset and what is the bank interest income for the year?

Show the relevant entries in the ledger accounts.



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6 Prepaid income



Prepaid income arises where income has been received in the accounting period but which relates to the next accounting period.

In this case, it is necessary to remove the income not relating to the year from the income statement and create a corresponding liability in the statement of financial position (called prepaid income):

Dr Income (IS) X

Cr Prepaid Income (SFP) X



Illustration 4 – Prepaid income

Prepaid income

A business rents out a property at an income of \$4,000 per month. \$64,000 has been received in the year ended 31 December 20X5.

What is the year-end liability and what is the rental income for the year?

Show the relevant entries in the ledger accounts.



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7 Proforma income T account

Income

	\$		\$
Balance b/f (opening accrued income)	X	Balance b/f (opening prepaid income)	X
Income statement (total revenue for the year)	X	Cash (total received during the year)	X
Balance c/f (closing prepaid income)	X	Balance c/f (closing accrued income)	X
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	X		X
	—		—
Balance b/f (opening accrued income)	X	Balance b/f (opening prepaid income)	X



Test your understanding 4

Accrued and prepaid income

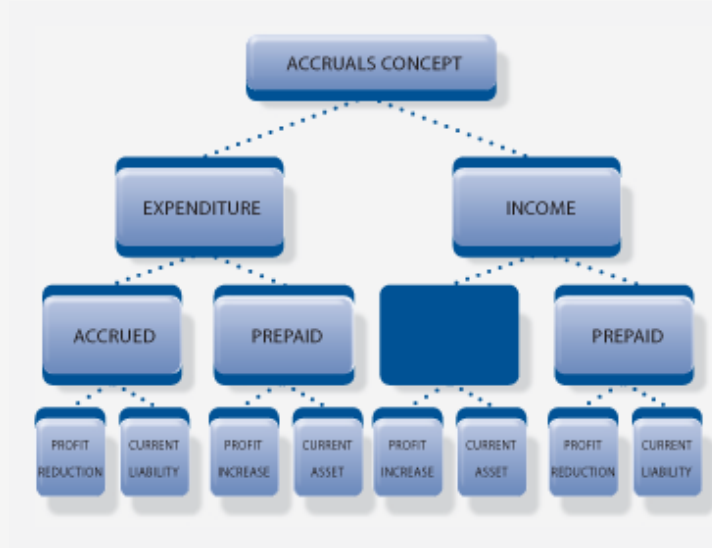
Libby Farquar receives income from two rental units as follows:

Period	Unit 1		Unit 2	
	\$	Received	\$	Received
1.10.X4 – 31.12.X4	2,100	30.9.X4	1,300	2.1.X5
1.1.X5 – 31.3.X5	2,150	27.12.X4	1,300	4.4.X5
1.4.X5 – 30.6.X5	2,150	25.3.X5	1,300	1.7.X5
1.7.X5 – 30.9.X5	2,200	21.6.X5	1,400	6.10.X5
1.10.X5 – 31.12.X5	2,200	21.9.X5	1,400	2.1.X6
1.1.X6 – 31.3.X6	2,200	29.12.X5	1,400	4.4.X6

What is Libby's rental income in the income statement for the year ended 31 December 20X5?

- A \$5,400
- B \$8,700
- C \$14,000
- D \$14,100

Chapter summary



Test your understanding answers



Test your understanding 1

Rental expense			
	\$		\$
31 March cash	5,000		
29 June cash	5,000		
2 October cash	5,000		
Accrual c/f	5,000	Income statement	20,000
	20,000		20,000
		Accrual b/f	5,000



Test your understanding 2

Rental expense			
	\$		\$
1 January cash	1,200		
3 March cash	1,200		
14 June cash	1,200		
25 September cash	1,400	Income statement	5,000
13 December cash	1,400	Prepayment c/f	1,400
	6,400		6,400
Prepayment b/f	1,400		



Test your understanding 3

The correct answer is B

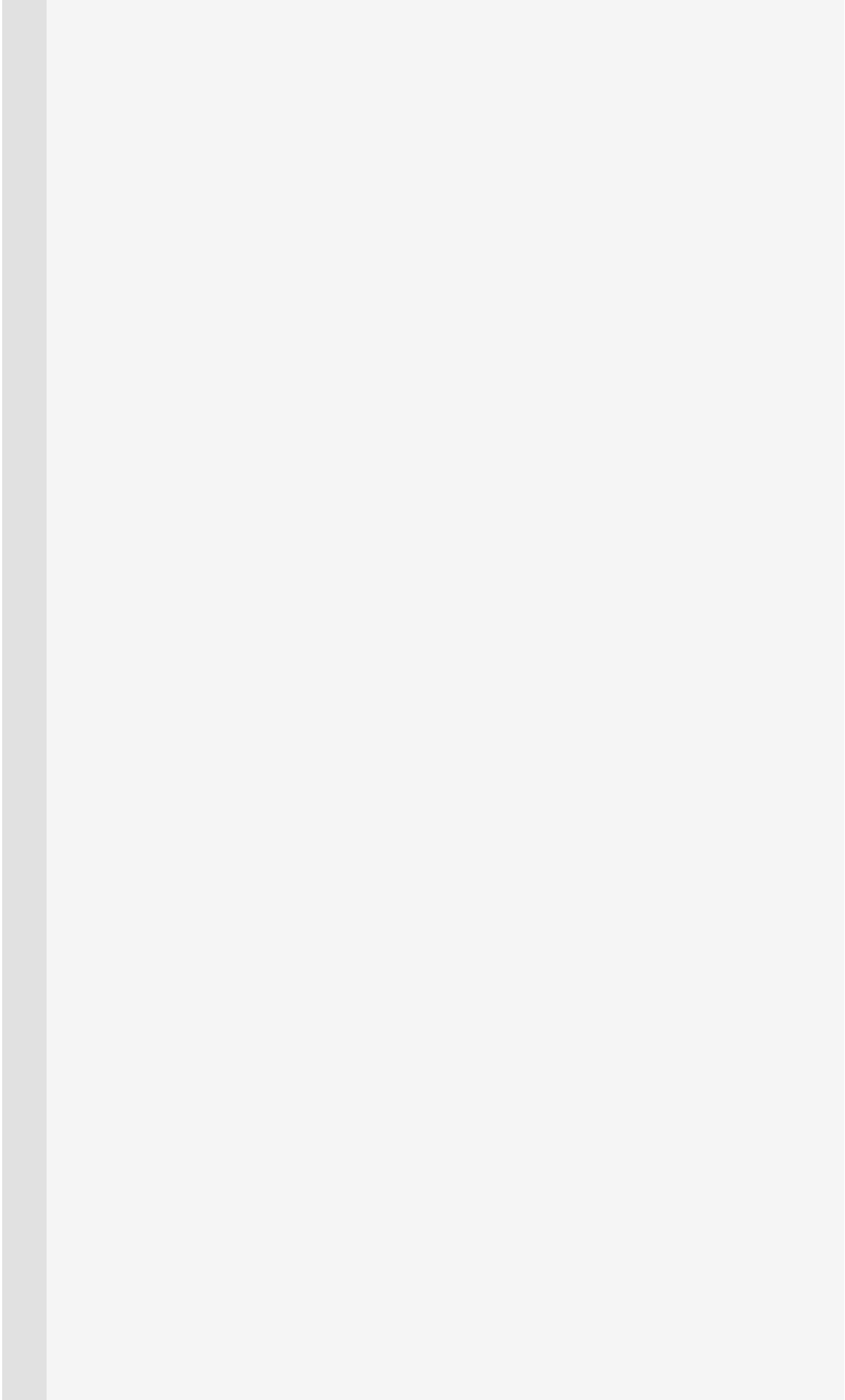
Electricity expense			
	\$		\$
6 February cash	2,800	Accrual b/f	2,000
8 May cash	3,000		
5 August cash	2,750		
10 November cash	3,100	Income statement	11,450
Accrual c/f	1,800		
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		Accrual b/f	1,800



Test your understanding 4

The correct answer is D

Rental income (Unit 1)			
	\$		\$
		Prepaid income b/f	2,150
		25.3.X5 cash	2,150
		21.6.X5 cash	2,200
Income statement	8,700	21.9.X5 cash	2,200
Prepaid income c/f	2,200	29.12.X5 cash	2,200
	10,900		10,900
		Prepaid income b/f	2,200
Rental income (Unit 2)			
	\$		\$
Accrued income b/f	1,300	2.1.X5 cash	1,300
		4.4.X5 cash	1,300
		1.7.X5 cash	1,300
Income statement	5,400	6.10.X5 cash	1,400
		Accrued income c/f	1,400
	6,700		6,700
Accrued income b/f	1,400		
Total income: \$8,700 + \$5,400 = \$14,100			

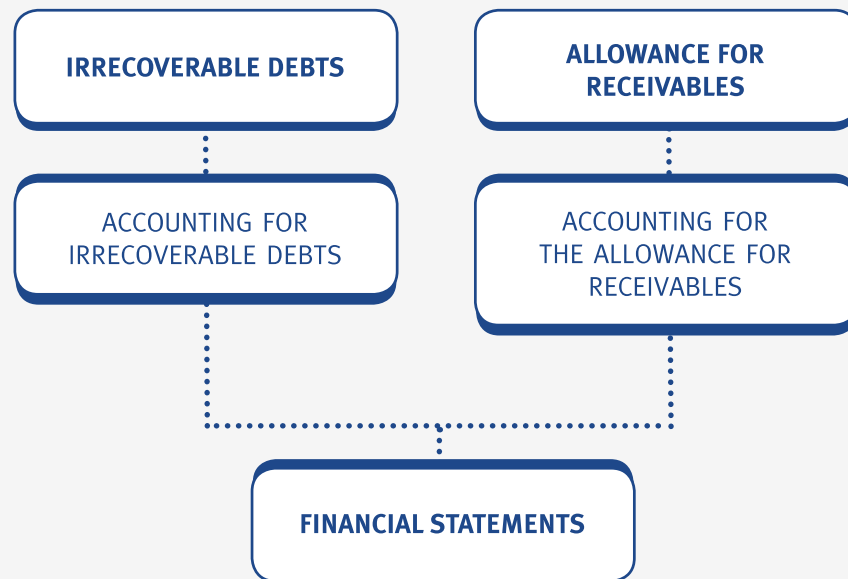


Irrecoverable debts and allowances for receivables

Chapter learning objectives

Upon completion of this chapter you will be able to:

- identify the benefits and costs of offering credit facilities to customers
- explain the purpose of an aged receivables analysis
- explain the purpose of credit limits
- prepare the bookkeeping entries to write off an irrecoverable debt
- record an irrecoverable debt recovered
- identify the impact of irrecoverable debts on the income statement and statement of financial position
- prepare the bookkeeping entries to create and adjust an allowance for receivables
- illustrate how to include movements in the allowance for receivables in the income statement and how the closing balance of the allowance should appear in the statement of financial position.



1 The provision of credit facilities

The majority of businesses will sell to their customers on credit and state a defined time within which they must pay (a credit period). The main benefits and costs of doing so are as follows:

Benefits

- The business may be able to enter new markets.
- There is a possibility of increased sales.
- Customer loyalty may be encouraged.

Costs

- Can be costly in terms of lost interest since the business is accepting payment later.
- Cash flow of the business may deteriorate.
- There is a potential risk of irrecoverable debts.

Aged receivables analysis

Where credit facilities are offered, it is normal for a business to maintain an aged receivables analysis.

- Analysis is usually a list, ordered by name, showing how much each customer owes and how old their debts are.
- The credit control function of a business uses the analysis to keep track of outstanding debts and follow up any that are overdue.

- Timely collection of debts improves cash flow and reduces the risk of them becoming irrecoverable.

Credit limits

It is also normal for a business to set a credit limit for each customer. This is the maximum amount of credit that the business is willing to provide.

The use of credit limits may:

- reduce risk to business of irrecoverable debts by limiting the amount sold on credit
- help build up the trust of a new customer
- be part of the credit control strategy of a business.

2 Irrecoverable debts

- The accruals concept dictates that when a sale is made, it is recognised in the accounts, regardless of whether or not the cash has been received.
- If sales are made on credit, there may be problems collecting the amounts owing from customers.
- Some customers may refuse to pay their debt or be declared bankrupt and unable to pay the amounts owing.
- Some customers may be in financial difficulties or may dispute the amount owed and there may be some doubt as to whether their debt will be paid.
- If it is highly unlikely that the amount owed by a customer will be received, then this debt is known as an irrecoverable debt. As it will probably never be received, it is written off by writing it out of the ledger accounts completely.
- If there is some doubt whether a customer can or will pay his debt, an allowance for receivables is created. These debts are not yet irrecoverable. However the creation of an **allowance for receivables** means that the possible loss is accounted for immediately, in line with the concept of prudence. The amount of the original debt will still remain in the ledger account just in case the customer does eventually pay.



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3 Accounting for irrecoverable debts

An **irrecoverable debt** is a debt which is, or is considered to be, uncollectable.

With such debts it is prudent to remove them from the accounts and to charge the amount as an expense for irrecoverable debts to the income statement. The original sale remains in the accounts as this did actually take place.

The double entry required to achieve this is:

Dr Irrecoverable debts expense
Cr Receivables



Test your understanding 1

Araf & Co have total accounts receivable at the end of their accounting period of \$45,000. Of these it is discovered that one, Mr Xiun who owes \$790, has been declared bankrupt, and another who gave his name as Mr Jones has totally disappeared owing Araf & Co \$1,240.

Calculate the effect in the financial statements of writing off these debts as irrecoverable.

4 Accounting for irrecoverable debts recovered

There is a possible situation where a debt is written off as irrecoverable in one accounting period, perhaps because the customer has been declared bankrupt, and the money, or part of the money, due is then unexpectedly received in a subsequent accounting period.

When a debt is written off the double entry is:

Dr Irrecoverable debts expense
Cr Receivables (removing the debt from the accounts)

When cash is received from a customer the normal double entry is:

Dr Cash
Cr Receivables

When an irrecoverable debt is recovered, the credit entry (above) cannot be taken to receivables as the debt has already been taken out of the receivables balance.

Instead the accounting entry is:

Dr Cash
Cr Irrecoverable debts expense

Some businesses may wish to keep a separate 'irrecoverable debts recovered' account to separate the actual cost of irrecoverable debts in the period.



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Test your understanding 2

Celia Jones had receivables of \$3,655 at 31 December 20X7. At that date she wrote off a debt from Lenny Smith of \$699. During the year to 31 December 20X8 Celia made credit sales of \$17,832 and received cash from her customers totalling \$16,936. She also received the \$699 from Lenny Smith that had already been written off in 20X7.

What is the final balance on the receivables account at 31 December 20X7 and 20X8?

	20X7	20X8
	\$	\$
A	2,956	3,852
B	2,956	3,153
C	3,655	4,551
D	3,655	3,852

5 Allowance for receivables

There may be some debts in the accounts where there is some cause for concern but they are not yet definitely irrecoverable.

It is prudent to recognise the possible expense of not collecting the debt in the income statement, but the receivable must remain in the accounts in case the customer does in fact pay up.

An allowance is set up which is a credit balance. This is netted off against trade receivables in the statement of financial position to give a net figure for receivables that are probably recoverable.

There are two types of allowance that may appear in the organisation's accounts:

- There will be some specific debts where the customer is known to be in financial difficulties, is disputing their invoice, or is refusing to pay for some other reason (bad service for example), and therefore the amount owing may not be recoverable. The allowance for such a debt is known as a **specific allowance**.

- The past experience and history of a business will indicate that not all of its trade receivables will be recoverable in full. It may not be possible to identify the amount that will not be paid but an estimate may be made that a certain percentage of customers are likely not to pay. An additional allowance will be made for these items, often known as a **general allowance**.

6 Accounting for the allowance for receivables

An allowance for receivables is set up with the following journal:

Dr Irrecoverable debts expense

Cr Allowance for receivables

If there is already an allowance for receivables in the accounts (opening allowance), only the movement in the allowance is charged to the income statement (closing allowance less opening allowance).

As the allowance can increase or decrease, there may be a debit or a credit in the irrecoverable debts account so the above journal may be reversed.

When calculating and accounting for a movement in the allowance for receivables, the following steps should be taken:

- (1) Write off irrecoverable debts.
- (2) Calculate the receivables balance as adjusted for the write-offs.
- (3) Ascertain the specific allowance for receivables required.
- (4) Deduct the debt specifically provided for from the receivables balance (be sure to deduct the full amount of debt rather than the amount of specific allowance).
- (5) Multiply the remaining receivables balance by the general allowance percentage to give the general allowance required.

$\%(\text{closing receivables} - \text{irrecoverable debts} - \text{debts specifically allowed for})$.

- (6) Add the specific and general allowances required together.
- (7) Compare to the brought forward allowance.
- (8) Account for the change in allowance.



Test your understanding 3

On 31 December 20X1 Jake Williams had receivables of \$10,000. From past experience Jake estimated that the equivalent of 3% of these customers were likely never to pay their debts and he therefore wished to make an allowance for this amount.

During 20X2 Jake made sales on credit totalling \$100,000 and received cash from his customers of \$94,000. He still considered that the equivalent of 3% of the closing receivables may never pay and should be allowed for.

During 20X3 Jake made sales of \$95,000 and collected \$96,000 from his receivables. At 31 December 20X3 Jake still considered that the equivalent of 3% of his receivables should be allowed for.

Calculate the allowance for receivables and the irrecoverable debt expense as well as the closing balance of receivables for each of the years 20X1, 20X2, 20X3.



Test your understanding 4

John Stamp has opening balances at 1 January 20X6 on his trade receivables account and allowance for receivables account of \$68,000 and \$3,400 respectively. During the year to 31 December 20X6 John Stamp makes credit sales of \$354,000 and receives cash from his receivables of \$340,000.

At 31 December 20X6 John Stamp reviews his receivables listing and acknowledges that he is unlikely ever to receive debts totalling \$2,000. These are to be written off as irrecoverable. Past experience indicates that John should also make an allowance equivalent to 5% of his remaining receivables after writing off the irrecoverable debts.

What is the amount charged to John's income statement for irrecoverable debt expense in the year ended 31 December 20X6?

- A \$2,700
- B \$6,100
- C \$2,600
- D \$6,000

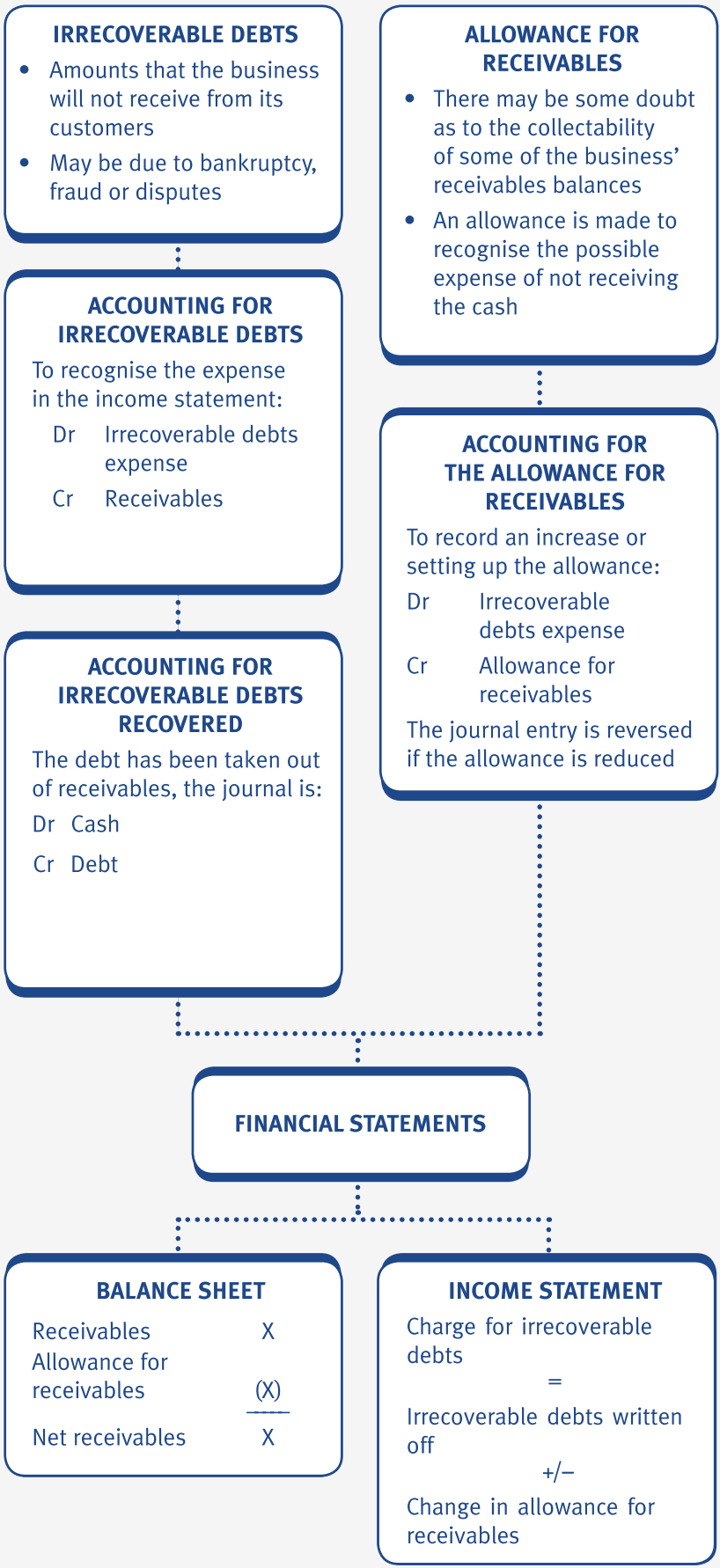


Test your understanding 5

Gordon's receivables owe a total of \$80,000 at the year end. These include \$900 of long overdue debts that might still be recoverable, but for which Gordon has created an allowance for receivables. Gordon has also provided an allowance of \$1,582, which is the equivalent of 2% of the other receivables' balances. What best describes Gordon's allowance for receivables as at his year end?

- A A specific allowance of \$900 and an additional allowance of \$1,582 based on past history.
- B A specific allowance of \$1,582 and an additional allowance of \$900 based on past history.
- C A specific allowance of \$2,482.
- D A general allowance of \$2,482.

Chapter summary



Test your understanding answers



Test your understanding 1

As the two debts are considered to be irrecoverable, they must be removed from receivables:

Receivables			
	\$		\$
Balance at period end	45,000	Irrecoverable debts	
		– Mr Xiun	790
		Irrecoverable debts	
		– Mr Jones	1,240
		Balance c/f	42,970
	45,000		45,000
Balance b/f	42,970		

Irrecoverable debts expense			
	\$		\$
Receivables			
– Mr Xiun	790		
Receivables			
– Mr Jones	1,240		
	2,030	Income statement	2,030
	2,030		2,030

Note that the sales revenue account has not been altered and the original sales to Mr Xiun and Mr Jones remain. This is because these sales actually took place and it is only after the sale that the expense of not being able to collect these debts has occurred.



Test your understanding 2

The correct answer is A

20X7 Receivables

	\$		\$
31 Dec	3,655	Irrecoverable debts	
		– Lenny Smith	699
		Balance c/f	2,956
	3,655		3,655
Balance b/f	2,956		

Irrecoverable debts expense

	\$		\$
Receivables		Income statement	699
– Lenny Smith	699		
	699		699

Receivables

	\$		\$
Balance b/f	2,956	Cash received	16,936
Sales	17,832	Balance c/f	3,852
	20,788		20,788
Balance b/f	3,852		

Irrecoverable debts expense

	\$		\$
Income statement	699	Cash	699
	699		699



Test your understanding 3

20X1 Receivables

	\$		\$
At 31 December	10,000	Balance c/f	10,000
	10,000		10,000
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Balance b/f	10,000		
Allowance required: \$10,000 x 3%			
= \$300			

Allowance for receivables

	\$		\$
Balance c/f	300	31 Dec	
	300	Irrecoverable debts	300
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		Balance b/f	300

Irrecoverable debts expense

	\$		\$
31 Dec		31 Dec	
Allowance for receivables	300	Income statement	300
	300		300
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Statement of financial position presentation

	\$	\$
Current assets		
Receivables	10,000	
Less: Allowance for receivables	(300)	
		9,700

20X2 Receivables

	\$		\$
Balance b/f	10,000		
Sales	100,000	Cash	94,000
		Balance c/f	16,000
	110,000		110,000
Balance b/f	16,000		
Allowance required: \$16,000 x 3%			
= \$480			

Allowance for receivables

	\$		\$
		Balance b/f	300
Balance b/f	480	31 Dec	
		increase in	180
		allowance	
	480		480
	_____	Balance b/f	_____
			480

Irrecoverable debts expense

	\$		\$
31 Dec		31 Dec	
Allowance for receivables	180	Income	180
		statement	
	180		180
	_____		_____

Statement of financial position presentation

	\$	\$
Current assets		
Receivables	16,000	
Less: Allowance for	(480)	
receivables	_____	
		15,520

20X3 Receivables			
	\$		\$
Balance b/f	16,000		
Sales	95,000	Cash	96,000
	111,000	Balance c/f	15,000
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Balance b/f	15,000		111,000
Allowance required: \$15,000 x 3% = \$450			
Allowance for receivables			
	\$		\$
31 Dec		Balance b/f	480
decrease in allowance	30		
Balance c/f	450		
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	480		480
	<hr/>	Balance b/f	450
Irrecoverable debts expense			
	\$		\$
31 Dec		31 Dec	
Income statement	30	Allowance for receivables	30
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	30		30
	<hr/>		<hr/>
Statement of financial position presentation			
	\$		\$
Current assets			
Receivables	15,000		
Less: Allowance for receivables	(450)		
	<hr/>		<hr/>
			14,550



Test your understanding 4

The correct answer is C

Receivables

20X6		20X6	
	\$		\$
1 Jan Balance b/f	68,000	31 Dec cash	340,000
31 Dec Sales revenue	354,000	31 Dec Irrecoverable debts	2,000
		31 Dec Balance c/f	80,000
	422,000		422,000
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20X7			
1 Jan Balance b/f	80,000		

Irrecoverable debts expense

20X6		20X6	
	\$		\$
31 Dec Receivables	2,000		
31 Dec Allowance for receivables	600	31 Dec Income statement	2,600
	2,600		2,600
	2,600		2,600

Allowance for receivables			
20X6	\$	20X6	\$
		1 Jan Balance	3,400
		b/f	
31 Dec Balance	4,000	31 Dec	
c/f		Irrecoverable debts	600
	<u>4,000</u>		<u>4,000</u>
		20X7	
		1 Jan Balance	4,000
		b/f	

Note that only the one irrecoverable debts expense account is used both to write off irrecoverable debts and to increase or decrease the allowance for receivables. There is no need to use separate accounts for each type of expense.

Working – Allowance for receivables

$$5\% \times \$80,000 = \$4,000$$



Test your understanding 5

The correct answer is A

There is a specific allowance for the debt of \$900 which has still not been written off as irrecoverable, and an additional allowance equivalent to 2% of the remaining balance based on past history.

Non-current assets

Chapter learning objectives

Upon completion of this chapter you will be able to:

- define non-current assets
- distinguish between capital and revenue expenditure
- explain the function and purpose of an asset register
- explain and illustrate the ledger entries to record the acquisition of non-current assets
- define and explain the purpose of depreciation
- explain the straight-line and reducing balance methods of depreciation and make necessary calculations
- explain and illustrate how depreciation expense and accumulated depreciation are recorded in ledger accounts
- explain and illustrate how depreciation is presented in the income statement and statement of financial position
- explain the relevance of consistency and subjectivity in accounting for depreciation
- make the necessary adjustments if changes are made in the estimated useful life/residual value of a non-current asset
- explain and illustrate the ledger entries to record the disposal of non-current assets for cash
- explain and illustrate the ledger entries to record the disposal of non-current assets through part exchange
- explain and illustrate the inclusion of profits or losses on disposal in the income statement

- explain and record the revaluation of a non-current asset in ledger accounts and in the statement of financial position
- explain the impact of a revaluation on accounting for depreciation and disposal of a non-current asset
- explain and illustrate how non-current asset balances and movements are disclosed in company financial statements.





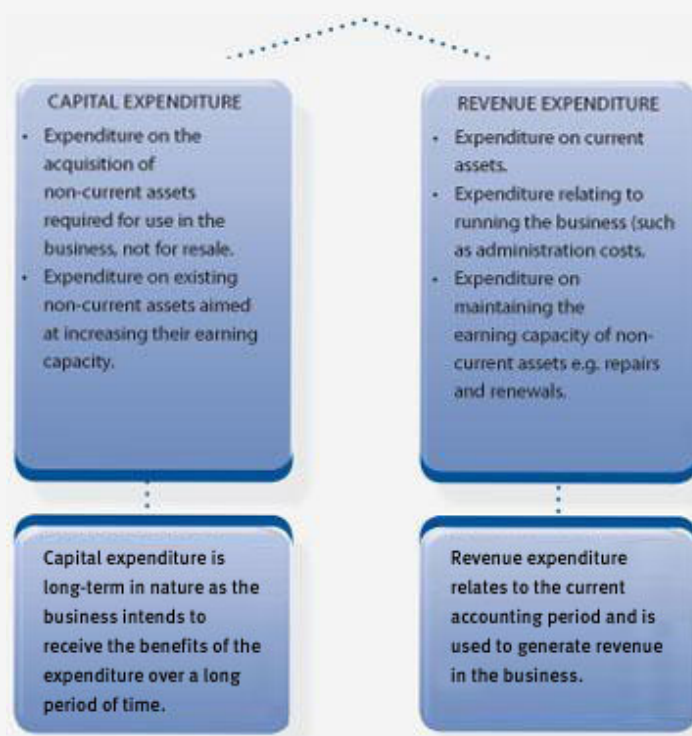
1 Non-current assets

Non-current assets are distinguished from current assets by the following characteristics: they:

- are long-term in nature
- are not normally acquired for resale
- are could be tangible or intangible
- are used to generate income directly or indirectly for a business
- are not normally liquid assets (i.e. not easily and quickly converted into cash without a significant loss in value).

2 Capital and revenue expenditure

It follows that a business' expenditure may be classified as one of two types:



3 Non-current asset registers

Non-current asset registers are, as the name suggests, a record of the non-current assets held by a business. These form part of the internal control system of an organisation.



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4 Acquisition of a non-current asset

A non-current asset register is maintained in order to control non-current assets and keep track of what is owned and where it is kept.

It is periodically reconciled to the non-current asset accounts maintained in the general ledger.

- The cost of a non-current asset is any amount incurred to acquire the asset and bring it into working condition

Includes	Excludes
Capital expenditure such as :	Revenue expenditure such as:
• purchase price repairs	• repairs
• delivery costs renewals	• renewals
• legal fees repainting	• repainting
• subsequent expenditure which enhances the asset	

- The correct double entry to record the purchase is:

Dr Non-current asset X

Cr Bank/Cash/Payables X

- A separate cost account should be kept for each category of non-current asset, e.g. motor vehicles, fixtures and fittings.



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Test your understanding 1

Acquisition of a non-current asset

Bilbo Baggins started a business providing limousine taxi services on 1 January 20X5. In the year to 31 December he incurred the following costs:

	\$
Office premises	250,000
Legal fees associated with purchase of office	10,000
Cost of materials and labour to paint office in Bilbo's favourite colour, purple	300
Mercedes E series estate cars	116,000
Number plates for cars	210
Delivery charge for cars	180
Road licence fee for cars	480
Drivers' wages for first year of operation	60,000
Blank taxi receipts printed with Bilbo Baggins' business name and number	450

What amounts should be capitalised as 'Land and buildings' and 'Motor vehicles'?

	Land and buildings	Motor vehicles
A	260,000	116,390
B	250,000	116,870
C	250,300	116,390
D	260,300	116,870

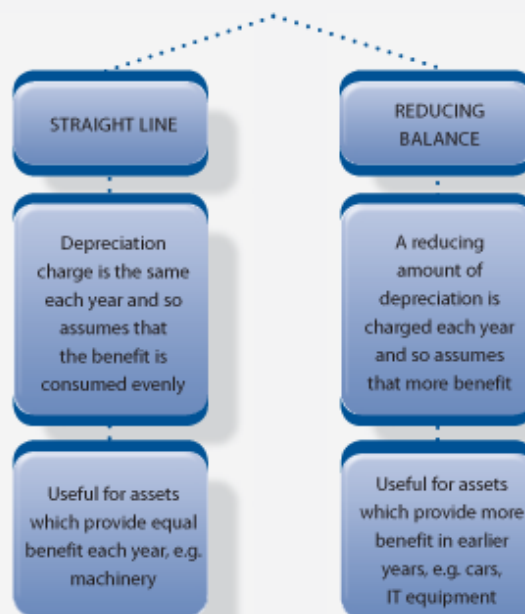
5 Depreciation

- IAS 16 defines depreciation as ‘the measure of the cost or revalued amount of the economic benefits of the tangible non-current asset that has been consumed during the period’.
- In simple terms, depreciation is a mechanism to reflect the cost of using a non-current asset.
- Depreciation matches the cost of using a non-current asset to the revenues generated by that asset over its useful life.
- This is achieved by recording a depreciation charge each year, the effect of which is twofold (‘the dual effect’):
 - Reduce the statement of financial position value of the non-current asset by cumulative depreciation to reflect the wearing out.
 - Record the depreciation charge as an expense in the income statement to match to the revenue generated by the non-current asset.



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6 Methods of calculating depreciation



Straight-line method

Depreciation charge = (Cost – Residual value)/Useful life

Or X% x cost



Residual value: the estimated disposal value of the asset at the end of its useful life.



Useful life: the estimated number of years during which the business will use the asset.



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Reducing balance method

Depreciation charge = X % x Net book value (NBV)



NBV: original cost of the non-current asset less accumulated depreciation on the asset to date.

Assets bought/sold in the period

If a non-current asset is bought or sold in the period, there are two ways in which the depreciation could be accounted for:

- provide a full year's depreciation in the year of acquisition and none in the year of disposal
- monthly or pro-rata depreciation, based on the exact number of months that the asset has been owned.



Illustration 1 – Reducing balance method

Dev, a trader, purchased an item of plant for \$1,000 on 1 August 20X1 which he depreciates on the reducing balance at 20% pa. What is the depreciation charge for each of the first five years if the accounting year end is 31 July?



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Test your understanding 2

Karen has been running a successful nursery school 'Little Monkeys' since 20X1. She bought the following assets as the nursery grew:

- a new oven for the nursery kitchen at a cost of \$2,000 (purchased 1 December 20X4).
- a minibus to take the children on trips for \$18,000 (purchased 1 June 20X4).

She depreciates the oven at 10% straight line and the minibus at 25% reducing balance. A full year's depreciation is charged in the year of purchase and none in the year of disposal.

What is the total depreciation charge for the year ended 31 October 20X6?

- A \$2,531
- B \$2,700
- C \$4,231
- D \$2,731



Test your understanding 3

The following information relates to Bangers & Smash, a car repair business:

	Machine 1	Machine 2
Cost	\$12,000	\$8,000
Purchase date	1 August 20X5	1 October 20X6
Depreciation method	20% straight line pro rata	10% reducing balance pro rata

What is the total depreciation charge for the years ended 31 December 20X5 and 20X6?

	20X5	20X6
	\$	\$
A	2,400	2,600
B	1,000	2,600
C	2,400	3,200
D	1,000	3,200

7 Accounting for depreciation

Whichever method is used to calculate depreciation, the accounting remains the same:

Dr Depreciation expense (IS) X

Cr Accumulated depreciation SFP

- The depreciation expense account is an income statement account and therefore is not cumulative.

- The accumulated depreciation account is a statement of financial position account and as the name suggests is cumulative, i.e. reflects all depreciation to date.
- On the statement of financial position it is shown as a reduction against the cost of non-current assets:

Cost	\$
Accumulated depreciation	X (X)
NBV	<hr style="width: 100%; border: 0.5px solid black;"/> X



Illustration 2– Accounting for depreciation

Santa runs a large toy shop in Windsor. In the year ended 31 August 20X5, she bought the following fixed assets:

- A new cash register for \$5,000. This was purchased on 1 December 20X4, in time for the Christmas rush, and was to be depreciated at 10% straight line.
- A new delivery van, purchased on 31 March 20X5, at a cost of \$22,000. The van is to be depreciated at 15% reducing balance.

Santa charges depreciation on a monthly basis.

- What is the depreciation charge for the year ended 31st August 20X5?
- Show the relevant ledger accounts and statement of financial position presentation at that date.



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Test your understanding 4

Coco acquired two fixed assets for cash on 1 August 20X5 for use in her party organising business:

- a 25-year lease on a shop for \$200,000
- a chocolate fountain for \$4,000.

The fountain is to be depreciated at 25% pa using the reducing balance method.

A full year of depreciation is charged in the year of acquisition and none in the year of disposal.

Show the ledger account entries for these assets for the years ending 31 October 20X5, 20X6 and 20X7.

8 Consistency and subjectivity when accounting for depreciation

The following are all based on estimates made by the management of a business:

- depreciation method
- residual value
- useful life.

Different estimates would result in varying levels of depreciation and, consequently, profits.

It can be argued that these subjective areas could therefore result in manipulation of the accounts by management.

In order to reduce the scope for such manipulation and increase consistency of treatment, **IAS 16 Property, Plant and Equipment** requires the following:

- Depreciation method should be reviewed at each year end and changed if the method used no longer reflects the pattern of use of the asset.
- Residual value and useful life should be reviewed at each year end and changed if expectations differ from previous estimates.

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Illustration 3 – Changes to estimates

Alfie purchased a non-current asset for \$100,000 on 1 January 20X2 and started depreciating it over five years. Residual value was taken as \$10,000.

At 1 January 20X3 a review of asset lives was undertaken and the remaining useful life was estimated at eight years. Residual value was estimated as nil.

Calculate the depreciation charge for the year ended 31 December 20X3 and subsequent years.

**Expandable text****Test your understanding 5**

Alberto bought a wood-burning oven for his pizza restaurant for \$30,000 on 1 January 20X0. At that time he believed that the oven's useful life would be 20 years after which it would have no value.

On 1 January 20X3, Alberto revises his estimations: he now believes that he will use the oven in the business for another 12 years after which he will be able to sell it second-hand for \$1,500.

What is the depreciation charge for the year ended 31 December 20X3?

- A \$2,000
- B \$2,125
- C \$1,875
- D \$2,375

9 Disposal of non-current assets**Profit/Loss on disposal**

Proceeds (cash or part disposal allowance) > NBV at disposal date	Profit
Proceeds (cash or part < disposal allowance) NBV at disposal date	Loss
Proceeds (cash or part = disposal allowance) NBV at disposal date	Neither profit nor loss

A disposals T account is required when recording the disposal of a non-current asset. This is an income statement account which reflects any profit or loss on disposal.

Disposal for cash consideration

This is a three-step process:

- (1) Remove the original cost of the non-current asset from the 'non-current asset' account.

Dr Disposals original cost

Cr NC assets original cost

- (2) Remove accumulated depreciation on the non-current asset from the 'accumulated depreciation' account.

Dr Acc'd dep'n acc'd dep'n

Cr Disposals acc'd dep'n

- (3) Record the cash proceeds.

Dr Cash proceeds

Cr Disposals proceeds

The balance on the disposals T account is the profit or loss on disposal:

Disposal

Original cost	X	Accumulated depreciation	X
		Proceeds	X
Profit on disposal	β	Loss on disposal	β
	—		—
	X		X
	—		—

The profit or loss on disposal can also be calculated as proceeds less NBV of asset at disposal.



Test your understanding 6

Percy Throwerp runs a landscape gardening business. On 1 February 20X2, he purchased a sit-on lawnmower costing \$3,000. He depreciates it at 10% straight line on a monthly basis. A few years later he decides to replace it with one which has an enclosed cabin for when it rains. He sells the lawnmower to an old friend, Alan Titchmuck, for \$2,000 on 31 July 20X5.

How much is charged to Percy's income statement in respect of the asset for the year ended 31 December 20X5?

Disposal through a part exchange agreement

A part exchange agreement arises where an old asset is provided in part payment for a new one, the balance of the new asset being paid in cash.

The procedure to record the transaction is very similar to the three-step process seen for a cash disposal. There is however a fourth step:

- (1) Remove the original cost of the non-current asset from the 'non-current asset' account.

Dr Disposals original cost

Cr NC assets original cost

- (2) Remove accumulated depreciation on the non-current asset from the 'accumulated depreciation' account.

Dr Acc'd dep'n acc'd dep'n

Cr Disposals acc'd dep'n

- (3) Record the part exchange allowance (PEA) as proceeds.

Dr NC assets (= part of cost of new asset) PEA

Cr Disposals (= sale proceeds of old asset) PEA

- (4) Record the cash paid for the new asset.

Dr NC assets cash

Cr Cash cash

Again, the balance on the disposals T account is the profit or loss on disposal:

Disposal

Original cost	X	Accumulated depreciation	X
		Proceeds	X
Profit on disposal	β	Loss on disposal	β
	—		—
	X		X
	—		—



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Test your understanding 7

Bindi Bobbin runs a business altering and repairing clothes. When she started business on 1 January 20X2, she bought a Soopastitch II sewing machine for \$2,500. She depreciates sewing machines using the straight-line method at a rate of 20% pa, and she charges a full year of depreciation in the year of acquisition and none in the year of disposal.

The business has now grown such that she needs a faster machine, and she will upgrade to the Soopastitch V during December 20X5. The Soopastitch salesman has offered her a part exchange deal as follows:

Part exchange allowance for Soopastitch II \$750

Balance to be paid in cash for Soopastitch V \$4,850

Show the ledger entries for the year ended 31 December 20X5 to reflect this transaction.

10 Revaluation of non-current assets

- Some non-current assets, such as land and buildings may rise in value over time. Businesses may choose to reflect the current value of the asset in their statement of financial position. This is known as revaluing the asset.
- The difference between the NBV of the asset and the revalued amount (normally a gain) is recorded in a revaluation reserve in the capital section of the statement of financial position.
- This gain is not recorded in the income statement because it is unrealised, i.e. it is not realised in the form of cash.
- IAS 1 requires that a revaluation gain is disclosed in "other comprehensive income" on the statement of financial position.



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Illustration 4 – Revaluation of non-current assets

Vittorio owns land which originally cost \$250,000. No depreciation has been charged on the land in accordance with IAS 16. Vittorio wishes to revalue the land to reflect its current market value, which he has been advised is \$600,000.

What is the double entry to record this revaluation?

**Expandable text****Illustration 5– Revaluation of non-current assets**

Hamish runs a kilt-making business in Scotland. He has run the business for many years from a building which originally cost \$300,000 and on which \$100,000 total depreciation has been charged to date. Hamish wishes to revalue the building to \$750,000.

What is the double entry required to record the revaluation?

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In summary:

Revaluation surplus = Revalued amount – NBV

For a non-depreciated asset:

Dr Non-current asset – cost	revaluation surplus
Cr Revaluation reserve	revaluation surplus

For a depreciated asset:

Dr Accumulated depreciation	depreciation to date
Dr Non-current asset – cost	β
Cr Revaluation reserve	revaluation surplus

The revaluation gain is disclosed on the face of the statement of comprehensive income under "other comprehensive income" and in the statement of changes in equity (SOCIE).

**Test your understanding 8**

Max owns a fish-finger factory. The premises were purchased on 1 January 20X1 for \$450,000 and depreciation charged at 2% pa straight line.

Max now wishes to revalue the factory premises to \$800,000 on 1 January 20X7 to reflect the market value.

What is the balance on the revaluation reserve after this transaction?

- A \$350,000
- B \$395,000
- C \$404,000
- D \$413,000

11 Depreciation and disposal of a revalued asset

Depreciation of a revalued asset

- When a non-current asset has been revalued, the charge for depreciation should be based on the revalued amount and the remaining useful life of the asset.
- this charge will be higher than depreciation prior to the revaluation.
- the excess of the new depreciation charge over the old depreciation charge should be transferred from the revaluation reserve to accumulated profits (within the capital section of the statement of financial position):

Dr Revaluation reserve X

Cr Accumulated profits X



Illustration 6 – Depreciation of a revalued asset

Eddie owns a retail unit in central Springfield. He bought it 25 years ago for \$100,000, depreciating it over 50 years. At the start of 20X6 he decides to revalue the unit to \$800,000. The unit has a remaining useful life of 25 years.

What accounting entries should be made in 20X6?



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Disposal of a revalued asset

- The disposal of a revalued asset is recorded as already seen.

Test your understanding 9

Spartacus United football club's statement of financial position at 31 December 20X7 includes the following information:

	\$	
Stadium cost		1,500,000
Depreciation		450,000
		1,050,000

Depreciation has been provided at 2% on the straight-line basis.

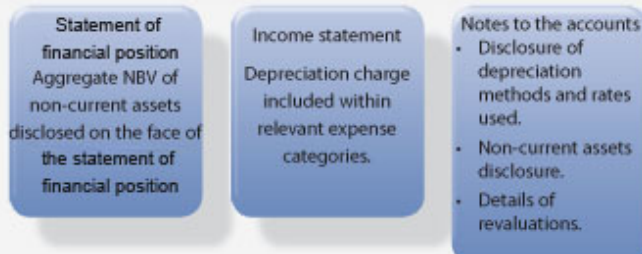
The stadium is revalued on 30 June 20X8 to \$1,380,000. There is no change in its remaining estimated future useful life.

What is the depreciation charge for the year ended 31 December 20X8?

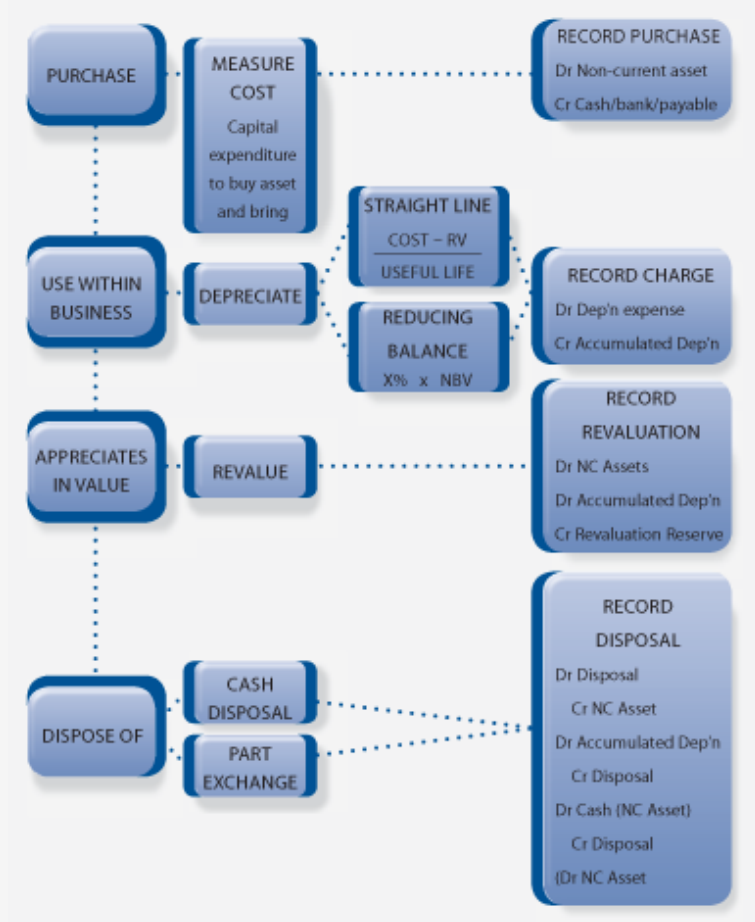
Test your understanding 10

Tiger Trees owns and runs a golf club. Some years ago Tiger purchased land next to the existing course with the intention of creating a smaller nine-hole course. The cost of the land was \$260,000. Tiger hasn't yet built the additional course but has revalued this land to \$600,000. He has now decided that building the new course is uneconomical and has found a buyer who is willing to pay \$695,000 for the land.

What are the ledger entries on disposal?

12 Disclosure of non-current asset balances in company financial statements**Expandable text**

Chapter summary



Test your understanding answers



Test your understanding 1

The correct answer is A

Land and buildings

Office premises: \$250,000

Legal fees: \$10,000

Total: \$260,000

- The cost of the purple paint does not form part of the cost of the office and so should not be capitalised. Instead it should be taken to the income statement as a revenue expense.

Motor vehicles

3 Mercedes E series \$116,000

Number plates \$210

Delivery charges \$180

Total \$116,390

- The number plates are one-off charges which form part of the purchase price of any car.
- The road licence fee, drivers' wages and receipts are ongoing expenses, incurred every year. They cannot be capitalised, but should be taken to the income statement as expenses.



Test your understanding 2

The correct answer is D

Oven	20X6
	\$
£2,000 x 10%	200
Minibus	
20X4 : 25% x \$18,000 = \$4,500	
20X5: 25% x \$(18,000 – 4,500) = \$3,375	
20X6: 25% x \$(18,000 – 7,875) = \$2,531	2,531
Total depreciation charge	2,731



Test your understanding 3

The correct answer is B

Machine 1 \$ \$

$$20X5: 20\% \times \$12,000 \times 5/12 = 1,000$$

$$20X6: 20\% \times \$12,000 = 2,400$$

Machine 2

$$20X6: 10\% \times \$8,000 \times 3/12 = 200$$

Total depreciation charge

$$20X5: 1,000$$

$$20X6: \$2,400 + \$200 = 2,600$$


Test your understanding 4
Leases (cost)

	\$		\$
1.8.X5 Cash	200,000	Balance c/f	200,000
	<u>200,000</u>		<u>200,000</u>
Balance b/f	200,000		

Fixtures and fittings (cost)

	\$		\$
1.8.X5 Cash	4,000	Balance c/f	4,000
	<u>4,000</u>		<u>4,000</u>
Balance b/f	4,000		

Depreciation charge

	\$		\$
X5 accumulated depreciation	9,000	Income statement	9,000
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X6 accumulated depreciation	8,750	Income statement	8,750
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X7 accumulated depreciation	8,563	Income statement	8,563
	<u> </u>		<u> </u>

Depreciation charge			
	\$		\$
		X5 depreciation charge	8,000
Balance c/f	8,000		
	<u>8,000</u>		<u>8,000</u>
		Balance b/f	8,000
		X6 depreciation charge	8,000
Balance c/f	16,000		
	<u>16,000</u>		<u>16,000</u>
		Balance b/f	16,000
		X7 depreciation charge	8,000
Balance c/f	24,000		
	<u>24,000</u>		<u>24,000</u>
		Balance b/f	24,000

Annual depreciation workings:

Note, details of the depreciation method and rate for the lease are not given in the question. We are however told that the lease term is 25 years. This suggests that it would be appropriate to use the straight-line method with a useful life of 25 years.

20X5

Lease: $\$200,000/25 \text{ years} = 8,000$

Fountain: $\$4,000 \times 25\% = 1,000$

Total: 9,000

20X6

Lease: $\$200,000/25 \text{ years} = 8,000$

Fountain: $\$3,000 \times 25\% = 750$

Total: 8,750

20X7

Lease: $\$200,000/25 \text{ years} = 8,000$

Fountain: $\$2,250 \times 25\% = 563$

Total: 8,563



Test your understanding 5

The correct answer is A

Initial depreciation charge = $\$30,000 / 20 \text{ years} = \$1,500$

NBV at date of change = $\$30,000 - (\$1,500 \times 3 \text{ yrs})$

= $\$25,500$

New depreciation charge = $\$25,500 - \$1,50 / 12 \text{ years}$

= $\$2,000 \text{ pa}$



Test your understanding 6

(1) Dr Disposals \$3,000

Cr Fixtures and fittings cost \$3,000

(2) Dr Accumulated depreciation \$1,050

Cr Disposals \$1,050

Depreciation working:

X2 $10\% \times 3,000 \times 11/12 = 275$

X3 $10\% \times 3,000 = 300$

X4 $10\% \times 3,000 = 300$

X5 $10\% \times 3,000 \times 7/12 = 175$

Total: 1050

(3) Dr Cash \$2,000

Cr Disposals \$2,000

Disposals:

	\$		\$
31.7.X5 fixtures and fittings cost	3,000	Accumulated depreciation	1,050
Profit on disposal (β)	50	Cash proceeds	2,000
	3,050		3,050

The charge to the income statement for the year ended 31 December 20X5 is: \$

Depreciation charge for the year 175

profit/loss on disposa(50)

Note: As depreciation is charged monthly, it is necessary to charge an amount to the income statement for the period 1 January 20X5 to the disposal date 31 July 20X5.



Test your understanding 7

Sewing machine

	\$		\$
Balance b/f	2,500	Disposal	2,500
New asset			
PEA	750		
Cash	4,850	Balance c/f	5,600
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	8,100		8,100
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Balance b/f	5,600		

Accumulated depreciation (Sewing machine)

	\$		\$
Disposal	1,500	Balance b/f	1,500
		Depreciation	
Balance c/f	1,120	charge X5	1,120
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	2,620		2,620
	<hr/>		<hr/>
		Balance b/f	1,120

Depreciation b/f working:

$$\$2,500 \times 20\% \times 3 \text{ years} = \$1,500$$

Disposals

	\$		\$
Sewing machine cost	2,500	Sewing machine accumulated depreciation	1,500
		PEA	750
		Loss on disposal (B)	250
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	2,500		2,500
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Depreciation charge

\$		\$
	Sewing machine	
	accumulated	
	depreciation	
1,120	Income statement	1,120

Depreciation charge working:

$$\$5,600 \times 20\% = \$1,120$$



Test your understanding 8

The correct answer is C

Factory cost

	\$		\$
Balance b/f	450,000		
Revaluation	350,000	Balance c/f	800,000
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	800,000		800,000
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	800,000		

Accumulated depreciation (factory)

	\$		\$
Revaluation (2% x \$450,000 x 6 years)	54,000 350,000	Balance b/f	54,000
	<hr/>	Balance c/f	800,000
	54,000		<hr/>
	<hr/>		54,000

Revaluation reserve

	\$		\$
		Factory cost	350,000
Balance c/f	404,000	Accumulated depreciation	54,000
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	404,000		404,000
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		Balance b/f	404,000



Test your understanding 9

Depreciation must continue to be charged on the original cost until the date of revaluation. Thereafter it is charged on the revalued amount:

1 January to 30 June 20X8

$2\% \times \$1,500,000 \times 6/12$

15,000

Note that this is part of the depreciation cleared out on revaluation and so is not part of the accumulated depreciation balance at the year end.

1 July to 31 December 20X8

$(1,380,000/34.5 \text{ years}) \times (6/12)$

20,000

This amount will form the accumulated depreciation at the year end.

Total depreciation charge



Test your understanding 10

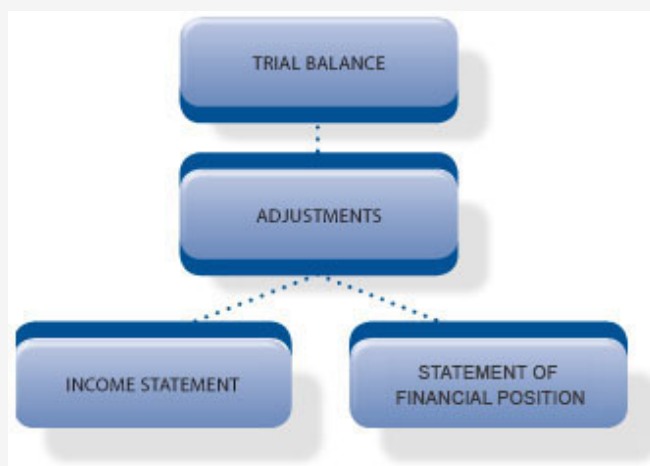
Land (valuation)			
	\$		\$
Balance b/f	600,000	Disposal	600,000
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Disposal			
	\$		\$
Land valuation	600,000	Proceeds	695,000
Profit on disposal	95,000		<hr/>

From trial balance to financial statements

Chapter learning objectives

Upon completion of this chapter you will be able to:

- illustrate the process of adjusting the financial statements for accruals and prepayments, depreciation, irrecoverable debts and the allowance for receivables.



1 Trial balance

In this chapter we will bring together the material from the previous chapters and produce a set of financial statements from a trial balance.

This will involve adjusting for the following items:

- closing inventory
- depreciation
- accruals and prepayments
- irrecoverable debts and the allowance for receivables.

Once these adjustments have been made, the income statement and statement of financial position can be prepared.

When making the adjustments it is important to ensure that each transaction contains the correct double entry.

Purpose of the trial balance

The purpose of the trial balance is

- to check that for every debit entry made, an equal credit entry has been made
- as a first step in preparing the financial statements.

Limitations of the trial balance

Although the trial balance is useful in ensuring that double entry has been maintained, it will not:

- identify errors such as mispostings to the wrong account or a double entry for the wrong amount

- identify where errors have been made, or what those errors are.

2 Adjustments

Here is a reminder of the accounting entries for the adjustments required when preparing the financial statements:

Closing inventory

Dr Inventory (SFP)

Cr Cost of sales (IS)

With the closing inventory at the end of the period.

Depreciation

Dr Depreciation expense (IS)

Cr Accumulated depreciation (SFP)

With depreciation charge for the year for each class of asset.

Accruals

Dr Expenses (IS)

Cr Accrual (Liability) (SFP)

With each accrued expense.

Prepayments

Dr Prepayment (Receivables) (SFP)

Cr Expenses (IS)

With each prepaid expense.

Irrecoverable debts

Dr Irrecoverable debt expense (IS)

Cr Receivables (SFP)

With the total of receivables written off.

Allowance for receivables

Dr Irrecoverable debt expense (IS)

Cr Allowance for receivables (SFP)

With the increase or decrease in the allowance for the period.



Illustration 1– Preparation of financial statements

In this example, we will account for the period-end adjustments and prepare a set of financial statements from a TB.

The trial balance of Tyndall at 31 May 20X6 is as follows:

Trial balance of Tyndall at 31 May 20X6

	\$	\$
Capital account		15,258
Drawings by proprietor	5,970	
Purchases	73,010	
Returns inwards	1,076	
Returns outwards		3,720
Discounts	1,870	965
Credit sales		96,520
Cash sales		30,296
Customs duty	11,760	
Carriage inwards	2,930	
Carriage outwards	1,762	
Salesman's commission	711	
Salesman's salary	3,970	
Office salaries	7,207	
Bank charges	980	
Loan interest	450	
Light and heat	2,653	
Sundry expenses	2,100	

	\$	\$
Rent	3,315	
Insurance	4,000	
Printing and postage	2,103	
Advertising	1,044	
Irrecoverable debts	1,791	
Allowance for receivables		437
Receivables	10,760	
Payables		7,411
Cash at bank	2,634	
Cash in hand	75	
New delivery van (less trade-in)	2,200	
Motor expenses	986	
Furniture and equipment:		
Cost	8,000	
Depreciation at 1 June 20X5		2,400
Old delivery van:		
Cost	2,000	
Depreciation at 1 June 20X5		1,000
Loan account at 9% (repayable in five years)		5,000
	163,007	163,007
	163,007	163,007

The following information is relevant:

- (1) Closing inventory has been valued for accounts purposes at \$8,490.
- (2) The motor van was sold on 31 August 20X5 and traded in against the cost of a new van. The trade-in price was \$1,400 and the cost of the new van was \$3,600. No entries have yet been made for this transaction apart from debiting the \$2,200 cash paid to the New delivery van account.
- (3) Straight-line depreciation is to be provided on a monthly basis at the following annual rates:
 - Motor vans 25%
 - Furniture and equipment 10%
- (4) Past experience indicates that an allowance for receivables should be made equivalent to 5% of the closing receivables.
- (5) An accrual of \$372 is required in respect of light and heat.

(6) A quarter's rent to 30 June 20X6 amounting to \$900 was paid on 2 April 20X6. Insurance for the year to 31 March 20X7 amounting to \$1,680 was paid on 16 April.

Prepare an income statement and a statement of financial position for the year ended 31 May 20X6.



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Test your understanding 1

Kevin Suri carries on business as a retail trader. The trial balance of his business as at 31 December 20X5 was as follows:

	Dr	Cr
	\$	\$
Capital		225,600
Sales and purchases	266,800	365,200
Inventory at 1 January 20X5	23,340	
Returns	1,200	1,600
Wages	46,160	
Rent	13,000	
Motor expenses	3,720	
Insurance	760	
Irrecoverable debts	120	
Allowance for receivables 1 January 20X5		588
Discounts	864	1,622
Light and heat	3,074	
Bank overdraft interest	74	
Motor vehicles at cost	24,000	
– aggregate depreciation 1 Jan 20X5		12,240
Fixtures and fittings at cost	28,000	
– aggregate depreciation 1 Jan 20X5		16,800
Land	100,000	
Receivables and payables	17,330	23,004

	Dr	Cr
	\$	\$
Bank	3,412	
Buildings at cost	100,000	
– aggregate depreciation		
1 Jan 20X5		6,000
Drawings	20,800	
	652,654	652,654

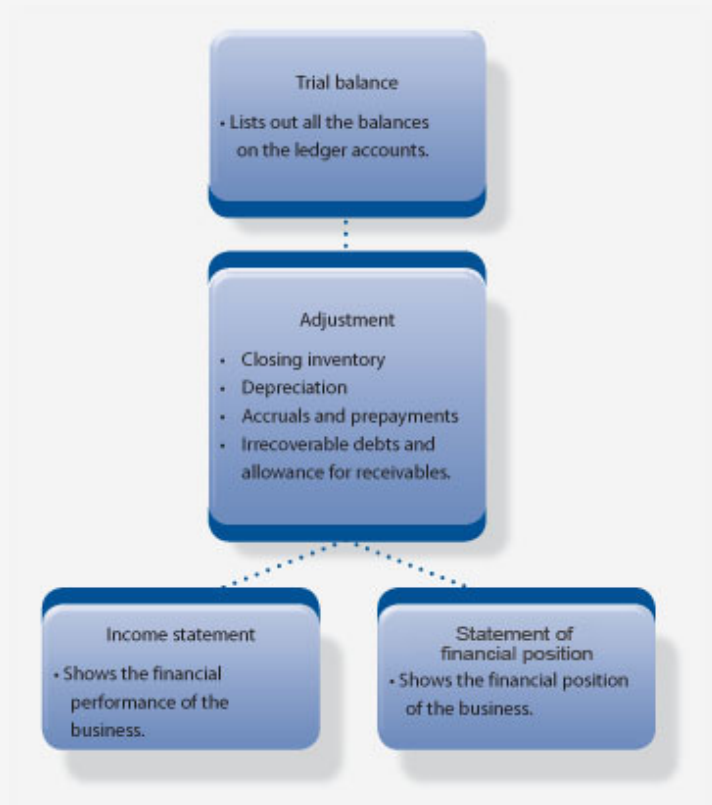
You are given the following additional information:

- (1) Inventory at 31 December 20X5 was \$25,680.
- (2) Rent was prepaid by \$1,000 and light and heat owed was \$460 at 31 December 20X5.
- (3) Land is to be revalued to \$250,000 at 31 December 20X5.
- (4) Following a final review of the receivables at 31 December 20X5, Kevin decides to write off another debt of \$130. He also wishes to maintain the allowance for receivables at 3% of the year end balance.
- (5) Depreciation is to be provided as follows:
 - (a) building – 2% annually, straight-line
 - (b) fixtures & fittings – straight line method, assuming a useful economic life of five years with no residual value
 - (c) motor vehicles – 30% annually on a reducing balance basis.

A full year's depreciation is charged in the year of acquisition and none in the year of disposal.

Prepare an income statement for the year ended 31 December 20X5 and a statement of financial position as at that date for Kevin Suri.

Chapter summary



Test your understanding answers



Test your understanding 1

Kevin Suri Income statement for the year ended 31 December 20X5

	\$	\$
Sales		365,200
Returns in		(1,200)
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		364,000
Cost of sales		
Opening Inventory	23,340	
Purchases	266,800	
Returns out	(1,600)	
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	288,540	
Closing inventory	(25,680)	
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		(262,860)
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Gross profit		101,140
Sundry income		
Discount received		1,622
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		102,834
Expenses		
Wages	46,160	
Rent (\$13,000 – 1,000)	12,000	
Motor expenses	3,720	
Insurance	760	
Irrecoverable debts (\$120 + 130 - 72)	178	
Discounts allowed	864	
Light and heat (\$3,074 + 460)	3,534	
Bank interest	74	

	\$	\$
Depreciation		
Buildings (W1)	2,000	
Fixtures and fittings (W1)	5,600	
Motor vehicles (W2)	3,528	
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		(78,490)
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Net profit		24,344
Other Comprehensive Income		
Revaluation Gain		150,000
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Total Comprehensive Income		174,344
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Statement of financial position as at 31 December 20X5

	Cost \$	Acc dep'n \$	NBV \$
Non-current assets			
Land	250,000	–	250,000
Buildings	100,000	8,000	92,000
Fixtures and fittings	28,000	22,400	5,600
Motor vehicles	24,000	15,768	8,232
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	355,832	402,000	46,168
	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>
Current assets			
Inventory		25,680	
Receivables (\$17,330 – 130)	17,200		
Allowance for receivables (\$17,200 X 3%)	(516)		
		<hr/>	16,684

	Cost	Acc dep'n	NBV
	\$	\$	\$
Prepaid expenses (rent)		1,000	
Bank		3,412	_____

		46,776	

		402,608	

Capital			225,600
Profit			24,344
Revaluation reserve/surplus (\$250,000 – 100,000)			150,000
Drawings			(20,800)

			379,144
Current liabilities			
Payables	23,004		
Accrued expenses (light and heat)	460		_____
			23,464

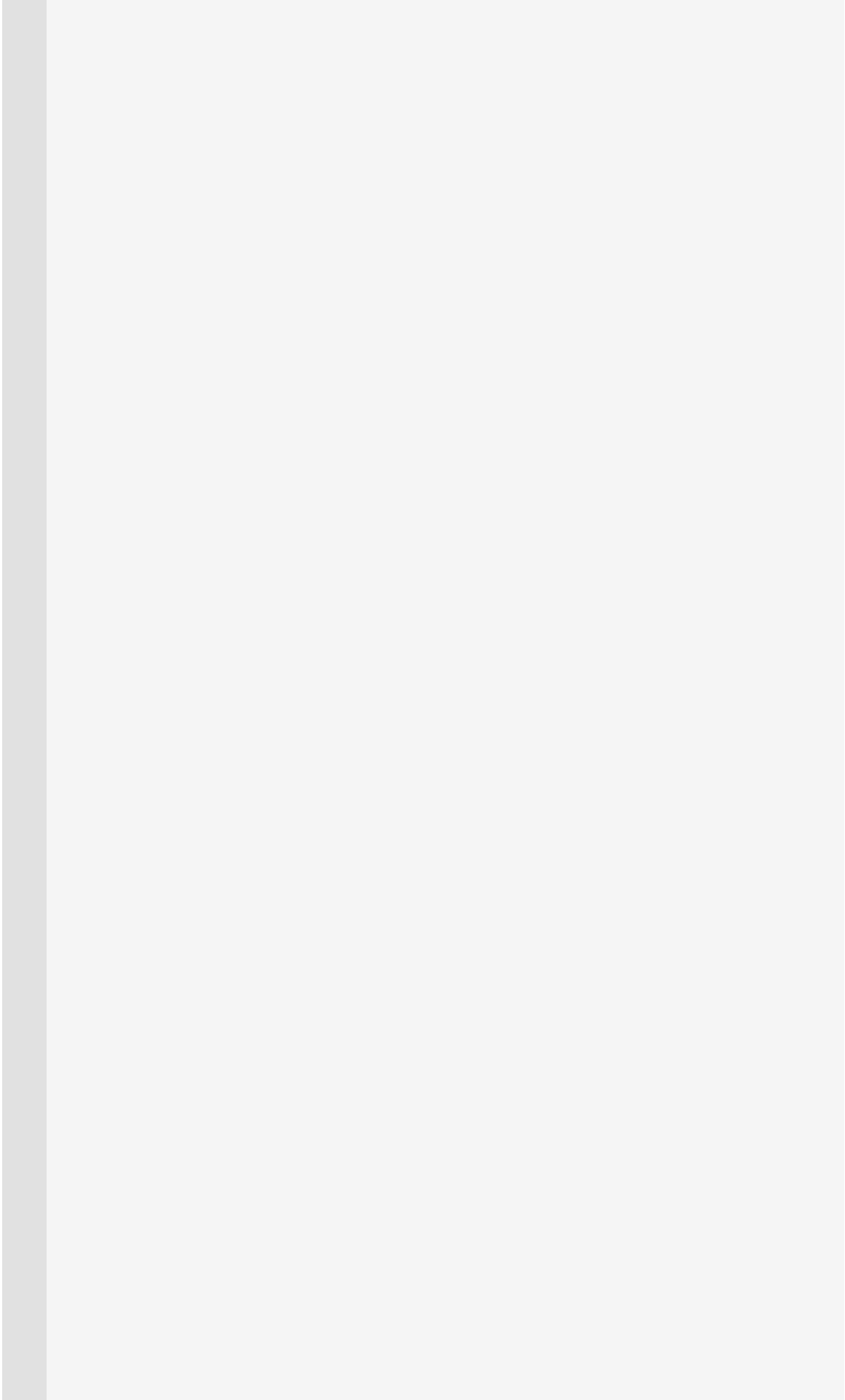
			402,608

Working

	Motor vehicles
Cost	\$24,000
Accumulated depreciation	(12,240)

NBV	\$11,760
Depreciation rate	x 30%

Annual depreciation charge	\$3,528

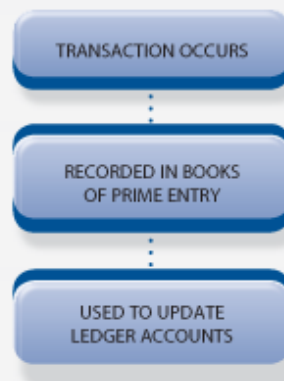


Books of prime entry and control accounts

Chapter learning objectives

Upon completion of this chapter you will be able to:

- identify the main data sources and records in an accounting system
- describe the contents and purpose of different types of business documentation
- outline the form of accounting records in a typical manual system
- record credit sale and purchase transactions (with and without sales tax) using day books
- post day book totals to the ledger accounts
- explain the division of the ledger into sections
- explain the nature and purpose of control accounts for the accounts receivable and accounts payable ledgers
- account for contras between trade receivables and payables
- record cash transactions using the cash book
- explain the need for a record of petty cash transactions
- illustrate the typical format of the petty cash book
- explain the importance of using the imprest system to control petty cash
- list the necessary controls and security over petty cash that would normally be found in a business
- explain the uses of the journal
- illustrate the use of the journal and the posting of journal entries into ledger accounts.



1 Business documentation

The table below summarises the main types of business documentation and sources of data for an accounting system, together with their content and purpose.

	Contents	Purpose
Quotation	Quantity/ description/details of goods required.	To establish price from various suppliers and cross refer to purchase requisition.
Purchase order	Details of supplier, e.g. name, address. Quantity/ description/details of goods required and price. Terms and conditions of delivery, payment, etc.	Sent to supplier as request for supply. To check to the quotation and delivery note.
Sales order	Quantity/ description/details of goods required and price.	Cross checked with the order placed by customer. Sent to the stores/warehouse department for processing of the order.
Delivery note (goods delivery note – GDN)	Details of supplier, e.g. name and address. Quantity and description of goods	Provided by supplier. Checked with goods received and purchase order.
Goods received note (GRN)	Quantity and description of goods.	Produced by company receiving the goods as proof of receipt. Matched with delivery note and purchase order.

Purchase invoice	Details of supplier, e.g. name and address. Contains details of goods, e.g. quantity, price, value, sales tax, terms of credit, etc.	Issued by supplier as request for payment. Cross checked with delivery note, and purchase order. Statement
Statement	Details of supplier, e.g. name and address. Has details of date, invoice numbers and values, payments made, refunds, amount owing.	Issued by the supplier. Checked with other documents to ensure that the amount owing is correct.
Credit note	Details of supplier, e.g. name and address. Contains details of goods returned, e.g. quantity, price, value, sales tax, terms of credit, etc.	Issued by the supplier. Checked with documents regarding goods returned.
Debit note	Details of the supplier. Contains details of goods returned, e.g. quantity, price, value, sales tax, terms of credit, etc.	Issued by the company receiving the goods. Cross referred to the credit note issued by the supplier.
Remittance advice	Method of payment, invoice number, account number, date, etc.	Sent to supplier with, or as notification of, payment.
Receipt	Details of payment received.	Issued by the selling company indicating the payment received.

2 Accounting records



Books of prime entry

- If ledgers were updated each time a transaction occurred, the ledger accounts would quickly become cluttered and errors might be made.
- To avoid this, all transactions are initially recorded in a book of prime entry.
- Several books of prime entry exist, each recording a different type of transaction:

Book of prime entry	Transaction type
Sales day book	Credit sales
Purchases day book	Credit purchases
Sales returns day book	Returns of goods sold on credit
Purchases returns day book	Returns of goods bought on credit
Cash book	All bank transactions
Petty cash book	All small cash transactions
The journal	All transactions not recorded elsewhere

- Entry of a transaction to a book of prime entry does not record the double entry required for that transaction.
- The book of prime entry is, however, the source for double entries to the ledger accounts.
- The double entry arising from the book of prime entry will be recorded periodically (daily, weekly, monthly) depending on the volume of transactions.

3 Ledger accounts and the division of the ledger

In a manual system, ledgers can be thought of as books containing the individual accounts:



- The **general ledger** contains all accounts or a summary of all accounts necessary to produce the trial balance and financial statements.
- The **accounts receivable ledger** contains an account for each credit customer to show how much each one owes.

An account to summarise this information, the **receivables control account**, is normally contained within the general ledger.

- The **accounts payable ledger** contains an account for each credit supplier to show how much they are owed.

An account to summarise this information, the **payables control account**, is normally contained within the general ledger.

Where there are individual accounts in a receivables or payables ledger AND a control account in the general ledger, only one can form part of the double entry system. The other exists for memorandum purposes. It is normally the case that the control accounts form part of the double entry.



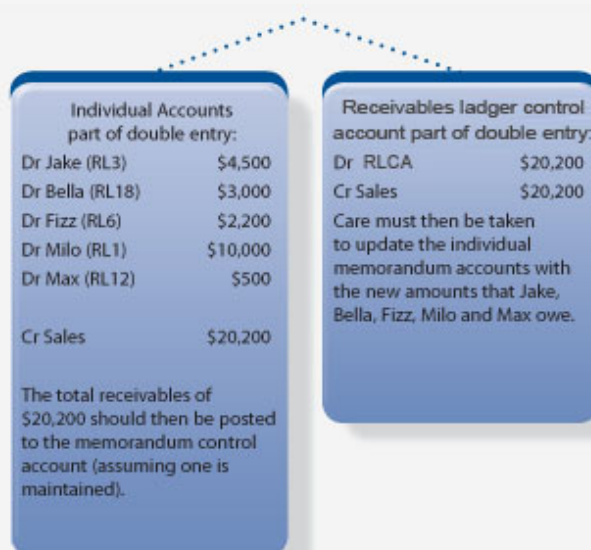
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4 Sales and purchases day books

Sales day book

Date	Invoice	Customer	Ledger Ref	\$
4.1.X6	1	Jake	RL3	4,500
4.1.X6	2	Bella	RL18	3,000
4.1.X6	3	Fizz	RL6	2,200
4.1.X6	4	Milo	RL1	10,000
4.1.X6	5	Max	RL12	500
Total for 4.1.X6				20,200

The format of the double entry resulting from the sales day book will depend upon whether the individual accounts in the accounts receivable ledger OR the receivables control account in the general ledger is part of the double entry system:



Purchases day book, sales returns day book and purchases returns day book

The format of the remaining day books is similar to that of the sales day book. The double entries arising are:

	Individual accounts part of double entry	Control accounts part of double entry
Purchases day book	Dr Purchases. Cr Individual accounts in accounts payable ledger.	Dr Purchases. Cr Payables ledger control account. Each entry also posted to individual memorandum accounts in accounts payable ledger.
Sales returns day book	Dr Sales returns. Cr Individual accounts in accounts receivable ledger.	Dr Sales Returns. Cr Receivables ledger control account. Each entry also posted to individual memorandum accounts in accounts Receivables ledger.
Purchases returns day book	Dr Individual accounts in accounts payable ledger. Cr Purchases returns.	Dr Payables ledger control account. Cr Purchases. Each entry also posted to individual memorandum accounts in accounts payable ledger.



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5 Sales tax in day books

If a business is registered for sales tax, the sales and purchases day books must include entries to record the tax.

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Illustration 1– Sales tax in day books**Sales day book**

Date	Invoice	Customer	Ledger Ref	Gross	Sales tax	Net
				\$	\$	\$
8.7.X6	1	Spencer	J1	587.50	87.50	500.00
10.7.X6	2	Archie	S5	705.00	105.00	600.00
				<u>1,292.50</u>	<u>192.50</u>	<u>1,100.00</u>

Purchases day book

Date	Customer	Ledger Ref	Gross	Sales tax	Net
			\$	\$	\$
8.7.X6	Peggy	Y1	1,762.50	262.50	1,500
10.7.X6	Zena	Z8	352.50	52.50	300
			<u>2,115.00</u>	<u>315.00</u>	<u>1,800</u>

**Expandable text****Test your understanding 1**

The following sales invoices have been issued by Quincy. in July:

Date	Customer	Inv No	Ledger ref.	Sales tax
8 July	Simpson	1100	A8	\$ 411.25 (including sales tax)
10 July	Burns	1101	B5	\$ 1,300 (excluding sales tax)

Quincy is registered for sales tax, applied at a rate of 17.5%

What double entry arises from the day book?

	Dr		Cr
A Receivables ledger control account	\$1,711.25	Sales	\$2,010.72
Sales tax	\$299.47		
B Receivables ledger control account	\$2,010.72	Sales	\$1,711.25
		Sales tax	\$299.47
C Receivables ledger control account	\$1,650.00	Sales	\$1,938.75
Sales tax	\$288.75		
D Receivables ledger control account	\$1,938.75	Sales	\$1,650.00
		Sales tax	\$288.75



Control accounts

Control accounts are ledger accounts that summarise a large number of transactions.

The receivables ledger control account may include any of the following entries:

Receivables ledger control account

Balance b/f	X	Balance b/f	X
Credit sales (SDB)	X	Sales returns (SRDB)	X
		Bank (CB)	X
Bank (CB) dishonoured cheques	X	Irrecoverable debts (journal)	X
Bank (CB) refunds of credit balances	X	Discounts allowed	X
		Contra	X
Balance c/f	X	Balance c/f	X
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	X		X
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Balance b/f	X	Balance b/f	X

The payables ledger control account may include any of the following entries:

Payables ledger control account

Balance b/f	X	Balance b/f	X
Bank (CB)	X	Credit purchases (PDB)	X
Purchases returns (PRDB)	X	Bank (CB) refunds of debit balances	X
Discounts received	X		
	X		
Balance c/f	X	Balance c/f	X
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	X		X
	<hr/>		<hr/>
Balance b/f	X	Balance b/f	X

SDB Sales day book

PDB Purchases day book

SRDB Sales returns day book

PRDB Purchases returns day book

CB Cash book

Note that any entries to the control accounts must also be reflected in the individual accounts within the accounts receivable and payable ledgers.

Contra entries

The situation may arise where a customer is also a supplier. Instead of both owing each other money, it may be agreed that the balances are contra'd, i.e. cancelled.

The double entry for this type of contra is:

Dr Payables ledger control account

Cr Receivables ledger control account

The individual receivable and payable accounts must also be updated to reflect this.

Credit balances on the receivables ledger control account

Sometimes the receivables ledger control account may show a credit balance, i.e. we owe the customer money. These amounts are usually small and arise when:

- The customer has overpaid.
- Credit notes have been issued for fully-paid-for goods.
- Payment is received in advance of raising invoices.

The payables ledger control account may show a debit balance for similar reasons.



Test your understanding 2

Jones prepares monthly Receivables and Payables ledger control accounts. At 1 November 2005 the following balances existed in the company's records.

	Dr \$	Cr \$
Receivables ledger control account	54,000	1,000
Payables ledger control account	200	43,000

The following information is extracted in November 2005 from the company's records:

	\$
Credit sales	251,000
Cash sales	34,000
Credit purchases	77,000
Cash purchases	29,000
Credit sales returns	11,000
Credit purchases returns	3,000
Amounts received from credit customers	242,000
Dishonoured cheques	500
Amounts paid to credit suppliers	74,000
Cash discounts allowed	3,000
Cash discounts received	2,000
Irrecoverable debts written off	1,000
Increase in allowances for receivables	1,200
Interest charged to customers	1,400
Contra settlements	800

At 30 November 2005 the balances in the Receivables and Payables ledgers, as extracted, totalled:

	Dr \$	Cr \$
Receivables ledger balances	To be calculated	2,000
Payables ledger balances	200	To be calculated

Prepare the receivables ledger control account and the payables ledger control account for the month of November 2005 to determine the closing debit and closing credit balances on the receivables ledger control account and payables ledger control account respectively.

6 The cash book

- All transactions involving cash at bank are recorded in the cash book.
- Many businesses have two distinct cash books – a **cash payments book** and a **cash receipts book**.
- A note of cash discounts given and received is also recorded in the cash book. This is to facilitate the recording of discounts in both the general and accounts payable/receivable ledgers.
- It is common for businesses to use a columnar format cash book in order to analyse types of cash payment and receipt.

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Illustration 2– The cash book

The cash payments book

The following is the cash payments book of a small print business.

Date	Detail	Bank	Discount ledger	Payables	Rent
		\$	\$	\$	\$
18.7.X6	Mr A	1,400	100	1,400	
18.7.X6	Office	3,000			3,000
18.7.X6	Mr B	210		210	
18.7.X6	Mr C	1,600	80	1,600	
18.7.X6	Shop	400			400
		6,610	180	3,210	3,400

What are the accounting entries arising from the totals in the cash book at the end of the day, assuming control accounts are kept?

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The following is the cash receipts book of the SM Art Gallery.

Date	Detail	Bank received	Discount ledger	Receivables	Rent
		\$	\$	\$	\$
18.7.X6	C Monet	10,000	500	10,000	
18.7.X6	Interest Acc # 1	20			20
18.7.X6	VV Gogh	25,000		25,000	
18.7.X6	Interest Acc # 2	100			100
18.7.X6	P Picasso	13,700	300	13,700	
		<u>48,820</u>	<u>800</u>	<u>48,700</u>	<u>120</u>

What are the accounting entries arising from the totals in the cash book at the end of the day, assuming control accounts are kept?

7 The petty cash book

- All transactions involving small amounts of petty cash are recorded in the petty cash book.
- The petty cash system is usually designed to deal with sundry small payments in cash made by a business, e.g. paying the milkman, purchasing biscuits, buying stationery or reimbursing travel expenses.
- The cash receipts will be recorded together with the payments which will be analysed in the same way as a cash book.

**The imprest system**

The best way of dealing with petty cash is by means of an imprest system, which works as follows.

Step 1

The business decides on the amount of cash to be held as a float.

Dr Petty cash	X
Cr Bank	X

This round sum amount will be referred to as the 'petty cash float'.

Step 2

As the petty cashier makes payments he records these in the petty cash book, which is not part of the double entry system. All expenditure must be evidenced by an expense receipt and the petty cashier will attach an expense voucher to each expense.

Step 3

When the petty cash runs low, a cheque is drawn to return the petty cash to the exact amount of the original float. At this stage the expense vouchers should be produced by the petty cashier to the cheque signatory which will exactly equal the cheque required.

This aspect of control is the essential feature of the petty cash system. At any stage :

Float = Cash in petty cash box + sum total of expense vouchers since last reimbursement

Controls over petty cash

The following controls and security over petty cash should be found in a business:

- Petty cash must be kept in a petty cash box.
- Petty cash box must be secured in a safe.
- Person responsible for petty cash must be reliable and know what he/she is doing.
- All petty cash must be supported by invoices.
- Petty cash vouchers must be signed by the claimant and the person responsible for running the petty cash.
- Regular spot checks must be carried out to ensure that the petty cash is accurate.



Illustration 3 – The petty cash book

On 1 March 20X9 a petty cash float of \$100 is introduced by Dialex. During March the following payments are made out of petty cash:

		\$
2 March	Biscuits	10
8 March	Stationery	20
11 March	Bus fare	3
16 March	Train fare	5
25 March	Stationery	40

On 31 March the cash is reimbursed. Write up the petty cash book for the month and show the resulting entries to the general ledger.



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8 The journal

The journal is a book of prime entry which records transactions which are not routine (and not recorded in any other book of prime entry), for example:

- year-end adjustments
 - depreciation charge for the year
 - irrecoverable debt write-off
 - record movement in allowance for receivables
 - accruals and prepayments
 - closing inventory
- acquisitions and disposals of non-current assets
- opening balances for balance sheet items
- correction of errors.

The journal is a clear and comprehensible way of setting out a bookkeeping double entry that is to be made.

Presentation of a journal

A journal should be laid out in the following way:

Dr Non-current asset	X
Cr Cash	X

to record the purchase of a new non-current asset.

A brief narrative should be given to explain the entry.



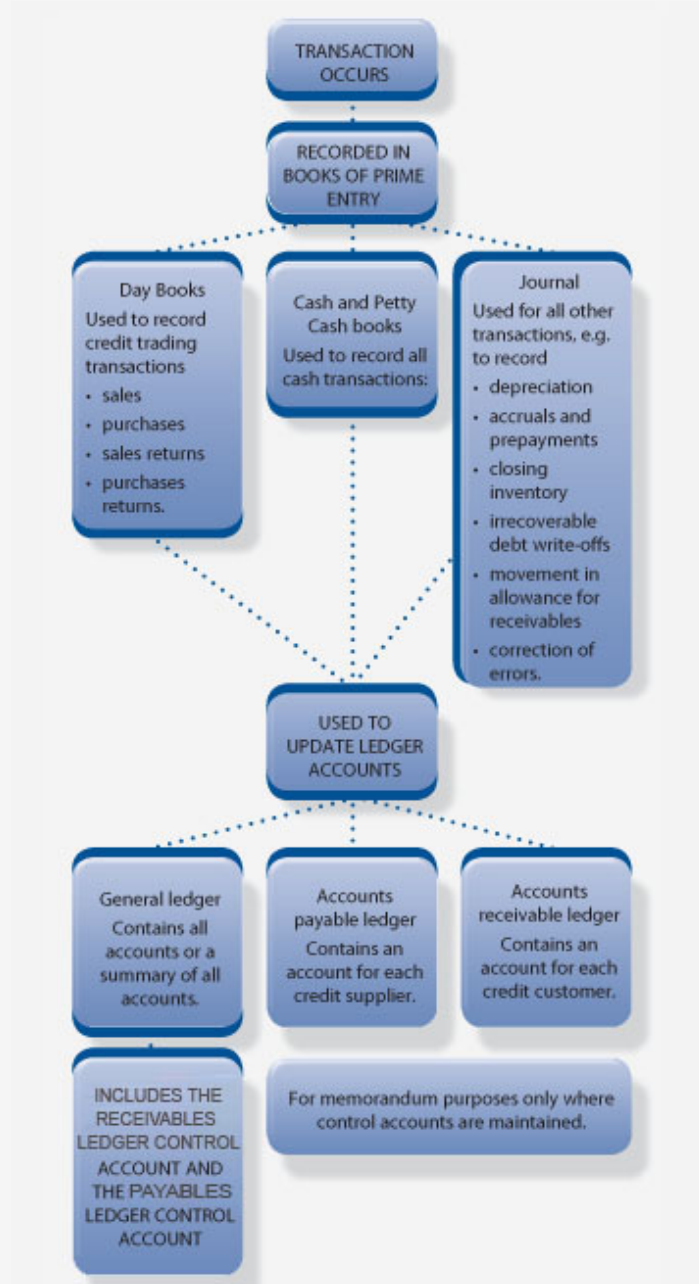
Test your understanding 4

Igor Romanov runs a Russian restaurant. He is a very good chef but not quite so good at accounting and needs help to record the following transactions:

- (1) Closing inventory of 250 bottles of vodka at a cost of \$2,750 has not been recorded.
- (2) Igor needs to charge depreciation on his restaurant. He holds a 25-year lease which cost him \$150,000 ten years ago.
- (3) A regular customer, V Shady, keeps a tab behind the bar. He currently owes \$350 but was last seen buying a one-way ticket to Moscow. Igor has given up hope of payment and intends to write the debt off.
- (4) On the last day of the year Igor bought two new sofas for cash for the bar area of the restaurant. They cost \$600 each but the purchase has not been reflected in the accounts.

What journals should Igor post?

Chapter summary



Test your understanding answers



Test your understanding 1

The correct answer is D

Sales day book

Date	Customer Invoice	Ledger ref.	Gross	Sales tax	Net
			\$	\$	\$
8 July	Simpson 1100	A8	411.25	61.25	350.00
10 July	Burns 1101	B5	1,527.50	227.50	1,300.00
			<u>1,938.75</u>	<u>288.75</u>	<u>1,650.00</u>

The double entry for the above transaction will be:

Dr Receivables ledger control account	\$1,938.75
Cr Sales tax	\$288.75
Cr Sales	\$1,650.00



Test your understanding 2

Receivables ledger control account

	\$		\$
Balance b/f	54,000	Balance b/f	1,000
Credit sales	251,000	Sales returns	11,000
Dishonoured cheques	500	Cash received	242,000
Interest charged	1,400	Discounts allowed	3,000
		Irrecoverable debts	1,000
		Contra	800
Balance c/f	2,000	Balance c/f	50,100
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Balance b/f	50,100	Balance b/f	2,000

Payables ledger control account

	\$		\$
Balance b/f	200	Balance b/f	43,000
Purchases returns	3,000	Credit purchases	77,000
Cash paid	74,000		
Discounts received	2,000		
Contra	800		
Balance c/f	40,200	Balance c/f	200
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	<hr/>		<hr/>
Balance b/f	200	Balance b/f	40,200

**Test your understanding 3****The cash transactions are recorded in total as follows:**

Dr Bank \$48,820

Cr Receivables ledger control account \$48,700

Cr Interest income \$120

The discount is recorded as follows:

Dr Discounts allowed \$800

Cr Receivables ledger control account \$800

Entries must also be made to Monet, Gogh and Picasso's individual accounts in the accounts receivable ledger in order to reflect the payments received and discounts allowed.



Test your understanding 4

(1) Dr Closing inventory (statement of financial position) \$2,750

Cr Closing inventory (cost of sales) \$2,750

To record the closing inventory of vodka.

(2) Dr Depreciation expense \$6,000 ($\$150,000/25$ yrs)

Cr Accumulated depreciation \$6,000

To record depreciation on the restaurant lease.

(3) Dr Irrecoverable debt expense \$350

Cr Receivables ledger control account \$350

To record the write-off of a debt outstanding from V Shady.

NB Igor must also remember to update V Shady's individual account in the accounts receivable ledger.

(4) Dr Fixtures and Fittings cost \$1,200

Cr Cash \$1,200

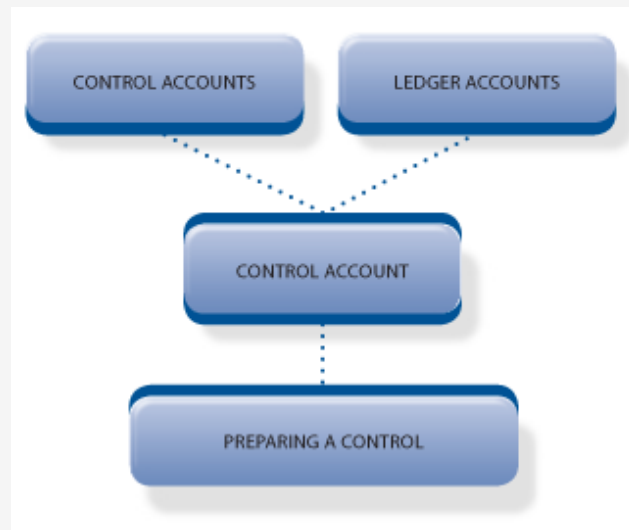
To record the purchase of two sofas for the bar.

Control account reconciliations

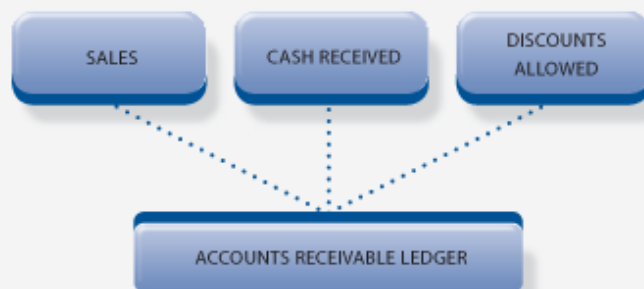
Chapter learning objectives

Upon completion of this chapter you will be able to:

- prepare, reconcile and understand the purpose of supplier statements
- identify errors which would be highlighted by performing a control account reconciliation
- perform basic control account reconciliations for receivables and payables, identifying and correcting errors in control accounts and ledgers.



1 Control accounts



- Control accounts are a means of proving the accuracy of the ledger accounts, such as receivables and payables.
- The diagram above shows the information that is included in the **accounts receivables ledger**.
- If we wanted to check the accuracy of the accounts receivables ledger, one way we can do this is by getting the information from different sources:
 - The sales can be taken from the sales day book.
 - The cash received and discounts allowed are recorded in the cash book.
 - The opening balances can be taken from the prior month's closing balances.
- An alternative way to check the accuracy of the accounts receivables ledger is to compare the sum total of the individual receivables accounts with the balance on the receivables ledger control account.
- Remember, the control account is normally part of the double entry system, whereas the ledger contains memorandum accounts which are not part of the double entry system. Nevertheless, both are updated using the same sources and therefore should agree.

2 Supplier statements

These statements are issued to a business by suppliers to summarise the transactions that have taken place during a given period, and also to show the balance outstanding at the end of the period.

- Their purpose is to ensure that the amount outstanding is accurate and agrees with underlying documentation.
- The payables ledger control account and individual list of payables balances should agree with the total of the supplier statements.
- As such, these are a further way to prove the accuracy of accounting records.

3 Control account reconciliations

The reconciliation is a working to ensure that the entries in the ledger accounts agree with the entries in the control account. The two should have the same closing balance as ideally they have had exactly the same entries in both accounts.

- A **receivables ledger reconciliation** compares the total of the accounts in the receivables ledger with the balance on the receivables ledger control account.
- A **payables ledger reconciliation** compares the total of the accounts in the payables ledger with the balance on the payables ledger control account.

If there are differences between the control account and the ledger accounts, they must be identified and reconciled. Differences may arise due to:

- errors in the receivables or payables ledger
- errors in the receivables or payables ledger control accounts
- errors in both the control account and ledger account.



Test your understanding 1

Suggest reasons why there might be a difference between the balance on the receivables ledger control account and the total of the list of accounts receivable ledger balances.

4 Preparing a control account reconciliation

The format of a control account reconciliation, in this case for sales is as follows:

Receivables ledger control account

	\$		\$
Balance given by the examiner	X	Adjustments for errors	X
Adjustments for errors	X	Revised balance c/f	X
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	X		X

Reconciliation of individual receivables balances with control account balance

	\$
Balance as extracted from list of receivables	X
Adjustments for errors	X/(X)
	<hr style="width: 100%;"/>
Revised total agreeing with balance c/f on control account	X

- The examiner will provide details of the error(s).
- You must decide for each whether correction is required in the control account, the list of individual balances or both.
- When all errors have been corrected, the revised balance on the control account should agree to the revised total of the list of individual balances.
- Due to the nature of the F3 exam, you will not be asked to produce a full control account reconciliation, however you may be asked for the revised balance on the control account / list of individual balances after one or two errors have been corrected.

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Illustration 1 – Preparing a control account reconciliation

Alston's payables ledger control account is an integral part of the double entry system. Individual ledger account balances are listed and totalled on a monthly basis, and reconciled to the control account balance. Information for the month of March is as follows:

- (1) Individual ledger account balances at 31 March have been listed out and totalled \$19,766.
- (2) The payables ledger control account balance at 31 March is \$21,832.

- (3) On further examination the following errors are discovered:
- The total of discount received for the month, amounting to \$1,715, has not been entered in the control account but has been entered in the individual ledger accounts.
 - On listing-out, an individual credit balance of \$205 has been incorrectly treated as a debit.
 - A petty cash payment to a supplier amounting to \$63 has been correctly treated in the control account, but no entry has been made in the supplier's individual ledger account.
 - The purchases day book total for March has been undercast (understated) by \$2,000.
 - Contras (set-offs) with the receivables ledger, amounting in total to \$2,004, have been correctly treated in the individual ledger accounts but no entry has been made in the control account.
- (i) Prepare the part of the payables ledger control account reflecting the above information.
- (ii) Prepare a statement reconciling the original total of the individual balances with the corrected balance on the control account.



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Test your understanding 2

Rayneydaze is a business selling umbrellas branded with corporate logos. The umbrellas are sold in bulk lots on credit. The accountant is carrying out a reconciliation of the receivables ledger control account balance, which is \$172,120 to the total of the balances on the individual accounts in the receivables ledger, which is \$176,134.

The following has been found:

- (1) A contra item of \$1,500 has not been entered in the receivables ledger control account.
- (2) A cheque for \$555 from a customer has been dishonoured. The correct double entry has been posted but the individual accounts have not been updated.
- (3) A payment of \$322 from a customer has incorrectly been entered in the accounts receivable ledger as \$233.
- (4) Discounts allowed totalling \$120 have not been entered in the control account.

- (5) Cash received of \$800 has been debited to the individual customer's account in the accounts receivable ledger.
- (6) Total credit sales of \$4,500 to a large accountancy firm, Close & Counter have been posted correctly to the ledger account but not recorded in the control account.

Correct the receivables ledger control account and reconcile this to the sum total of the individual accounts in the accounts receivable ledger.



Test your understanding 3

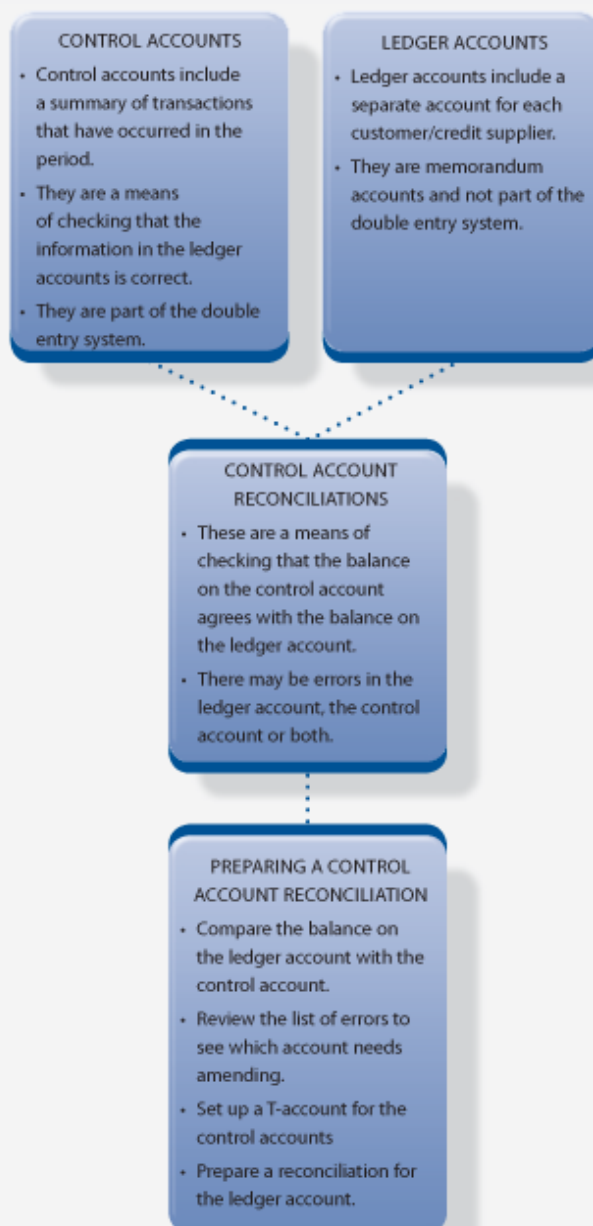
Tonga received a statement from a supplier, Cook, showing a balance of \$14,810. Tonga's Payables ledger shows a balance due to Cook of \$10,000. Investigation reveals the following:

- (1) Cash paid to Cook of \$4,080 has not been allowed for by Cook.
- (2) Tonga's recorded the fact that a \$40 cash discount was not allowed by Cook, but forgot to record this in the payables ledger.

What discrepancy remains between Tonga and Cook's records after allowing for these items?

- A \$9,930
- B \$9,850
- C \$770
- D \$690

Chapter summary



Test your understanding answers



Test your understanding 1

The following are reasons why the accounts receivable control account may not agree with the ledger account:

- The sales day book, sales returns day book or cash receipts book have been incorrectly totalled.
- A total from a book of prime entry has been transferred to the control account as a different figure.
- An individual entry from a book of prime entry has been transferred to the individual customer's account as a different figure.
- An entry in the control account or the individual customer's account has been omitted or posted to the wrong side of the account.
- The double entry for a day book total has been incorrectly made.
- An individual customer's account has been incorrectly balanced.
- The list of accounts receivable ledger balances has been incorrectly totalled.
- An entry has been made in either the control account or the individual customer's account but not in both.
- An individual customer's balance has been omitted from the list of balances.


Test your understanding 2
Receivables ledger control account

	\$		\$
Balance b/f	172,120		
Credit sales (6)	4,500	Contra (1)	1,500
		Discounts (4)	120
		Balance c/f	175,000
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	176,620		176,620
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Balance b/f	175,000		

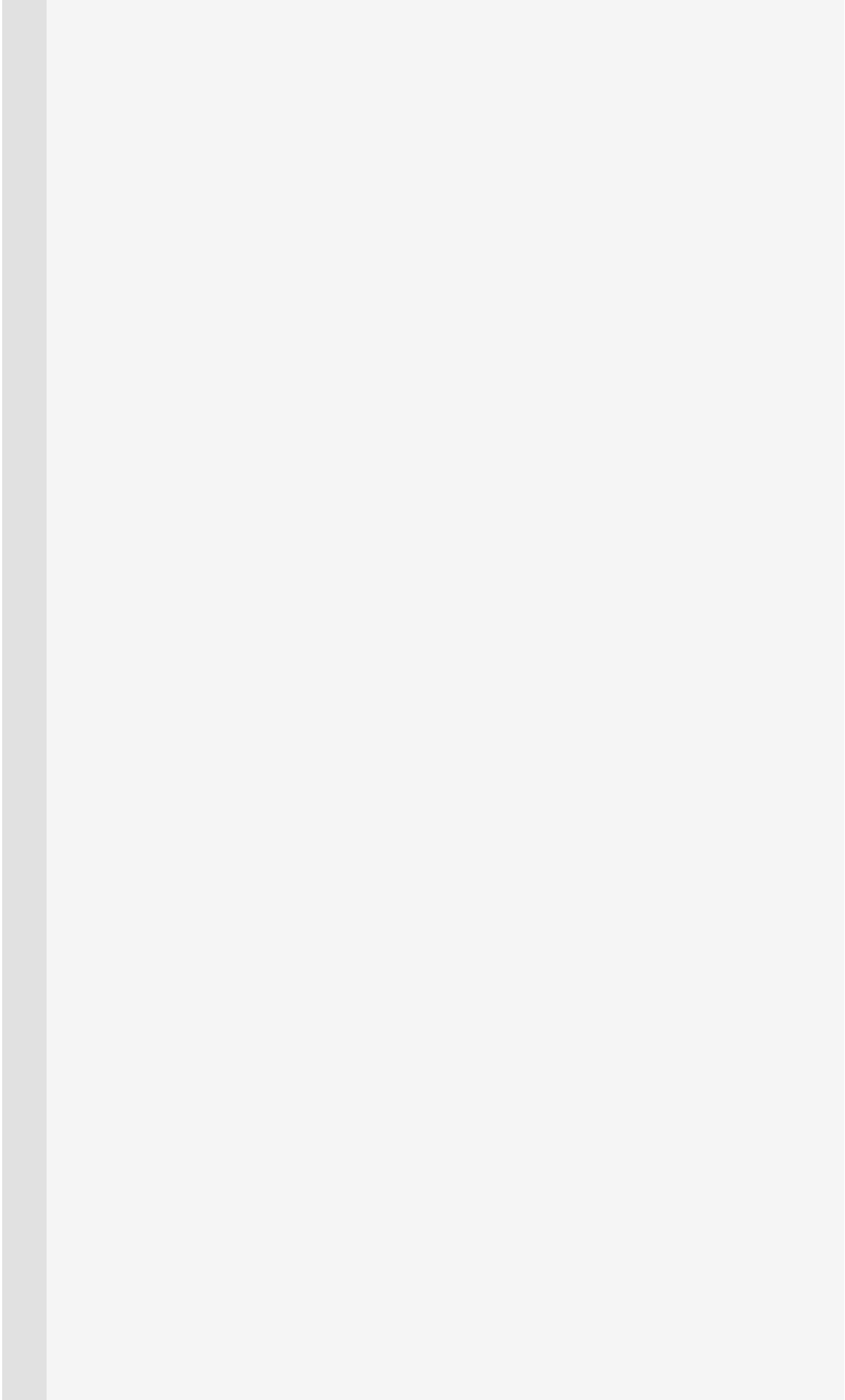
**Sales Ledger
Reconciliation**

Balance per accounts receivable ledger	176,134
Dishonoured cheque (2)	555
Misposting (3)	(89)
Cash received (5)	(1,600)
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Revised balance	175,000


Test your understanding 3

The correct answer is D.

	Cook \$	Tonga \$	
Difference			
Balance per question	14,810	10,000	
Adjustment	(4,080)	40	
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Revised balance	10,730	10,040	690

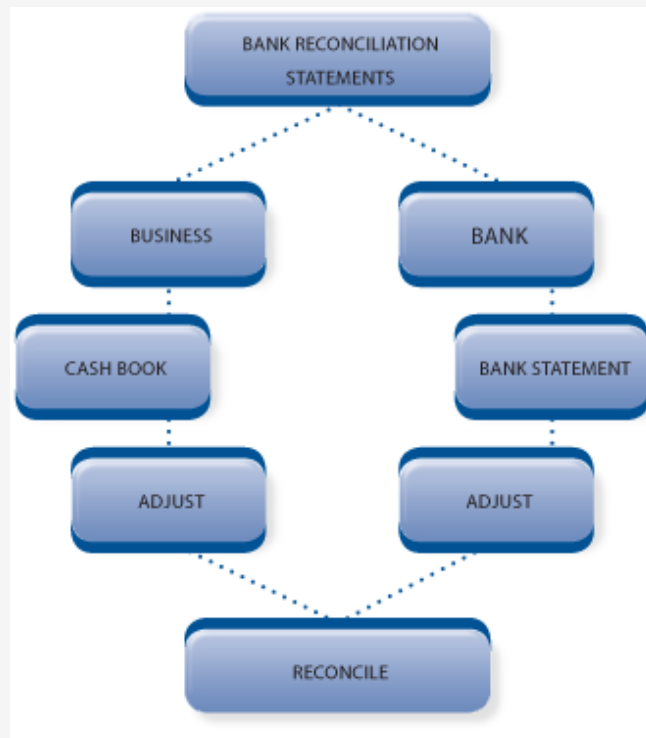


Bank reconciliations

Chapter learning objectives

Upon completion of this chapter you will be able to:

- describe the purpose of bank reconciliations
- identify the main differences between the cash book and the bank statement
- identify the bank balance to be reported in the final accounts
- correct cash book errors or omissions
- prepare bank reconciliation statements
- derive bank statement and cash book balances from given information.



1 The bank reconciliation

The objective of a bank reconciliation is to reconcile the difference between:

- the cash book balance, i.e. the business' record of their bank account, and
- the bank statement balance, i.e. the bank's records of the bank account.

Note that debits and credits are reversed in bank statements because the bank will be recording the transaction from its point of view, in accordance with the business entity concept.



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2 Differences between the bank statement and the cash book

When attempting to reconcile the cash book with the bank statement, two types of difference may be found:

- unrecorded items
- timing differences.

Unrecorded items

These are items which arise in the bank statements before they are recorded in the cash book. Such 'unrecorded items' may include:

- interest
- bank charges
- dishonoured cheques.

They are not recorded in the cash book simply because the business does not know that these items have arisen until they see the bank statement.

The cash book must be adjusted to reflect these items.

Test your understanding 1

On which side of the cash book should the following unrecorded items be posted?

- bank charges
- direct debits/standing orders
- direct credits
- dishonoured cheques
- bank interest.

Timing differences

These items have been recorded in the cash book, but due to the bank clearing process have not yet been recorded in the bank statement:

- Outstanding/unpresented cheques (cheques sent to suppliers but not yet cleared by the bank).
- Outstanding/uncleared lodgements (cheques received by the business but not yet cleared by the bank).

The bank statement balance needs to be adjusted for these items:

Balance per bank statement	\$
Less: Outstanding/unpresented cheques	X
Add: Outstanding/uncleared lodgements	(X)
	X
Balance per cash book (revised)	<hr/> X

2.3 Errors in the cash book

The business may make a mistake in their cash book. The cash book balance will need to be adjusted for these items.

Errors in the bank statement

The bank may make a mistake, e.g. record a transaction relating to a different person within our business' bank statement. The bank statement balance will need to be adjusted for these items.



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3 Proforma bank reconciliation

	Cash book	
Bal b/f	X	Bal b/f
Adjustments	X	Adjustments
Revised bal c/f	X	Revised bal c/f
	X	X
	X	X
Revised bal b/f	X	Revised bal b/

Bank reconciliation statement as at

Balance per bank statement	\$ X
Outstanding cheques	(X)
Outstanding lodgements	X
Other adjustments to the bank statement	X/(X)
	X
Balance per cash book (revised)	X

- Beware of overdrawn balances on the bank statement.
- Beware of debits/credits to bank statements.
- Beware of aggregation of deposits in a bank statement.
- **Note that the bank balance on the balance sheet is always the balance per the revised cash book.**

**Test your understanding 2**

In preparing a company's bank reconciliation statement, the accountant finds that the following items are causing a difference between the cash book balance and bank statement balance:

- (1) Direct debit \$530.
- (2) Lodgements not credited \$1,200.
- (3) Cheque paid in by the company and dishonoured \$234.
- (4) Outstanding cheques \$677.
- (5) Bank charges \$100.
- (6) Error by bank \$2,399 (cheque incorrectly credited to the account).

Which of these items will require an entry in the cash book?

- A 3, 4 and 6
- B 1, 3 and 5
- C 1, 2 and 4
- D 2, 5 and 6



Test your understanding 3

The following information has been extracted from the records of N Patel:

Bank account		\$	Chq no	\$
1 Dec	Balance b/f	16,491 1	Alexander 782	857
		Dec		
2 Dec	Able	962 6	Burgess 783	221
		Dec		
	Baker	1,103 14	Barry 784	511
		Dec		
10 Dec	Charlie	2,312 17	Cook 785	97
		Dec		
14 Dec	Delta	419 24	Hay 786	343
		Dec		
21 Dec	Echo	327 29	Rent 787	260
		Dec		
23 Dec	Cash sales	529		
30 Dec	Fred	119 31	Balance	19,973
		Dec	c/f	
		<u>22,262</u>		<u>22,262</u>

High Street Bank**Bank Statement – N. Patel**

Date	Details	Withdrawals	Deposits	Balance
		\$	\$	\$
1 December	Balance b/f			17,478
2 December	780	426		
2 December	781	737		16,315
2 December	Deposit		176	16,491
5 December	782	857		
5 December	Bank charges	47		15,587
6 December	Deposit		2,065	17,652
10 December	Standing order (rates)	137		17,515
11 December	783	212		17,303
13 December	Deposit		2,312	19,615
17 December	784	511		19,104
17 December	Deposit		419	19,523
23 December	Deposit		327	19,850
24 December	Deposit		528	20,378
28 December	786	343		20,035
30 December	310923	297		19,738
31 December	Balance c/f			19,738

- (a) Prepare a bank reconciliation statement at 1 December.
 (b) Update the cash book for December.
 (c) Prepare a bank reconciliation statement at 31 December.

Test your understanding 4

The following is a summary of Ami's cash book as presented to you for the month of December 20X6:

	\$	\$	
Receipts	1,469	Balance b/f	761
Balance c/f	554	Payments	1,262
	<u>2,023</u>		<u>2,023</u>

All receipts are banked and payments made by cheque.

On investigation you discover:

- (1) Bank charges of \$136 entered on the bank statement had not been entered in the cash book.
- (2) Cheques drawn amounting to \$267 had not been presented to the bank for payment.
- (3) A cheque for \$22 had been entered as a receipt in the cash book instead of as a payment;
- (4) A cheque drawn for \$6 had been incorrectly entered in the cash book as \$66.

What balance is shown on the bank statement at 31 December 20X6?

- A \$913
- B \$941 overdraft
- C \$941
- D \$407 overdraft

Chapter summary



Test your understanding answers



Test your understanding 1

Cash book			
	\$		\$
Bank interest	X	Bank charges	X
Direct credits	X	Direct debits/ standing orders	X
		Dishonoured cheques	X



Test your understanding 2

The correct answer is B



Test your understanding 3

Bank reconciliation statement as at 1 December		\$
Balance per bank statement		17,478
Less: Outstanding cheques (\$426 + 737)		(1,163)
Add: Outstanding lodgements		176
Balance per cash book		<u>16,491</u>
Bank		
	\$	\$
Balance b/f	19,973	Deposit difference
		(\$529 – 528)
Error – cheque		Bank charges
783		47
(\$221–212)	9	Rates – s/order
		137
		Revised balance
		c/f
	<u>19,982</u>	<u>19,982</u>
Revised balance	<u>19,797</u>	
b/f		
Bank reconciliation statement as at 31 December		\$
Balance per bank statement		19,738
Less: Outstanding cheques (\$97 + 260)		(357)
Add: Outstanding lodgements (Fred)		119
Bank error (Cheque 310923)		297
Balance per cash book		<u>19,797</u>



Test your understanding 4

The correct answer is D

Cash book			
	\$		\$
Adjustment re cheque (4)	60	Balance b/f	554
Balance c/f	674	Bank charges (1)	136
		Adjustment re paid cheque entered as receipt (3)	44
	734		734
		Balance b/f	674

Bank reconciliation statement as at 31 December 20X6

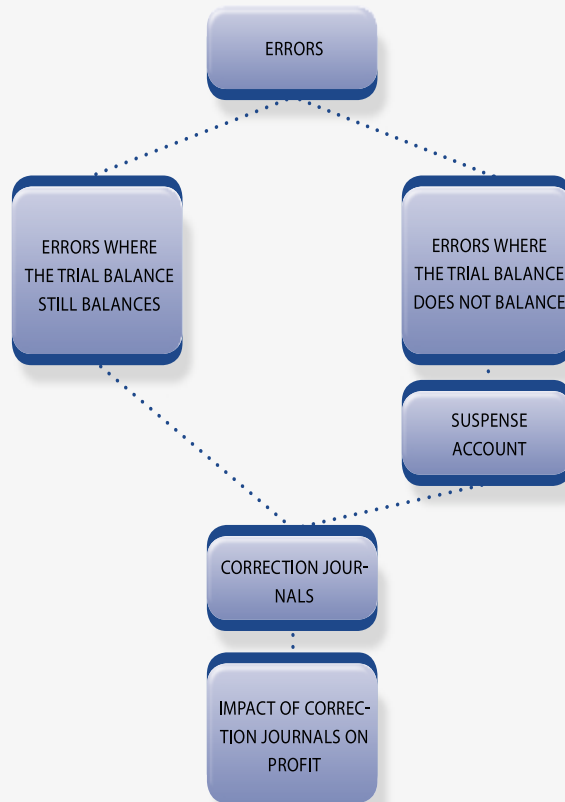
Balance per bank statement at 31 December 20X6 (derived)	\$ (407) O/D
Less: Cheques issued but not yet presented (2)	(267)
Balance per cash book at 31 Dec 20X6	<u>(674) O/D</u>

Correction of errors and suspense accounts

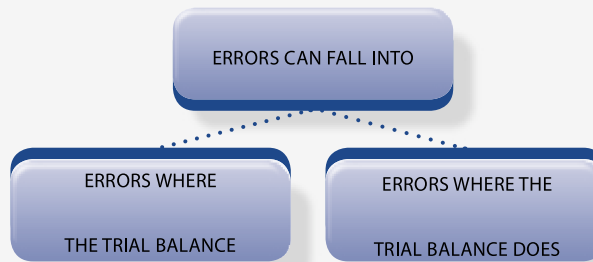
Chapter learning objectives

Upon completion of this chapter you will be able to:

- identify the types of error which may occur in bookkeeping systems
- identify errors which would not be highlighted by the extraction of a trial balance
- identify errors leading to the creation of a suspense account.
- describe the purpose of a suspense account
- prepare journal entries to correct errors and clear out a suspense account
- prepare statements correcting profit for errors discovered.



1 Type of error





Errors where the trial balance still balances

- **Error of omission:** A transaction has been completely omitted from the accounting records, e.g. a cash sale of \$100 was not recorded.
- **Error of commission:** A transaction has been recorded in the wrong account, e.g. rates expense of \$500 has been debited to the rent account in error.
- **Error of principle:** A transaction has conceptually been recorded incorrectly, e.g. a non-current asset purchase of \$1,000 has been debited to the repair expense account rather than an asset account.
- **Compensating error:** Two different errors have been made which cancel each other out, e.g. a rent bill of \$1,200 has been debited to the rent account as \$1,400 and a casting error on the sales account has resulted in sales being overstated by \$200.
- **Error of original entry:** The correct double entry has been made but with the wrong amount, e.g. a cash sale of \$76 has been recorded as \$67.
- **Reversal of entries:** The correct amount has been posted to the correct accounts but on the wrong side, e.g. a cash sale of \$200 has been debited to sales and credited to bank.

When correcting these errors, a good approach is to consider:

- (1) What was the double entry? ('did do').
- (2) What should the double entry have been? ('should do').
- (3) Therefore what correction is required? ('to correct').

Always assume that if one side of the double entry is not mentioned, it has been recorded correctly.



Test your understanding 1

Provide the journal to correct each of the following errors:

- (1) A cash sale of \$100 was not recorded.
- (2) Rates expense of \$500, paid in cash has been debited to the rent account in error.
- (3) a non-current asset purchase of \$1,000 on credit has been debited to the repairs expense account rather than an asset account.
- (4) A rent bill of \$1,200 paid in cash has been debited to the rent account as \$1,400 and a casting error on the sales account has resulted in sales being overstated by \$200.
- (5) A cash sale of \$76 has been recorded as \$67.

(6) A cash sale of \$200 has been debited to sales and credited to cash.



Errors where the trial balance does not balance

- Single sided entry – a debit entry has been made but no corresponding credit entry or vice versa.
- Debit and credit entries have been made but at different values.
- Two entries have been made on the same side.
- An incorrect addition in any individual account, i.e. miscasting.
- Opening balance has not been brought down.
- Extraction error – the balance in the trial balance is different from the balance in the relevant account.

If there is a difference on the trial balance, then a suspense account is used to make the total debits equal the total credits:

	\$	\$
Non-current assets	5,000	
Receivables	550	
Inventory	1,000	
Cash	200	
Payables		600
Loan		2,000
Capital		4,000
Suspense account		150
	6,750	6,750

The balance on the suspense account must be cleared before final accounts can be prepared.

Corrections to any of the six errors mentioned above will affect the suspense account.

Approach to questions:

- Take the approach as before.
- Use the suspense account to make the 'did do' Dr = the 'did do' Cr and then part of the correction journal will be to reverse this suspense account entry.

E.g. The purchase of a non-current asset costing \$100 has been recorded by debiting \$10 to the non-current assets account and crediting \$100 to cash.

What was the double entry? ('Did do')	What should the double entry have been? ('Should do')	Correcting journal
Dr Non-current assets (Dr suspense Cr Cash	\$10Dr Non-current assets \$90Cr Cash \$100	\$100Dr Non-current assets \$100Cr Suspense
		\$90
		\$90

- Where an opening balance has not been brought down, journal it in and send the opposite entry to suspense.
- The correction journal must always include an equal debit and credit.



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Test your understanding 2

The debit side of a company's TB totals \$1,200 more than the credit side. Which of the following errors would fully account for the difference?

- A The petty cash balance of \$1,200 has been omitted from the TB.
- B A receipt of \$1,200 for commission receivable has been omitted from the records.
- C \$600 paid for plant maintenance has been correctly entered into the cash book and credited to the plant cost account.
- D Discount received of \$600 has been debited to the discount allowed account.



Test your understanding 3

Bond's TB failed to agree and a suspense account was opened for the difference. Bond does not maintain control accounts for sales and purchases. The following errors were found in Bond's accounting records:

- (1) In recording the sale of a non-current asset, cash received of \$33,000 was credited to the disposals account as \$30,000.
- (2) An opening accrual of \$340 had been omitted from the TB.
- (3) Cash of \$8,900 paid for plant repairs was correctly accounted for in the cash book but was credited to the plant cost account.
- (4) A cheque for \$12,000 paid for the purchase of a machine was debited to the machinery account as \$21,000.

Which of the errors will require an entry to the suspense account to correct them?

- A 1, 3 and 4 only.
- B All.
- C 1 and 4 only.
- D 2 and 3 only.



Test your understanding 4

On extracting a trial balance, the accountant of ETT discovered a suspense account with a debit balance of \$1,075 included therein; she also found that the debits exceeded the credits by \$957. She posted this difference to the suspense account and then investigated the situation. She discovered:

- (1) A debit balance of \$75 on the postage account had been incorrectly extracted on the list of balances as \$750 debit.
- (2) A payment of \$500 to a credit supplier, X, had been correctly entered in the cash book, but no entry had been made in the supplier's account.
- (3) When a motor vehicle had been purchased during the year the bookkeeper did not know what to do with the debit entry so he made the entry Dr Suspense, Cr Bank \$1,575.
- (4) A credit balance of \$81 in the sundry income account had been incorrectly extracted on the list of balances as a debit balance.
- (5) A receipt of \$5 from a credit customer, Y, had been correctly posted to his account but had been entered in the cash book as \$625.
- (6) The bookkeeper was not able to deal with the receipt of \$500 from the owner's own bank account, and he made the entry Dr Bank and Cr Suspense.
- (7) No entry has been made for a cheque of \$120 received from a credit customer M.
- (8) A receipt of \$50 from a credit customer, N, had been entered into his account as \$5 and into the cash book as \$5.

What journals are required to correct the errors and eliminate the suspense account?

2 Adjustments to profit

The correction journal may result in a change in profit, depending on whether the journal debits or credits the income statement:

Dr Statement of financial position account Cr Statement of financial position account	No impact on profit
Dr Income statement account Cr Income statement account	No impact on profit
Dr Income statement account Cr Statement of financial position account	Profit decreases
Dr Statement of financial position account Cr Income statement account	Profit increases

For this purpose the suspense account is defined as a statement of financial position account.



Test your understanding 5

The following correction journals have been posted by Boris Brokovitch, a self-employed plumber:

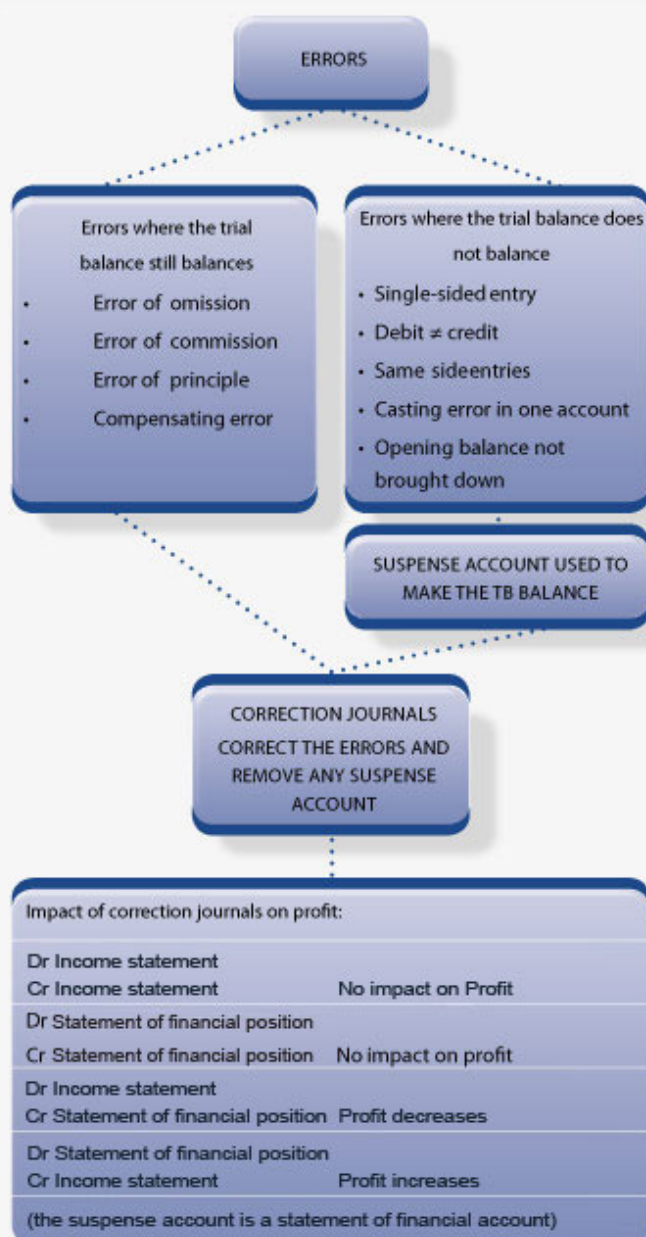
- (1) Dr Suspense \$4,000
 Cr Rent \$4,000
- (2) Dr Payables \$2,500
 Cr Suspense \$2,500
- (3) Dr Loan interest \$1,000
 Cr Loan \$1,000
- (4) Dr Suspense \$650
 Cr Sundry income \$650
- (5) Dr Suspense \$6,000
 Cr Cash \$6,000

Boris' draft profit figure prior to the posting of these journals is \$355,000.

What is the revised profit figure?

- A \$354,000
- B \$358,650
- C \$356,150
- D \$358,000

Chapter summary



Test your understanding answers



Test your understanding 1

	What was the double entry?	What should the double entry have been?	Correcting journal
1)		Dr suspense \$675 Cr postages \$675	
2)	Cr cash \$500	(Dr suspense \$500) Dr payables (X) Cr cash \$500	Dr payables (X) \$500 Cr suspense \$500
3)	Motor vehicle cost \$1,575 Cr bank \$1,575	Dr suspense \$1,575 Dr Motor vehicle \$1,575	DR vehicle cost \$1,575 Cr suspense \$1,575
4)		Cr income \$162	Dr suspense \$162 sundry
5)	Dr cash \$625 Cr receivables \$5 (Cr suspense \$620)	Dr cash \$5 Cr receivables \$5	Dr suspense \$620 Cr cash \$620
6)	Dr bank \$500 Cr suspense \$500	Dr bank \$500 Cr capital \$500	Dr suspense \$500 Cr capital \$500
7)	- Dr bank \$120 Cr receivables (M) \$120	Cr receivables \$120	Dr bank \$120

**Test your understanding 2****The correct answer is D**

A and C would result in the credit side of the TB being \$1,200 higher than the debit side.

B would have no effect on the TB since neither the debit nor the credit side of the transaction has been accounted for.

**Test your understanding 3**

The correct answer is B

An entry to the suspense account is required wherever an account is missing from the trial balance or the initial incorrect entry did not include an equal debit and credit.



Test your understanding 4

	What was the double entry?	What should the double entry have been?	Correcting journal
1)			Dr suspense \$675 Cr postages \$675
2)	(Dr Suspense \$500) Cr cash \$500	Dr payables (X) \$500 Cr cash \$500	Dr payables (X) \$500 Cr suspense \$500
3)	Dr suspense \$1,575 Cr bank \$1,575	Dr Motor vehicle cost \$1,575 Cr Bank \$1,575	DR Motor vehicle cost \$1,575 Cr suspense \$1,575
4)			Dr suspense \$162 Cr sundry income \$162
5)	Dr cash \$625 Cr receivables \$5 (Cr suspense \$620)	Dr cash \$5 Cr receivables \$5	Dr suspense \$620 Cr cash \$620
6)	Dr bank \$500 (Cr suspense \$500)	Dr bank \$500 Cr capital \$500	Dr suspense \$500 Cr capital \$500
7)		Dr bank \$120 Cr receivables (M) \$120	Dr bank \$120 Cr receivables (M) \$120
8)	Dr cash \$5 Cr receivables \$5	Dr cash \$50 Cr receivables \$50	Dr cash \$45 Cr receivables \$45

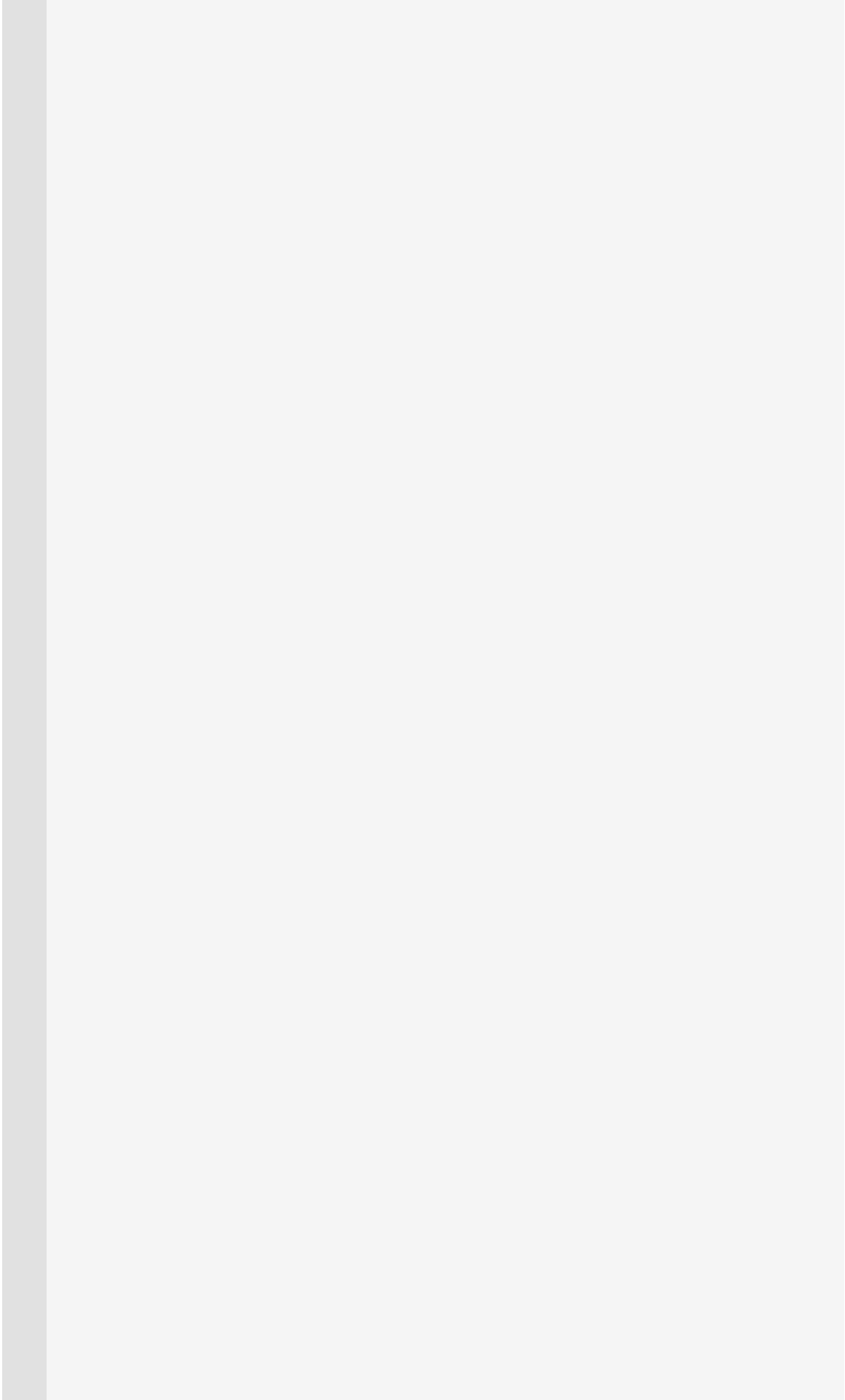
Suspense account

	\$		\$
Balance b/f	1,075	Trial balance difference	957
Postage (1)	675	Payable X (2)	500
Sundry income (4)	162	Motor vehicle cost (3)	1,575
Cash (5)	620		
Capital (6)	500		
	3,032		3,032

Test your understanding 5

The correct answer is B.

	Increase \$	Decrease \$	\$
Draft profit			355,000
1 Rent	4,000		
2 No impact			
3 Loan interest		1,000	
4 Sundry income	650	1,000	
5 No impact			3,650
Revised profit			358,650

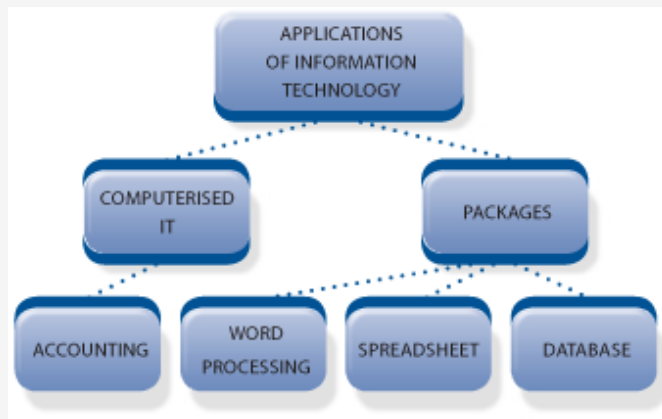


Applications of information technology

Chapter learning objectives

Upon completion of this chapter you will be able to:

- outline the form of accounting records in a typical computerised system
- compare manual and computerised accounting systems
- identify the advantages and disadvantages of computerised systems
- explain the use of integrated accounting packages
- explain the nature and use of microcomputers
- describe the main elements of a computerised accounting system
- describe typical data processing work
- explain other business uses of computers
- explain the nature and purpose of spreadsheets
- explain the nature and purpose of database systems.



1 Manual accounting systems

A typical **manual system** consists of the following:

- separate **books of original entry**, which are the original accounting records of a business and are not part of the double entry
- **general ledger**, a book within which there is a page for each ledger account in the double entry system
- further ledgers, the main ones being the **accounts receivable ledger**, the **accounts payable ledger** and the **cash book**.



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2 Computerised accounting systems

Computerised accounting systems can vary in the form they take. They may be:-

- completely computerised
- partially computerised.



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3 Manual versus computerised accounting systems

Advantages of computers in a modern business environment include:

- speed
- stored program
- decision making

- file storage and processing
- accuracy and reliability.



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Disadvantages of computers in a modern business environment include:

- lack of intelligence
- quantifiable decisions
- initial costs
- inflexibility
- vulnerability.



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4 Integrated accounting packages

The usual pattern for financial accounting has been for computerisation on a piecemeal basis, tackling the aspects involving most work first, e.g.:

- accounts receivable ledger
- accounts payable ledger
- payroll.

A number of integrated accounting packages exist which handle all parts of the process and ultimately produce the financial statements. Each package varies, but the broad groups are:

- cash book systems
- basic bookkeeping systems, and
- bookkeeping and accounting systems.



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5 Microcomputer packages

Most microcomputer accounting packages are used by people who are not computer programmers or systems analysts.

The users of such systems are normally accountants and their accounting staff.

To run an accounting package, the user will normally have the program on a hard disk. Data may be on separate disks or discs. The program will probably operate on a 'menu system', i.e. the user will select the required options from a list of choices (the menu).

A typical initial menu would include the following options:

- (1) create new accounts
- (2) edit account data
- (3) post transactions
- (4) create report layouts
- (5) print reports
- (6) quit.



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6 Word processing

Word processing is the name given to the production of typescript using computer facilities. The facilities are the ability to store text and to manipulate it on a VDU (visual display unit) screen.

The minimum **hardware requirements** are:

- VDU and keyboard
- processor
- disk drive
- printer.

Word processing developed to overcome some of the problems of using a typewriter for the production of typescript:

- repetition
- corrections
- checking.



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Features of word processing

There are many features of word processing packages which include:

- entering the text
- storing the text
- retrieving the text
- editing the text
- printing the text.



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7 Spreadsheets

A **spreadsheet** is a computer package that can be used for numerous 'modelling' type business applications such as budgeting and forecasting.

A spreadsheet displays on the VDU a series of rows and columns. The intersection of rows and columns form 'cells' into which the user can type information using the computer keyboard. Three types of information are entered:

- text, e.g. January, February, March, April.
- numbers, e.g. 200, 300, 400, 500.
- formulae, e.g. Sales – Costs = Profit.

When the content of any cell is altered the effects of the alteration are reflected, using the formula, on all other cells, this is known as 'what if' analysis.



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Features of a spreadsheet

Spreadsheets have been designed with many features which make them a valuable accounting tool, these include:

- 'what if' analysis
- conditional statements
- look up tables
- selective printing
- graphics

- goal-seeking facility
- statistical function
- flexibility.



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8 Database systems

A **database** is a collection of information that can be used for many different purposes, and by a number of business applications.

For example supplier database contains the data relating to suppliers, and may use headings (fields) such as:

- supplier name
- supplier code
- supplier address.

The advantages of a database over a manual card index system would include:

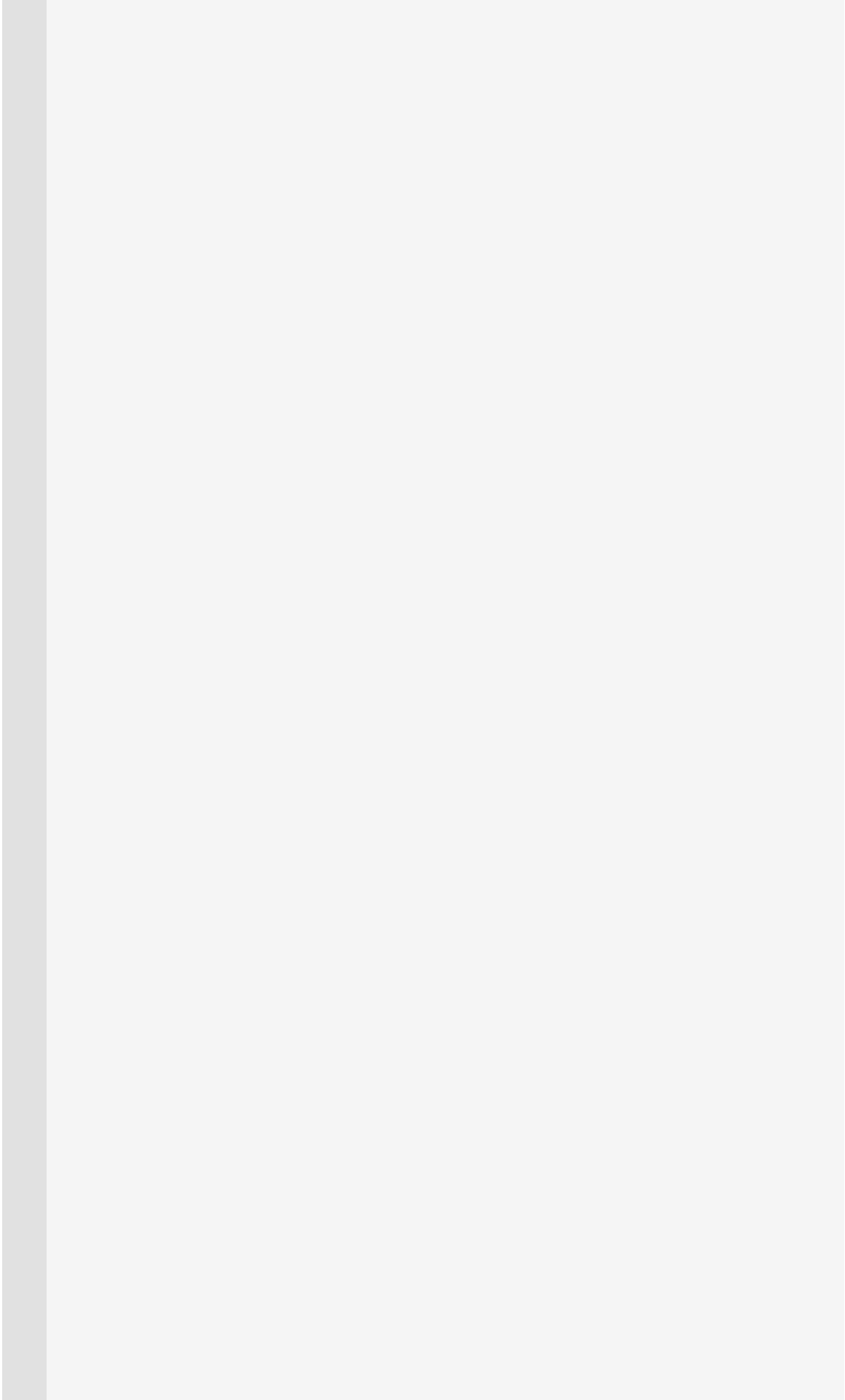
- The amount of information held in each record/field can be much larger than a card index.
- Calculations can be performed automatically, e.g. return on capital employed.
- Records may be sorted, or those matching a certain criterion selected, automatically, and in a variety of orders.
- Reports based on the information may be prepared and printed.



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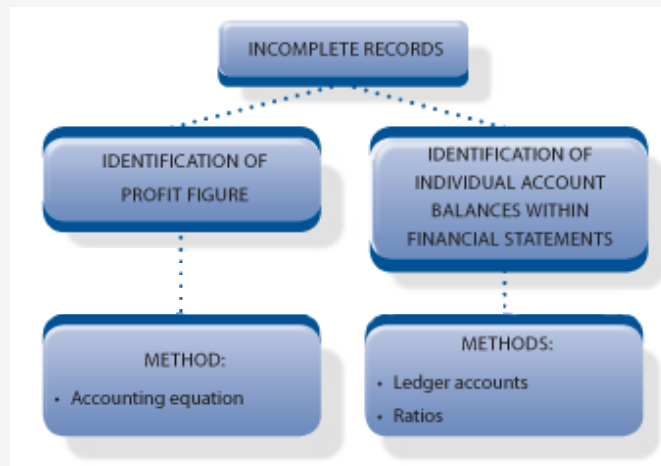


Incomplete records

Chapter learning objectives

Upon completion of this chapter you will be able to:

- explain and illustrate the calculation of profit or loss as the difference between opening and closing net assets
- explain techniques used in incomplete record situations:
 - calculation of opening capital
 - use of ledger total accounts to calculate missing figures.
 - use of cash and/or bank summaries
 - use of given gross profit percentage to calculate missing figures.



1 Identification of profit figure using the accounting equation

If a business has recorded very little information of its transactions it may only be possible to calculate net profit for the year. This can be done using the accounting equation as follows:

$$\text{Net assets} = \text{Capital} + \text{Profit} - \text{Drawings}$$

Therefore:

$$\text{Change in net assets} = \text{Capital introduced} + \text{in period Profit for the period} - \text{Drawings for the period.}$$

NB: $\text{Net assets} = \text{Assets} - \text{Liabilities}$



Test your understanding 1

Andy Carp's statement of financial position at 31 December 2004 shows that his fishing business has net assets of \$5,000. The statement of financial position as at 31 December 20X5 shows that the business has net assets of \$8,000. Andy's drawings for the year amounted to \$2,500 and he didn't introduce any further capital in that year.

What profit is made by Andy Carp in the year ended 31 December 2005?

- (a) \$5,500
- (b) \$500
- (c) \$10,500
- (d) \$7,500

NB: $\text{Net assets} = \text{Assets} - \text{Liabilities}$

2 Identification of individual account balances within financial statements

- In most cases a business will keep limited accounting records from which it is possible to prepare a full set of financial statements. You may be asked to calculate any of the balances within these financial statements.
- In these types of questions the opening asset and liability balances will be given together with details of transactions during the year.
- Opening capital can be calculated as:

Opening assets – Opening liabilities

- Two further methods may be used to identify other missing figures:
 - (1) Use of ledger accounts to find a balancing figure
 - (2) Use of ratios.



3 The balancing figure approach

The balancing figure approach, using ledger accounts, is commonly used in the following way:

Ledger account	Missing figure
Receivables	Credit sales Money received from receivables
Payables	Credit purchases Money paid to payables
Cash at bank	Drawings Money stolen
Cash in hand	Cash sales Cash stolen

Cash at bank

	\$		\$
Cash received from customers	X	Cash paid to suppliers	X
Bankings from cash in hand	X	Expenses	X
Sundry income	X	Drawings	X
		Money stolen	X
	—	Balance c/f	X
	X		—
Balance b/f	—		X

Cash in hand

	\$		\$
Cash sales	X	Cash purchases	X
Sundry income	X	Sundry Expenses	X
	—	Bankings	X
	X	Money stolen	X
	—	Balance c/f	X
Balance b/f			— X

In the case of receivables and payables, you may need to use total receivables and total payables accounts where information given cannot be split between cash and credit sales and purchases:

Total receivables

	\$		\$
Balance b/f	X	Total cash received	X
Total sales (cash and credit)	X	in respect of sales	
	—	(from cash and credit customers)	
	X	Balance c/f	X
Balance b/f	— X		— X

Total payables

	\$		\$
		Balance b/f	
Total cash paid in respect of purchases (cash purchases and payments to credit suppliers)	X	Total purchases (cash and credit)	X
Balance c/f	— X		— X
	—	Balance b/f	—

**Test your understanding 2**

Suppose that opening receivables for B Rubble's business are \$30,000. There have been total receipts from customers of \$55,000 of which \$15,000 relates to cash sales and \$40,000 relates to receipts from receivables. Discounts allowed in the year totalled \$3,000 and closing receivables were \$37,000.

What are total sales for the year?

- (a) \$65,000
- (b) \$50,000
- (c) \$47,000
- (d) \$62,000

**Test your understanding 3**

The opening payables of Dick Dastard-Lee's business are \$15,000. Total payments made to suppliers during the year were \$14,000. Discounts received were \$500 and closing payables were \$13,000.

What are total purchases for the year?

- (a) \$16,500
- (b) \$16,000
- (c) \$12,000
- (d) \$12,500

Questions may require you to calculate 'missing' income statement figures, for example rent and rates values, from a list of information including payments and opening/closing accruals and prepayments.

To calculate the missing value for each expense use either:

- T-accounts, or
- Equations



Test your understanding 4

The following information relates to Ivor Big-Head's business:

On 1 January	Electricity accrued	\$250
	Rent prepaid	\$300
Cash paid in the year	Electricity	\$1,000
	Rent	\$2,000
On 31 December	Electricity accrued	\$300
	Rent prepaid	\$400

What are the income statement charges for electricity and rent for the year?

Electricity Rent

\$ \$

- (a) 1,050 2,100
- (b) 1,050 1,900
- (c) 950 1,900
- (d) 950 2,100



Test your understanding 5

On 1 January Elma Fudd's bank account is overdrawn by \$1,367. Payments in the year totalled \$8,536 and on 31 December the closing balance is \$2,227 (positive).

What are total receipts for the year?

- (a) \$4,942
- (b) \$7,676
- (c) \$9,396
- (d) \$12,130



Test your understanding 6

On 1 January, Daisee Chain's business had a cash float of \$900. During the year cash of \$10,000 was banked, \$1,000 was paid out as drawings and wages of \$2,000 were paid. On 31 December the float was \$1,000.

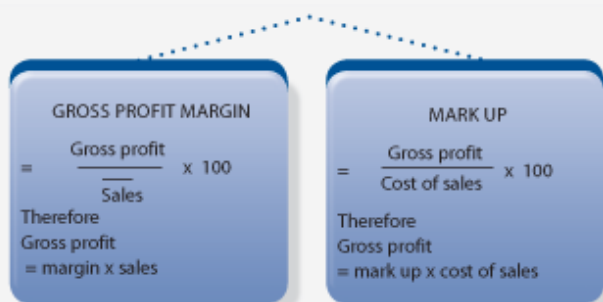
How much cash was received from customers for the year?

- (a) \$12,900
- (b) \$14,900
- (c) \$13,100
- (d) \$6,900



4 Ratios – mark up and margin

Gross profit can be expressed as a percentage of either sales or cost of sales:



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Sales \$5,000

Cost of sales (\$4,000)

Gross profit \$1,000

- Gross profit margin = $(1,000/5,000) \times 100 = 20\%$
- Mark up = $(1,000/4,000) \times 100 = 25\%$



Test your understanding 7

Padraig O'Flaherty has sales of \$1,000. He makes a margin of 25%.

What is the cost of sales figure?

- (a) \$200
- (b) \$800
- (c) \$750
- (d) \$250



Test your understanding 8

Ratios

Lorna McDuff has cost of sales of \$600 and a 25% mark up.

What is her sales figure?

- (a) \$750
- (b) \$800
- (c) \$250
- (d) \$200

Using margin and mark up

An exam question will often provide you with margin and cost of sales or mark up and sales. You will then be required to calculate the remaining figures in the income statement. This can be done using the following 'relationship' columns:

Margin 25%		Mark up 25%	
Sales	2 100%	Sales	3 Logic!
Cost of sales	3 Logic!	Cost of sales	2 100%
Gross profit	1 Ratio	Gross profit	1 Ratio

Therefore, if we know the mark up or margin percentage and one of the figures in the income statement, we can calculate the remaining figures in the income statement.

 **Test your understanding 9**

Jethro Longhorn can tell you the following with regard to his business:

Margin 5%

Opening inventory \$800

Closing inventory \$600

Purchases \$2,840

Complete Jethro's income statement with the above figures.

5 Cost of lost inventory

- In incomplete record questions, inventory may have been lost – probably due to a fire or flood.
- Closing inventory that has not been lost is subtracted from cost of sales because by definition, the inventory has not been sold in the year.
- Lost inventory has not been sold in the year and therefore also needs subtracting within cost of sales.
- Therefore, to work out the cost of lost inventory, complete the trading account from the information given and then lost inventory can be calculated as a balancing figure.

 **Test your understanding 10**

Jack Spratt provides the following information about his business:

Margin	20%
Sales	\$100,000
Opening inventory	\$10,000
Purchases	\$82,000
Closing inventory after fire	\$3,000

What is the cost of inventory lost in the fire?

- (a) \$12,000
- (b) \$9,000
- (c) \$69,000
- (d) \$5,667

Double entries for inventory and lost inventory

Actual closing inventory is posted by:

Dr Inventory (SFP) X

Cr Income statement X

Lost inventory will still be credited to the income statement so that it is removed from cost of sales. However, the debit side of the entry will depend on whether or not the lost inventory has been insured:

If insured: Dr Insurance company (Current asset)

Cr Income statement (Cost of sales)

If not insured: Dr Income statement (Expense)

Cr Income statement (Cost of sales)



Test your understanding 11

Fred lost his entire inventory in a fire. His unsigned insurance policy is still in the pocket of his good suit. Fred has supplied you with the following information:

Mark up 25%

Sales \$10,000

Opening inventory \$2,000

Purchases \$7,500

Prepare Fred's income statement and show the journal to record closing inventory.

6 Reconstruction of full financial statements

Although you will not face an exam question of this length, the following illustration will help you to see how a full set of financial statements can be reconstructed using the methods within this chapter.

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Illustration 1-Reconstruction of full financial statements

Malcolm is a retailer, selling stationery. He does not keep a full set of records. The following records have been extracted from his books.

	30 September 2004 \$	30 September 2005 \$
Fixtures and fittings: Cost	20,000	To be determined
Accumulated depreciation	8,000	To be determined
Motor vehicles: Cost	22,000	To be determined
Accumulated depreciation	4,180	To be determined
Inventory	18,000	33,900
Receivables	10,000	12,000
Allowances for receivables	500	To be determined
Prepayments – Rates	400	450
Bank	2,000	(15,500)
Cash	600	600
Payables	4,000	4,600
Accruals – Light and heat	250	300

He also has the following cash and bank transactions for the year ended 30 September 2005.

	Cash \$	Bank \$
Balance b/f	600	2,000
Receipts:		
Cash sales	15,000	
From receivables		140,000
Loan received (long-term)		30,000
Sale proceeds of a motor vehicle sold during the year		8,200
Cash banked		15,000
	15,600	195,200
Payments:		
Payables		110,000
Rates		9,000
Light and heat		2,000
Telephone		1,500
Loan interest		1,500
Insurance		1,000
Rent		20,000
Wages and salaries		25,000
Withdrawals		15,000
Purchase of fixtures		5,000
Purchase of new motor vehicle		20,000
Sundry expenses		700
Cash paid into bank	15,000	
Balance c/f	600	(15,500)

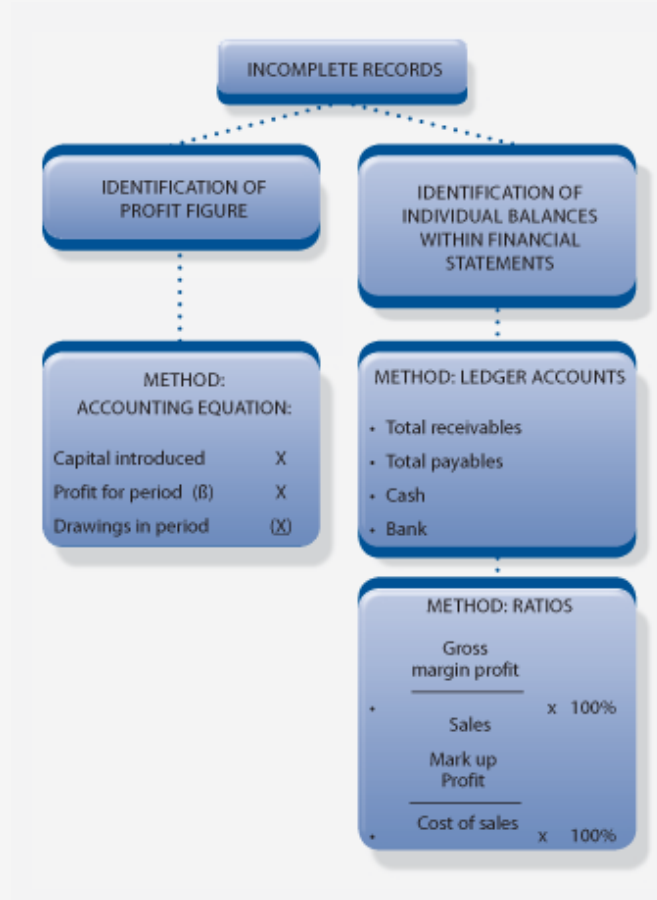
The following further information is available:

- (1) The loan was received at the beginning of the year and is entitled to 5% interest pa.
- (2) The motor vehicle disposed of during the year had cost \$10,000 and the accumulated depreciation on it as at 30 September 2004 was \$1,900.
- (3) Discount received during the year amounted to \$500.
- (4) Goods amounting to \$1,000 at cost were withdrawn by Malcolm during the year.
- (5) The depreciation policy is as follows:
 - (a) Fixtures and fittings, 20% pa on a straight-line basis.
 - (b) Motor vehicles, 10% pa on a reducing-balance basis.
- (6) The allowance for receivables is to be provided at 5% pa on the closing receivables.
 - (a) Prepare Malcolm's income statement for the year ended 30 September 2005.
 - (b) Prepare Malcolm's statement of financial position as at 30 September 2005.



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Chapter summary



Test your understanding answers



Test your understanding 1

The correct answer is A

Change in net assets = Capital introduced + Profit for the year -
Drawings for the year

$$\mathbf{\$8,000 - \$5,000 = 0 + \text{Profit for the year} - \$2,500}$$

$$\text{Profit} = \$3,000 + \$ 2,500$$

$$= \$5,500$$



Test your understanding 2

The correct answer is A

Receivables			
	\$		\$
Balance b/f	30,000	Bank	40,000
Credit sales (β)	50,000	Discount allowed	3,000
		Balance c/f	37,000
	80,000		80,000
Balance b/f	37,000		

Receivables

Total sales = \$50,000 + \$15,000 = \$65,000

OR

Total receivables			
	\$		\$
Balance b/f	30,000	Bank	55,000
		(total cash rec'd)	
Total sales (β)	65,000	Discount allowed	3,000
		Balance c/f	37,000
	95,000		95,000

Test your understanding 3**The correct answer is D**

Total payables				
	\$		\$	
Bank		14,000	Balance b/f	15,000
Discount received	500		Purchases (β)	12,500
Balance c/f		13,000		
		27,500		27,500
		27,500	Balance b/f	13,000

Test your understanding 4**The correct answer is B**

Income statement (extracts):

Expenses

Electricity $(-250 + 1,000 + 300) = \$1,050$ Rent $(300 + 2,000 - 400) = \$1,900$ **Test your understanding 5****The correct answer is D**

Bank				
	\$		\$	
Receipts (β)		12,130	Balance b/f	1,367
			Payments	8,536
			Balance c/f	2,227
		12,130		12,130
Balance b/f		2,227		2,227



Test your understanding 6

The correct answer is C

Cash in till			
	\$		\$
Balance b/f	900	Bank	10,000
Receipts	13,100	Drawings	1,000
		Wages	2,000
		Balance c/f	1,000
	14,000		14,000
Balance c/f	1,000		



Test your understanding 7

The correct answer is C

Gross profit: $\$1,000 \times 25\% = \250

Cost of sales:

	\$	
Sales		1,000
Cost of sales (B)		(750)
Gross profit		250



Test your understanding 8

The correct answer is A

Gross profit: $\$ 600 \times 25\% = \150

Sales:	
	\$
Sales (B)	750
Cost of sales	(600)
Gross profit	150



Test your understanding 9

	\$	\$	%
Sales:		3,200	100
Cost of sales:	800		
Opening inventory	2,840		
Purchases	(600)		
	—		
		(3,040)	(95)
Gross profit:		<u>160</u>	<u>5</u>
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Test your understanding 10

The correct answer is B

	\$	\$	%
Sales:		100,000	100
Cost of sales:			
Opening inventory	10,000		
Purchases	82,000		
Closing inventory	(3,000)		
Inventory lost (B)	(9,000)		
	—		
		(80,000)	(80)
Gross profit:		<u>20,000</u>	<u>20</u>
		—	—



Test your understanding 11

	\$	\$	%
Sales:		10,000	125
Cost of sales:			
Opening inventory	2,000		
Purchases	7,500		
Inventory lost (β)	(1,500)		
	<hr/>	(8,000)	(100)
Gross profit:		<hr/>	<hr/>
		2,000	25
		<hr/>	<hr/>
Dr Income statement (expense):		1,500	
Cr Income statement (cost of sales):		1,500	

Being the recording of uninsured inventory destroyed by the fire.

Partnerships

Chapter learning objectives

Upon completion of this chapter you will be able to:

- define the circumstances creating a partnership
- explain the advantages and disadvantages of operating as a partnership compared with operating as a sole trader or limited liability company
- explain the typical contents of a partnership agreement, including profit-sharing terms
- explain the accounting differences between partnerships and sole traders:
 - capital accounts
 - current accounts
 - division of profits
- explain and illustrate how to record partners' shares of profits/losses and their drawings in the accounting records and financial statements
- explain and illustrate how to account for guaranteed minimum profit share
- explain how to account for loans from partners
- define goodwill in relation to partnership accounts
- identify the factors leading to the creation of goodwill in relation to partnership accounts
- calculate the value of goodwill from information given
- account for the effect of the admission of a new partner.



1 Definition of a partnership

- A partnership is ‘the relationship which subsists amongst persons carrying on a business in common with a view of making profit’.
- Therefore a partnership is a business which has two or more joint owners.
- As in the case of a sole trader, the profits of the business are owed to the owners.
- It is therefore necessary to share the profits of the business amongst the partners.



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2 Advantages and disadvantages of partnerships



Advantages of a partnership over a sole trader

- A partnership shares business risks between more than one person.
- Each partner can develop special skills upon which the other partners can rely, whereas a sole trader has responsibility for everything.
- Greater resources will be available since more individuals will be contributing to the business.

Disadvantages of a partnership

- There may be disputes in the running of the business.
- Partners are jointly and severally liable for their partners. Thus if one partner is being sued in relation to the business, all partners share the responsibility and potential liability.

Advantages of a partnership over a limited liability company

- The arrangement is less formal than setting up a company, which requires the issue of shares and the appointment of directors.
- If the partners wish to dissolve the business, this is easier to achieve by a partnership than by a company.

Disadvantage of a partnership

- The partners are not protected from the creditors of the business. Unless the partnership is set up as a limited liability partnership, partners have unlimited liability.

3 The partnership agreement

A partnership will usually have a partnership agreement which will state how the profits are to be shared ('appropriated') amongst the partners.

The division of profit stated in the agreement may be quite complex in order to reflect the expected differing efforts and contributions of the partners.

Salaries	May be awarded to partners who take on extra responsibility within the business.
Interest on capital	May be provided at a set percentage to reflect the differing amounts of capital invested.
Interest on drawings	To penalise those partners who take out more drawings from the business, the partnership may charge interest on drawings. Interest may be charged on all drawings or only those above a certain level. This results in a reduction in the amount of profit that the partner is allocated.
Profit share ratio (PSR)	This is the ratio in which any remaining profits should be shared amongst the partners after they have been allocated salaries, interest on capital and interest on drawings.

It is important to appreciate that the above suggestions are means of dividing the profits of the partnership and are not expenses of the business. **A partnership salary is merely a device for calculating the division of profit; it is not a salary in the normal meaning of the term.**



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4 Financial statements for a partnership



- The **income statement** for a partnership is exactly the same as that for a sole trader.
- An extra statement is required in which the profit from the income statement is shared between the partners. This is referred to as a **statement of division of profit** or **appropriation account**:

	Partner A	Partner B	Total
Salaries	\$	\$	\$
Interest on capital	X		X
Interest on drawings	X	X	X
Profit share ratio 3:2		(X)	(X)
	X	X	β
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Total profit share	X	X	
Net profit from income statement			X

- The profits allocated to each partner are credited to the partners' **current account**. Drawings are also recorded in this account.

Current account

	Ptnr A	Ptnr B		Ptnr A	Ptnr B
			Balance b/f	X	X
Drawings	X	X	Profit share (from profit appropriation account)	X	X
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Balance c/f	X	X		X	X
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	X	X			

The partners' **capital account** records the initial capital invested in the business by each partner. Transactions in this account are rare, being the injection of further capital or withdrawal of capital by a partner:

Capital account

	Ptnr A	Ptnr B		Ptnr A	Ptnr B
			Balance b/f	X	X
Withdrawals of long-term capital	X	X	Injection of long-term capital	X	X
Balance c/f	X	X			
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	X	X		X	X
			Balance b/f	<hr/>	<hr/>
				X	X

- The closing balances on the partners' **current** and **capital accounts** form the capital section of the statement of financial position:

Capital accounts	Partner A	\$	\$
	Partner B	X	
		X	
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			X
Current accounts	Partner A	X	
	Partner B	X	
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			X
			X

- The remainder of the statement of financial position (assets and liabilities) is as for a sole trader.



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Test your understanding 1

Parvati and Lavender run a business selling home-made potions and lotions. They have been very successful in their first year of trading and have made a profit of \$48,000.

Their partnership agreement makes the following provisions:

- Parvati is to be allocated a salary of \$11,000 to reflect her extensive potion knowledge.
- Interest on capital is to be provided at 7% per annum.

- The balance of profits is to be split equally.

When they set the business up, Parvati injected capital of \$8,000 and Lavender \$12,000.

How much profit is allocated to Lavender?

- A \$18,360
- B \$24,140
- C \$18,640
- D \$29,360



Test your understanding 2

Britney, Justin and Cameron are in partnership selling CDs and DVDs via their website Bigstars.com. They haven't been very successful in the past year and in the year ended 30 June 20X6, recorded a loss of \$120,000. Their partnership agreement states the following:

- interest on capital to be provided at 4% per annum
- Cameron to be allocated a salary of \$25,000, and Justin \$14,000
- no interest to be charged on drawings
- balance of profits to be shared in the ratio 4:3:1.

Capital balances at the start of the year stood as follows:

Britney \$35,000

Justin \$26,000

Cameron \$40,000

How much profit or loss is allocated to Cameron?

- A \$6,220
- B \$36,220
- C (\$34,540)
- D \$54,920



Test your understanding 3

Hamish and Campbell started a business making and distributing haggis on 1 January 20X6. This was largely prompted by Hamish winning \$40,000 at bingo just before Christmas. Hamish invested half his winnings in the business and Campbell borrowed \$14,000 from his Uncle Hoolie to invest.

In the first year of trade, the business made \$25,000 profit, with which both partners were rather pleased.

They have set up a partnership agreement, but even so are not sure how much profit they are each allocated. The agreement says the following:

- Neither partner receives a salary.
- Interest on capital is to be provided at 4%.
- Interest on drawings is to be charged at 2%.
- The balance of profit is to be split in the ratio 3:2.

Both Hamish and Campbell drew \$5,000 from the business on 1 July 20X6 to pay for their annual fishing holiday in Spain.

Show how this information appears in the partners' capital and current accounts and in the statement of financial position.

5 Guaranteed minimum profit share

A partner may be guaranteed a minimum share of the profits.

If the partner has not received this guaranteed amount after allocating profits in the usual way, the shortfall should be given to the partner.

This amount is funded by the other partners in accordance with the profit share ratio.



Test your understanding 4

A partnership, organising European holidays, has four partners – Pierre, Wolfgang, Edwin and Carmen. In the year to 30 June 20X5 the partnership made profits of \$106,250.

Pierre invested \$100,000 in the partnership. He withdrew \$30,000 from the business on 1 July 20X4.

Wolfgang invested \$20,000 in the partnership. He withdrew \$30,000 on 30 June 20X5.

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Illustration 1– Full partnership accounts

Ken and Barbie are in partnership making and selling gourmet pies. The TB of their business at 30 June 20X6 was:

	Dr	Cr
	\$	\$
Irrecoverable debts	2,350	
Rent and rates	35,000	
Motor expenses (including depreciation)	17,400	
Allowance for receivables		5,450
Motor vehicles – cost	32,750	
Motor vehicles – accumulated depreciation		15,578
Cash at bank	467	
Drawings – Ken	13,500	
Drawings – Barbie	15,000	
Inventory	3,000	
Fixtures and fittings – cost	27,000	
Fixtures and fittings – accumulated depreciation		13,500
Sundry expenses	14,780	
Sales		157,000
Payables		9,800
Receivables	16,000	
Purchases	96,000	
Current account – Ken		7,655
Current account – Barbie		9,264
Capital account – Ken		35,000
Capital account – Barbie		20,000
	273,247	273,247

They provide the following further information which is not reflected in the TB:

- Inventory held at the year end cost \$4,500.
- Fixtures and fittings have not yet been depreciated – the applicable rate is 10% straight line.
- Prepayments at the year end were \$2,500 in respect of rates.
- On the last day of the year, Ken paid \$13,000 to the business bank account as a loan.

- Barbie is awarded a salary of \$7,500.
- Interest on capital is provided at 8% per annum.
- The balance of profits is split equally.

You are required to prepare an income statement, statement of division of profits, partners' current accounts and a statement of financial position at 30 June 20X6



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7 Partnership accounts and goodwill

Goodwill is the difference between the value of the partnership business as a whole and the aggregate of the fair values of the net assets:

Value of the business	X
Fair value of net assets	(X)
Goodwill	<u>X</u>

A number of factors will lead to the creation of goodwill in a partnership business:

- good reputation
- location
- technical know-how
- excellent profits over the past years
- good prospects in the future.

Goodwill 'belongs' to the partners in the same ratio as their profit share agreement, although attributing goodwill is only necessary when:

- (1) The partners elect to change their profit share ratio.
- (2) A partner retires or dies.
- (3) A new partner joins the partnership.



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8 Adjustments to partnership accounts

If any of the following situations occur:

- the profit share ratio is changed
- a partner retires or dies
- a new partner joins the business

then the profit-sharing ratio will change and so ownership of the goodwill also changes. Adjustments to the capital accounts of the partners are required before such a change takes place in order that partners retain their share of goodwill generated to date. This can be done with or without a goodwill account.

Use of a goodwill account

Calculate the goodwill in the business and then:

Dr Goodwill account	X
Cr Capital accounts in old ratio	X

Adjustment without a goodwill account

Calculate the goodwill in the business and then:

Dr Capital accounts of partners in new ratio	X
Cr Capital accounts of partners in old ratio	X

In order that partners now taking a smaller share of the profits are 'compensated' for the goodwill 'lost', this 'compensation' is funded by the partners now taking a larger share of the profits.

Note that the death of a partner is not examinable.

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Illustration 2– Revaluation of assets

John, Lewis and Fraser have been partners in a delicatessen for 10 years. They share their profits in the ratio 3:4:2. As Lewis wishes to step back from the operational side of the business in order to spend more time with his family, it has been agreed that the profit share ratio will be changed to 3:1:2. The value of the goodwill in the business is \$54,000.

What journals are required to account for this

- (a) If a goodwill account is used
- (b) without a goodwill account?



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Test your understanding 5

Harvey, Nichol and Selfridge have been in partnership for a number of years with a profit share ratio of 1:1:4. They have agreed to change this ratio to 1:1:2. The value of goodwill in the business is \$24,000.

How should this be accounted for?

9 Revaluation of assets on a change in partnership structure

- When there is a change in the structure of the partnership due to an admission, retirement or death of a partner, then the assets will generally be revalued.
- Any revaluation profits or losses are awarded to the partners in the old profit share ratio.
- This reflects the fact that the old partners have built up the business and they are therefore entitled to the gain or must bear the loss.



Illustration 3– Revaluation of assets

Proper and Quibble are partners sharing profits and losses in the ratio of 4:1. On 1 January 20X6, when Proper and Quibble's capital balances stand at \$27,000 and \$12,000 respectively, a new partner Right joins the business, and the following take place:

- Right introduces capital of \$10,000.
- Land and buildings are revalued upwards by \$80,000.
- Goodwill is valued at \$40,000.
- The profit share is revised to 2:2:1 (P:Q:R).

Write up the capital accounts of the partners to record the above, assuming that a goodwill account is used.

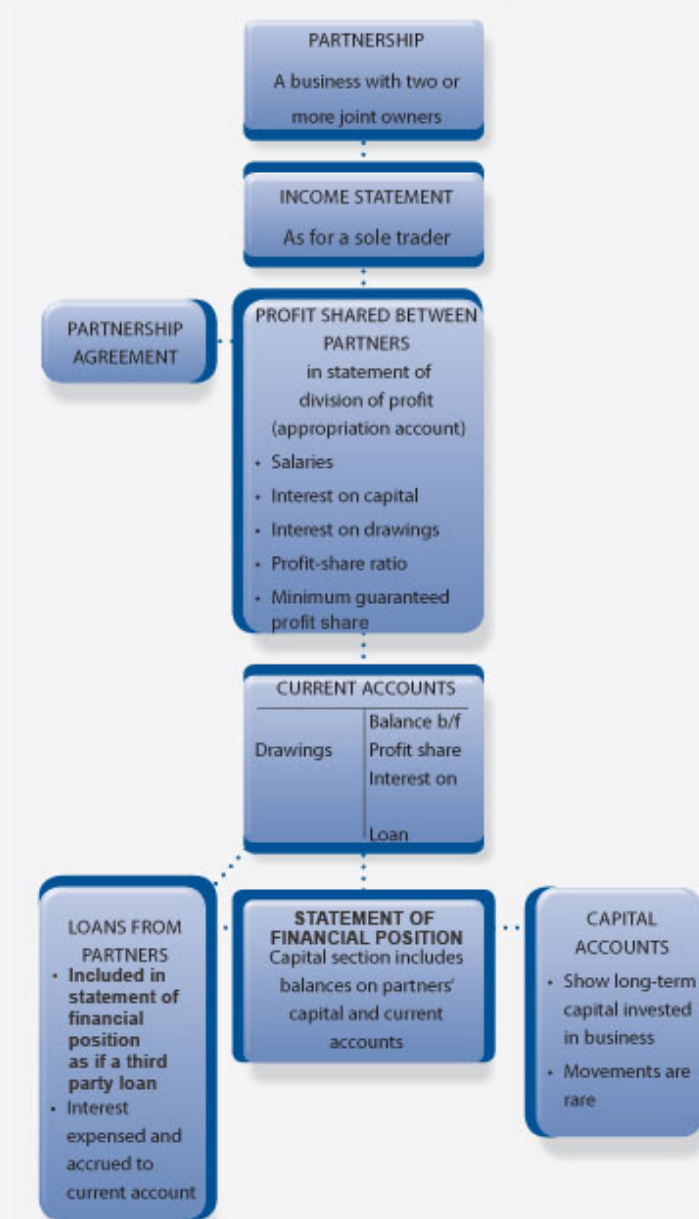
**Expandable text****Test your understanding 6**

Miranda and Charlotte are partners sharing profits and losses equally. Capital account balances at 1 January 20X6 are \$50,000 and \$50,000 respectively. On this date, a new partner, Carrie, joins the business, introducing capital of \$30,000. Land and buildings are revalued by \$100,000 and goodwill is valued at \$20,000. After the admission of Carrie, the profit share is revised to 2:2:1 and goodwill is to be eliminated from the books.

What is the balance on Charlotte's capital account after this transaction has been accounted for?

- A \$60,000
- B \$102,000
- C \$110,000
- D \$52,000

Chapter summary



Test your understanding answers

Test your understanding 1

The correct answer is C

	Parvati	Lavender	Total
	\$	\$	\$
Salaries	11,000		11,000
Interest on capital	560	840	1,400
Profit share ratio 1:1	17,800	17,800	35,600 (B)
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Total profit share	29,360	18,640	
Net profit from income statement			48,000

Test your understanding 2

The correct answer is A

	Britney	Justin	Cameron	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Salaries		14,000	25,000	39,000
Interest on capital	1,400	1,040	1,600	4,040
Profit share ratio	(81,520)	(61,140)	(20,380)	(163,040) (B)
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Total profit share	(80,120)	(46,100)	6,220	
Net profit from income statement				(120,000)



Test your understanding 3

Statement of division of profit

	Hamish \$	Campbell \$	Total \$
Interest on capital	800	560	1,360
Interest on drawings (w)	(50)	(50)	(100)
Profit share ratio 3:2	14,244	9,496	23,740 (B)
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Total profit share	14,994	10,006	
Net profit from income statement			25,000

Working – interest on drawings

$$\$5,000 \times 2\% \times 6/12 = 50$$

Capital account

	Hamish \$	Campbell \$		Hamish \$	Campbell \$
Balance c/f	20,000	14,000	1.1.X6 injection	20,000	14,000
	20,000	14,000		20,000	14,000
			Balance b/f	20,000	14,000

Current account

	Hamish \$	Campbell \$		Hamish \$	Campbell \$
Drawings	5,000	5,000	Profit share	14,994	10,006
Balance c/f	9,994	5,006			
	14,994	10,006		14,994	10,006
			Balance b/f	9,994	5,006

Statement of financial position presentation

Capital accounts	Hamish	\$ 20,000	
	Campbell	14,000	
			34,000
Current accounts	Hamish	9,994	
	Campbell	5,006	
			15,000
			49,000



Test your understanding 4

	P	W	E	C	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Salaries		5,000			5,000
Interest on capital	5,000	1,000	2,500	2,500	11,000
Interest on drawings	(3,000)	-	(3,750)	(3,000)	(9,750)
Profit share	20,000	10,000	30,000	40,000	100,000
					(β)
ratio 2:1:3:4	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
	22,000	16,000	28,750	39,500	
Adjustment				3,000	
Pierre 2/6 x \$3,000	(1,000)				
Wolfgang 1/6 x \$3,000		(500)			
Edwin 3/6 x \$3,000			(1,500)		
	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
	21,000	15,500	27,250	42,500	106,250

Working – interest on drawings

Pierre	\$30,000 x 10%	\$3,000
Wolfgang	No interest as drawings at year end	
Edwin	\$25,000 x 10%	\$2,500
	\$25,000 x 10% x 6/12	\$1,250

		\$3,750
Carmen	\$30,000 x 10%	\$3,000



Test your understanding 5

With goodwill account:

Dr Goodwil	24,000
Cr Capital (Harvey) $1/6 \times \$24,000$	4,000
Cr Capital (Nichol) $1/6 \times \$24,000$	4,000
Cr Capital (Selfridge) $4/6 \times \$24,000$	16,000

Without goodwill account:

Capital							
Harvey			Nichol			Selfridge	
\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	
				Balance	X	X	X
				b/f			
				Goodwill			
				adjustment	4,000	4,000	16,000
Goodwill							
adjustment	6,000	6,000	12,000				
Balance	X	X	X				
c/f							
	X	X	X		X	X	X
				Balance	X	X	X
				b/f			

Therefore the overall effect is to:

Dr Capital (Harvey) 2,000

Dr Capital (Nichol) 2,000

Cr Capital (Selfridge) 4,000

Thus Harvey and Nichol, who have a greater share of goodwill under the new profit-share ratio, are compensating Selfridge, who is entitled to a lesser share under the new profit-share ratio.

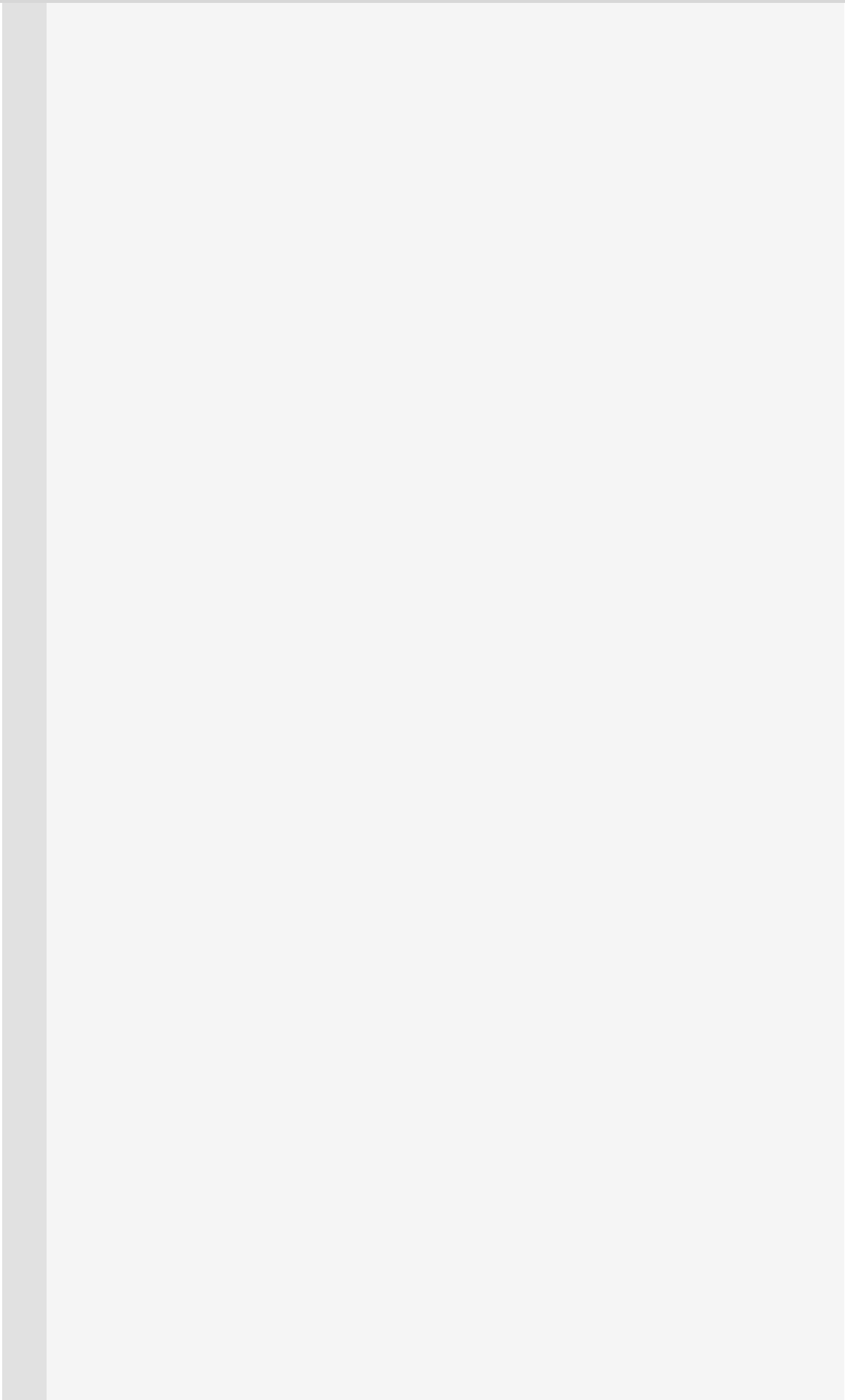


Test your understanding 6

The correct answer is B

Without goodwill account

	Miranda	Charlotte	Carrie		Miranda	Charlotte	Carrie
	\$	\$	\$		\$	\$	\$
				Balance b/f	50,000	50,000	
					50,000	50,000	
				Old ratio (1:1)			
Goodwill adjustment				Goodwill adjustment	10,000	10,000	
2:2:1	8,000	8,000	4,000	Bank			30,000
Balance c/f	102,000	102,000	26,000		110,000	110,000	30,000
	<u>110,000</u>	<u>110,000</u>	<u>30,000</u>	Balance c/f	<u>102,000</u>	<u>102,000</u>	<u>26,000</u>



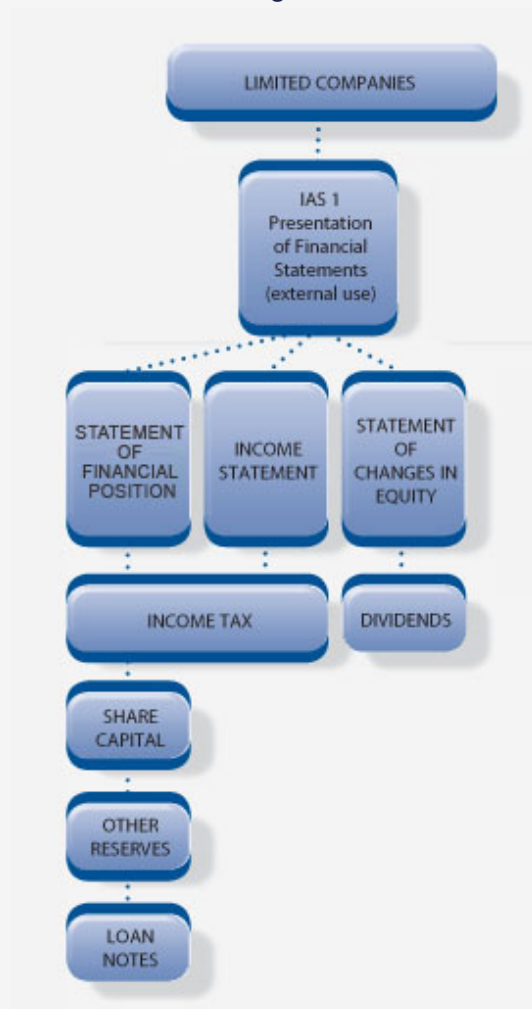
Company accounts

Chapter learning objectives

Upon completion of this chapter you will be able to:

- explain the difference between a sole trader and a limited liability company
- illustrate the IAS1 required presentation of financial statements
- identify items requiring separate disclosure on the face of the income statement
- explain the capital structure of a limited liability company
- explain and illustrate the share premium account
- define a rights issue and its advantages and disadvantages
- record a rights issue in ledger accounts and show the effect in the statement of financial position
- define a bonus (capitalisation) issue and its advantages and disadvantages
- record a bonus issue in ledger accounts and show the effect in the statement of financial position
- explain and illustrate other reserves which may appear in a company statement of financial position
- explain why the heading, retained earnings, appears in a company statement of financial position
- explain how finance is raised by borrowing rather than by the issue of shares
- calculate and record finance costs in the ledger accounts and the financial accounts

- explain the requirements of IAS as regards current assets and liabilities
- explain the impact of income tax on company profits and illustrate the ledger account required to record it
- record income tax in the income statement and statement of financial position of a company
- explain and illustrate the recording of dividends.



1 Characteristics of limited companies

	Limited liability company	Sole trader
Separate legal entity	A limited company is a separate legal entity, i.e. in the eyes of the law it is a person in its own right and is distinct from its owners.	A sole trader is legally not separate from his business even though he is treated as such for accounting purpose
Liability	A company is fully liable for its own debts. This means that if the company goes into liquidation, the owners (shareholders) of the company are liable only for amounts that they have not yet paid for their shares. Thus the shareholders are said to have limited liability.	If a sole trader goes into liquidation then he is personally liable for any outstanding debts of his business.
Ownership and management	A company is owned by shareholders. The managers of the company are called directors and are appointed by the shareholders. The directors may or may not be shareholders in the company. Thus most shareholders do not play a part in the day-to-day running of the company.	A sole trader is generally both the owner and manager of his or her business.
Formalities	Formalities involved vary from country to country, but frequently require public availability of financial statements and an annual audit by qualified auditors.	No such formalities exist for sole traders.



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2 IAS 1 presentation of financial statements

IAS 1 incorporates the recommended formats for company published accounts. The following financial summaries are required:

- statement of financial position
- statement of comprehensive income
- statement of changes in equity
- notes to the accounts (the F3 syllabus does not require knowledge of these).
- a statement of cash flows and supporting notes

- notes to the accounts (the F3 syllabus does not require knowledge of these).

3 Statement of financial position

There are many similarities to the statement of financial position of a sole trader, although some items (marked in bold) will require further explanation.

Note that IAS 1 requires an asset or liability to be classified as current if:

- it will be settled within 12 months of the statement of financial position date, or
- it is part of the enterprise's normal operating cycle.

Statement of financial position for XYZ at 31 December XXXX

	\$m	\$m
Assets		
Intangible		
Non-current assets		
Property, plant and equipment	X	
Investments	X	
	<hr/>	X
Current assets		
Inventories	X	
Trade and other receivables	X	
Prepayments	X	
Cash	X	
	<hr/>	X
Total assets		<hr/> X
Equity and liabilities		
Capital and reserves		
Ordinary share capital	X	
Preference share capital	X	
Share premium account	X	
Reserves	X	
Accumulated profits	X	
	<hr/>	X

Non-current liabilities		
Loan notes		X
Current liabilities		
Trade and other payables	X	
Overdrafts	X	
Tax payable	X	
	—	
		X
		—
Total equity and liabilities		X
		—



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4 Statement of comprehensive income

The suggested format is as follows.

Note that all expenses are classified under one of three headings:

- **Cost of sales**

This is calculated as for a sole trader. However the calculation should be shown in a note to the accounts rather than on the face of the income statement.

- **Distribution costs**

These are all expenses relating to selling or delivering products or services.

- **Administrative expenses**

This includes all expenses not classified within cost of sales or distribution costs.

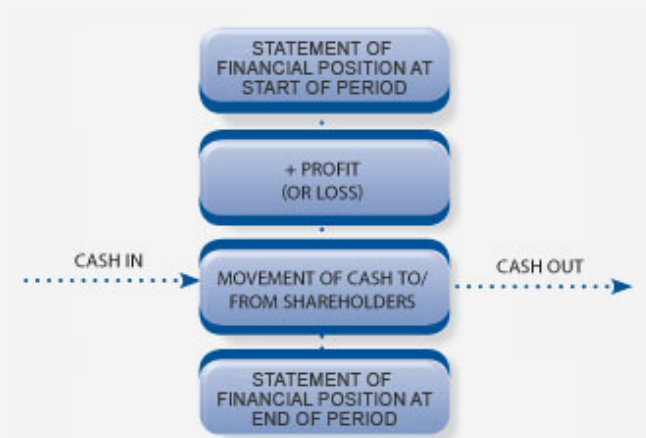
Some expenses such as depreciation will be split across all three expense categories.

Statement of comprehensive income for XYZ for the year ended 31 December XXXX

	\$m
Revenue	X
Cost of sales	(X)
	—
Gross profit	X
Other operating income	X
Distribution costs	(X)
Administrative expenses	(X)
	—
Profit from operations	X
Net interest cost (interest paid less interest received)	X
	—
Profit before tax	X
Income tax expense	(X)
	—
Net profit for the period	X
	—
Other comprehensive income:	
Gain on property revaluation	X
Total comprehensive income for the year	X

Relationship between the income statement and statement of financial position

The link between the statement of financial position and income statement is shown below:



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5 Statement of changes in equity

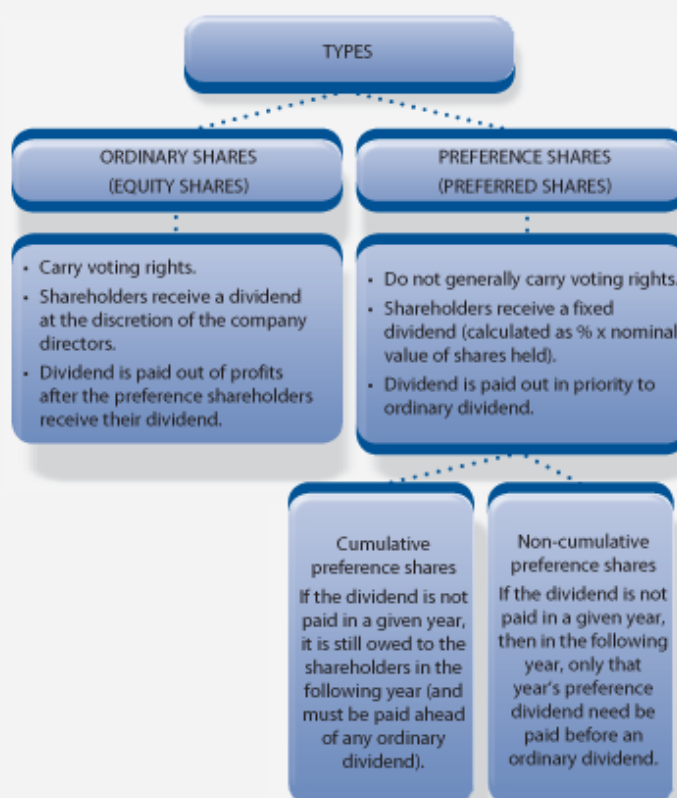
This statement is included within the accounts to provide further information on certain statement of financial position accounts, namely share capital and reserves.

Statement of changes in equity for XYZ Ltd

	Share capital	Share premium	Revaluation reserve	Accumulated profits	Total
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
Balance at 1 January	X	X	X	X	X
Equity shares issued	X	X			X
Revaluation surplus			X		X
Net profit				X	X
Dividends				(X)	(X)
	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>

6 Share capital

A company is owned via shares.



- Redeemable preference shares are preference shares which are repayable by the company at a specified future date. On this date the shares are cancelled and the shareholders repaid.

These shares have the characteristics of debt. They are therefore classified as a liability on the statement of financial position.

- Irredeemable preference shares are preference shares which are not redeemable. They remain in existence indefinitely.

These shares are classified as equity on the statement of financial position.



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Share capital values

- Each share has a nominal or par value, often \$1, 50c or 25c. This value is often used as a means of calculating dividends to shareholders (paid as a percentage of the nominal value).
- Shares are issued by the company at an issue price. This is at least equal to the nominal value of the share, but often exceeds it.



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Share capital terminology

- **Authorised** share capital is the nominal value of the maximum number of shares that a company can have in issue at any particular point in time.
- **Issued** share capital is the share capital that has actually been issued to shareholders. The number of issued shares is used in the calculation of dividends.
- **Called-up** share capital is the amount of the nominal value paid by the shareholder plus any further amounts that they have agreed to pay in the future.
- **Paid up** share capital is the amount of the nominal value which has been paid at the current date.



Accounting for the issue of shares

A company will generally issue shares at above par (nominal) value.

The double entry to record an ordinary or irredeemable preference share issue is:

Dr Cash	Issue price x no. shares
Cr Share capital (SFP)	Nominal value x no. shares
Cr Share premium	β

Both the share capital and share premium accounts are shown on the statement of financial position within the 'Share Capital and Reserves' section.

The double entry to record a redeemable preference share issue is:

Dr Cash	Issue price x no. shares
Cr Liability	Issue price x no. of shares

Test your understanding 1

Bourbon issues 200,000 25c shares at a price of \$1.75 each.

Show this transaction using ledger accounts.

7 Rights issues

A **rights issue** is:

the offer of new shares to existing shareholders in proportion to their existing shareholding at a stated price (normally below market values).

The **advantages** are:

- A rights issue is the cheapest way for a company to raise finance through the issuing of further shares.
- A rights issue to existing shareholders has a greater chance of success compared with a share issue to the public.

The **disadvantages** are:

- A rights issue is more expensive than issuing debt.
- It may not be successful in raising the finance required.

A rights issue is accounted for in the same way as a normal share issue.



Test your understanding 2

Upon incorporation in 20X4, The Jammy Dodger, a limited liability company, issues 1,000 50c shares at nominal value. Needing further funds, in 20X5 it makes a rights issue of 1 for 5 at \$0.75. This offer is fully taken up.

What accounting entries are required in 20X4 and 20X5? Illustrate the relevant section of the statement of financial position at year end 20X5.



8 Bonus issues

A **bonus (or capitalisation or scrip)** issue is:

the issue of new shares to existing shareholders in proportion to their existing shareholding. No cash is received from a bonus issue.

The **advantages** are:

- Issued share capital is divided into a larger number of shares, thus making the market value of each one less, and so more marketable.
- Issued share capital is brought more into line with assets employed in the company.

The **disadvantages** are:

- the admin costs of making the bonus issue.

As no cash is received from a bonus issue, the issue must be funded from reserves. Any reserve can be used, though a non-distributable reserve such as the share premium account would be used in preference to reserves which can be distributed:

Dr Share premium Nominal value

(or other reserve)

Cr Share capital Nominal value

Test your understanding 3

Ginger Knut, a limited liability company, has 20,000 50c shares in issue (each issued for \$1.25) and makes a 1 for 4 bonus issue, capitalising the share premium account.

What are the balances on the share capital and share premium accounts after this transaction?

	SC	SP
	\$	\$
A	15,000	10,000
B	12,500	12,500
C	25,000	Nil
D	22,500	2,500

Test your understanding 4

Rich T is a limited liability company with 200,000 25c shares in issue. At 1 January the balance on the share premium account is \$75,000. The following transactions occur in the year ended 31 December 20X6:

31 January There is a fully taken-up 2 for 5 rights issue. The issue price is \$1.80.

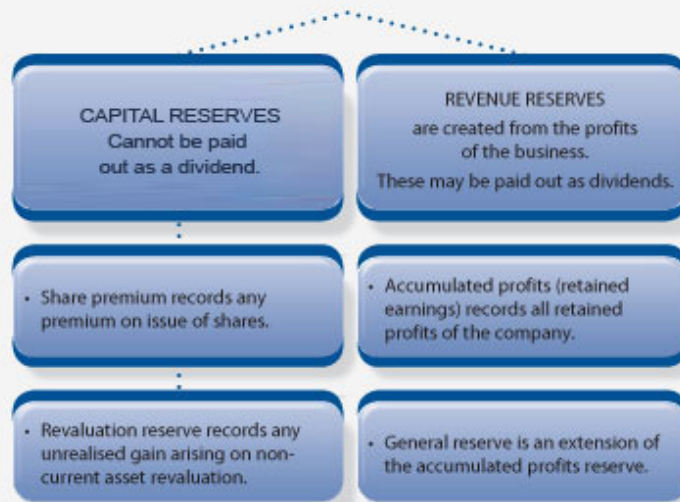
12 August There is a 1 for 10 bonus issue made using the share premium account.

What are the balances on the share capital and share premium accounts on 31 December 20X6?

	SC	SP
	\$'000	\$'000
A	308	111
B	77	84
C	154	93
D	77	192

9 Other reserves

Any balances representing profits or surpluses owed to the shareholders are called reserves.



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10 Loan notes (loan stock)

- A limited company can raise funds by issuing loan notes .
- A loan note is a document that is evidence of a debt.
- A person will buy a loan note for a set nominal value, e.g. \$100. He or she is effectively loaning \$100 to the company.
- The nominal value of the loan note will be repayable after a certain number of years.
- In the meantime, the loan note-holder will receive an annual fixed amount of interest based on the nominal value.
- The interest incurred is included in 'finance cost' in the income statement.



Test your understanding 5

Custard Creameries is an incorporated business which needs to raise funds to purchase plant and machinery. On 1 March 20X5 it issues \$150,000 10% loan notes, redeemable in 10 years' time. Interest is payable half yearly at the end of August and February.

What accounting entries are required in the year ended 31 December 20X5? Show relevant extracts from the statement of financial position.



11 Income tax

- Companies are charged income tax on their profits.
- Accounting for income tax is initially based on estimates, since a company's tax bill is not finalised and paid until nine months after its year end.
- This means that a company will normally under- or overprovide for tax in any given year
- Tax will therefore appear in the year-end financial statements as:
 - A charge to profits in the income statement being
 - Current year estimated tax + previous year's underprovision; or
 - Current year estimated tax – previous year's overprovision.
 - A year end liability in the statement of financial position being the current year's estimated tax.



Test your understanding 6

Garry Baldy commenced trade on 1 January 20X4 and estimates that the income tax payable for the year ended 31 December 20X4 is \$150,000.

In September 20X5, the accountant of Garry Baldy receives and pays a tax demand for \$163,000 for the year ended 31 December 20X4. At 31 December 20X5 he estimates that the company owes \$165,000 for income tax in relation to the year ended 31 December 20X5.

Draw up the tax charge and income tax payable accounts for the years ended 31 December 20X4 and 20X5 and detail the amounts shown in the statement of financial position and income statement in both years.



Test your understanding 7

Choccychip estimated last year's tax charge to be \$230,000. As it happened, their tax advisor settled with the tax authorities at \$222,000.

This year, Choccychip estimate their tax bill to be \$265,000, but they are a little confused as to how this should be reflected in the financial statements. Which of the following is correct?

	Statement of financial position liability (\$)	Income statement tax charge (\$)
A	257,000	265,000
B	273,000	265,000
C	265,000	257,000
D	265,000	273,000



12 Dividends

- Dividends are the share of profits paid out to shareholders.
- Dividends on preference shares are a fixed amount.
- Dividends on ordinary shares are expressed as an amount per share e.g 10c per share or 10% of nominal value

Preference dividends

In line with the statement of financial position presentation of preference shares:

- redeemable preference share dividends are classified as **finance costs**
- irredeemable preference share dividends are classified as **dividends**.



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Ordinary dividends

A company may pay a mid-year or interim dividend. The double entry is:

Dr Dividends – (statement of changes in equity)	X
Cr Bank	X

At the end of the year companies may propose a dividend to the ordinary shareholders (i.e. tell the shareholders the amount of a dividend to be paid after the year end). This is a **final dividend**. It is not recorded unless it has been declared (or confirmed) prior to the year end. If this is the case, the double entry is:

Dr Dividends – (statement of changes in equity)	X
Cr Dividends payable (SFP)	X

The balance on the dividends payable account is shown as a current liability on the statement of financial position



Test your understanding 8

Cracker, a company, has share capital as follows:

Ordinary share capital (50c shares) \$200,000

8% Irredeemable Preference share capital \$50,000

The company pays an interim dividend of 12.5c per share to its ordinary shareholders and pays the preference shareholders their fixed dividend. Before the year end the company declares a final dividend of 36.5c per share to its ordinary shareholders.

Calculate the amounts shown in the statement of changes in equity (SOCIE) and statement of financial position (SFP) in relation to dividends for the year.

	SOCIE		SFP	
		\$'000		\$'000
A		200		150
B		54		nil
C		200		146
D		101		72

13 Preparation of company accounts

You will not be asked to produce a full set of accounts in the F3 examination, although you may be required to provide certain balances.

The following example will, however, help you to fully understand the preparation of company accounts.



Test your understanding 9

Preparation of company accounts

The trial balance of Penguin, a company as at 31 December 20X5 was as follows:

	Dr	Cr
	\$	\$
Sales and purchases	20,000	50,000
Inventory	8,000	
Distribution costs	8,000	
Administration expenses	15,550	
Receivables and payables	10,000	20,000
Fundamental reorganisation costs	2,400	
Cash at bank	8,100	
Ordinary shares 50c		8,000
10% irredeemable preference shares \$1		9,000
10% loan notes		8,000
Non-current assets at net book value	35,000	
Share premium		3,000
Accumulated profits at 1 January 20X5		3,000
Loan note Interest	400	
Preference dividend	450	
Interim ordinary dividend	1,600	
Income tax		500
Suspense		8,000
	109,500	109,500

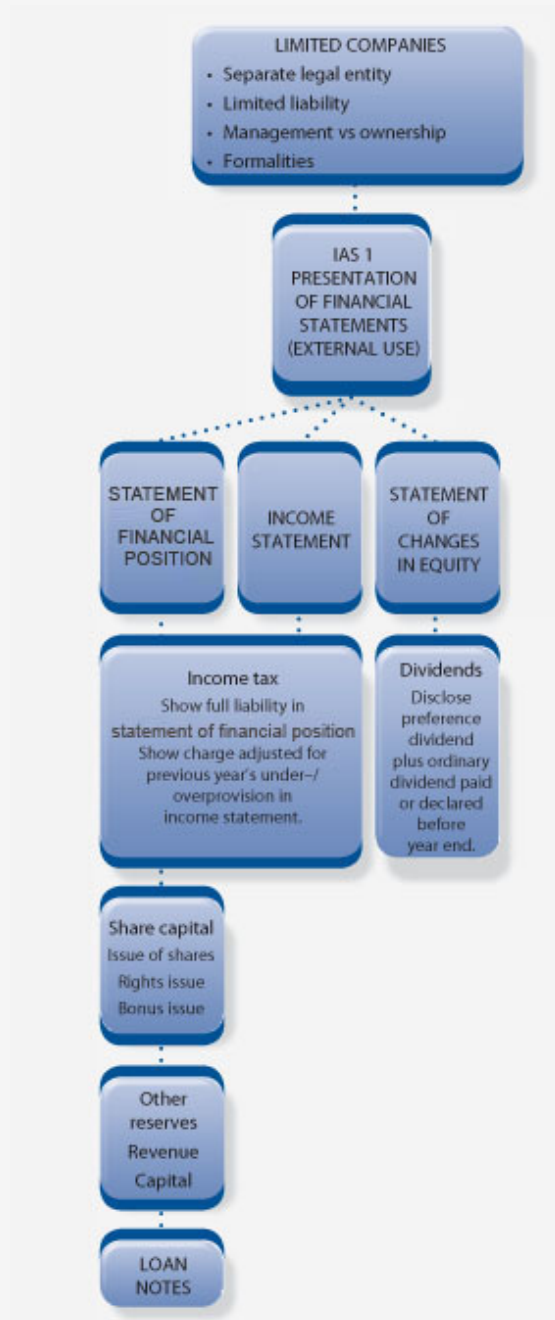
The following is to be taken into account.

- (1) A building whose net book value is currently \$5,000 is to be revalued to \$11,000.
- (2) A final ordinary dividend of 10c per share is to be proposed.
- (3) The balance on the income tax account represents an overprovision of tax for the previous year. Income tax for the current year is estimated at \$3,000.
- (4) Closing inventory is \$12,000.
- (5) The balance on the suspense account represents the proceeds from the issue of 4,000 ordinary shares.

Prepare the following statements for the year ended 31 December 20X5:

- (1) statement of comprehensive income
- (2) statement of financial position
- (3) Statement of changes in equity

Chapter summary



Test your understanding answers



Test your understanding 1

Cash	
\$	\$
Share capital / share premium	350,000
Share capital	
\$	\$
	Cash
	50,000
Share premium	
\$	\$
	Cash
	300,000

Working:

Nominal value: $200,000 \times 25 = \$50,000$

Funds raised: $200,000 \times \$1.75 = \$350,000$



Test your understanding 2

20X4 Dr Cash \$500

Cr Share capital \$500

20X5 For every five shares a shareholder owns, he or she is entitled to buy another one. The offer is fully taken up, meaning that 200 new shares are issued.

Dr Cash (200 x 75c) \$150

Cr Share capital (200 x 50c) \$100

Cr Share premium \$50

Statement of financial position

Capital and reserves:

	\$
Share capital - 50c ordinary shares	600
Share premium	50
Accumulated profit	X



Test your understanding 3

The correct answer is B

- For every four shares held, a new share is issued.
- Therefore 5,000 new shares are issued

Dr Share premium (5,000 x 50c) \$2,500

Cr Share capital \$2,500

Statement of financial position

Capital and reserves:

	\$
Share capital – 50c ordinary shares (20,000 x 50c) + \$2,500	12,500
Share premium (20,000 x 50c) + \$2,500	12,500
Accumulated profit	X


Test your understanding 4

The correct answer is D

Share capital

	\$		\$
		Balance b/f	50,000
		Rights issue (cash)	20,000
Balance c/f	77,000	Bonus issue	7,000
	<u>77,000</u>		<u>77,000</u>
		Balance b/f	<u>77,000</u>

Share premium

	\$		\$
		Balance b/f	75,000
Bonus issue (SC)	7,000	Rights issue (cash)	124,000
Balance c/f	192,000		
	<u>199,000</u>		<u>199,000</u>
		Balance b/f	<u>192,000</u>

Statement of financial position

Capital and reserves: p	\$
Share capital – 25c ordinary shares	77,000
Share premium	192,000
Accumulated profit	X

Workings:

Rights issue: $(200,000/5) \times 2 = 80,000$ new shares

Proceeds: $80,000 \times \$1.80 = \$144,000$

Nominal value: $80,000 \times 25c = \$20,000$

Bonus issue: $(280,000/10) \times 1 = 28,000$ new shares

Nominal value: $28,000 \times 25c = \$7,000$



Test your understanding 5

1 March 20X5 Dr Cash \$150,000

Cr 10% Loan notes \$150,000

31 August 20X5 Dr Finance cost \$7,500

Cr Cash \$7,500

$\$150,000 \times 10\% \times 6/12 =$ \$7,500

31 December 20X5 Dr Finance cost \$5,000

Cr Interest accrua \$5,000

$\$150,000 \times 10\% \times 4/12 =$ \$5,000

Statement of financial position

Non-current liabilities	\$	
10% Loan notes		150,000
Current liabilities		
Trade payables		X
Loan note interest payable		5,000


Test your understanding 6
Income tax payable (statement of financial position)

	\$		\$
		20X4	
		income statement	150,000
September X5 Bank	163,000	Balance c/f	13,000
	<u>163,000</u>		<u>163,000</u>
Balance b/f (underprovision)	13,000	20X5 income statement (B)	178,000
Balance c/f	165,000		<u>178,000</u>
	<u>178,000</u>	Balance b/f	165,000

Tax charge (income statement)

	\$		\$
20X4 tax payable	150,000	Income statement	150,000
20X5 tax payable	<u>178,000</u>		<u>178,000</u>

The income statement tax charge in 20X5 is increased to reflect the underprovision made in 20X4.

Statement of financial position

	20X4	20X5
	\$000	\$000
Income tax liability	150	165

Income statement

	150	178
Income tax expense		



Test your understanding 7

The correct answer is C

- The liability in the statement of financial position= the estimated amount payable for the current year.
- The tax charge in the income statement = the estimated amount payable for the current year – last year’s overprovision.



Test your understanding 8

The correct answer is C

No. of ordinary shares = \$200,000/50c = 400,000

Ordinary dividend

Interim	400,000 x 12.5c	\$50,000
Final	400,000 x 36.5c	\$146,000
		\$196,000

Preference dividend

$$50,000 \times 8\% = \$4,000$$

Statement of changes in equity

	Retained earnings \$
at start of year	X
dividends (\$196,000 + \$4,000)	(200,000)
	<hr/>
At end of year	X

statement of financial position

Current liabilities	\$
Proposed dividend	146,000



Test your understanding 9

Penguin

Statement of comprehensive income for the year ended 31 December 20X5

	\$
Sales revenue	50,000
Cost of sales (\$8,000+20,000 – 12,000)	(16,000)
Gross profit	34,000
Distribution costs	(8,000)
Administrative expenses	(15,550)
Operating profit	10,450
Fundamental reorganisation costs	(2,400)
	8,050
Interest payable (10% x 8,000)	(800)
Profit before taxation	7,250
Taxation (*3,000 – 500)	(2,500)
Profit after taxation	4,750
Other Comprehensive income	
Revaluation Gain	6,000
Total Comprehensive Income	<u>10,750</u>

Statement of financial position at 31 December 20X5

	\$	\$
Tangible assets (\$35,000 + 6,000)		41,000
Current assets		
Inventory	12,000	
Trade receivables	10,000	
Cash at bank and in hand	8,100	
	<u> </u>	30,100
Total assets		<u>71,100</u>

Capital and reserves		
Ordinary share capital		10,000
(\$8,000 + 2,000)		
10% preference share capital		9,000
Share premium account		9,000
(\$3,000 + 6,000)		
Revaluation reserve		6,000
Accumulated profits		5,250
		<u>39,250</u>
Non-current liabilities		
10% loan notes		8,000
Current liabilities		
Trade payables	20,000	
Proposed preference dividends (900 – 450)	450	
Taxation	3,000	
Loan note interest	400	
	<u> </u>	23,850
		<u>71,100</u>
		<u> </u>

Accounting standards

Chapter learning objectives

Upon completion of this chapter you will be able to:

- recognise the difference between tangible non-current assets and intangible non-current assets
- identify types of intangible non-current assets.
- define research and development
- explain the accounting treatment of research and development costs in accordance with IAS 38
- calculate the amounts to be capitalised as development expenditure or expensed from given information.
- explain the purpose of amortisation
- calculate the amortisation charge and account for it correctly
- define an event after the reporting revised.
- account for both adjusting and non-adjusting events correctly in the financial statements
- classify events as adjusting or non-adjusting.
- define provision, contingent liability and contingent asset.
- classify items as provision, contingent asset or contingent liability from information given
- account for provisions, contingent liabilities and contingent assets correctly
- calculate provisions and changes in provisions and account for these changes correctly
- report provisions in the final accounts

- explain what is meant by an accounting policy and the provisions of IAS 8 regarding changes in accounting policy
- identify the appropriate accounting treatment for a change in a material accounting policy according to IAS 8
- describe the provisions of IAS 8 which govern financial statements regarding material errors which result in prior period adjustments
- explain the requirements of IAS 18 governing revenue recognition.



1 Intangible non-current assets

Non-current assets are assets used within the business on an ongoing basis in order to generate revenue.

They can be split into two distinct types:

Tangible non-current assets
Normally have physical substance, e.g. land and buildings.

Normally involve expenditure being incurred.

Cost of the tangible non-current asset is capitalised.

Depreciation is a reflection of the wearing out of the asset.

Intangible non-current assets
Do not normally have physical substance, e.g. copyright.

Can be purchased or may be created within a business without any expenditure being incurred, i.e. internally generated, e.g. brands.

Purchased intangible non-current assets are capitalised. Generally, internally generated assets may not be capitalised.

Amortisation is a reflection of the wearing-out of the (capitalised) asset.

Examples:

- Development costs
- Goodwill
- Trademarks
- Licences
- Patents
- Copyrights
- Franchises



2 Research and development (IAS 38)

Research can be defined as original and planned investigation undertaken with the prospect of gaining new scientific or technical knowledge and understanding.

Development can be defined as the application of research findings or other knowledge to a plan or design for the production of new or substantially improved materials, devices, products, processes, systems or services before the start of commercial production or use.



Test your understanding 1

Which of the following should be classified as development?

- (1) Braynee Ltd has spent \$300,000 investigating whether a particular substance, flubber, found in the Amazon rainforest is resistant to heat.
- (2) Cleverclogs Ltd has incurred \$120,000 expenses in the course of making a new waterproof and windproof material with the idea that it may be used for ski-wear.

- (3) Ayplus Ltd has found that a chemical compound, known as XYX, is not harmful to the human body.
- (4) Braynee Ltd has incurred a further \$450,000 using flubber in creating prototypes of a new heat-resistant suit for stuntmen.
- A All of them
- B 1 and 3
- C 2 and 4
- D 2 only

Accounting treatment of research and development

Where a company undertakes research and development, expenditure is being incurred with the intention of producing future benefits.

The accounting issue is therefore whether these costs should be expensed to the income statement or capitalised as an intangible asset on the statement of financial position to match to future benefits arising.

Research

- All research expenditure should be written off to the income statement as it is incurred. This is in compliance with the prudence concept.
- Research expenditure does not directly lead to future benefits and therefore it is not possible to follow the matching concept.
- Any capital expenditure on research equipment should be capitalised and depreciated as normal.

2.1.2 Development

- Development expenditure must be capitalised as an intangible asset provided that certain criteria are met:
 - Separate project
 - Expenditure identifiable and reliably measured
 - Commercially viable
 - Technically feasible
 - Overall profitable
 - Resources available to complete
- If the above criteria are not met, development expenditure must be written off to the income statement as it is incurred.
- Once expenditure has been treated as an expense, it cannot be reinstated as an asset.

Subsequent treatment of capitalised development expenditure

- The asset should be amortised over the period that is expected to benefit. This ensures that costs are matched to the revenue in the income statement.
- Amortisation should commence with commercial production.
- Each project should be reviewed at the year end to ensure that the 'SECTOR' criteria are still met. If they are no longer met, the previously capitalised expenditure must be written off to the income statement immediately.

If a policy of capitalisation is adopted, it should be applied to all projects that meet the criteria.



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Illustration – Accounting for development costs

Brightspark Ltd is developing a new product, the widget. This is expected to be sold over a three-year period starting in 20X6. The forecast data is as follows:

	20X5	20X6	20X7	20X8
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
Net revenue from other activities	400	500	450	400
Net revenue from widgets	-	450	600	400
Development costs	(900)	-	-	-

Show how the development costs should be treated if:

- the costs do not qualify for capitalisation
- the costs do qualify for capitalisation .



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Test your understanding 2

This year, Deep Blue Sea Ltd has developed a new material from which the next generation of wetsuits will be made. This special material will ensure that swimmers are kept warmer than ever. The costs incurred meet the capitalisation criteria and by the 31 December 20X5 year end \$250,000 has been capitalised.

The wetsuits are expected to generate revenue for five years from the date that commercial production commences on 1 January 20X6. What amount is charged to the income statement in the year ended 31 December 20X6?

- A nil
- B \$250,000
- C \$100,000
- D \$50,000



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3 Events after the reporting period revised (IAS 10)

Events after the reporting period revised can be defined as those material events which occur between the statement of financial position date and the date on which the financial statements are approved.

Adjusting and non-adjusting events



Examples of adjusting and non-adjusting events

The following examples are taken from IAS 10:

Adjusting events

- The settlement after the reporting date of a court case which confirms a year end obligation.
- The receipt of information after the reporting date that indicates that an asset was impaired at the reporting date.
- The bankruptcy of a customer after the reporting date that confirms that a year-end debt is irrecoverable.
- The sale of inventories after the reporting period at a price lower than cost.
- The determination after the reporting date of the cost of assets purchased or proceeds from assets sold before the statement of financial position date.
- The discovery of fraud or errors showing that the financial statements are incorrect.

Non-adjusting events

- Announcing a plan to discontinue an operation.
- Major purchases of assets.
- The destruction of assets after the statement of financial position date by fire or flood.
- Entering into significant commitments or contingent liabilities (see section 4).
- Commencing a court case arising out of events after the statement of financial position date.



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Proposed dividends

It is not acceptable to include dividends declared after the statement of financial position date as liabilities at the year end.

If dividends are declared before the year end, they must be shown in the statement of changes in equity and accrued for in the reporting period update.

**Test your understanding 3**

Which of the following are adjusting events for BigCo Ltd? The year end is 30 June 20X6 and the accounts are approved on 18 August 20X6.

- (1) Sales of year end inventory on 2 July 20X6 at less than cost.
 - (2) The issue of new ordinary shares on 4 July 20X6.
 - (3) A fire in the main warehouse occurred on 8 July 20X6. All stock was destroyed.
 - (4) A major credit customer was declared bankrupt on 10 July 20X6
 - (5) All of the share capital of a competitor, TeenyCo Ltd was acquired on 21 July 20X6.
 - (6) On 1 August 20X6, \$500,000 was received in respect of an insurance claim dated 13 February 20X6.
- A 1,4 and 6
 B 1,2,4 and 6
 C 1,2,5 and 6
 D 1,4,5 and 6

Disclosure

Where there are material non-adjusting events, a note to the financial statements should explain:

- the nature of the event
- an estimate of the financial effect.

**Expandable text****4 Provisions, contingent liabilities and assets (IAS 37)**

A provision can be defined as a Liability of uncertain timing or amount.

A Contingent Liability can be defined as possible obligation that arises from past events.

A Contingent Asset can be defined as possible assets arising from past events.

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Accounting for contingent liabilities and assets

The requirements of IAS 37 as regards contingent liabilities and assets are summarised in the following table:

Probability of Occurrence	Contingent liabilities	Contingent assets
Virtually certain	Provide	Recognise
Probable	Provide	Disclose in note
Possible	Disclose in note	Ignore
Remote	Ignore	Ignore

- Note that the standard gives no guidance as the meaning of the terms in the left-hand column. One possible interpretation is as follows:

Virtually certain > 95%

Probable 51% - 95%

Possible 5% - 50%

Remote < 5%

- For a contingent liability to be recorded as a provision, the following conditions must be met:
 - A present obligation exists as the result of a past event.
 - There is a probable transfer of economic benefits.
 - A reliable estimate of the amount can be made.



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Test your understanding 4

The draft financial statements of Madras, a limited liability company, for the year ended 31 December 20X6 is currently under review. The following points have been raised:

- (i) An ex-employee has started an action against the company for wrongful dismissal. The company's legal team have stated that the ex-employee is not likely to succeed. The following estimates have been given by the lawyers relating to the case:
 - (a) Legal costs (to be incurred whether the claim is successful or not) \$ 5,000
 - (b) Settlement of claim if successful \$15,000Tota \$ 20,000

Currently no provision has been made by the company in the financial statements.

- (ii) The company has a policy of refunding the cost of any goods returned by dissatisfied customers, even though it is under no legal obligation to do so. This policy of making refunds is generally known. At the year end returns totalling \$4,800 have been made.
- (iii) A claim has been made against a company for injury suffered by a pedestrian in connection with building work by the company. Legal advisers have confirmed that the company will probably have to pay damages of \$100,000 but that a counterclaim made against the building subcontractors for \$50,000 would probably be successful.

State with reasons what adjustments, if any, should be made by the company in the financial statements.

Accounting entries for provisions

A provision should initially be accounted for at the best estimate of the probable outflow:

Dr relevant expense account

Cr provision

Movement in provisions

Provisions should be reviewed at each balance sheet date and adjusted to reflect the current best estimate.

Increase in provision:	Dr Relevant expense account
	Cr Provision
Decrease in provision:	Dr Provision
	Cr Relevant expense account



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5 Accounting policies, changes in accounting estimates and errors (IAS 8)

The main issues covered by this standard are:

- changes in accounting estimates
- changes in accounting policy
- correction of prior period errors.

Changes in accounting estimates

- These result in the adjustment of the carrying amount of an asset or liability, e.g. revising the useful life of a non-current asset from five years to seven years.
- Any necessary change should be included in the current income statement under the same heading as the previous estimate, with a note giving details of the change if it has a material effect.

Changes in accounting policies

- Accounting policies are the specific principles, bases, conventions, rules and practices applied by an entity in preparing and presenting financial statements.
- The consistency theory means that a company's accounting policies will generally remain the same from year to year. There may, however, be circumstances where the policies do have to change:
 - If required by a standard or interpretation.
 - If the change will result in a more reliable and relevant presentation of events in financial statements.
- The change is applied retrospectively by adjusting the opening balance of accumulated profit; this is reflected in the statement of changes in equity. Comparative information for previous years is also restated.

Fundamental errors

- E.g. discovery of a major fraud which occurred last year
- If a fundamental error from a prior period is reflected in the accounts, this must be corrected.
- The correction involves adjusting the opening balance of accumulated profits; this is reflected in the statement of changes in equity. Comparative information for prior years should also be restated if practical.

6 Revenue (IAS 18)

IAS 18 Revenue defines when revenue from various sources may be recognised. It deals with revenue arising from three types of transaction or event:

- sale of goods
- rendering of services
- interest, royalties and dividends from the assets of the enterprise.

Sale of goods

Revenue from the sale of goods should be recognised when all the following conditions have been satisfied:

- (a) All the significant risks and rewards of ownership have been transferred to the buyer.
- (b) The seller retains no effective control over the goods sold.
- (c) The amount of revenue can be reliably measured.
- (d) The benefits to be derived from the transaction are likely to flow to the enterprise.
- (e) The costs incurred or to be incurred for the transaction can be reliably measured.

Conditions (a) and (b) are usually met at the time when legal ownership passes to the buyer, but there are four examples in IAS 18 where the seller retains significant risks:

- when the seller has an obligation for unsatisfactory performance beyond normal warranty provisions
- when the receipt of the cash for the sale is contingent upon the buyer selling the goods on and receiving cash
- when the goods are to be installed at the buyer's site and this has not yet been completed
- when the buyer has the right to cancel the contract.

Revenue and associated costs are recognised simultaneously in accordance with the matching concept.

Rendering of services

The provision of a service is likely to be spread over a period of time.

IAS 18 states that revenue from services may be recognised according to the stage of completion of the transaction at the statement of financial position date.

As with the sale of goods, conditions must be satisfied:

- (a) The amount of the revenue can be measured reliably.
- (b) The benefits from the transaction are likely to flow to the enterprise.
- (c) The stage of completion of the work can be measured reliably.
- (d) The costs incurred or to be incurred for the transaction can be reliably measured.

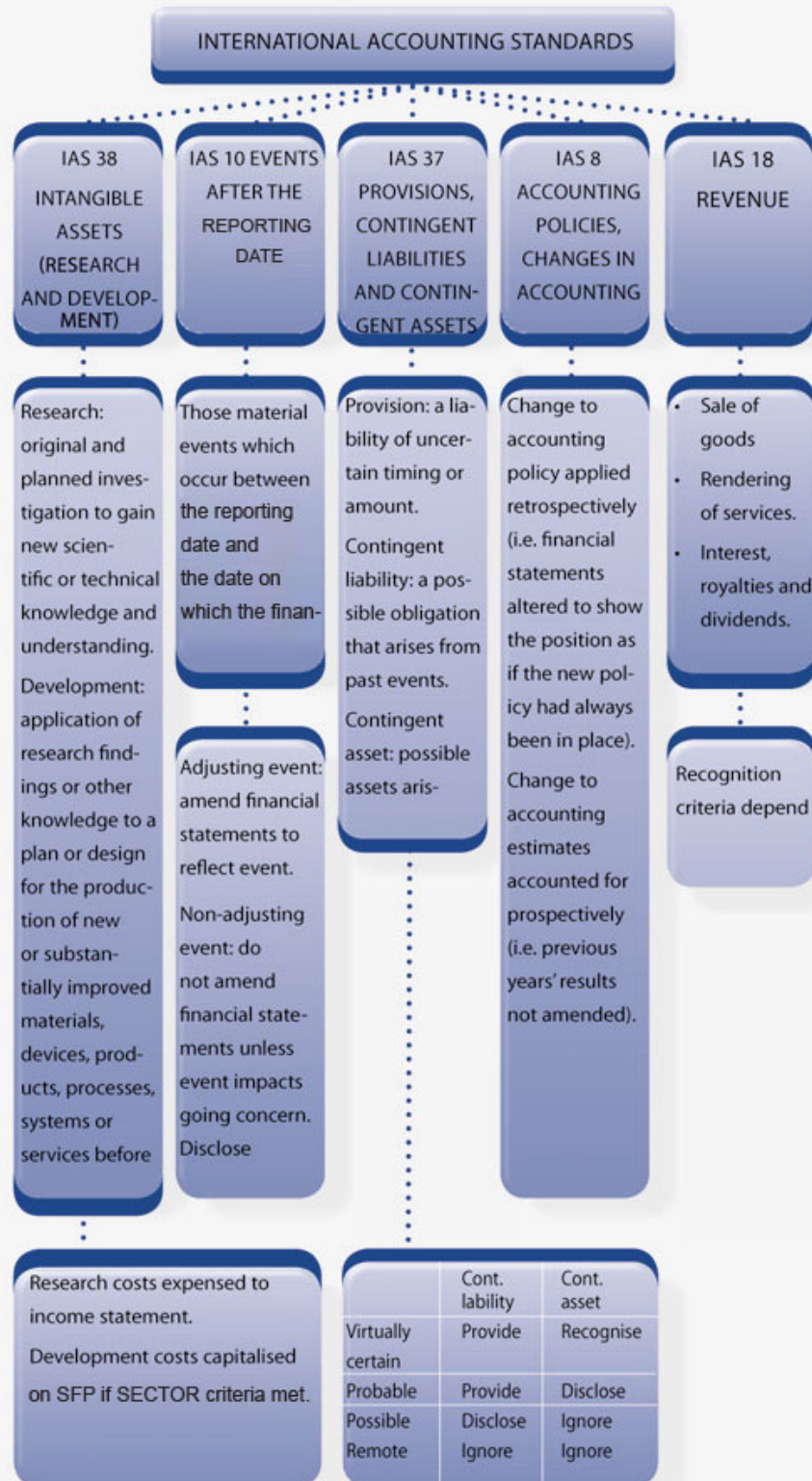
When a partly completed service is in its early stages, or the outcome of the transaction cannot be reliably estimated, revenue should be recognised only up to the amount of the costs incurred to date, and then only if it is probable that the enterprise will recover in revenue at least as much as the costs.

If it is probable that the costs of the transaction will not be recovered, no revenue is to be recognised.



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Chapter summary



Test your understanding answers



Test your understanding 1

The correct answer is C

Both 1 and 3 involve researching materials, without any form of commercial production in mind.



Test your understanding 2

The correct answer is D

Amortisation will be charged for each of the five years that revenue is generated.

As there is no reliable pattern of this revenue, amortisation will be charged on the straight-line basis.

Therefore the amortisation charge for each of the years ended 31 December 20X6 - 20Y0 will be:

$$\$250,000/5 \text{ years} = \$50,000$$



Test your understanding 3

The correct answer is A

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|---|---------------|---|
| (1) Sales of year end inventory at less than cost | Adjusting | Closing inventory must be valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. The post-year-end sale provides evidence of the net realisable value. Therefore closing inventory must be adjusted to reflect the reduction in value. |
| (2) Share issue | Non-adjusting | |
| (3) Fire in warehouse | Non-adjusting | If this is BigCo's only or main warehouse and the fire affects going concern, the event will be reclassified as adjusting. |
| (4) Bankruptcy of major customer | Adjusting | The bankruptcy of the customer provides evidence of their inability to pay their debt at the year-end. The amount outstanding from the customer at 30 June 20X6 should therefore be written off in the year end accounts. |
| (5) Acquisition of TeenyCo Ltd | Non-adjusting | |
| (6) Receipt of insurance monies | Adjusting | The receipt of insurance monies provides evidence of a year-end asset. The amount subsequently received should be reflected as such in the year-end accounts. |

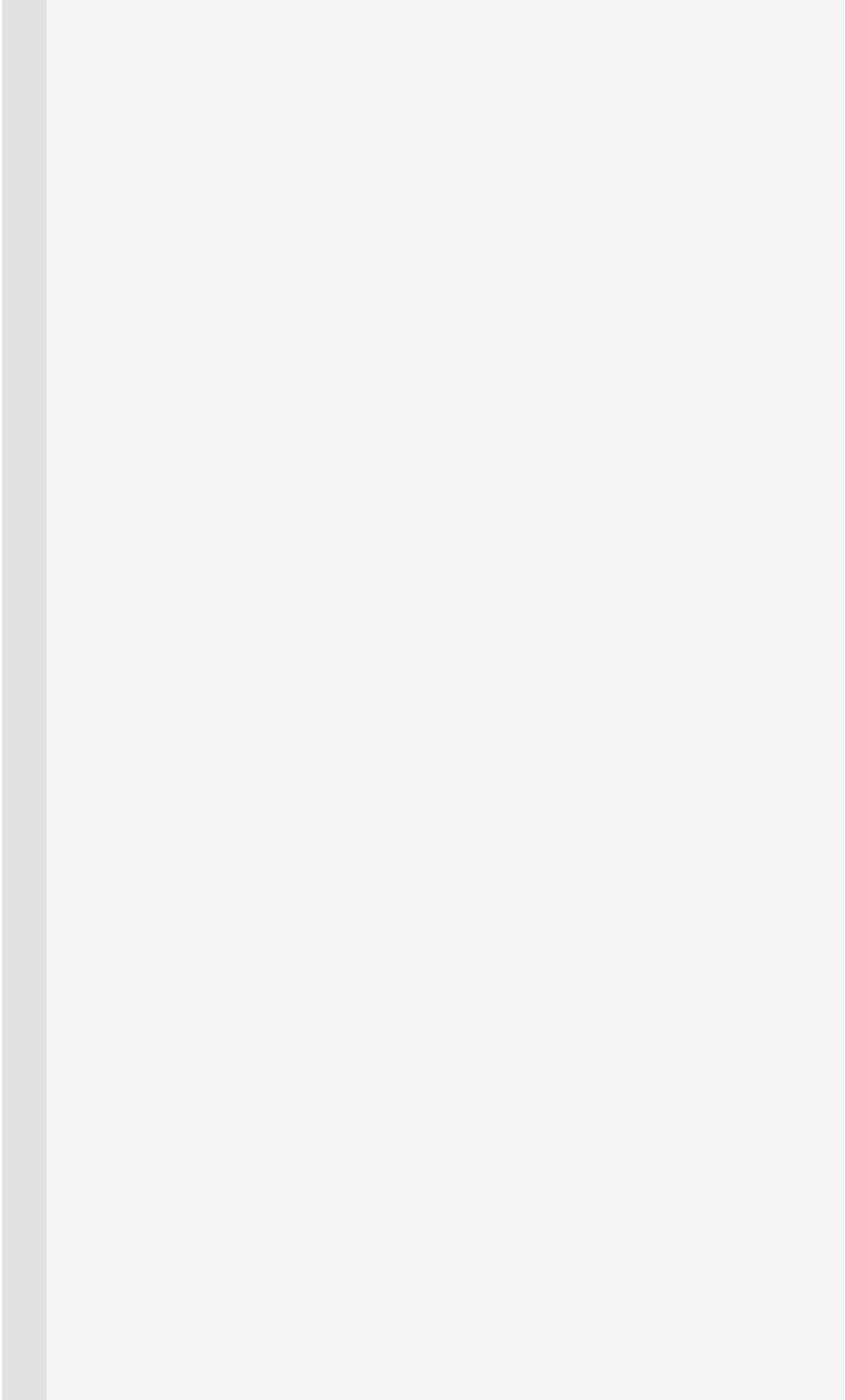


Test your understanding 4

- (i) IAS 37 defines a contingency as an obligation or an asset that arises from past events whose existence will be confirmed only by the occurrence or non-occurrence of one or more uncertain future events not wholly within the control of the enterprise. A provision should be made if:
- (a) There is an obligation.
 - (b) A transfer is probable.
 - (c) There is a reliable estimate.

The legal costs of \$5,000 should therefore be provided for since they will have to be paid whatever the outcome of the case. However, the claim is not likely to succeed and so no provision should be made. A disclosure note should be made for the potential loss of \$15,000.

- (ii) IAS 37 states that an obligation can be legal or constructive. In this case the policy of refunds has created a constructive obligation. A provision for \$4,800 should therefore be made.
- (iii) As the success of the claim for damages of \$100,000 is probable, it constitutes a present obligation as a result of a past obligating event, and would therefore be accounted for as a provision. The success of the counterclaim for \$50,000 is also considered probable and would therefore need to be disclosed as a contingent asset (reimbursement). Only if it were considered virtually certain would the counterclaim be recognised as an asset in the statement of financial position.

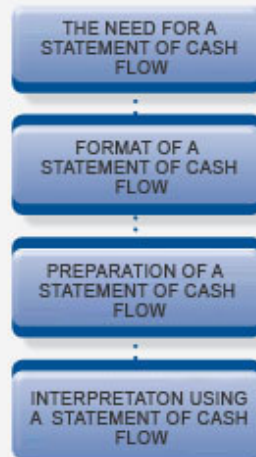


Statement of cash flows

Chapter learning objectives

Upon completion of this chapter you will be able to:

- explain the differences between profit and cash flows
- explain the need for management to control cash flows
- explain the value of a statement of cash flows to users of financial statements
- explain the inward and outward flows of cash in a typical company
- calculate cash flows from operating activities using the indirect method
- calculate cash flows from operating activities using the direct method
- calculate the cash flows from investing activities
- calculate the cash flows from financing activities
- prepare extracts from statement of cash flows from given information.



1 The need for a statement of cash flows

Profit and liquidity

The accounting concepts of accruals and matching are used to compute a profit figure which shows the additional wealth created for the owners of a business during an accounting period. However, it is important for a business to generate cash as well as to make profits. The two do not necessarily go hand in hand.



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2 Format of a statement of cash flows

IAS 7 Statement of cash flows requires companies to prepare a statement of cash flows within their financial statements. The cash flow must be presented using standard headings.

Statement of cash flows for the period ended ...

	\$000	\$000
Cash flows from operating activities		
Cash generated from operations	2,550	
Interest paid	(270)	
Dividends paid	(300)	
Income taxes paid	(420)	

Net cash from operating activities		1,560
Cash flows from investing activities		
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(900)	
Proceeds of sale of equipment	20	
Interest received	200	
Dividends received	200	

Net cash used in investing activities		(480)
Cash flows from financing activities		
Proceeds of issue of shares	1,210	
Repayment of loans	(2,000)	

Net cash used in financing activities		(790)

Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		290
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period		120

Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period		410



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3 Cash generated from operations

There are two methods of calculating cash from operations – the direct or indirect method. The method used will depend upon the information provided within the question.

Direct method

This method uses information contained in the ledger accounts of the company to calculate the cash from operations figure as follows:

	\$	\$
Cash sales		X
Cash received from debtors		X
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		X
Less:		
Cash purchases	X	
Cash paid to credit suppliers	X	
Cash expenses	X	
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		(X)
		<hr/>
Cash generated from operations		X

**Expandable text****Indirect method**

This method reconciles between profit before tax (as reported in the income statement) and cash generated from operations as follows:

	\$
Profit before tax	X
Finance cost	X
Investment income	(X)
Depreciation charge	X
Loss/(profit) on disposal of non-current assets	X/(X)
(Increase)/decrease in inventories	(X)/X
(Increase)/decrease in trade receivables	(X)/X
Increase/(decrease) in trade payables	X/(X)
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Cash generated from operations	X

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In order to prepare a statement of cash flows, information from the current and prior year statement of financial position and the current year income statement is used. The following financial statements provide the source data for the requirements of Test your understanding 1 throughout this chapter:


Test your understanding 1
Requirement 1**Statement of cash flows source data****Statement of financial position of Geronimo at 31 December**

	20X6	20X5
	\$000	\$000
Non-current assets	1,048	750
Accumulated depreciation	(190)	(120)
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	858	630
Current assets		
Inventory	98	105
Trade receivables	102	86
Dividend receivable	57	50
Cash	42	18
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	299	259
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	1,157	889
Total assets	1,157	889
	20X6	20X5
	\$000	\$000
Capital and reserves		
Share capital	200	120
Share premium	106	80
Revaluation reserve	212	12
Accumulated profits	283	226
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	801	438

Non-current liabilities		
Loan	200	300
Current liabilities		
Trade payables	47	52
Dividend payable	30	27
Interest accrual	3	5
Tax	76	67
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	156	151
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Total liabilities	1,157	889

Income statement of Geronimo at 31 December 20X6

	\$000
Sales revenue	1,100
Cost of sales	(678)
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Gross profit	422
Operating expenses	(309)
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Operating profit	113
Investment income -- interest	15
-- dividends	57
Finance charge	(22)
Income tax	(71)
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Net profit for year	92
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Operating expenses include a loss on disposal of non-current assets of \$5,000.

- During the year plant which originally cost \$80,000 and with depreciation of \$15,000 was disposed of.

Calculate the cash generated from operations using the indirect method.

4 Cash from operating activities

Cash flows may include:

- interest paid
- dividends paid

- income taxes paid.

Calculation of interest/income taxes paid

The cash flow should be calculated by reference to:

- the charge to profits for the item (shown in the income statement); and
- any opening or closing payable balance shown on the statement of financial position.

A T account working may be useful:

e.g Interest payable

	\$		\$
		Interest accrual b/f	X
Cash paid (β)	X	Income statement	
		Interest charge	X
Interest accrual c/f	X		
	———		———
	X		X
	———		———

If there is no opening or closing should be statement of financial position payable amount, it follows that the charge to profits is the cash outflow.

Calculation of dividends paid

The cash flow should again be calculated by reference to the charge to profits and the opening or closing dividend payable shown in the statement of financial position.

Note that the charge to profits for dividends is not shown in the income statement. It can, however, be derived using an accumulated profits T account working.

Test your understanding 2

Requirement 2

Identify and calculate the remaining amounts to be shown under the heading 'Cash flows from operating activities' within Geronimo's statement of cash flows.

5 Cash from investing activities

Cash inflows may include:

- interest received
- dividends received
- proceeds of sale of equipment.

Cash outflows may include:

- purchase of property, plant and equipment.

Calculation of interest and dividends received

Again, the calculation should take account of both the income receivable shown in the income statement and any relevant receivables balance from the opening and closing statement of financial positions.

A T account working may be useful:

e.g Interest receivable

	\$		\$
Interest receivable b/f	X		
Income statement interest receivable	X	Cash received (β)	X
		Interest receivable c/f	X
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	X		X
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Test your understanding 3

Requirement 3

Identify and calculate the dividends and interest received to be shown under the heading 'cash flow from investing activities' within Geronimo's statementStatement of cash flows .

Calculation of purchase of property, plant and equipment and proceeds of sale of equipment

These amounts are often the trickiest to calculate within a statement of cash flows. It is therefore recommended that T account workings are used.

The following T accounts will be required for each class of assets:

- cost account
- accumulated depreciation account
- disposals account (where relevant).

Data provided in the source financial statements should then be entered into these T accounts and the required cash flows found – often as balancing figures.

NB If there is evidence of a revaluation, remember to include the uplift in value on the debit side of the cost T account.

In some cases, insufficient detail is provided to produce separate cost and accumulated depreciation accounts. Instead, a net book value account should be used:

Net book value(NBV)

	\$		\$
NBV b/f	X		
Additions at NBV (= cash to purchase PPE)	X	Disposals at NBV	X
Revaluation	X	Depreciation charge for year	X
		Net book value c/f	X
	–		–
	–		–
	X		X
	–		–
	–		–

Test your understanding 4

Requirement 4

Identify and calculate the cash outflow to purchase property, plant and equipment and the proceeds from the sale of equipment to be shown under the heading 'Cash flows from investing activities' within Geronimo's statement of cash flows.

6 Cash from financing activities

Cash inflows may include:

- proceeds of issue of shares

- proceeds of issue of loans/debentures.

Cash outflows may include:

- repayment of loans/debentures.

Calculation of proceeds of issue of shares

This cash inflow is derived by comparison of the sum brought forward and sum carried forward balances on two accounts:

- share capital
- share premium.

Calculation of proceeds of issue of loans/repayment of loans

This cash flow is derived by simply subtracting the brought forward balance from the carried forward.



Test your understanding 5

Requirement 5

Identify and calculate each of the amounts to be shown under the heading 'Cash flows from financing activities' within Geronimo's statement of cash flows.



Test your understanding 6

Requirement 6

Complete the following proforma statement of cash flows for Geronimo using your answers to Test your understanding 1 requirements 1-5.

Statement of cash flows for Geronimo for year ended 31 December 20X6

\$000 \$000

Cash flows from operating activities

- Cash generated from operations
- Interest paid
- Dividends paid
- Tax paid

Net cash from operating activities

Cash flows from investing activities
 Proceeds of sale of equipment
 Purchase of property, plant and equipment
 Interest received
 Dividends received

Net cash used in investing activities

Cash flows from financing activities
 Proceeds of issue of shares
 Repayment of loans

Net cash used in financing activities**Net increase in cash and cash equivalents****Cash and cash equivalents
at beginning of period****Cash and cash equivalents at end period****Test your understanding 7**

You are given below, in summarised form, the accounts of Algernon, a limited company, for 20X6 and 20X7.

	20X6		20X7			
	Cost	Dep'n	Net	Cost	Dep'n	Net
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Plant	10,000	4,000	6,000	11,000	5,000	6,000
Buildings	50,000	10,000	40,000	90,000	11,000	79,000
			46,000			85,000
Investments at cost			50,000			80,000
Land			43,000			63,000
Inventory			55,000			65,000
Receivables			40,000			50,000
Bank			3,000			
			237,000			343,000

Statement of cash flows

Ordinary shares of \$1 each	40,000	50,000
Share premium	12,000	14,000
Revaluation reserve (land)	–	20,000
Accumulated profit	45,000	45,000
10% Loan notes	100,000	150,000
Payables	40,000	60,000
Bank	–	4,000
	<u>237,000</u>	<u>343,000</u>

	20X6	20X7
	\$	\$
Cost of sales	(100,000)	(120,000)
	<u>100,000</u>	<u>80,000</u>
Expenses	(50,000)	(47,000)
	<u>50,000</u>	<u>33,000</u>
Interest	(10,000)	(13,000)
	<u>40,000</u>	<u>20,000</u>
Net profit for year	40,000	20,000

Notes:

A \$20,000 dividend has been paid in the year.

- Prepare a statement of cash flows for Algernon for 20X7, to explain as far as possible the movement in the bank balance. The statement of cash flows should be prepared using the direct method.
- Using the summarised accounts given, and the statement you have just prepared, comment on the position, progress and direction of Algernon.



Test your understanding 8

Part of a company's statement of cash flows is shown below:

	\$'000
Operating profit	1,255
Loss on disposal	(455)
Increase in receivables	(198)
Increase in payables	340

The following criticisms of the extract have been made:

- (1) The loss on disposal should have been added, not deducted.
- (2) Increase in receivables should have been added, not deducted.
- (3) Increase in payables should have been deducted, not added.

Which of the criticisms is valid?

- A 1, 2 and 3
- B 1 only
- C 2 and 3 only
- D none of them



Test your understanding 9

Which of the following could appear in a company's statement of cash flows?

- (1) Proposed dividend
- (2) Dividends received
- (3) Bonus issue of shares
- (4) Surplus on revaluation of non-current assets

- A 1 and 2
- B 1,2 and 3
- C 2 only
- D 2 and 3



Test your understanding 10

The following details are provided to the accountant of Caddyshack Ltd, which has an operating profit of \$469,850 in the year ended 31 December 20X6:

- (1) Depreciation of \$37,400 has been charged to the income statement; this included an amount of \$7,600 which was the loss on disposal of a non-current asset.
- (2) The following extract of the statement of financial position at 31 December 20X5 and 20X6 have been provided:

	31 December 20X6	31 December 20X5
	\$000	\$000
Inventory	145	167
Trade receivables	202	203
Prepayments	27	16
Trade payables	196	212
Interest accrual	6	28

What is the cash generated from operations?

- A \$511,250
- B \$510,850
- C \$501,250
- D \$503,250

Chapter summary

The need for a statement of cash flows

- Helps to assess liquidity of a company.
- Helps to assess future cash flows.
- User can see cash flows in and out of the business.



Format of a statement of cash flows

IAS 7 requires the cash flow statement to have three headings:

- Operating activities
- Investing activities
- Financing activities.



Preparation of a statement of cash flows

The cash movement is simply the movement between the current and previous year's balance in the balance sheet.

Watch out for trickier areas such as taxation, and non-current assets where a working will need to be done.



Interpretation using a statement of cash flows

The cash flow provides useful information including:

- how a business spends and receives cash
- whether operating activities yield a positive cash flow
- whether the business has the ability to generate cash in the future.

Test your understanding answers



Test your understanding 1

Requirement 1

	\$000
Net profit before taxation	163
Finance charge	22
Investment income	(72)
Depreciation (W1)	85
Loss on disposal of plant	5
Decrease in inventory	7
Increase in trade receivables	(16)
Decrease in trade payables	(5)
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Cash generated from operations	189
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(W1)

Accumulated depreciation

	\$000		\$000
Disposals	15	balance b/f	120
Balance c/f	190	Depreciation charge (B)	85
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	205		205
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Test your understanding 2

Requirement 2

Interest paid

Interest payable	
\$000	\$000
	Interest accrual b/f 5
Cash paid (B) 24	Income statement
Interest accrual c/f 3	finance charge 22
27	27

Dividends paid

Accumulated profits	
\$000	\$000
	Balance b/f 226
Dividend (B) 35	Retained profit 92
	shown in income statement
Balance c/f 283	
318	318

Dividend payable	
\$000	\$000
	Dividend payable b/f 27
Cash paid (B) 32	Dividend 35
	(accumulated profits)
Dividend payable c/f 30	
62	62

Income tax payable			
\$		\$	
		Tax payable b/f	67
Cash paid (β)	62	Income statement tax charge	71
Tax payable c/f	76		
	<u>138</u>		<u>138</u>



Test your understanding 3

Requirement 3

There is no balance for interest receivable at the start or end of the year; therefore interest received must equal interest receivable in the income statement

Interest received \$15,000

Dividends received

Dividends receivable			
\$		\$	
Dividends receivable b/f	50	Cash received (β)	50
Income statement dividends receivable	57	Dividends receivable c/f	57
	<u>X</u>		<u>X</u>



Test your understanding 4

Requirement 4

(see Solution to Requirement 1 for accumulated depreciation account.)

PPE Cost			
	\$000		\$000
balance b/f	750		
Additions (= Cash to purchase PPE)	178	Disposals	80
Revaluation	200	Balance c/f	1,048
	1,128		1,128

Disposals			
	\$000		\$000
Cost	80	Accumulated depreciation	15
		Loss on disposal	5
		Proceeds (β)	60



Test your understanding 5

Requirement 5

	20X6	20X5	
	\$000	\$000	\$000
Share capital	200	120	
Share premium	106	80	
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	306	200	
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Proceeds of share issue			106

Repayment of loan

- Balance on loan account was \$300,000 in 20X5; in 20X6 it is \$200,000.
- Therefore \$100,000 has been repaid.



Test your understanding 6

Requirement 6

Statement of cash flows for Geronimo for year ended 31 December 20X6

	\$000	\$000
Cash flows from operating activities		
Cash generated from operations	189	
Interest paid	(24)	
Dividends paid	(32)	
Tax paid	(62)	
	71	
Net cash from operating activities		71
Cash flows from investing activities		
Proceeds of sale of equipment	60	
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(178)	
Interest received	15	
Dividends received	50	
		(53)
Net cash used in investing activities		(53)
Cash flows from financing activities		
Proceeds of issue of shares	106	
Repayment of loans	(100)	
		6
Net cash used in financing activities		6
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		24
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period		18
		42
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period		42


Test your understanding 7
Statement of Cashflows for Algernon for year ended 31 December 2007

	\$	\$
Cash flows from operating activities		
Cash receipts from customers (W1)	190,000	
Cash paid to suppliers and employees (W2)	(155,000)	
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Cash generated from operations	35,000	
Interest paid	(13,000)	
Dividends paid	(20,000)	–
Net cash from operating activities		2,000
Cash flows from investing activities		
Purchase of tangible non-current assets (1,000 + 40,000)	(41,000)	
Purchase of investments	(30,000)	
Net cash used for investing activities		(71,000)
Cash flows from financing activities		
Issue of shares (10,000 + 2,000)	12,000	
Loan notes	50,000	
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Net cash from financing activities		62,000
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents		(7,000)
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January 20X7		3,000
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Cash and cash equivalents at 31 December 20X7		(4,000)
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	31 December	
	20X6	20X7
	\$	\$
Balance at bank	3,000	(4,000)
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Workings**(W1) Receipts from sales****Receivables control**

	\$		\$
Balance b/f	40,000	Cash receipts (β)	190,000
Sales revenue	200,000	Balance c/f	50,000
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	240,000		240,000
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(W2) Payables and wages control**Payable and wages control**

	\$		\$
Cash paid (β)	155,000	Balance b/f	40,000
Depreciation	2,000	Purchases re cost of sales (W3)	130,000
Balance c/f	60,000	Expenses	47,000
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	217,000		217,000
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(W3) Cost of sales**Cost of sales**

	\$		\$
Opening inventory	55,000	Cost of sales	120,000
Purchases and wages (β)	130,000	Closing inventory	65,000
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	185,000		185,000
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Tutorial note Little information has been given as to the nature of the costs of the company; for example, no information is supplied on wages and salaries. The payments figure thus includes all cash outflows relating to trading activities. Depreciation would have been charged in either cost of sales or expenses and this needs to be adjusted for. It does not matter whether the adjustment is shown in the payables control or the cost of sales accounts.

- (b) Algernon has invested substantially in buildings, investments, inventory and receivables in the year. The finance has come from new share capital in part but mainly from loans. The equity to assets ratio of the company has thus decreased. The working capital has been financed by an equal increase in trade payables.

The profits have been fully distributed as dividends despite the halving of profits from last year. It might have been wiser to cut back on dividends in the period of expansion until the benefits of the expansion are seen in the form of higher profits.



Test your understanding 8

The correct answer is B

A loss on disposal should be added back to profit as it is a non-cash expense.



Test your understanding 9

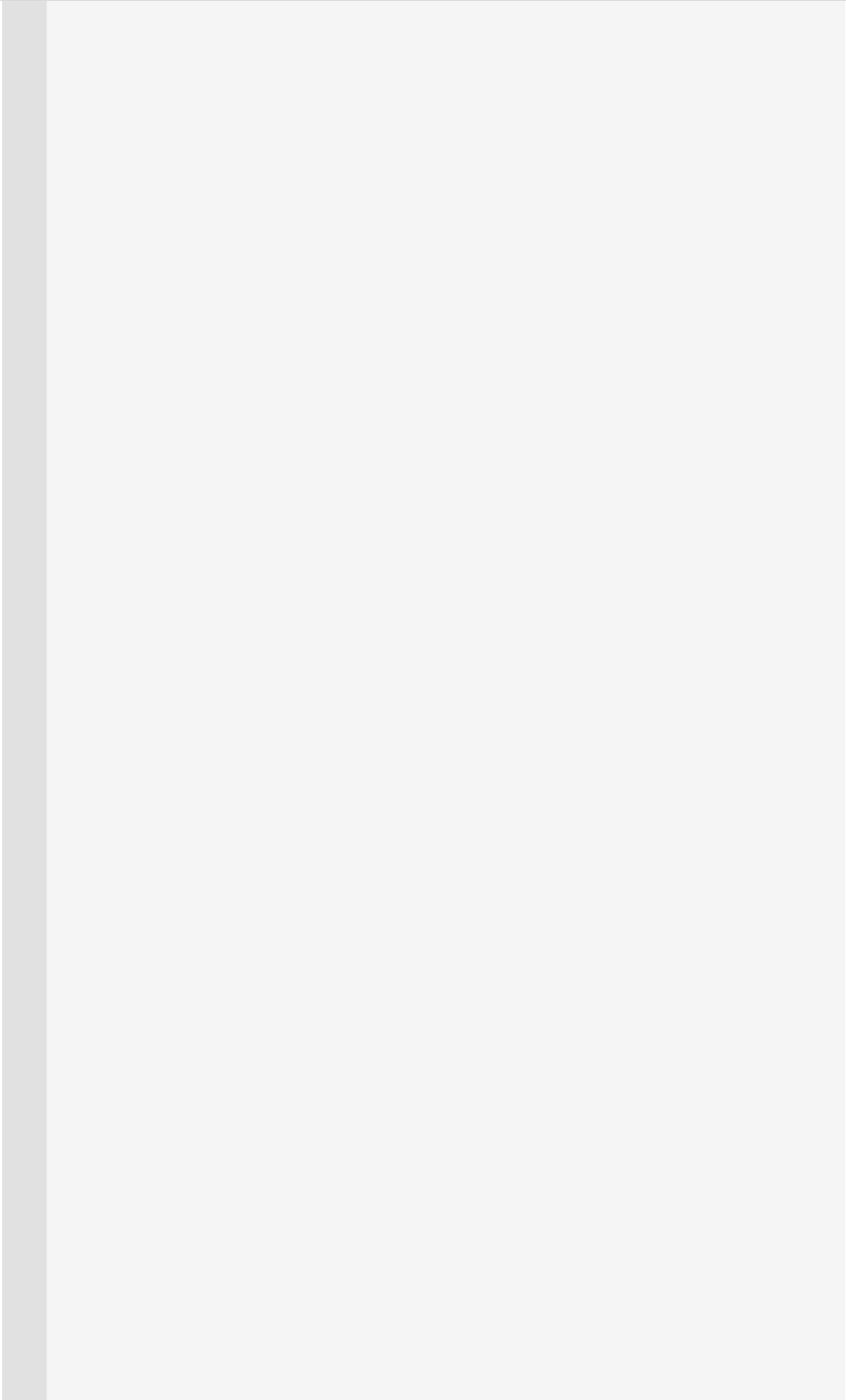
The correct answer is C

Dividends received involve a cash receipt. The other transactions do not involve a movement of cash.

**Test your understanding 10****The correct answer is D**

	\$
Operating profit	469,850
Depreciation and loss on disposal	37,400
Decrease in inventory	22,000
Decrease in trade receivables	1,000
Increase in prepayments	(11,000)
Decrease in trade payables	(16,000)
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	503,250

Note that the movement in the interest accrual is not part of the reconciliation as this is dealt with within the Interest paid line of the statement of cash flows.



The regulatory and conceptual framework

Chapter learning objectives

Upon completion of this chapter you will be able to:

- explain the regulatory system:
 - International Accounting Standards Committee (IASC) Foundation
 - International Accounting Standards Board (IASB),
 - the Standards Advisory Council (SAC) and
 - the International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee (IFRIC)
- explain how International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs) affect the financial reporting process
- explain the meaning of the qualitative characteristics of financial reporting and define and apply each of the following:
 - relevance (including materiality)
 - reliability (including faithful representation, substance over form, neutrality, prudence and completeness)
 - comparability
 - understandability
- illustrate the problems of achieving a balance between the qualitative characteristics

- explain the meaning of accounting concepts and define and apply each of the following:
 - going concern
 - accruals
 - consistency
 - materiality
 - substance over form
 - prudence
- explain the advantages and disadvantages of historical cost accounting (HCA) in times of changing prices
- explain in principle the main alternatives to HCA:
 - replacement cost
 - net realisable value
 - economic value.



1 The regulatory framework

The need for regulation

- Regulation ensures that accounts are sufficiently reliable and useful, and prepared without unnecessary delay.
- Financial accounts are used as the starting point for calculating taxable profits.
- The annual report and accounts is the main document used for reporting to shareholders on the condition and performance of a company.
- The stock markets rely on the financial statements published by companies.
- International investors prefer information to be presented in a similar and comparable way, no matter where the company is based.

The role of international accounting standards

- International accounting standards are the rules that govern accounting for transactions.
- They don't have the force of law. They are effective only if adopted by the national regulatory bodies.

2 The role and structure of the IASB



The **IASB Foundation** is the supervisory body. Its objective is to:

- develop, in the public interest, a single set of high-quality accounting standards
- promote the use and rigorous application of those standards
- bring about the convergence of national accounting standards and international accounting standards.
- The **IASB** is responsible for issuing new International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs).
- The **IFRIC** issue rapid guidance where there are differing interpretations of IASs/IFRSs.
- The **SAC** advises the IASB in developing new accounting standards.



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3 The conceptual framework

The framework for the preparation and presentation of financial statements sets out the concepts that underlie financial statements for external users. It is designed to:

- assist the Board of the IASB in developing new standards and reviewing existing ones
- assist in harmonising accounting standards and procedures
- assist national standard-setting bodies in developing national standards
- assist preparers of financial statements in applying IASs/IFRSs and in dealing with topics not yet covered by IASs/IFRSs
- assist auditors in forming an opinion as to whether financial statements conform with IASs/IFRSs

- assist users of financial statements in interpreting financial statements
- provide those interested in the work of the IASB with information about its approach to the formulation of IFRSs.

The scope of the framework

The framework deals with:

- the objective of financial statements
- the qualitative characteristics that determine the usefulness of information in financial statements
- the definition, recognition and measurement of the elements from which financial statements are constructed (not examinable at this level).
- concepts of capital and capital maintenance (not examinable at this level).

Underlying assumptions of the framework

The framework identifies two underlying assumptions:

- (1) the accruals basis of accounting
- (2) the going concern basis.

These also appear in IAS 1.



4 Objectives of financial statements

The objective of financial statements is to provide information about:

- the financial position of an entity (provided mainly in the statement of financial position)
- the financial performance (provided mainly in the statement of comprehensive income) and
- changes in the financial position of an entity (provided in the statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows)

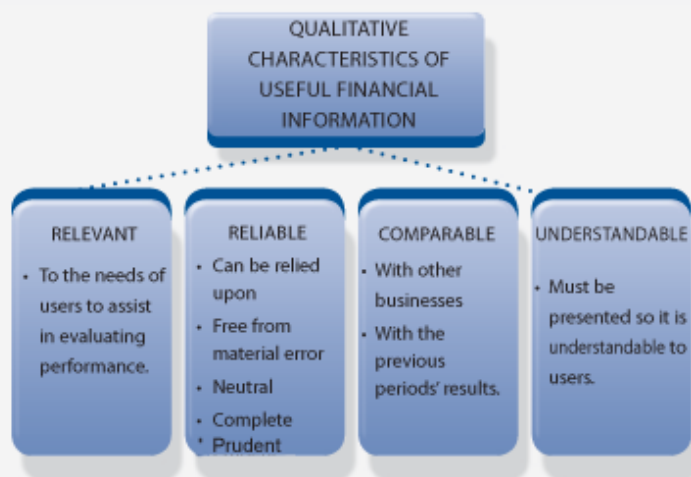
that is useful to a wide range of users in making economic decisions.



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5 Qualitative characteristics of financial statements

The qualitative characteristics of financial statements are a set of attributes which together make the information in the financial statements useful to users.



Problems of achieving a balance between the qualitative characteristics

At any given point in time it is unlikely that all of the qualitative characteristics can be satisfied, and therefore there will be conflicts between them. Examples are as follows:

- **Relevance and timeliness**

If financial statements are to be tailored to the needs of each individual user, then they will take longer to prepare.

- **Understandability and completeness**

If all aspects of the business are to be shown, this may make the financial statements less comprehensible.

- **Relevance and reliability** - sometimes the information that is most relevant is not the most reliable or vice versa. In such conflicts, the information that is most relevant of the information that is reliable should be used.

This conflict might also arise over the timeliness of information, e.g. a delay in providing information can make it out of date and so affect its relevance, but reporting on transactions before uncertainties are resolved may affect the reliability of the information. Information should not be provided until it is reliable.

- **Neutrality and prudence** - neutrality requires information to be free of deliberate or systematic bias while prudence is a potentially biased concept towards not overstating gains or assets or understating losses or liabilities. Neutrality and prudence are reconciled by finding a balance that ensures that the deliberate and systematic overstatement of assets and gains and understatement of losses and liabilities do not occur.



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6 Other accounting principles

These generally recognised principles underlie accounting and financial statements.

- Going concern** The assumption that the business will continue in operation for the foreseeable future without significantly curtailing its activity.
- Accruals/Matching** To calculate the profit for the period, one must include all the revenue and expenditure relating to the period, whether or not the cash has been received or paid. This concept also states that income and expenses should be matched against each other within an accounting period as far as possible.
- Consistency** Items should be treated in the same way year on year. This will enable valid comparisons to be made. However, if circumstances change then a business is allowed to change policies to give a fairer representation of the financial statements.
- Materiality** Materiality is a threshold quality that is demanded of all information given in the financial statements, i.e. information that is material should be given in the financial statements but information that is not material need not be given. Information is material if its omission or misstatement might reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users. Whether or not information is material will depend on the size and nature of the item and the size of the business.

Substance overform

The economic substance of a transaction should be recorded rather than simply its legal form. E.g. A non-current asset acquired under a hire purchase agreement should be accounted for as an owned asset. This is the commercial substance of such a situation, even though it is not the case legally.

Prudence

Prudence is the inclusion of a degree of caution when making estimates under conditions of uncertainty. It ensures that assets and income are not overstated and liabilities or expenses are not understated.



Test your understanding 1

Which of the following statements are correct?

- (1) Materiality means that only tangible items may be recognised as assets.
 - (2) Substance over form means that the commercial effect of a transaction must always be shown in the financial statements even if this differs from legal form.
 - (3) A business may only change an accounting policy to achieve a fairer representation.
- A 2 and 3 only.
B All of them.
C 1 and 2 only.
D 1 and 3 only.



7 Historical cost

The limitations of historical cost accounting

Under historical cost accounting, assets are recorded at the amount of cash or cash equivalents paid, or the fair value of the consideration given for them.

Liabilities are recorded at the amount of proceeds received in exchange for the obligation. This method of accounting has advantages, but it also has serious disadvantages.

Advantages of historical cost accounting

- (1) Records are based on objectively verifiable amounts.
- (2) It is simple and cheap.
- (3) The profit concept is well understood.
- (4) Within limits, historical cost figures provide a basis for comparison with the results of other companies, with the results of the same company for previous periods and with budgets.
- (5) Lack of acceptable alternatives.

Disadvantages of historical cost accounting

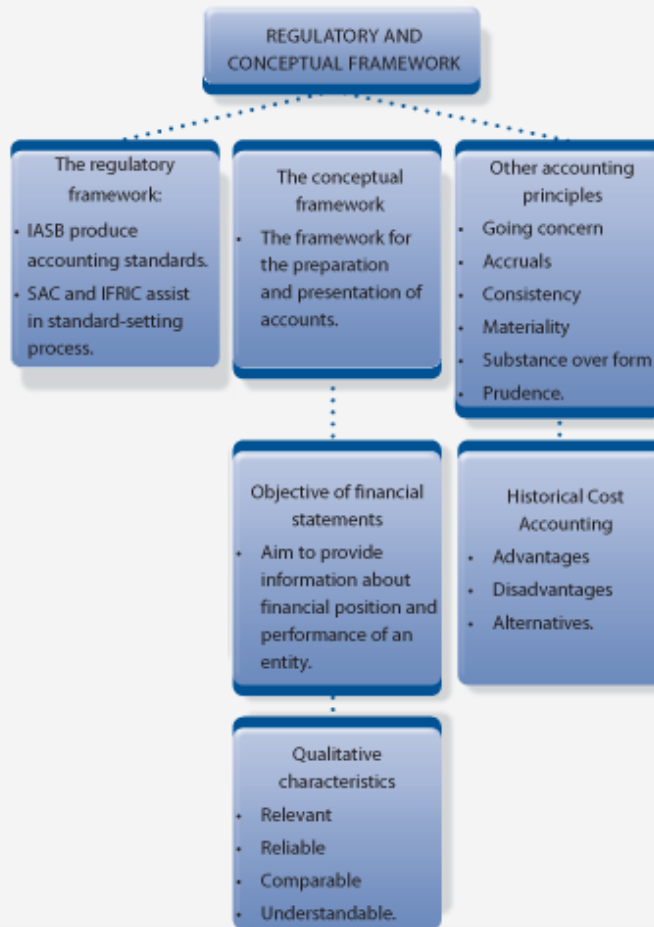
- (1) It overstates profits when prices are rising through inflation.
- (2) It maintains financial capital but does not maintain physical capital.
- (3) The statement of financial position does not show the value of the enterprise.
- (4) It provides a poor basis for assessing performance.
- (5) It does not recognise the loss suffered through holding monetary assets while prices are rising.

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In a time of rising prices, what effect does the use of the historical cost concept have on an entity's profit and asset values?

- A Both profit and asset values are understated.
- B Profit is understated and asset values overstated.
- C Profit is overstated and asset values understated.
- D Both profit and asset values are overstated.

Chapter summary



Test your understanding answers



Test your understanding 1

The correct answer is A



Test your understanding 2

The correct answer is C

