

CHAPTER ONE

NATURE AND GENERAL FRAMEWORK OF ACCOUNTING

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Learning Objectives on the Nature and General Framework of Accounting

After studying this chapter, readers should be able to:

a) Explain and State the Nature and Significance of Accounting

- *Explain the historical development of accounting;*
- *Define and State the Objectives of Accounting;*
- *State the Purpose of Accounting;*
- *State the Qualitative Features of Accounting;*
- *State Principles of Coding;*
- *Identify Types of Accounts;*
- *Identify Users of Financial Statements and their Information Needs;*
- *Explain the Range of Accountant's Services to an Organisation;*
- *State the Role of Accounting in the Economy; and*
- *Explain Ethical Issues in Accounting.*

b) State and Explain the Regulatory Environment of Accounting

- *Explain the roles of the International Accounting Standards Board(IASB); and*
- *State the Functions of the relevant Financial Reporting Bodies.*

Nature and Significant of Accounting

Financial Accounting is majorly concerned with a method or a procedure of reporting financial performance and financial position or position statement of an entity. It is a stewardship function of primary interest to the management to satisfy basic information needs of parties not involved in the day to day running of an entity. It is the art of collecting, recording, analyzing and summarising items of revenue, costs, assets and liabilities to measure performance (i.e. profits) and the position (net worth) of an entity in a period a year. A set of financial statement usually consists of the Income Statements (i.e. Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income for the year ended, Income and Expenses), Statement of Financial Position as at the end of the year (Assets, Liabilities and Capital), Cash Flow Statements and Notes or workings to the Financial Statements. There is a starting part of Financial Accounting, which is referred to as Book-Keeping. The term Book-Keeping is the art of recording raw basic data in the source documents such as receipts, invoices, payment vouchers and subsidiary or books of original entries, for example, Sales Day Book, Purchases Day Book, Cash Book, Petty Cash Book etcetera. The primary aim of Book Keeping is to clearly how the transactions emanate and how they are recorded in the subsidiary records or books of original entry.

A Chartered Accountant relies on the work of a book-keeper to classify, analyse and summarise the data into a meaning form for management to take major economic decisions. No matter how big or small a business entity is, the recording of transactions into various source documents (cheque books, cheque book counterfoil, electronic transfer request) is vital either manually or electronically at regular time interval.

The underlying purpose of accounting is to provide financial information aboutan economic entity to assist the direct users (shareholders/owners, management, employees, short-term and long-term lenders to the company etc.) and indirect users (financial analysts, investors, government and Tax Agencies etc.) in making major economic decisions.The information is usually provided periodically toshareholders and others connected with the organization to enable them decide the extent to which they want to continue to commit financial resources (equity, capital, loans, loan notes, preference shares, supply of credits etcetera) totheentity. The need for presentation of accounting information cannot be overemphasized where a lot offinances and management efforts are required to ascertain the performance and measure the risk of an entity. Financial information is essentially needed in an entity to plan, coordinate, control the finance and operation ofabusiness to guarantee efficiency and

productivity in the use of financial and physical resources of an entity.

Every other person such as the owner, supplier of goods and short-term outstanding credits (Payables), long term government credits, employee and other parties need financial information of a business for one purpose or the other; details of which would be discussed later in this chapter.

Brief Historical Development of Accounting

Financial Accounting is as old as man because there was no time business men and women did not use one crude methods or the others to measure performance, profits or gain from business operations. However, Financial Accounting was developed in Italy in the 14th Century when Italian Merchants started using double entries in terms of plus(+) and minus (-) to record transactions on a daily basis. The first theory double entry was found in the accounts of the stewards of Commune of Genoa in the year 1340. This was further developed from its rudimentary plus (+) and minus (-) to the level of book-keeping by Fr. *Lucia Pacioli*, an Italian monk in 1494. In his book titled “*Summade Arithmetical, Geometrica, proportioniet proportionalita*,” published in 1494 on Arithmetic, Geometry and Proportion, he devoted a chapter to put forward the principles of the double entry system. Consequently, it became necessary for managers to report to the owners on the performance, position (net worth) and liquidity of businesses during the period under review. Such reports would include mainly the following:

- How the financial resources of the business have been obtained and how they have been invested during the ‘period’
- The profit earned or loss incurred during the ‘period’
- The assets, liabilities and the owners’ equity at the end of the period under review.

After this initial development, a lot of changes have been witnessed in accounting. These changes were informed by the sophistication and complexity of business industrial and political environments which placed more responsibilities on management of business to disclose more information to owners and other interested parties.

For instance, a lot of local Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAPs), which have hitherto been developed are now internationalized and converged in 2010 under International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS). Thus, after the adoption of IFRS by the former President Good Luck Ebele Jonathan in 2010, businesses in Nigeria are now to follow and deploy IFRS as the

minimum standards in the preparation of Financial Statements. Also, accounts of limited liabilities companies in accordance to the Companies and Allied Matters Act (CAMA) as amended to must be “audited” and reported on as presenting a “true and fair” position by the Chartered Accountants to shareholders in the Annual General Meeting (AGM).

Accounting has also gone beyond mere reporting for managerial decisions, to include tax management, government accounting, sustainability, environmental and social responsibility accounting. The IFRS is a minimum standard applicable in the preparation of Financial Statements. The regulations in the Companies and Allied Matter Act, Bank and other Financial Matter Act, Insurance Act, Security and Exchange Act, Financial Reporting Council regulations and other extant laws developed from time to time are to be followed in the preparation of a General Purpose Financial Statements to keep pace with changes in the economic and political environments.

The Meaning and Objectives of Accounting

Accounting is the art of recording, classifying, summarizing, analyzing financial transactions of a business, presenting and communicating the information to take major decisions on day-to-day operations. It follows, therefore, that accounting is a process, the product of which is the provision of financial information that is useful to a wider range of users to make major economic decisions.

Bookkeeping is the basic recording phase of financial accounting. It is the classification and recording of business transactions in the source documents and books of account such as sales day book, purchases day book, returns inward and outward day books, petty cash book and cash book among other subsidiary records. The recording of the transactions is a routine task, therefore it tends to be repetitive. It provides financial data in basic raw forms for use of the accountants to prepare financial statements on a yearly basis.

The processes or steps involved in book keeping are as follows:

- (a) Classification of business transactions using source documents;
- (b) Recording of transactions in appropriate subsidiary books or books of prime entry;
- (c) Posting of entries from subsidiary books to the ledger and
- (d) Extraction of the Trial Balance.

Accounting, however, includes not only the keeping of accounting records, but also the design of efficient accounting systems, preparation and presentation of Financial Statements, analysis and

interpretation of the Financial Statements as well as the development of forecast for decision-making. The accounts of companies contained in their Annual Reports and Accounts are examples of the product of accounting and they are called *financial statements*.

1.3 EXPLAIN PURPOSE OF ACCOUNTING

- a) It measures the performance of a business entity, at the end of a financial year, the owner of a business will obtain profit information from the financial accounting;
- b) The report gives the revenue and item of expenses for the year ended;
- c) Financial accounting indicates the net worth or the position of a business entity as at a given date;
- d) Accounting shows liquidity, that is , how much cash and cash equivalents an entity has as at the end of year;
- e) It indicates the wealth of an entity;
- f) Accountings reveals the assets, noncurrent and current assets of an entity as at the end of a year;
- g) It reports the capital, equity, the non-current and current liabilities as at the end of a financial year; and
- h) It provides information in the notes or workings about are figures in income statements and statement of financial position are derived.

Scope of and purpose of Accounting

Accounting generally covers Financial Accounting; Cost Accounting, Performance Management, Auditing, Government Accounting, Taxation, Financial Management,Forensic Accounting, Social and environmental Accounting etc.

The following are the Objectives of financial accounting:

- a) It assists owners to ascertain profit of a business entity;
- b) Accounting aids to have effective control to be exercised on resources invested on a business entity;
- c) It helps uses to take major economic decisions on a daily basis;
- d) It facilitates accountability, transparency and probity of daily transactions;
- e) It aids in assessing future prospects of a business entity;
- f) It provides a yardstick to assess performance of an entity;
- g) Accounting offers a window to evaluate the worth and position of a business entity;
- h) It assists the employee to evaluate job security and the ability to pay salaries as and when due;

- i) Short and long term lenders can use accounting information to assess credit worthiness of an entity;
- j) Accounting information is useful in the computation of tax payable in a year of assessments; and
- k) It can be used to determine the extent to which an entity is indebted to external parties, that is the proportion of the leverage or gearing of a business.

Other Specialised Purposes of Accounting

i. Cost Accounting

Cost accounting is the procedure for accumulating cost data or initial cost of an item to provide information for managerial action or decision daily. Cost accumulation is the collection of cost data in some organised way by means of accounting systems. The cost accumulated will be related to specific products and departments for planning, control and decision making by management.

ii. Performance Management

Performance Management is a continuous process where managers and employees combine effort in planning, monitoring and reviewing the effectiveness of the workforce towards the achievement of the overall objectives of the entity.

iii. Auditing

Only complete and reliable financial statements can be of any use to interested parties. To guarantee this, the Financial Statements must be examined by an independent person called an *Auditor*. Auditing is the independent examination of the books of accounts and records of an entity by a professional accountant who will gather various forms of audit evidence before he forms an opinion on the financial statements. At the end of the audit exercise, he will write a report on the fairness of the financial statements and the scope of work he carried out before arriving at his opinion.

iv. Government Accounting

Government accounting is the process of recognising and reflecting in the appropriate books of accounts and records of the generated revenue and disbursed expenditure of Government in such a way as to easily provide relevant financial information vital for appropriate decision

making from time to time, and in compliance with the laws regulating government finances. It is a class of Accounting in the Public Sector where government has some executive responsibility. Public sector consists of the ministries and Departments and their agencies (MDAs). Government accounting is concerned with planning, control and appraisal of government activities and in effect, accountability.

v. Taxation

The accounting profits generated in the financial statements provide the basis for determining the taxable profits of an entity. The taxable profits are different from the accounting profits because certain expenses and income are allowable for accounting purpose but disallowed for tax purpose. A good understanding of the knowledge of these taxable and non-taxable incomes and expenses would help an entity in its tax management.

vi. Financial Management

Finance is meant to be the cash and cash equivalents and other financial resources of an entity. Financial Management is the process employed by management of an entity to ensure the resources are efficiently and effectively procured, utilized and accounted for by the owners of the business in such a way to maximise the wealth of the owners.

The primary task of financial management is best divided into three, namely

- (a) Financing decisions;
- (b) Investment decisions; and
- (c) Dividend decisions

The financial manager ensures he obtains adequate and cost effective funds for the entity's use at the right time. The various investments on which the funds are employed are carefully and professionally selected. Finally, he also ensures the efficient distribution of profit earned to Owners and other stakeholders. Other secondary roles of the financial manager include:

- a) Treasury and liquidity management;
- b) Replacement of non-current assets;
- c) Taking appropriate insurance policies on the entity's assets generally;
- d) Tax management; and
- e) Management of the entity's working capital

vii. Forensic accounting

Forensic accounting refers to the application of accounting skills to investigate and probe frauds, deliberate misrepresentations (Falsifications, misappropriations) or embezzlements of an entity's resources with a view to recovering such funds, usually through legal proceedings.

viii. Social and environmental Accounting

Social and environmental Accounting is the branch of accounts that deal with the accounting for and reporting of the social and environmental impact of an entity's activities upon the stakeholders (investors, management, employees, customers, suppliers, local community where the entity operates, etc).

ix. Sustainability Accounting

Sustainability Accounting is a new branch of accounting, which focuses on the disclosure of non-financial or qualitative information about an entity's performance to the external users/stakeholders. The information guides the supplier of funds (short-term and long-term suppliers of funds), owners and equity holders to know other non-financial and non-quantitative information about an entity in a financial year.

x. Project Accounting

In a big entity, a project accountant is dedicated to manage a specific large project worth billions of naira. The project accountant presents, analyses cost and prepares reports at intervals to track and monitor financial progress of the project. The project accountant provides historical financial data to assist management in forecasting or estimating future costs to be incurred and determine the likely completion time of the project.

xi. Fiduciary Accounting

A Fiduciary Accountant handles the accounts entrusted to a person who is responsible or in custody to manage a property. The Fiduciary Accountant prepares records of income and

expenditure of a property to guide in allocation of funds efficiently. The Fiduciary Accountant serves as trust manager, receivership or estate manager.

xii. Fund Accounting

A Fund Accountant works in not for profit organisation or Non-Governmental Organisation (NGO) to prepare receipts and payments, income and expenditures, statement of financial position to ensure efficient and accurate funds allocation. An organization such as Churches, Educational Institutions, Hospitals, Clubs, Government Agencies and Charities.

1.4 Fundamental Qualitative Characteristics of Financial Accounting

One of the foremost objectives Financial Accounting reports is the supply or provision financial information to assist the users of the report in making effective decisions about how the economic resources of entities are deployed. The information provided in the Financial Accounting will assist the users of the information to make timely economic and other financial decisions. Financial Accounting is principally concerned with providing accounting information to both internal and external users. In accordance with IAS 1 on presentation of Financial Statements, the components of Financial Statements are:

- Statement of Financial Position;
- Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income (OCI, in this syllabus as Statement of Profit or Loss);
- Statement of cash flows, (this is outside the present syllabus, it will be addressed as candidates progress in the ICAN examinations);
- Statement of changes in equity (also, this is also not in this syllabus); and
- No test other financial statements (not in this syllabus).

Qualitative Characteristics of Useful Financial Information

The qualitative characteristics of Financial Statements are the main features or attributes or basic elements that are inherent in the reports to make it useful and address the purposes why they are prepared. The International Accounting Standards Board, which is referred to as the IASB's conceptual framework; it states that accounting information is useful if it possesses both the fundamental and enhancing qualitative characteristics.

Fundamental Qualitative Characteristics

The fundamental Qualitative Characteristics are relevance and faithful representation. These are explained in the order of presentation.

a. Relevance

A financial information is relevant if it can make a difference in the decision made by users. A financial information makes difference in users' decision when the users are aware capable of making difference in decisions when it:

- has the capacity to directly influence the outcomes of how users used the reports to allocate economic resources among various alternative courses of actions, that is such report should have capacity to influence major economic decisions of users on resource allocations;
- is supplied in time to directly influence the economic decisions;
- has Predictive Value, Confirmative value or both information has predictive value if it

helps the users to predict what happen in the future. Where the information helps users confirm their earlier assessments and predictions made in the past, it is said to possess confirmatory value

b. Faithful Representation

Financial reports are depictions or representations of economic phenomena in words and numbers. An information is faithfully presented if it indicates faithfully the transactions they contained, other events it purports to present and these are reported and accounted for in accordance to the substance and economic realities but not merely their legal form of ownerships. In other words, for a financial information to be useful, the information reported must not only represent relevant the phenomena, but it must also faithfully represent the phenomena that it purports to represent. For an information to be perfectly and faithfully reported, it must have three characteristics. The information must be:

- **Complete**

A complete depiction includes all information and explanations necessary for a user to understand the phenomenon being depicted.

A neutral depiction is without bias in the selection or presentation of financial information.

Free from error means there are no errors or omissions in the description of the phenomenon, and the process used to produce the reported information has been selected and applied with no errors in the process.

- Neutral, free from biasness; and
- Free from error, free from material errors that can distort the uses of the information, such as information must mislead users of the information. An error free financial statements do not mean the information is accurate in all ramifications, but the errors must be minimal and must distort judgements of the users of the information.

Enhancing Qualitative Characteristics

These are qualitative characteristics that enhance the usefulness of information that is relevant and faithfully presented. They include:

- i. Comparability
- ii. Verifiability
- iii. Timeliness
- iv. Understandability.

i. Comparability

Comparability is that qualitative characteristic of financial information that allows a choice between. Where an entity is privileged to have information about the financial performance of other entities of similar sizes in the same industry, a comparison of the entity's performance with those of others enables sound economic decisions to be made. For example, decisions as to whether to dispose or hold a particular investment, whether to invest in one industry in preference to another are made by this process. For financial information to be neutral, it must be:

- Consistent; and
- Fully disclosed all necessary explanations and information useful to the users

ii. Verifiability

Verifiability is the quality that enables users to have the assurance that the information depicts exactly what it purports to state. As such different knowledgeable people considering the information will be able to arrive at similar decisions on the same issue.

iii. Timeliness

Timeliness implies that users are given the relevant information needed to take economic decisions in Generally, the longer the information had been obtained the less useful it becomes for making today's decisions. However, where a user is required to make some trend analysis, seemingly old information may have some continuing usefulness. The older an information the less it is not useful to the users of the information.

iv. Understandability

Information should be presented in a way that the user can comprehend it. This can be achieved if the information is appropriately classified so that the user easily grasps the information. Financial reports should therefore be presented in a form that any average knowledgeable reader can understand for it to be useful to him.

1.5 Principles of Coding in Financial Accounting

Coding in Financial Accounting means processes through which data is recorded in the books of accounting. Each book of accounts or account heads are assigned unique code used in identifying the correct account for posting in a computerized or manual accounting systems. In a computerized or manual accounting environments, codes/symbols (alpha-numeric, numeric and combination) are engaged to represent revenue, purchases, inventories, expenses, assets and liabilities are assigned numeric or alpha-numeric acronyms, which are used to describe the transactions and posting in the accounts.

The Financial Accounting coding consists of fields and codes to classify, record and analyse transactions and financial data in a computerized accounting environments. Coding is a symbolic representation (alpha-numeric, SW, numeric, 1010, or combination, QQ12) of transactions in the process of preparing financial accounting. The coding can be designed in such a way to capture location (i.e. place), services, activities, journals, ledgers, account codes and other books of accounts.

Objectives of Coding in Financial Accounting

a) Uniformity

Coding is designed in such a way to ascertain sameness for preparation of financial accounting, budgeting and data collation in an entity.

b) Consistency

It is consistently applied to represent items of revenue, expenses, assets, capital and liabilities. For example, cash sales may be represented with 1001, credit sales 1002, sales return 1003, cash purchases 1004, credit purchases 1005, purchases returns 1006, carriage inwards 1007, inventories 1008, salaries and wages 1009, electricity bills 1010, stationery 1011, property, plant and equipment 1012, depreciation, trade payables 1013, trade receivables 1014, loan 1015 and capital 1016 among other transactions

c) Brevity

The acronym used in coding is not too lengthy. It is short and easily comprehensible.

d) Conformity with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (i.e. International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS)).

The code is designed in such a way that the principles in the IFRS is not violated. The code conforms with the International Accounting Standards (IAS) and the IFRS to assist in the preparation of a general purpose financial statements.

e) Regulatory Compliance

The coding demonstrates compliance with all extant regulations imposed by government and regulatory agencies in Nigeria.

f) Data Integration

The coding (field and codes) integrates with an entity's chart of accounts and it yield must be consistent with external reporting needs such as the Integrated Post-secondary Education Data System (IPEDS). It must be duly accredited by bond rating organization in compliance with external reporting.

g) Conciseness and Unambiguity

It must be und--erstandable and less ambiguous to the users in the preparation of financial accounting in an entity.

Advantages of Coding in Financial Accounting

- a) It compresses large volume accounting and financial data in a fast growing entity;
- b) It provides tools analyses for chartered accountants to measure trends of performance and position statements to predict into the future;
- c) It assists in programming and production of accounting software;
- d) It assists in fast processing of real time transactions and other transactions;

- e) It is unambiguous in processing of financial transactions;
- f) It is efficient and reliable in processing huge volumes of financial transactions of an entity.
- g) It reduces amount to be incurred on labour to capture data in an entity; and CIt aids the use of batch and real time processing of financial data.

1.6 Types of Accounts

An account is a record, which is used to post financial transactions of an entity's over a stated period of time. The account has two sides, the debit and the credit sides. The account records twice every transaction in a period of time. A ledger is a form of account with the debit and credit sides. The principles of duality or double entry principles are usually engaged to record transactions into ledgers.

Debit Sides Kofi Business Enterprise Accounts Credit Sides

Date	Descriptions	Amount	Date	Descriptions	Amount
		₴			₴
	Left Hand Side=			Right Hand Side=	
	Debit entries			Credit entries	

- (a) Kofi started business with ₴100,000 Cedis
Capital Account and Cash Account
- a) Purchased goods worth ₴20,000 cash
Purchases Account and Cash Account
- b) Cashsales worth ₴30,000
Cash Account and Sales Account
- c) Bought goods worth ₴60,000 from Mr. Gbeki
Purchases Account and Mr. Gbeki's Account
- d) Goods worth ₴90,000 sold to Mr. Essien
Sales Account and Mr. Essien's Account

In financial accounting, every transaction has two accounts. These are indicated in transactions a –e above. In Financial Accounting, a ledger is a form of account. It has a T-format. In an entity, ledgers record accounts of individuals, partnerships, suppliers (payables), customers (receivables), physical assets and liabilities.

In Financial Accounting, there are two (2) main classifications of ledger. These are:

- a) General Ledgers; and
- b) Subsidiary Ledgers

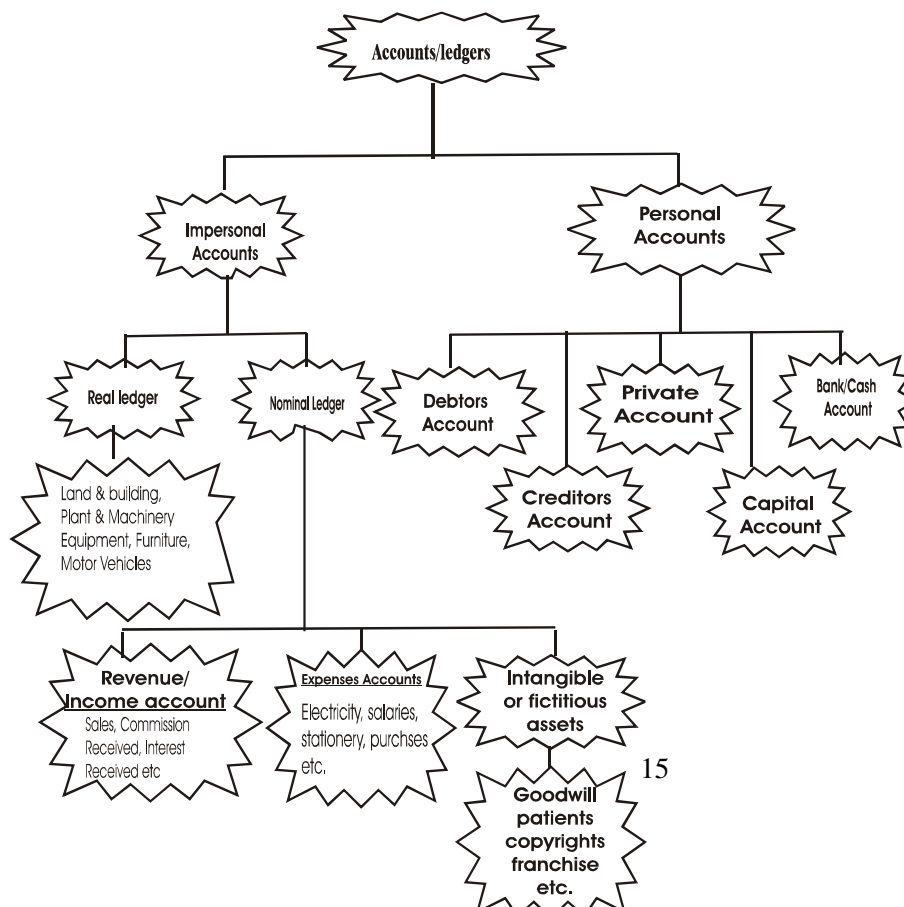
General Ledger (GL)

A General Ledger is a set of account, which records the day-to-day transactions of business entity using the concept of double entries. This is known as duality concept. The General Ledger reveals the summary of all subsidiary ledgers in which every transaction is recorded. Each transaction has two parts, these are the debit and the credit parts. GL contains information which is needed to prepare the financial statements.

The transactions recorded in the GL reveals the summary/balance of assets, liabilities, capital/equity, revenues and expenses. The GL encompasses all transactions to prepare the Income Statements, Statement of Financial Position and other reports. The GL is very useful in extracting the Trial Balance, list of balances in all books of accounts of an entity. This assist in locating errors in the books of accounts.

Subsidiary Ledger

A subsidiary ledger is called books of original entry or books of prime entry. The subsidiary accounts consist accounts such as Sales Day Book, Purchases Day Book, Returns Inward Day Book, Return Outward Day Book, Cash Book and Petty Cash Book, which will be discussed later in the study pack.



Classification of Ledger/Accounts

Accounts/Ledgers:

Accounts/ledgers can be subdivided into the following types as depicted in the diagram below.

a) Impersonal Accounts

An impersonal ledger account *does not* involve individuals, firms, sole traders, partnership or company. Impersonal account does not affect these groups of people. An Impersonal Ledger Account can be classified into two main categories; these are real account and nominal account

(i) Real Accounts

A real account records transactions relating to tangible property or possession of individuals, firms, and companies, etc. *A real account can never be a liability account. Real accounts are assets accounts.* Examples of real account transactions include plant and machinery, furniture, equipment, machinery, building, etc. They physically exist in reality.

(ii) Nominal Accounts

Nominal Accounts consists of accounts of incomes and expenditures or expenses and intangible assets. Income relates to gain, that is, excess of revenue over costs; while expenditures are expenses/costs expended on anything. Also, intangible assets are assets that do not have physical existence e.g. Franchise, Patents, Goodwill and Copyright. Examples of expenditures are rent, salaries and wages, stationery, rates, petrol, lubricants and postages etc. Examples of incomes are discount received, commission received, sales, interest received, commission received, and interest received among others. *It should be stressed that all entries in the nominal accounts end in the Statement of profit or loss.* That is, the balances in the nominal accounts are normally used to prepare the Statement of Profit Or Loss for the year ended 31 December, 20X2. In smaller entities, every account may be kept in just one ledger but bigger organizations keep their accounts in many ledgers.

b) Personal Accounts

On the opposite, personal ledger records the accounts of various individuals, firms, sole traders, partnerships, companies etc. Examples include Yinka's, ABC's account, Olukunle's Account. It can be further categorized as: **Receivables' Ledger**, which records customers who bought business goods on credit, it is called **sales ledger**. It may also be **Supplier's Ledger** – records of suppliers who sold goods on credit to the business. Also, there is a **private ledger**. A private ledger records private information such as capital account, drawings account, loans

account, personal advances, bank/cash account and Statement of Profit or Loss for the ended--
- Capital Account monitors the resources use in starting business and Bank/Cash account, is used to keep all monies of the business.

1.7 Users of Financial Statements

Accounting information is of interest to various groups of people. The users of Financial Statements may be classified under two main headings:

- a) Direct Users; and
- b) Indirect Users

Direct users are mainly the stakeholders in the business. The direct users bear the consequences of losses made in the course of a business. They are owners of business, management, employees, long and short-term supplier of funds. The indirect users of financial statements do not have financial stake in the running of a business entities. Examples of indirect users of financial statements are the Federal Inland Revenue Services, State Inland Revenue Services, customers, financial analysts, government at various levels, community and associations among others. The following people are likely to be interested in accounting information.

- (a) **Owners of the business/investors:** These are Sole traders, partners and shareholders. They need accounting information to asses show efficiently the management is performing –they want to know how profit able the business is and how much of this profit they can withdraw for their own use. It will also allow shareholders to make appropriate investment decisions such as buying and selling of shares, deciding on whether to dispose some or all the shares, or to acquire more of the entity's shares.
- (b) **Management:** These are the people who manage the affairs of the business for the owners. In a limited liability company, they are the member so the board of directors and other management. They need accounting information to ascertain the efficiency of the policy they formulate and to plan and control there sources of the business.
- (c) **Trade Payables:** These are the people who supply goods to the business on credit. The trade pay ables want to know the ability of the business to pay or the good s supplied to the business promptly. They will be interested in the liquidity of the business.
- (d) **Customers:** These are the people who purchase the goods or services provided by the business. The customers want to know whether the business will continue to be areliable source of supply; though they will also be interested in the quality of

the products of the business.

- (e) **Tax authority:** Accounting Profits determine the basis of computing tax. The tax authority wants to determine the tax payable by the entity and its employees.
- (f) **Employees of the entity:** Existing employees need accounting information to enable them decide how secure their job is and the ability of the business to pay good salaries and provide good welfare facilities.
- (g) **Lenders:** These include the banks and other loan payables. Financial statements enable them to decide whether more credit facility can be granted and whether the company will be able to pay interest and principal when they fall due. They are interested in the liquidity and of the entity's profitability as well as reliability of its underlying assets.
- (h) **Government:** Government needs accounting information to enable it formulate fiscal policies.
- (i) **Financial Analysts:** They analyze financial statements for their clients in order to help them make informed decisions. Financial analysts include stock brokers, credit agencies and financial reporters.
- (j) **The Public:** Members of the general public (individuals, trade unions and associations, political parties, African unions, International Monetary Funds (IMF) etc need accounting information for various purposes. They use the available financial information to take decisions on whether or not to deal with an entity determine their level of involvement in its activities.

1.8 Range of Accountant's Services to an Entity

a) The Work of an Accountant

A professional accountant performs various types of work for an entity either as an employee or as a consultant. For instance, members of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Nigeria (ICAN) are classified into two broad categories; members in public practice and members not in public practice.

b) Members in Public Practice

These are accountants working in accounting firms which offer a variety of accounting services to their clients. Their principal functions are:

- i. **Auditing:** They examine the books and records of the entities, obtain reliable, relevant and sufficient audit evidence and then issue a report on the true and fair view of the financial statements. The report issued by the auditor enables users to rely on the financial statements;
- ii. **Tax Services:** They engage in tax planning for entities or individuals with a view to minimizing their

tax payable. Their services are also engaged by government in the investigation of the adequacy of tax paid by entities and individuals;

- iii. **Management advisory services:** Firms rely on the extensive knowledge of accountants to provide arrange of management consulting services. They could render advice in the area of mergers and acquisition as well as give advice on whether an entity should enter a new line of business or divest. They could also offer advice on asset replacement policy, the best Computer based accounting system to adopt, setting up and operating the accounting system, etc;
- iv. **Insolvency Services:** They could act as receiver manager in the process of winding up of entities;
- v. **Investigation and Forensic Services:** They investigate fraud or any other matter for which investigation services are required, including the use of forensic accounting. As a forensic accountant, he can investigate specific cases of frauds in an entity and provide evidences at the appropriate government related agencies and court of appropriate jurisdictions.

c) Members not in Public Practice

These are accountants in the employment of government ministries and parastatals or in private entities. Their main functions include the following:

- i. They prepare the financial statements and the annual reports of the entity on behalf of management;
- ii. They provide relevant management accounting information for decision making;
- iii. They set up and run efficient systems of accounting and internal control;
- iv. They act as treasury managers; and
- v. They function as treasury and financial managers.

1.9 Role of Accounting in the Economy

A business if efficiently runs, why should it have to go through the stress of accounting procedures in order to provide accounting information? Does it necessary? The following are some of the reasons why accounting information are highly invaluable and inevitable in an economy:

- a) It communicates economic measurement and details information on how management uses resources;
- b) It indicates where the resources are obtained for the use of business;
- c) To measure the performance of the business yearly in terms of profit earned;
- d) It is also used to indicate assets and liabilities of the business;
- e) It shows the true value (price) or net worth of the business;

- f) It facilitates the process of calculating the business tax payable;
- g) It keeps the inventory records, and receivable records and registers of items of noncurrent assets; and
- h) It indicates how liquid a business is i.e. ability to meet short-term credit obligations.

In an economy, other important roles of Financial Accounting

- a) It offers useful information that is necessary for the efficient, economic and effective running of the business. This is to ensure that scarce resources, in term of Capital, Land, Labour and Materials are well managed and optimally used;
- b) It guarantees that resources placed in trust with the management are well utilized to attain the basic missions, goals and objectives of a business in a transparent and accountable manner;
- c) It provides transactions recorded in the Financial Accounting are reasonable, fair and can be relied upon;
- d) It gives the basic rules, regulations, conventions, principles ideology and postulates are followed religiously in the preparation of accounts;
- e) It supplies necessary information to the tax authorities;
- f) It offers information that aids forecasting and planning;
- g) It gives information for take-overbids, merger and acquisition;
- h) It is useful in providing information in order to measure the performance of management;
- i) It offers a guide to proper investment and acquisition decision;
- j) Financial Accounting provides information that will facilitate preparation of budget and allocation of resources among the competing alternatives;
- k) It enables financial resources to be divide into short and long term; and
- l) It measures wear and tear of noncurrent assets and amortization of intangible assets

1.10 Explain the Ethical Issues in Accounting

It may be difficult to explain ethics at this beginning stage of Financial Accounting. However, suffice to mention that the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Nigeria (ICAN) has a Professional Code of Conduct for every member of the Institute. A professional accountants owe certain duties to the public at large and those who employ him/her to carry out external auditing and other accountancy services. The professional assignments may sometimes be contrary with the personal interest of the

Chartered Accountants, at all times, the Professional Codes of ICAN must guide the professional and observe it for continuous membership of the Institute. The members and students of the Institute must comply with Professional Codes of ICAN. The Professional Codes of ICAN are:

- a) Integrity;
- b) Objectivity;
- c) Professional Competence and Due Care;
- d) Confidentiality; and
- e) Professional Behaviour

Integrity

This implies that all students and members of the Institute must be honest, fair, transparent and straightforward in all professional dealings with the public and clients. A Chartered Accountant or a would-be Chartered Accountant must not attest to false or misleading statements or recklessly omit or suppress information to mislead members of the public at large.

Objectivity

It means that all students and members of the Institute must not be biased or act where there is conflict of interest or allow undue influence of others to override his or professional judgments.

Professional Competence or Due Care

All members of the Institute have a duty to maintain adequate professional knowledge, skills and competence in the discharge of his or her duties to members of the public. The members of the Institute must render his or service to the clients based on competent services, current developments in the field, techniques, legislations and other extant standards.

Confidentiality

The members of the Institute must ascertain confidentiality and secrecy in the use of information provided by the clients in course of his or her professional services. The members of the Institute must not disclose information provided by clients to third parties without authority to do so. The members of the Institute can only disclose information supplied by the clients if he or she has authority under the or has a duty to disclose such information provided by the clients.

Professional Behaviour

Every member of the Institute must strictly comply with all relevant laws and must avoid any behaviour, which discredits the profession in general. He or she must at all times avoid acts unbecoming of a Chartered Accountant to embarrass the Institute. A Chartered Accountant must be courteous, careful and diligent in his or her duty to the clients. He must avoid acts inimical to the overall interest of ICAN.

1.11 Explain the Roles of International Accounting Standards Board (IASB)

The constitution of the IFRS Foundation states that the IASB:

- i. Has complete responsibility for all technical matters of the Board including the preparation and issuing of International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs) (other than Interpretations) and exposure drafts, each of which shall include any
- ii. Publishes exposure drafts on all projects and normally publishes a discussion document for public comments on major projects in accordance with procedures approved by the Trustees.
- iii. in exceptional circumstances, and only after formally requesting and receiving prior subject to the following:
 - a) Consulting the Trustees and the Advisory Council; and
 - b) Carrying out a public consultation every three years.
- iv. has full discretion over project as signment son technical matters: In organizing the conduct of its work, the IASB may outsource detailed research or other work to national standard-set tersor other organisations.
- v. establishes procedures for reviewing comments made within a reasonable period on documents published for comment.
- vi. normally forms working groups or other types of specialist advisory groups to give advice on major projects;
- vii. consults the Advisory Council on major projects, agend a decisions and work priorities; normally publishes a basis for conclusions with an IFRS or an exposure draft;
- viii. considers holding public hearings to discuss proposed standards, although there is no requirement to hold public hearings for every project;
- ix. considers undertaking field tests (both in developed countries and in emerging markets) to ensure that proposed standards are practical and workable in all environments, although

there is no requirement to undertake field tests for every project; and
reasons if it does not follow any of the non-mandatory procedures set out in
(b),(g),(i), (j)and (k).

1.12 The Functions of Relevant Financial Reporting Bodies

1. The IFRS Interpretations Committee (IFRIC)

The constitution of the IFRS foundation states that the IFRIC Interpretation Committee's duties are:

- a) Interpreting the application of IFRS and providing timely guidance on financial reporting issues not specifically addressed in IFRSs, in the context of the IASB's Framework and undertaking other tasks at the request of the IASB.
- b) In carrying out its work under (a) above, have regard to the IASB's objective of working actively with national standard-setters to bring about convergence of national accounting standards and IFRSs to high quality solution.
- c) Publishing after clearance by the IASB draft Interpretations for public comment and consider comments made within a reasonable period before finalising an Interpretation
- d) Reporting to the IASB and obtaining the approval of nine of its members for final Interpretations if there are fewer than sixteen members, or by ten of its members if there are sixteen members.

2. The Financial Reporting Council of Nigeria (FRCN)

The Financial Reporting Council of Nigeria Act gives the FRCN responsibility to:

- i. Develop and publish accounting and financial reporting standards to be observed in the preparation of financial statements of public interest entities.
- ii. review, promote and enforce compliance with the accounting and financial reporting standards adopted by the Council.
- iii. receive notices of non-compliance with approved standards from preparers, users, other third parties or auditors of financial statements.
- iv. receive copies of annual reports and financial statements of public interest entities

- from preparers within 60 days of the approval of the Board.
- v. advise the Federal Government on matters relating to accounting and financial reporting standards.
 - vi. maintain a register of professional accountants and other professionals engaged in the financial reporting process.
 - vii. monitor compliance with the reporting requirements specified in the adopted code of corporate governance.
 - viii. promote compliance with the adopted standards issued by the International Federation of Accountants and International Accounting Standards Board.
 - ix. monitor and promote education, research and training in the fields of accounting, auditing, financial reporting and corporate governance.
 - x. Conduct practice reviews of registered professionals.
 - xi. review financial statement and reports of public interest entities.
 - xii. enforce compliance with the Act and the rules of the Council on registered professionals and the affected public interest entities.
 - xiii. establish such systems, schemes or engage in any relevant activity, either alone or in conjunction with any other organization or agency, whether local or international, for the discharge of its functions.
 - xiv. receive copies of all qualified reports together with detailed explanations for such qualifications from auditors of the financial statements within a period of 30 days from the date of such qualification and such reports shall not be announced to the public until all accounting issues relating to the reports are resolved by the Council.
 - xv. adopt and keep up-to-date accounting and financial reporting standards, and ensure consistency between standards issued and the International Financial Reporting Standards.
 - xvi. specify, in the accounting and financial reporting standards, the minimum requirements for recognition, measurement, presentation and disclosure in annual financial statements, group annual financial statements or other financial reports which every public interest entity shall comply with, in the preparation of financial statements and reports.
 - xvii. develop or adopt and keep up-to-date auditing standards issued by relevant professional bodies and ensure consistency between the standards issued and the

auditing standards and pronouncements of the International Auditing and Assurance Standards Board.

xviii. perform such other functions which in the opinion of the Board are necessary or expedient to ensure the efficient performance of the functions of the Council.

Chapter Summary

In this chapter we have discussed:

- Nature and significance of accounting and book-keeping;
- History of Accounting;
- Objectives of Financial Accounting;
- Purposes of Accounting;
- Qualitative Characteristics of Financial Accounting;
- Coding Principles;
- Accounts and its types;
- Users of Financial Statements and their information needs;
- Range of Accountant's Services to an entity;
- Role of Accounting to the economy;
- Ethical Issues of ICAN;
- Roles of the International Accounting Standard Boards (IASB); and
- Functions of Relevant Financial Reporting Bodies.

Revision Questions

Multiple Choice and Short-Answer Questions

- (1) The last phase of book keeping is
 - a) Extraction of the Trial Balance
 - b) preparation of financial statements
 - c) issuing annual reports
 - d) preparation of source document
 - e) Interpretations of accounts
- (2) Who reports on the "true and fair view" of the financial statements?

- a) Government agencies
 - b) Owners of the entity
 - c) The entity's accountant
 - d) The Auditor
 - e) Financial Director
- (3) What is the usefulness of the Annual Reports and Accounts?
- a) To boost entity's profit
 - b) For periodic review of entity's performance
 - c) For daily operations of the entity by management
 - d) To be able to minimize tax payable by the entity
 - e) Personnel Management
- (4) One of the following is **NOT** an example of business entity
- a) Soletrader
 - b) Partnership
 - c) Limited liability Company
 - d) Club or Association
 - e) Religious Association
- (5) One of the following is **NOT** an importance of accounting and book keeping.
- a) Book keeping provides permanent records for all financial transactions
 - b) The records are used by the Inland Revenue for tax assessment.
 - c) The records can be used to determine the promoters of the organization
 - d) The assets and liabilities of a business are shown
 - e) Fraud discovery
- 6) Which of the following is recorded in the statement of profit or loss?
- (a) Revenue
 - (b) Bad debt
 - (c) Return inward
 - (d) Return outward
 - (e) Depreciation reserve

- (7) Which of the following is an indirect user of financial accounting?
- (a) Tax Authority
 - (b) Management
 - (c) Employee
 - (d) Lenders
 - (e) Trade Union
- (8) A procedure for accumulating cost is called_____
- (a) Performance Management
 - (b) Cost Accounting
 - (c) Financial Management
 - (d) Taxation
 - (e) Financial Accounting
- (9) A new branch of accounting which deals with non-governmental accounting is called__
- (a) Fiduciary Accounting
 - (b) Sustainability Accounting
 - (c) Environmental Accounting
 - (d) Fund Accounting
 - (e) Project Accounting
10. A financial statement that is capable of making a difference in the decision made by the users is said to be _____
- (a) faithfully represented
 - (b) relevance
 - (c) comparable

- (d) verifiable
- (e) complete

Short Answer Questions (SAQ)

- (1) The two main financial statements drawn up by a sole trader are..... and.....
- (2) Which form of accounting provide information needed for the day to day running of a business?
- (3) The body responsible for developing International Financial Reporting Standards is the.....
- (4) Financial Accounting is majorly concerned with reporting on _____
- (5) An accountant primarily relies on the work of _____ to prepare and analyse financial information.
- (6) The first theory of double entry was found in the account of _____
- (7) The book titled the Summa De Arithemetical Geometry and Proportion was published in the year_____
- (8) Financial Accounting was developed in which country?
- (9) An acronym GAAP means.
- (10) State two (2) main processes involved in double entries.

Practice Questions

1. Define the following
 - a) Accounting
 - b) Book-keeping
 - c) Social and environmental accounting
 - d) Forensic accounting
 - e) Performance Management
2. Briefly trace the historical development of accounting to the present day.
3. A professional accountant performs many roles for an entity.
4. State and explain the roles of professional accountants to an entity.
5.
 - (a) Explain the qualitative characteristics of Useful Financial Information.
 - (b) Explain the functions of each of:
 - (i) The IASB
 - (ii) The IFRIC
 - (iii) The FRCN

Solutions to Multiple Choice Questions (MCQ)

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|-------|--------|
| (1) A | (6) E |
| (2) D | (7) A |
| (3) B | (8) B |
| (4) D | (9) D |
| (5) C | (10) B |

Solutions to Short Answer Questions (SAQ)

1. The statement of profit or loss and statement of financial position
2. Performance Management
3. International Accounting Standards Board (IASB)

4. Performance and Position of an entity
5. Book-Keeper
6. Commune of Genoa
7. 1494
8. Italy
9. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles
10.
 - Recording of transactions in the source documents
 - Posting into subsidiary records
 - Ledger posting
 - Trial balance extraction

CHAPTER TWO

FORMS AND STRUCTURES OF BUSINESS ENTITIES

Chapter Two Contents

- Types and features of business entities
- Registration process and documentation of business entities
- Advantages and disadvantages of various business entities
- Public sector entities

2.0 Learning Objectives

After studying this chapter, readers should be able to:

- Define the characteristics of business entities.
- State the registration process and documentation of business entities.
- State the characteristics of sole proprietorship, partnership and Limited Liability Company.
- Compare sole proprietorship, partnership and Limited Liability Company.
- State the characteristics, advantages and disadvantages of public sector entities.

Forms of Entities

There are two major types of entities, these are:

- a) Business entities
- b) Not-for-profit entities

Business

Business is defined as the activity of buying and selling commodities, products, or services; the amount or volume of this activity; and the variety of this activity in which a person is engaged. Business, however, is defined in ICAN Financial Accounting Study text is used in different contexts: It is used to describe:

- An economic system where goods and services are exchanged for one another or for money;
- A commercial entity that aims to make a profit from its operations; and
- An integrated set of activities and an asset that is capable of being conducted and managed for the purpose of providing a return to investors or other owners.

Characteristics of Business

The following are some of the characteristics of business:

- c) It exists to make profits;
- d) It makes profit by supplying goods or services to others (customers);
- e) It supplies goods that it either makes or buys from other parties; and
- f) Its reward for accepting risk is profit
- g) The profit earned by it belongs to its owners (sole proprietor, partners or shareholders).

Types of Business entities

There are three sub-types of Business Entities. They are:

- h) Sole Proprietorship
- i) Partnership
- j) Limited Liability Companies

Sole-proprietorship

It is a business owned by an individual. This individual bears the responsibility for running the business and he alone takes the profits or loss. The sole-proprietorship is not regulated by special rules of law.

Advantages of Sole-proprietorship

- (a) The individual provides the capital and employs a handful of people, if and when necessary.
- (b) He takes decisions quickly without consulting any body.
- (c) He is highly committed because the profit is entirely his own in case of success and he depends on the business for his livelihood.
- (d) There is privacy
- (e) It is not regulated by special rules of law.

Disadvantages of Sole-proprietorship

- (a) The finance available for expansion is limited to that which the sole trader can raise.
- (b) The owner has unlimited liability because all his assets might be seized if the business goes bankrupt.
- (c) It lacks continuity because the death of the owner automatically leads to the collapse of the business.

Sole-proprietorship is common in retailing, farming, personal services such as hair dressing,

fashion

designing

etc.

Partnership

(f) **Partnership Formation**

Partnership is the relationship which exists between two or more persons, commonly referred to as partners, carrying on a business in common with a view to making profit. The business may also result in a loss although the purpose is that of profit. Their coming together is voluntary and the exit of a partner may also be voluntary.

The Partnership Act 1890 and the Limited Partnership Act 1907 contain the provisions which govern the relationship between persons carrying on a business with the intention of making profit.

The maximum number of partners in a firm is twenty. There is no maximum limit for professional firms such as accountants and solicitors who have received the approval of the law for this purpose. A firm with more than twenty members would normally be incorporated as a Limited Liability Company.

Most partnerships are formed under an agreement. In the absence of an agreement, the Partnership Act 1890 provides among other things, that:

- A. All profits and losses are to be shared equally between the partners
- B. No interest is allowed on capital and current accounts.
- C. No remuneration will be paid to a partner.
- D. Any advance or loan made by a partner in excess of his agreed share of capital will attract interest at 5% per annum.

An agreement is most important, if it is intended that partners should be rewarded according to their differing contributions made to the firm in form of capital, expertise, experience or effort. Resulting from this, an agreement would necessarily contain provisions regarding the following, to ensure as far as possible, that there is an equitable distribution of profits or losses.

- (a) The amount of capital to be provided and maintained by each Partner.
- (b) The rate of interest (if any) to be paid on capital.
- (c) The extent to which drawings are allowed and the rate of interest (if any) to be charged on drawings.
- (d) The remuneration (if any) to be paid to partners for their services.
- (e) The interest to be paid on any advance or loan made to the firm by a partner over and above his agreed capital.
- (f) The proportions in which profits or losses are to be shared after taking account of any adjustments as a result of the above.

Decisions regarding the distribution of profits can be quite interesting in practice due to the search for an equitable relationship among partners. If all partners provide equally in all respects, an equal distribution of profits might adequately represent a partner's interest. But in case of differences in amounts of capital, while all other contributions to the firm are equal, the varied amounts of capital would usually be compensated for by allowing interest on capital at an agreed partners' rate'. In this way, each partner would be given a return on his capital before distribution of the remaining profit. Differences in partners' contributions in the form of expertise, experience or effort could be compensated with salaries and/or differential distribution of profits.

The problems inherent in determining a just and equitable distribution of profits are not usually a concern of examination candidates. A question will normally indicate:

- (a) Whether salaries are to be paid.
- (b) Whether interest is to be allowed on capital
- (c) Whether interest is to be charged on drawings, and
- (d) How the remaining profit should be distributed.

Candidates' problems are usually technical, arithmetical and presentational.

Fixed or flexible capital accounts

A partnership will often maintain an affixed **amount of capital**. Under these circumstances, it is preferable that only an agreed capital ratio should be credited to as

separate capital account for each partner. All of her transactions involving partners such as share of profits, interest, salary, drawings, should be dealt within their current accounts rather than through the capital accounts. It is simple in this way to keep a constant check on the current accounts; provided a partner's Current Account is not over drawn, the agreed capital at least must remain with the firm. Of course, profits (or losses) are accruing over the whole of the year, and not just when the final accounts are prepared. It follows therefore that an over drawn current account is not necessarily an indication that a partner is not maintaining his agreed capital. It is up to the partners to agree on the extent to which drawings are allowed and whether the drawings may exceed the current account balance at the beginning of the year.

(b) Partnership Agreements

Since the essence of partnership is mutual agreement, it is desirable for the partners to come to some understanding before entering into partnership as to the conditions upon which the business is to be carried on and the respective rights and powers.

The Partnership Act 1890 provides certain rules to be observed in the absence of any agreement. However, the circumstances must determine whether these rules are applicable in the particular case and in many matters should be decided which are not included in these rules, it is important that a formal agreement be entered into with a view to preventing disputes in the future. The advantages of written agreements need no emphasis and it is preferable that it should be under seal, since the character of a deed precludes contradiction by any party of the terms which have been agreed.

Even where a formal agreement is made, it does not preclude subsequent variation where changing circumstances demand it; such variation can always be

effected with the consent of all the partners, which may be evidenced by an amended agreement.

New amendments and current development in the partnership business can be referenced in the Finance Act 2021.

Contents of Partnership Agreements

The provisions affecting partnership accounts are as follow:

- (a) **Capital Contribution:** The agreement states whether each partner should contribute a fixed or a flexible amount.
- (b) **Division of Profits or Losses:** The basis as to how profits and losses shall be shared among the partners.
- (c) **Fixed or Flexible Capital:** Whether the Capital Accounts are to be Fixed Account, or a wings and profits are to be adjusted in the current accounts, or in the capital accounts.
- (d) **Interest on Capital and/or Drawings:** Whether interest on capital and/or Drawings are to be allowed or charged before arriving at the profits divisible in the agreed proportions, and if so, at what rate.
- (e) **Current Accounts:** Whether current accounts (if any) are to be a rinterest, and if so, at what rate.
- (f) **Partners' Drawings:** Whether partners' drawings are to be limited in amount in order to prevent an egative balance against the capital account, and/or whether rinterests are to be charged on drawings and at what rate.
- (g) **Partners' Remuneration:** Whether partners are to be allowed remuneration for their services before arriving at divisible profits, and if so, the amount of there muneration.
- (h) **Accounting Records:** Proper accounts shall be prepared at least once a year and that these shall be audited by a professional accountant and signed by all the partners.
- (i) **Signed Accounts:** The accounts, when prepared and duly signed, shall be binding on the partners, bu shall be capable of being reopened within a specified period on an error being discovered.
- (j) **Valuation of Good will:** The method by which the value of Good will shall be determined in the event of admission, retirement or death of any of the partners.

- (k) **Compensation to the Estate of Deceased Partner:** The method of determining the amount due to the estate of a deceased partner and the manner in which the liability is to be paid within a specified period, by instalments of certain proportions and the rate of interest to be allowed on outstanding balances.
- (l) **Insurance Premiums:** Where there are partnership insurance policies, the division of the policy among partners and the method of treating the premiums thereon must be stated.

2.4.5 Comparing Partnership with sole proprietorship

The main advantages of partnership over sole proprietorship are:

- (a) Greater finance is to partnership than to sole proprietorship
- (b) Higher performance may be achieved by the partnerships than the sole proprietorships' since two heads are better than one.
- (c) Decision-making is also swift in copartners are friends and they are not many, though may not be as fast as in sole proprietorships'
- (d) Decision made in partnerships are more efficient and effective than decisions made in sole proprietorships

The disadvantages are:

- (a) The major disadvantage is that the liability of members of the partnership is unlimited.
- (b) The amount of capital the partner's can raise may still not be enough to enable them carry out large investments.
- (c) The death and bankruptcy of a partner may lead to the dissolution of the entity. There is no perpetual succession.
- (d) Disagreement may occur between the partners. They may find out that they are not compatible which may lead to the dissolution of the partnership.

2.4.6 Limited Liability Company

Nature, formation and statutory books of Limited Liability Companies

What is a company?

A company is a productive unit formed by a number of people usually referred to as shareholders with the ultimate objective of exploiting a given economic activity to the maximum.

A limited liability company is a form of business entity that has a personality distinct from those of its owners. The attraction of this form of business enterprise is its access to capital larger than what its promoters can provide. Because of its distinct legal personality, it can sue and be sued in its name and enter into contracts for which it is solely liable.

Classification of Companies

Generally, a company may be either a **private** company or a **public** company. It may be:

- A company limited by shares
- A company limited by guarantee
- An unlimited company

Private Company

A private company is one that is stated to be so by its Memorandum of Association and has the following features:

- (g) Its Articles of Association must restrict the transfer of its shares
- (h) The total number of members must not be more than 50, excluding persons who are employees of the company, existing or retired. However, where two or more persons hold one or more shares jointly, they shall be treated as a single member.
- (i) It cannot invite the public to deposit money for fixed periods or payable at all whether or not they bear interest.

Public Company

Any Company other than a private company is a public company and its Memorandum of Association must so state that it is a public company.

Companies derive their existence under the provisions of the Companies and Allied Matters Act, Cap.C20LFN2004. The rules and procedures guiding the incorporation or formation of limited liability or unlimited liability companies are contained in Sections 18 – 49 of the Companies and Allied Matters Act, Cap. C 20LFN2004.

Advantages and disadvantages of Limited Liability Company

Advantages

- (a) The liability of the shareholders is limited to the amount they have subscribed to the company's capital if it goes bankrupt.
- (b) It can raise substantial amount of capital from the numerous shareholders or from financial institutions.
- (c) The chance of survival is high because the company is controlled and managed by highly skilled professional management team appointed by the Board of Directors who are elected by and answerable to the shareholders.
- (d) The limited company is a separate legal entity distinct from its members. It can sue and be sued in its name.
- (e) Unless it is wound up, a limited company has perpetual succession so that it is not affected by the death, bankruptcy, mental disorder or retirement of its members.
- (f) Floating charges can be created by a limited company.
- (g) Shares in a public company can be transferred without the consent of other members.

Disadvantages

- Formation of limited liability company requires costly legal expenses
- Decision making may be delayed due to bureaucratic bottle necks.
- The members of the company have no power to manage its affairs.
- Much legal and publicity formalities are observed.e.g. Filing of annual returns, annual general meeting, etc.
- Much of its activities are open to public scrutiny.'

Formation Procedure

- (a) The name proposed by the promoter of a company has to be 'searched for' and approved by the Corporate Affairs Commission, which must be utilized within 60 Days, otherwise the name has to be revalidated.

This is to ensure that the entity's proposed name does not bear resemblance of already existing names and does not cause confusion.'

- (b) A limited liability company, private or public, may be brought into existence when the documents enumerated below and appropriate fees are paid to the Registrar, Corporate Affairs Commission:

- (i) A Memorandum of Association signed by at least two subscribers, dated and witnessed by a Chartered Accountant, Chartered Secretary 'or' a Lawyer facilitating the registration of the Company. Each subscriber must agree to subscribe for at least one share.
- (ii) A minimum of 25% of the authorized share capital must be taken up at incorporation.
- (iii) Articles of Association will be similarly signed, dated and witnessed by the Professionals involved in the registration of the Company as mentioned above.
- (iv) A statement of nominal capital (unless the company is to have no share

capital) must be stated. Stamp duty varying with the amount of authorized share capital is payable.

- (v) There is no upper limit to the amount of the authorized share capital, although the minimum is currently ₦10,000 for a private company while that of a public limited liability company is ₦500,000 (except in cases of special companies such as banks and insurance companies).
- (vi) A statutory declaration by a solicitor engaged in the formation of the company or by one of the persons named as directors or secretary that the requirements of the Companies and Allied Matters Act 2004 in respect of registration have been complied with.
- (vii) A statement (in the prescribed form) of the particulars of the first directors and secretary and the first address of the company's

Registered office. The persons named as directors and secretary must sign the form to record their consent to act in the relevant capacity and when the company is incorporated; these persons are automatically appointed.

- (c) When the Registrar General, Corporate Affairs Commission is satisfied that all the documents are in order and that the objects specified in the memorandum are lawful, he issues a certificate of incorporation.
- (d) The purpose of the memorandum and articles of association is to define the constitution of the company. The memorandum sets out basic elements of the constitution while the articles are mainly internal rules, but of interest to outsiders since they define the powers of the directors to enter into contracts on behalf of the company. The memorandum prevails if there is any inconsistency between it and the articles.
- (e) A private company may do business and exercise its borrowing powers from the date of its incorporation but a public company (incorporated as such) may not do business or borrow until it has obtained a trading certificate (not a statutory expression) from the Registrar General.

- (f) The memorandum of every company limited by shares must include:
- (i) The company's name, which if the company is limited by shares or by guarantee, should end with the word 'limited'. A limited company may in some circumstances omit the word "limited" from its name. A public limited company does not end its name with the word "Limited".
 - (ii) The country (not the address) in which the company's registered office is to be situated. This determines the nationality and the place of domicile of the company which can not be changed.
 - (iii) The objects of the company contained in an "objects clause" which, because of the developments of company law over time, specifying both alternative business activities and express powers to engage in every kind of business which the company might wish to undertake. The objects stated in the opening paragraphs are treated as "main objects" while the others are ancillary to them, unless the contrary is stated.
 - (iv) The liability of members: If the company is one limited by guarantee, this is followed by a second clause, which states the maximum amount that each member undertakes to contribute in winding-up to enable the company to pay its debts. The authorized share capital (of a company limited by shares) must disclose the amount of the share capital with which the company proposes to be registered and specify shares of stated value into which that amount is divided. For example, the share capital of the company of ₦100,000 may be divided into 200,000 shares of 50k each. The amount of the authorized share capital may be increased (or reduced) in the manner provided by the articles, usually by passing an ordinary resolution. The authorized share capital is the maximum amount in shares which the company may issue.
- (g) The articles of association deal mainly with the internal conduct of the company's affairs, e.g. the issue and transfer of its shares, alterations of its capital structure, conduct of general meetings, members voting rights, powers of directors and board meetings, dividends, accounts and notices.

- (h) The articles of association usually delegate the power to allot and issue shares to the directors as one of the management functions. The formal procedure is that the subscriber applies for shares (of ten in response to an invitation by the company) and the directors accept his offer by deciding at a board meeting to allot shares to him. His name is entered in the register of members, as share certificate is issued and within one month of allotment, a return is submitted to the Registrar General.

Statutory Books

Statutory books are the official records kept by the company relating to all legal and statutory matters. The statutory books of the company must be maintained and kept at the company's registered office (or alternative location notified to the Corporate Affairs Commission) where they can be inspected. The list of the registers and documents which every company is required under the CAMA to keep include:

- k) The register of the company's members,
- l) The Index of members where they are more than 50,
- m) The register of charges registered against the company;
- n) Minutes Book (of all General meetings, Directors' meetings and Manager's meetings (if any) including copies of shareholders' resolutions passed,
- o) Register of Directors' shares' and Debentures
- p) The register of directors and secretaries,
- q) The register of interest in shares
- r) The Accounting Records
- s) Director's service contracts

The essence of maintaining these statutory books is to offer members of the company or any other person an opportunity to inspect the records of the company and be aware of its state of affairs.

(a) Redeemable Preference Shares

Under section 122 and 158 of the Companies and Allied Matters Act Cap C20 LFN 2004, a company so authorized by its articles may issue redeemable preference shares, provided that:

- (i) There are in issue other shares which are not redeemable.
- (ii) The redeemable shares may not be redeemed unless they are fully paid.

- (iii) The terms of redemption provide for the company to make payment at the time shares are redeemed. The redemption may be affected on such terms and in such manner as may be provided by the articles as long as the provisions of the Act are complied with.
- (iv) Redemption is made out of the:
 - Distributable profits of the company
 - Proceeds of a fresh issue of shares made for the purposes of the redemption.
- (v) Any premium payable on redemption is payable out of the company's distributable profits, except: the premium payable on the redemption of redeemable preference shares which were issued before the appointed day may be paid out of the share premium account or partly out of the distributable profits (section 158(4) of the Companies and Allied Matters Act, Cap. C20, LFN2004).
- (vi) Where the redemption is made out of the proceeds of a fresh issue of shares made for the purpose of the redemption and the shares to be redeemed were originally issued at a premium, any premium payable on the redemption shall be paid out of the share premium account up to an amount equal to the lower of:
 - the aggregate of the premium received by the company on the issue of the shares redeemed, or
 - the current amount of the company's share premium account (including any sum transferred to that account in respect of premium on the new shares).
- (b) Participating Preference Shares

Where specific provision is made in the articles, preference shares may be participating preference shares. This type of shares entitles the holders to share in any remaining profits after the preference shares and ordinary shares have received specified dividends.
- (c) Ordinary shares

The ordinary share capital of a company is often termed the 'equity capital'. Ordinary shares may be divided into preferred and deferred ordinary shares, in which case the balance of the profit is shared between

the two types of ordinary shares in some prescribed Proportions.

Not for Profit Entities

Not-for-profit entities are entities that do not have profit maximisation as their main objectives. Decision making in Not-for-profit entities is not based on cost-benefit analysis. A goal can still be pursued even where the cost outweighed the benefits provided such goal will add value to the intended beneficiaries. Their performances are usually not measured in terms of return on investment. Not-for-profit entities can be sub-divided into two groups as follows:

- a) Governmental entities
- b) Non-governmental entities

Governmental Entities

Governmental entities are also called Public Sector Entities. They are the Local, State and Federal Governments as well as their Ministries, Departments and Agencies generally called (MDAs).

Among the agencies of government are Public Corporations. These are special government entities that are run on a similar basis as Private Sector Businesses. The government provides the capital for the entity. The Minister/Commissioner acting on behalf of the Federal/State government appoints the members of the Board who in turn formulate policies within the enabling Act establishing the Corporation and the framework. Examples of public corporations are Ghana Airways, the Nigerian Railway Corporation, the Nigerian Ports Authority and the Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation (NNPC).

Characteristics of Public Sector Entities

The following are the key characteristics of Public Sector entities:

- i) The requirement for public accountability by the operators
- ii) They have multiple objectives
- iii) The rights, powers and responsibilities of the entities are derived from the constitution or the law setting them up

- iv) There is no equity ownership
- v) Their operating and financial frame works are set by legislation
- vi) Budget is very important
- vii) By their nature, profit maximization is not a major objective

Non-Governmental Entities (NGOs)

These are usually described as (NGOs). They include religious, charitable, social entities, etc. Since the source of their funding is mainly from the public, the characteristics of NGOs are akin to that of public sector entities.

Advantages of Governmental Entities

- (a) Some activities such as the generation of electricity, provision of port facilities and rail transport services involve huge financial out lays which the private entrepreneurs can not provide. These facilities must be provided to quicken the pace of economic evelopment and industrial growth.
- (b) It enables some natural resources, especially minerals to be efficiently exploited and effectively managed.
- (c) Some essential goods or services if left in the hands of private businesses may not be provided insufficient quantities or may be provided at exorbitant prices. Thus, the common people will not be able to afford them and this may worsen their standard of living.
- (d) The public company can borrow money externally by issuing bonds or Loan Notes. This is not possible for the private sector entities.

Disadvantages of Governmental Entities

- The major disadvantage of public sector enterprises is that members of the Board are political appointees who control and manage the corporation. Often times, they do not possess the relevant skills to manage such organisations efficiently. Some members of staf are appointed on political grounds and quota basis, resulting in low productivity.
- The performance of public sector entities is poor when compared with the private

sector entities. Most of the public sector entities are being run at a loss as the motive for establishing them is not for profit.

- They receive subventions from the government with out commensurate service to the people.

Chapter Summary

In this Chapter, we have discussed:

- The forms of entities and their conceptual definitions.
- The characteristic of the entities.
- Formation, advantages and disadvantages of the entities.

Multiple Choice Questions (MCQ)

1. The maximum number of partners in a professional firm such a solicitors an accountants is
 - A. Five
 - B. Unlimited
 - C. Between Ten and Twenty
 - D. Between Twenty and Thirty
 - E. Fifty
2. In the absence of a partnership deed
 - A. Partners' remuneration is 5% of profit
 - B. No remuneration will be paid to a partner
 - C. Remuneration will be paid equally to all the partners
 - D. Remuneration will be paid net of tax
 - E. Partners' remuneration is 10% of profit.
3. The minimum authorized capital of a public limited liability company is
 - A. ₦10,000
 - B. ₦25,000
 - C. ₦500,000

- D. ₦1,000,000
 - E. ₦50, 000
4. The body charged with the responsibility of incorporation of limited liability companies in Nigeria is
- A. The Central Bank of Nigeria
 - B. The Federal Ministry of Finance
 - C. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs
 - D. Corporate Affairs Commission
 - E. Security and Exchange Commission
5. The underlisted are forms of Loan Notes **EXCEPT**
- A. Secured
 - B. Bearer
 - C. Preference
 - D. Redeemable
 - E. Naked
6. One of the following is NOT a form of business entity.
- A. Sole Proprietorship
 - B. Partnership
 - C. Limited Liability Companies
 - D. Private Companies
 - E. Quasi-Companies
7. ONE of the following is not among the Partnership Act 1890 provision when there is no agreement in a partnership business:
- A. All profits and losses are to be shared equally between the partners
 - B. No interest is allowed on capital and current accounts.
 - C. No remuneration will be paid to a partner.
 - D. Any advance or loan made by a partner in excess of his agreed share

of capital will attract interest at 5% per annum.

E. Profit should be retained in the books.

2.10 Short Answer Questions (SAQ)

1. Identify two sources of capital available to a public limited company.
2. A company that has no share capital is described as.....
3. Undistributed profits accumulated over the years by a limited liability company are referred to as.....
4. The major advantage of limited liability company over partnership is.....
5. The major disadvantage of public enterprise is.....

2.11 Solution to Multiple Choice Questions

1. B
2. B
3. C
4. D
5. C
6. E
7. E

2.12 Solution to Short Answer Questions (SAQ)

1. Issue of shares and loan notes
2. Limited by guarantee
3. Reserves
4. The liability of members of the company is limited to the amount unpaid on their shares.
5. Political influence.

2.13 Examination like questions with solutions

1.
 - a) Explain any three characteristics of a business.
 - b) Describe two key features each of sole proprietorship, partnership and Limited Company.
2. Enumerate the advantages and disadvantages of Limited Liability Companies.

2.14 Solutions to examination like questions

1. Characteristics of Business

- a) The following are some of the characteristics of business:
 - i. It exists to make profits
 - ii. It makes profit by supplying goods or services to others (customers)
 - iii. It supplies goods that it either makes or buys from other parties
 - iv. Its reward for accepting risk is profit
 - v. The profit earned by it belongs to its owners (sole proprietor, partners or shareholders).
- b. Two key features of **Sole-proprietorship**
 - It is a business owned by an individual.
 - He bears the responsibility for running the business and he alone takes the profits or loss.
 - The sole-proprietorship is not regulated by special rules of law

Partnership Formation

- Partnership is the relationship which exists between two or more persons, commonly referred to as partners, carrying on a business in common with a view to making profit.
- Most partnerships are formed under a formal agreement. In the absence of an agreement, the Partnership Act 1890 provides among other things, that:
 - All profits and losses are to be shared equally between the partners
 - No interest is allowed on capital and current accounts.
 - No remuneration will be paid to a partner.

- Any advance or loan made by a partner in excess of his agreed share of capital will attract interest at 5% per annum agreement is most important, if it is intended that partners should be rewarded according to their differing contributions made to the firm in form of capital, expertise, experience or effort. Resulting from this, an agreement would necessarily contain provisions regarding the following, to ensure as far as possible, that there is an equitable distribution of profits or losses. The amount of capital to be provided and maintained by each Partner.
- The rate of interest (if any) to be paid on capital.
- The extent to which drawings are allowed and the rate of interest (if any) to be charged on drawings.
- The remuneration (if any) to be paid to partners for their services.
- The interest to be paid on any advance or loan made to the firm by a partner over and above his agreed capital.
- The proportions in which profits or losses are to be shared after taking account of any adjustments as a result of the above.

2. **Advantages and disadvantages of Limited Liability Company**

Advantages

The liability of the shareholders is limited other amount they have subscribed to the company's capital if it goes bankrupt.

- It can raise substantial amount of capital from the numerous shareholders or from financial institutions.
- The chance of survival is high because the company is controlled and managed by highly skilled professional management team appointed by the Board of Directors who are elected by and answerable to the shareholders.
- The limited company is a separate legal entity distinct from its members. It can sue and be sued in its name.
- Unless it is wound up, a limited company has perpetual succession so that it is not affected by the death, bankruptcy, mental disorder or retirement of its members.
- Floating charges can be created by a limited company.
- Shares in a public company can be transferred without the consent of other members.

Disadvantages

- Formation of limited liability company requires costly legal expenses
- Decision making may be delayed due to bureaucratic bottlenecks.
- The members of the company have no power to manage its affairs.
- Much legal and publicity formalities are observed e.g. Filing of annual returns, annual general meeting, etc.
- Much of its activities are open to public scrutiny.'

2.15. Examination like questions without solutions

1. What are the divergences between a sole proprietorship and a partnership?
2. Explain in detail the procedure of Company formation.

CHAPTER THREE

ACCOUNTING CONCEPTS AND CONVENTIONS

Chapter Three Contents

- Accounting concepts
- Accounting convention

Learning Objectives

At the end of this chapter candidates should be able to:

- *Identify and explain the relevance of accounting concepts;*
- *Explain various accounting concepts underlying preparation of financial statements;*
- *Explain off setting; and*
- *Explain relevance and faithful representation*

3.1 Accounting Concepts

In preparing a General Purpose Financial Statement, the IASB's conceptual framework prescribes that an entity is required to apply accounting concepts and conventions in IAS 1. A General Purpose Financial Statement is one in which it is intended to meet the expectations of users who are not opportune to ask for reports tailored in the order of their needs, General purpose financial statements are prepared under certain assumptions generally regarded as concepts and conventions.

Concepts and Conventions Compared

Concepts, principles, conventions, laws, rules and regulations combined are known as Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP). GAAP varies from country to country but with the adoption of International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs) by many countries, the variations are greatly reduced to the extents of accommodating local extant rules affecting the preparation of financial statements. These local rules include but not limited to the Companies and Allied Matter Act as amended to date, Securities and Exchange and Stock Exchange Acts etcetera. Nigeria is one of the countries that have adopted (IFRSs). The concepts and conventions as described in conceptual framework and international Accounting Standard number (I) (IAS1) are discussed below:

3.2 Going Concern Concept

Unless otherwise stated, it is always assumed that business entity will continue in operation for the foreseeable future. It is assumed that the entity has neither the intention nor the necessity of liquidation or curtailing significantly the scale of its operation. In other words, the life of a business entity is indefinite and it operates in perpetuity.

The going concern concept will help investors, payables, employees, customers and other stakeholders to determine the extent to which they want to continue to patronize the business. Not only that, it assists long and short-term suppliers of credits to have assurances that their credits would be repaid as well as guaranteeing job security and salaries and wages of employees. The going concern concept may be more justified in a limited liability company where the death or withdrawal of any member (shareholder) may not affect its scale of operation.

Assets and liabilities of a going concern entity are generally valued on historical cost basis, or fair value basis.

3.3 Money Measurement Concept

Money serves as the common denominator for measuring the various assets and liabilities of an entity, therefore, accounting transactions are expressed in monetary values. The Naira and the Cedi represent a unit of value which has the ability to command goods and services in Nigeria and Ghana respectively. Apart from the fact that money serves as a common unit, accountants also believe that it is stable in value.

There are some limitations in the use of money as measure of value in accounting. These include:

- (a) The value of money does not always remain stable particularly in an inflationary economy.
- (b) Apart from inflation, the time value of money today is greater than the time value of money in any future time. This affects the cost of funds.

There are some activities of an entity that are not recorded because monetary value can not be attached to them. Examples are good management, employees' morale, an entity's comparative advantages, etc.

- (c) However, accounting does not provide all the information about a firm, it provides only economic

information that can be expressed in monetary terms. We may then understand why limited liability companies are now being required to disclose a lot of non-accounting information in their annual reports and accounts.

3.4 Consistency

Usually there is more than one way of treating an item in the accounts without going against any accounting principle. Consistency concept requires that when a method has been adopted in treating an item in the financial statements, the method should not be changed but used consistently from period to period. For instance, there are many methods of depreciating non-current asset such as straight line, reducing balance, sum of the digits methods. If a straight line method is chosen to depreciate buildings in year one, the company should continue to depreciate buildings on straight line basis from year to year. This method should not be changed unless there are compelling reasons. In other words, if First-in-First-out (FIFO) is chosen value inventory under IAS 2 in a year instead of Weighted Average Cost, it is suggestive that FIFO should be consistently engaged over year before an entity can consider a change to a new method.

The essence of this principle is to make it easy for users of financial statements to compare the results of one period to another. Constant change in method will distort profits and make comparison difficult. However, occasionally there may be justification to change from one method to another. If the change is made, adequate disclosure must be made about the nature of the change and the effect of the change on profits.

3.5 Prudence Concept

The prudence concept requires that an accountant should not recognize income until the for all known losses. The essence of the principle is that profits and assets are not over stated, expenses and liabilities are not understated in the financial statements in any accounting period. In a nut shell, prudence means the preparer of financial statements should exercise caution in making decisions under conditions of uncertainty.

The prudence concept is most useful when matters of judgement or estimates are involved. For instance, if the credit policy of a business requires a customer to pay for the goods sold to him within 60 days and he has not paid after 120 days, it may be reasonable to make allowance for the entire amount as irrecoverable and doubtful debt. Another example is when inventories become obsolete and its net realizable value falls below cost, the difference between the cost and the net realizable value should be

written off to the statement of profit or loss.

Failure to write foreseeable losses off or the recognition of unrealized income will produce a misleading result which may lead to payment of taxes or distributions that should not have been made.

3.6 Materiality and Aggregation

Any accounting information that affects users' decision about reporting entity's performance when such information is omitted or misstated is regarded as material. The principle of materiality holds that financial statements should separately disclose items which are significant enough to affect valuation or decisions. It refers to the relative importance of an item in the financial statements. Therefore some level of judgement may be required to determine an item that is material to an entity in the financial statement. In other words, what is material to a sole trader may be immaterial to a large company.

The nature, amount (value) and size of a business (in terms of capital employed) will generally be considered in determining the materiality of an item of cost. For instance, stapler, perforator, waste basket are expected to be used for more than one period, so that their costs should be measured over the period of use. However, because of the insignificant amounts involved, the concept of materiality permits the immediate write off of these costs as expenses.

3.7 Accrual/Matching Concept

This can be called either accrual or matching concept. The accrual concept states that income should be recognized when they are earned and not when they are received in cash. Expenses should also be recorded when they are incurred and not when paid. The application of this concept gives rise to prepayments and accrued expenses (accrual). An accrued expense occurs when it has been incurred but has not been paid for in the accounting period. Prepaid expenses occur when payment has been made for services but benefits have not been derived from the payments made during the accounting year. They give rise to liabilities and assets respectively. Prepaid expenses and outstanding receivables are current assets (payable within a financial year) while income received in advance and outstanding payables are current liabilities of the business payable within a financial year.

All expenses due but not yet paid should be added (debited) to the expenses paid in order to determine the total expenses for the period and this will be treated as a credit entry, which is an item of current liability in the Statement of Financial Position. All expenses prepaid should be excluded or deducted (i.e. credited to expense) in the statement of profit or loss. This is debited as an expense receivable, which is an item of current asset in the Statement of Financial Position. All income due and receivable should form part

of the income for the period. While all income received in advance should be excluded, which means it is debited to revenue account and credited as an item of current liability in the Statement of Financial Position.

The concept also holds that for any accounting period, the earned revenue should be matched with the cost that earned them. If revenue is deferred from one period to another, all elements of cost relating to them should also be carried forward accordingly. The concept is important in measuring the cost of goods sold or services rendered in a period. It is also useful in determining when the cost of an item becomes expenses (that is expired cost). This concept is applied to products where the costs can be related directly to them. It is applied in relation to time period where the cost incurred can not be related to the product. For instance, if a trader bought 50 pairs of shoes for ₦50,000 and sold 35 pairs for ₦70,000 at the end of a period. The cost of goods sold would be measured on the 35 pairs sold. That is $35/50 \times ₦50,000 = ₦35,000$. ₦15,000 would be deferred to the next period. Some costs that can not be related to specific transactions are depreciation, electricity bill, insurance cost etc. When this concept is not properly applied profits are either over stated or understated.

3.8 Objectivity/Fairness Concept

Objectivity concept holds that financial statements should not be influenced by personal bias of the management. The use of historical cost for asset valuation is an attempt to be objective, because it can be backed up by vouchers, invoices, cheques, bills etc. A change in the value of an asset should therefore be recognized when it can be measured in objective terms and such valuation is premised on the report of an independent professional valuer.

Objectivity, is useful in accounting in the following ways:

- (a) Auditing is made possible
- (b) Accounting data are standardized.
- (c) Fraud and falsification of accounts are minimized.
- (d) Data is available for an independent party to cross-check.

In spite of the goals of objectivity concept some personal opinions and judgement are brought into accounting information in a few instances. For instance, estimates are required to determine the useful life of a non-current asset and the net realizable value of inventories or the allowance to be made for irrecoverable and doubtful debts. However, figures used in financial statements should rely as little as

possible on estimates or subjectivity.

3.9 Historical Cost Convention

Historical cost is the amount of cash or cash equivalent paid or the fair value of the considerations given to acquire an item Property, Plant and Equipment (PPE) collectively called noncurrent assets. It may also include the amount of cash or cash equivalents given to acquire inventory of goods meant for resale. In this vein, liabilities are recorded at the amount of proceeds received in exchange for an obligation. The justification for the historical cost principle is its objectivity; that is, the cost can be traced to the source documents (receipts, invoices, payment vouchers etc.) Whereas, other measures of value, for examples, fair value or valuation of noncurrent assets, basis of selecting straight line method of depreciation, reducing balance method, output method or sinking fund method would be based on the subjective judgement or factors not measurable by management. The main criticism against the historical cost concept is that, with the passage of time, cost would no more represent the fair value of an item of Property, Plant and Equipment (PPE). For instance, the value of a building constructed ten years ago might have appreciated considerably over the period. In periods of inflation, the use of historical cost instead of fair values, normally lead to de-recognition of “holding gain” or “revaluation surplus” because cost would significantly understate the value of these sources being consumed. Hence, the IASB has prescribed the use of fair value as an alternative. However, if not effectively managed; recognizing holding gain or revaluation surplus may lead to the distribution of the unearned profits that would have been retained in the business for further expansion.

3.10 Fair Value Basis

Fair value is the price that would be received from knowledgeable parties at arm's length transaction to sell an item of Property, Plant and Equipment (PPE) or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The basis for determining fair value is arm's length transaction, that is, transaction that involves dealing with unrelated or unknown knowledgeable parties in a market where buyers are fully aware of all necessary information.

3.11 Periodicity concept

The assumed life span of a business is usually subdivided into smaller periods of twelve months (one year). This enables an entity's operations to be subjected to periodic review to determine the financial performance and position of the entity. It also empowers the management to make periodic distributions

to the owners. The periodic review would also help to assess management efficiency and the planning and control of future operations.

3.12 Off setting

In accounting, offsetting refers to accounting entries necessary to reduce or negate the balance of another account that it is paired with. It is otherwise referred to as a contra- entry. For an example, an opening debit balance of C100,000 in the trade receivable account could be offset with an opening balance of C100,000 in the trade payable account. In other words, an asset account could be used to offset a liability account.

3.13 Relevance and Faithful Representations

a) Relevance

An accounting information is relevant if its contents have ability to influence the economic decisions of users of the information. The information is relevant if it is supplied at a time it would influence major economic decisions of the users of such information. An accounting information is relevant if it has two (2) elements, these are:

- Predictive Value; and
- Confirmatory Value,

Predictive value means the information would enable users to assess, evaluate, judge or appraise past, present and future transactions to make major economic decisions.

Confirmatory value assists users of accounting information to verify, substantiate or validate current values reported in the financial statements.

(b) Faithfull Representations

An accounting information is faithfully presented if it purports to represent the value reported in the financial statements. In other words, such information must be accounted for and presented in accordance with their economic reality or substance and not merely their legal reality.

An accounting information that is faithfully presented has three (3) features, these are:

- **Completeness**, it must contain detailed and necessary information, explanation, and description to assist users of the information to make major economic decisions;
- **Neutrality**, information must be neutral, and free from bias. An accounting information is not neutral if by selecting or presenting information, it influences the making of a

decision

in order to achieve a predetermined outcome; and

- **Free from error**, an accounting information must be free from material error that will distort or mislead users of the information. A false information could mislead users of accounting information in taking major economic decisions.

Other Concepts

Substance Over Form

Although business transactions are usually governed by legal principles; nevertheless they are accounted for and presented in accordance with their financial substance and reality and not merely by their legal form. In order to be useful information contained in financial statements must be relevant and reliable. This can only be achieved if the substance of transactions is recorded. If this did not happen the financial statements would not represent faithfully the transactions and other events that had occurred. Examples are found in sales and re-purchase agreements, lease contracts and consignment of goods.

Realisation Concept

Under accrual concept, revenue should be recorded when it is earned. The realization concept is concerned with determining when revenue is earned.

The realisation concept holds that revenue should be recognised at the time goods are sold and services are rendered; that is the point at which the customer has incurred liability.

Before revenue can be realized and recorded, it must have met the following two conditions

- (a) The revenue is capable of objective measurement
- (b) The value of asset received or receivable is reasonably certain.

The realization concept may however be difficult to apply in hire purchase transactions, lease transactions, contract jobs, and advertisement agencies etc.

You will learn the rules that are applied in recognizing revenue as you progress in your studies.

Entity Concept

In the strict legal sense, only limited liability companies are regarded as legal entities separate from their owners. They can acquire assets and incur liabilities. They can enter into contracts on their own and can owe debts. They can sue and be sued.

In accounting, however, all forms of entities are regarded as being separate from their owners. The resources contributed by the owner to the business is regarded as the liability of the business to the owner, which is called capital or owners' equity.

The essence of the entity concept is to distinguish the income and costs of the business from the private income and costs of the proprietor or his drawings from the business. For instance, if the owner of a business draws cash from the business bank account to repair delivery vans for business use, it would be regarded as business expenses. But if he pays his child's school fees with the business cash, the amount will be treated as drawings of the owner rather than expenses. The entity concept is key to the proper understanding of the double entry principle and so must be properly grasped at this stage. We shall next consider the other concepts and conventions.

Chapter Summary

In this chapter we have discussed the fundamental accounting concepts including entity, going-concern, historical cost, periodicity, monetary measurement, realisation, matching, consistency, prudence, materiality, accrual, substance over form and fairness concepts. We discussed the usefulness of these concepts in accounting information and their limitations.

Revision Questions

- (1) Which of the following are the effects of matching concept?
 - i. Determination of periodic profits
 - ii. Unexpired costs are deferred
 - iii. Cost of goods sold may be different from purchases
- (a) I, II, and III
- (b) I and III
- (c) II and III (d) I and II
- (d) None of the above

- (2) The accrual concept requires a business to treat as income those which are due and receivable and to treat as expenses those which are in arrears respectively.

(a)	Yes	Yes
(b)	Yes	No
(c)	No	Yes
(d)	No	No
(e)	None	Of the above

- (3) The implication of the entity concept to a sole trader is that the

- (a) Business can sue and be sue dseparately
- (b) Liability of the owner is limited
- (c) Owner can not own private assets
- (d) Private use of business assets reduces owner's capital.
- (e) Owner can is sue shares to the public

- (4) An accounting concept, which justifies the charging to an expense to cost of small waste basket even though it has many useful life is called ____ concept

- (a) Material
- (b) Prudence
- (c) Going Concern
- (d) Fair Value
- (e) Entity

- (5) Which of the following accounting concept mainly supports depreciation of non-current assets?

- (a) Entity Concept
- (b) Fair Value Concept
- (c) Materiality
- (d) Matching/Accrual
- (e) Money Measurement

- (6) The accounting concept which presumes that an entity continues to operate into a foreseeable future is called _____ concept.
- (a) Fair Value
 - (b) Money Measurement
 - (c) Going Concern
 - (d) Entity
 - (e) Objectivity
- (7) Which of the following methods is used to value inventory in the financial statement?
- (a) Reducing balancing method
 - (b) Straight line method
 - (c) Output method
 - (d) Weighted average method
 - (e) Sinking fund method
- (8) An accounting concept which prescribes that financial statements should not be prepared to influence users of the statement is called _____ concept
- (a) Fair value
 - (b) Fairness
 - (c) Historical cost
 - (d) Entity
 - (e) Materiality
- (9) A financial statement which is prepared to meet the expectations of users not opportune to demand for the reports in a particular order of their needs is called _____
- (a) General purpose financial statements
 - (b) Audited financial statements
 - (c) Management report
 - (d) Cash flow report

- (e) Financial statements
- (10) Which of the following is an example of local extent laws used in the preparation of financial statements?
- (a) International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS)
- (b) International Accounting Standards (IAS)
- (c) International Accounting Standard Board (IASB) law
- (d) Stock Exchange Act
- (e) IASB Interpretative law

Short Answer Questions

1. State which accounting concept justifies the depreciation of non-current assets.
2. Mensa and Co., a sole trader, discovered that the business liability is in excess of the assets, he thus included his private assets in the Statement of financial position. Which concept is violated?
3. State the meaning of IFRS
4. An accounting concepts, which assumed that an entity will continue to operate in perpetuity is called _____
5. An accounting concept which recognizes a common denominator to measure assets and liabilities is called _____
6. An accounting concept, which requires that an accountant should not recognized income until the income has been earned and adequate allowances made for all known losses is known as _____
7. A financial account is said to be _____ where a particular method is used regularly to treat transaction in accounting.
8. An accounting concept, which discloses item significant value is called _____
9. A kind of accounting concept, which recognizes income when it is earned and not when it is received in cash in known as _____
10. The price that would be received from two knowledgeable parties as an arm's length transaction

to sell an item of property, plant and equipment at a measurement date is called_____

Solution to Revision Questions

- (1) C
- (2) A
- (3) A
- (4) B
- (5) D
- (6) C
- (7) D
- (8) B
- (9) A
- (10) D

Solutions to Short Answer Questions (SAQ)

- 1. Matching and Accrual
- 2. Use of historical cost would understate cost of assets consumed thereby causing the business to report holding gain or to over state profits.
Materiality
Matching concept
Entity concept
- 3. International Financial Reporting Standard (IFRS)
- 4. Going Concern
- 5. Money Measurement
- 6. Prudence
- 7. Consistent
- 8. Materiality
- 9. Accrual/Matching
- 10. Fair Value

CHAPTER FOUR

ACCOUNTING SOURCE DOCUMENTS AND BOOKS OF ORIGINAL ENTRY

Chapter Four Contents

- Accounting source documents
- Accounting books
- Cash transactions
- Discounts
- Double entry principle
- Balancing of ledgers

4.0 Learning Objectives

At the end of this chapter candidates should be able to:

- ☐ identify the main source documents
- Know the importance of source documents
- Know the nature and functions of books of original entry
- Prepare day books and Journals
- Transfer from the books of original entry to the relevant ledgers
- Know the effect of trade and cash discounts on a transaction.
- Prepare relevant ledgers and extract a trial balance.

Introduction

Source documents are documents from which accounting information are gathered together and classified before being recorded in the subsidiary books or books of original entry. The book of original entry is the accounting record in which transactions are first recorded from source documents. The source documents are usually attached to vouchers or kept in some secured files as supporting documentary evidence or a paper trail to substantiate all the financial transactions of the business.

Importance of Source Documents

Source documents are the source of all original information on the financial transactions of a business.

They perform the following functions:

- they serve as evidence of financial transactions there by guarding against fraud and making audit possible
- They are usually signed by the parties to the transaction therefore they are difficult to deny and also it is almost impossible to alter them in order to defraud the entity.
- In some cases, there could be more than one source document for a transaction but they would complement one another.
- To give effect to efficient bank reconciliations.

4.2.1 Main Source Documents

The main source documents that are used for recording in the books of original entry are:

- Quotations
- Sales invoices and Bills
- Pro-forma invoices
- Credit notes
- Debit notes
- Payment vouchers
- Petty cash vouchers
- Bank Pay-in-slips
- Cheque counter foils
- Receipts
- Pay slips
- Bank statements
- Remittance advices

Others which may not contain full information to make recording possible in the books of original entry are

- Purchase orders
- Delivery notes
- Goods Received Notes
- Bin Cards

4.2.1.1 Quotation

A quotation is a formal statement of intention made by a potential supplier to supply the goods or services required by a purchaser at specified prices and within a specified period. It sometimes also contain terms of sale, payment and warranties. Acceptance of quotation by the buyer leads to issue of sales invoice by the supplier to the buyer which binds both parties

4.2.1.2 Pro-Forma Invoice

Pro-forma invoice is an estimated invoice sent by a vendor to a purchaser. It is usually sent ahead of shipment or delivery of goods. The pro-forma invoice states the kind, quantity of goods, their prices and other essential information such as weight and transport fares. It is used as a preliminary invoice to support a quotation for custom purpose in importation. However, the pro-forma invoice can be distinguished from the normal invoice in that while an invoice is a formal request for payment by a supplier, the pro-forma invoice serves as advance information only.

4.2.1.3 Sales Invoices and Bills

A sales invoice serves as the source document to record in the sales day book. This is a document sent by the seller to the buyer (usually for credit sales) requesting the buyer to pay for the amount stated on the invoice for goods or services rendered to him. Usually bills are sent for service rendered while invoices are sent for goods sold.

A Sales invoice would contain the following particulars

- Name and address of the seller and purchaser
- Date of the sales
- Description and quantity of goods sold
- Unit price and total amount of invoice
- Amount charged for value added tax (VAT)
- Conditions and terms of sales such as a trade discount, cash discount and the date payment falls due.
- Signature of the parties to the transaction.

Sales Invoices are pre-numbered and prepared in duplicate. The original is sent to the buyer while the duplicate is used to update the sales day book.

SPECIMEN SALES INVOICE

Green Enterprises Ltd 11 Idimu Street Oke-	
<div style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; padding: 2px 10px;">Invoice No.: 7491</div>	
Date: June 1, 2022 Your Order No: S/K	
To: Ajaka Ventures Ltd 11 Idimu Street	
xxx pair of shoes at Nxxx per pair xxx silk shirts at Nxxx each	<div style="text-align: center;">N</div> <div style="text-align: center;">xxxx</div> <div style="text-align: center;">xxxx</div> <div style="text-align: center;">xxxx</div> <div style="text-align: center;">xxxx</div>
Less xxx% trade discount	<div style="text-align: center;">xxxx</div>
Sales amount due	<div style="text-align: center;">xxxxx</div>
Please arrange for the payment immediately. A cheque drawn on the firm's name is acceptable.	
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="width: 45%; border-top: 1px dashed black; margin-top: 10px;"></div> <div style="width: 45%; border-top: 1px dashed black; margin-top: 10px;"></div> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; margin-top: 10px;"> <div style="width: 45%;">Customer</div> <div style="width: 45%;">Sales Manager</div> </div>	

NOTE: Trade Discount does not form part of the double entry. It is deducted from the gross sales to arrive at the net amount of sales that would be recorded in the ledger.

4.2.1.4 Purchase Invoices

A purchase invoice serves as the source document to record in the purchases day book. As explained in the last paragraph, the purchases invoice is the original of the sales invoice sent by the supplier to the customer. Therefore, the sales invoice and the purchases invoice contain the same details. The only difference is that purchases invoices are in the books of buyer and are received from various customers and therefore will not be pre-numbered because goods are purchased from different sources. The invoice numbers are usually not sequential for the same reason.

4.2.1.5 Creditnote

A credit note is a document relating to goods returned by the buyer or refunds to him when the buyer has been over charged.

Goods may be returned by a customer for any of the following reasons:

- Damage to the goods before delivery
- Wrong specification from the one ordered by the customer.

The purpose of credit note is to inform the buyer that his indebtedness has been reduced by the amount stated on the credit note.

Credit note issued represents returns on sales while credit note received represents returns on purchases. A credit note is made out in red to distinguish it from an invoice.

4.2.1.6 Debitnote

The buyer normally issues a debit note to a supplier to request for a credit note. The buyer may not debit the account of the supplier until his request is approved by him as evidenced by the issue of the credit note to the buyer.

A debit note is also prepared whenever it becomes necessary, for one reason or the other, to increase the amount due from a debtor. An example is where the seller has under-charged a customer on an invoice.

Generally, any expenses that should have been charged to the customer but were erroneously omitted when the invoice was made out would be charged subsequently by means of a debit note prepared by the supplier.

4.2.1.7 Payment Vouchers

Payment voucher is an authorizing document for payment for a particular expense or service. In an entity every payment must be supported by a payment voucher. Examples are payment vouchers for salary and wages, and pettycash vouchers etc.

The voucher must be checked and authorized by responsible or authorizing officer before cash can be paid. Payment vouchers for little expenses recorded in the petty cash book is referred to as pettycash vouchers

4.2.1.8 Bank Pay-in-slips

Bank pay-in-slip serves as evidence of cheque and cash paid into the bank by an entity and individuals. It is the major source document for recording in the bank column of a cash book (debit side). The bank pay-in-slips are usually supplied by the banks to their customers and have the name of the particular bank on them.

Pay-in-slip contains the following information:

- Name of branch where the account number is operated
- Name of the business and the account number
- Phone number of the depositor.
- Name of the person paying in the cheques or cash
- If it is cash, the total amount of each cash denomination is specified.
- If it is cheque, cheque number, name of bank, amount on a cheque and branch for each of the cheques being lodged
- Column for signature of the person paying in (depositor)

- Column for signature of the bank official receiving the cheques with the bank's official stamp
- Date of lodgment

4.2.1.8 Cheque Counterfoils

Most cheque books have a small portion of the cheque where the details on the original cheque are summarised. This is called a counter foil or cheque stub. This part is left after the main cheque has been detached along the perforated line. Cheque counter foils serve as evidence of payment to payables through the bank and withdrawals made for office or personal use.

In most entities all cash received must be paid to the bank and all cash payments must be made through the bank, (except petty cash that is operated through the imprest system). Therefore for many businesses, cheque counter foils have become major source documents for recording in the bank column of the cash book (Credit side).

4.2.1.9 Receipts

Receipts are issued to acknowledge cash and cheques received from a customer for goods sold or service rendered to him. The original is issued to the buyer; it represents the document for recording cash paid in his cash book. The seller retains the duplicate, which is the document for recording cash received in the cash book of the seller. Receipts are usually pre-numbered.

Receipts contain the following information:

- Name of customer making the payment
- Date of receiving cash/cheque
- Amount of cash/cheque received (in words and figures)
- Signature of the Receiver

4.2.1.10 Purchase Order

A purchase order is issued by a customer requesting the seller to supply certain quantities of goods of specified description. The purchase order will also state the agreed price and the delivery point and date.

Invoices are compared with the purchase order when invoices are received. A goods received note is issued after it has been ascertained that the goods supplied meet the specifications in the purchase order. An example of a purchase order is the Local Purchase Order (LPO).

4.2.1.11 Delivery Note

Delivery note is a document that accompanies the goods dispatched to the customer. Delivery note protects the dispatch driver from harassment on how he comes about the goods and serves as evidence of goods received by the purchaser when it is signed by him.

4.2.1.12 Remittance Advice

When a customer is making payment on invoices to the supplier, he will usually accompany his remittance with a letter stating details of invoices that are settled by the attached instrument. This letter or document is referred to as Remittance Advice. The letter may also be sent after the remittance had been made, if it was through bank transfer.

4.2.1.13 Pay Slip

This is a source document issued by employer to the employees showing details of his gross emoluments and payroll deductions. The payroll deductions consist of statutory deductions such as (personal Income Tax, employees' pension contributions, National Housing funds, National Health Insurance and non statutory deductions such as contribution to cooperative societies, union dues, and association fees, etc

The gross emolument consists of basic salary, housing allowance, transport allowance, responsibility allowance and utility allowance etc. The difference between gross emoluments and statutory and non statutory deductions is described as net pay. The document serves as a legal evidence of employees pay records and evidence of tax payment for obtaining tax clearance certificate at the relevant tax authority.

4.2.1.14 Goods Received Note (GRN)

The goods received note shows the evidence that the goods dispatched to an organisation are received in good condition and meet the specifications. The accounts department will request for the relevant GRN before paying a supplier's invoice. The GRN is also used to update the Bin Card.

4.2.1.15 Bin Card

Bin card records movements of inventories. When inventories are received into the store the warehouse bin card is debited and when inventories are issued to production, the bin card is credited.

Books of Original Entry

These books are also referred to as books of prime entry or subsidiary books or day books or journals. They are the books in which transactions are first recorded before being posted to the ledger. Transactions can be recorded directly to the ledger but the books of original entry are in use because they have the following advantages which the ledger does not have.

- (i) They record the total of transactions rather than the individual amounts.
- (ii) They provide an explanation of the transactions recorded. For instance the journal shows the complete story of a transaction. You will not need to look at the debit and credit for a transaction in different accounts/folios.
- (iii) They provide records of transactions in chronological order.
- (iv) They help to prevent error. The total in the book of original entry can be reconciled with the total in the individual accounts.

Main books of original entries are:

- (i) Sales daybook
- (ii) Purchases day book
- (iii) Sales returns book/Returns inward book
- (iv) Purchases returns book/Returns outward book
- (v) Journal proper
- (vi) Cashbook
- (vii) Pettycash book

In a computerised accounting system the books may not be in printed form but stored in a computer memory.

4.3.1 Sales DayBook

Sales day book is the book of original entry that records credit sales. The relevant source document is the duplicate of the invoice issued to the customer. The volume of daily sales transactions normally demands that they are firstly collated for the period before being transferred to sales ledger accounts.

The sales day book shows the following information:

- (i) A list of the sales invoices in the order in which they are issued
- (ii) The date of issue
- (iii) The name of the customer
- (iv) The number of the invoice
- (v) The sales ledger number to which the individual accounts are posted
- (vi) The net amount of the invoice after deducting trade discount and VAT

The sales day book does not show the description of the goods. These are contained in the invoice.

Illustration4.3.1.1

Baba Olu Enterprises made the following credit sales within voice numbers 072–079 respectively. Baba Olu trades in textile materials

₦		
2022, March1:		Addo Enterprises 1,500,000
„ 2:	Moslad&Sons	800,000
„ 3:	KanfoLtd.	2,500,000
„ 4:	Aburi&Sons	900,000
„ 5:	Akapo Enterprises	1,500,000
„ 6:	NwosuVentures	400,000
„ 7:	BamiroEnterprises	600,000
„ 7:	AdeoluVentures	700,000

Record the above sales in the sales day book.

Solution to Illustration 4.3.1.1

Baba Olu Enterprises

SALES DAY BOOK

Date	Custome	InvoiceNo	Folio	Amount
2006				₦
March 1	Addo Enterprises	072	SL 18	1,500,000
„ 2	Moslad & Sons	073	SL 11	800,000
„ 3	Kanfo Ltd.	074	SL 15	2,500,000
„ 4	Aburi & Sons	075	SL 7	900,000
„ 5	Akapo Enterprises	076	SL 16	1,500,000
„ 6	Nwosu Ventures	077	SL 10	400,000
„ 7	Bamiro Enterprises	078	SL 8	600,000
„ 7	Adeolu Ventures	079	SL 5	<u>700,000</u>
“ 7	Transfer to sales A/c	CR	GL 5	<u>8,900,000</u>

The Folio states the sales ledger reference to which the sales to each customer are posted. At the end of the period the total of ₦8,900,000 is posted to the credit of the sales account, while transactions relating to each customer are also posted to the debit side of the respective ledger accounts. A business entity may trade in more than one type of products. The periodic sales are usually analyzed according to each product in the sales day book.

Illustration 4.3.1.2

In the first week of September 2022 Victor Enterprises issued the following invoices to its customers. The invoice numbers were 1182 to 1187. The entity trades in wooden chairs and wall clocks.

Date	Description of goods	₦
02/09/22	Jacobs & Sons (invoice no 1182)	
	12 wooden chairs at ₦500 each	6,000
	4 wall clocks at ₦650 each	<u>2,600</u>
		<u>8,600</u>
03/09/22	Moruf Enterprises (invoice no 1183)	
	25 wooden chairs at ₦500 each	12,500
04/09/22	Sago Ventures (invoice no 1184)	
	40 wooden chairs at ₦500 each	20,000
	50 wall clocks at ₦650 each	<u>32,500</u>
		52,500
	Trade discount at 5%	<u>2,625</u>
		<u>49,875</u>
04/09/22	Koku Emmanuel (invoice no 1185)	
	2 wall clocks at ₦650 each	1,300
05/09/22	Solola and Co. (invoice no 1186)	
	10 wall clocks at ₦650 each	6,500
07/09/22	Annan Enterprises (invoice no 1187)	
	100 wooden chairs at ₦500 each	50,000
	80 wall clocks at ₦650 each	<u>52,000</u>
		102,000
	Trade discount at 8%	<u>8,160</u>
		<u>93,840</u>

Prepare the analytical sales daybook of Victor Enterprises for the week ending September 7, 2022.

Solution to Illustration 4.3.1.2

VICTOR ENTERPRISESALES DAY BOOK

Date	Particulars	Invoice Number	Folio	Amount	Analysis	
					Wooden Chairs	Wall Clock
				₦	₦	₦
2/9/16	Jacobs & Sons	1182	SL114	8,600	6,000	2,600
3/9/16	Moruf Enterprise	1183	SL83	12,500	12,500	-
4/9/16	Sago Ventures	1184	SL68	49,875	19,000	30,875
4/9/16	Koku Emmanuel	1185	SL101	1,300	-	1,300
5/9/16	Solola & Co	1186	SL94	6,500	-	6,500
7/9/16	Annan Enterprises	1187	SL71	93,840	46,000	47,840
Transfer to Sales A/c			GL12	<u>172,615</u>	<u>83,500</u>	<u>89,115</u>

Notes: SL reference is the reference to the Sales Ledger GL“
“General Ledger

The analysis would help managers to assess the rate at which each class of inventories is sold for decision making and efficient management of the business.

- (i) Where trade discounts were given, the effects were distributed on a pro-rata basis between the two classes of goods sold. For instance in the sales to Sago Venture the amount on wooden chairs and wall clocks were calculated as follows:

Wooden chairs $\text{₦}20,000 - (20,000 \times 5\%) = \text{₦}19,000$

Wall clocks $\text{₦}32,500 - (32,500 \times 5\%) = \text{₦}30,875$

4.3.2 Purchases Day Book

The purchases day book is the book of original entry used to record all credit purchases. The total there in is transferred to the debit of the purchases ledger at regular intervals. An amount relating to each supplier is credited in their respective subsidiary ledgers. The period covered may be daily, weekly or monthly depending

on the volume of purchases transactions. The details on purchases day book are extracted from incoming invoices. Each supplier's account is correspondingly credited in the subsidiary ledger.

Illustration 4.3.2.1

Mambo Enterprises made the following purchases on credit

1/8/2022	Mrs B. Kent	₦150,000 with invoice No. 1062
	I. Akolade Ltd.	₦108,000 with invoice No. 083
4/8/2022	Saidi Ojo	₦60,000 with invoice No. 003
	Wasiu Stars	₦82,800 with invoice No. 288
	Akala & Co	₦98,250 with invoice No. 1124
7/8/2022	Onuo Paul & Sons	₦120,000 with invoice No. 002
	J. Mfon Ltd.	₦67,500 with invoice No. 116
	Festac Enterprises	₦337,500 with invoice No. 644

Enter the transactions in the purchases day book of Mambo Enterprises.

Solution to Illustration 4.3.2.1

Mambo Enterprises

Purchase day book

Date	Particulars (Suppliers)	Invoice No	Folio	Detail ₦	Amount ₦
1/8/2022	Mrs. B. Kent	1062	PL22	150,000	
	I. Akolade Ltd	083	PL132	<u>108,000</u>	
					258,000
4/8/2022	Saidi Ojo	003	PL08	60,000	
	Wasiu Stars	288	PL042	82,800	
	Akala & Co	1124	PL015	<u>98,250</u>	
					241,050
7/8/2022	Onuo Paul & sons	002	PL06	120,000	
	J. Mfon Ltd	116	PL04	67,500	
	Festac Enterprises	644	PL105	<u>337,500</u>	<u>525,000</u>
7/8/2022	Transfer to purchases ledger			DR	<u>1,024,050</u>

Note

(vii) PL reference is the reference to the Purchases Ledger

(viii) The purchases daybook records invoices coming from different suppliers with the pre-printed numbers

4.3.2.1 Analysed Purchases DayBook

Like the sales day book, the purchases day book can be analysed, but unlike the case of sales day book, it may contain columns for goods meant for resale, goods not meant for resale and bills received for services.

Illustration 4.3.2.1

Joy bringer, a sole trader, made the following transactions which relate to the month of July, 2022.

2022			¢
July	1	Bought goods in credit from J. Leye Ltd.	1,500,000
„	2	Bought goods on credit from Bala & Sons	850,000
„	6	Bought stationery on credit from Suzie Ltd.	750,000
„	9	Bought goods on credit from Sasa & Sons	640,000
„	12	Received invoices for carriage on goods from Samcol	940,000
„	14	Bought goods on credit from Bala & Sons	1,050,000
„	15	Received invoice for electricity from EDCN	750,000
„	18	Bought goods on credit from Mike Essien & Co	645,000
„	25	Bought stationery on credit from Suzie Ltd.	874,000
„	26	Received invoice from Babs Motors for vehicle repair	682,000
„	28	Bought goods on credit from Bala & Sons	1,200,000
„	30	Bought goods on credit from Nana & Co	450,000
„	31	Received invoices for gas consumed from Owusu Ltd.	894,500

Prepare the analysed purchases daybook for the month of July, 2022 in the books of Joy bringer.

Solution to Illustration 4.3.2.1

Analysed Purchases DayBook

Date	Particulars Names of		Total	Purchases	Stationery	Carriage	Motor	
		Electricity Supplier & Gas		Folio			Inwards	Expenses
2022			¢	¢	¢	¢	¢	
	July 1	J. Leye	PL40	1,500,000	1,500,000			
„2	Bala & Sons	PL36	850,000	850,000				
„6	Suzie Ltd.	PL48	750,000		750,000			
„9	Sasa & Sons	PL16	640,000	640,000				
„12	Samcol	PL12	940,000			940,000		
„14	Bala & Sons	PL36	1,050,000	1,050,000				
„15	EDNC	PL18	750,000					
„18	Mike Essien & Co	PL06	645,000	645,000				
„25	Suzie Ltd.	PL48	874,000		874,000			
„26	Babs Motors	PL64	682,000					
„28	Bala & Sons	PL36	1,200,000	1,200,000				
„30	Nana & Co	PL72	450,000	450,000				
							750,000	
							682,000	
„31	Owusu Ltd. Total	PL04	<u>894,500</u> <u>11,225,500</u>	<u>6,335,000</u>	<u>1,624,000</u>	<u>940,000</u>	<u>682,000</u>	<u>894,500</u> <u>1,644,500</u>
	Transfer		(DR)	GL28	GL30	GL43	GL68	GL46

Notes

- (ix) The goods bought for resale are called purchases
- (x) The analysis shows all invoices for transactions that will not be paid for immediately.
- (xi) The sum of the row totals should be equal to the sum of the column totals. This is useful for control purposes.
- (xii) The total in each column will be debited to the purchases account, stationery account, carriage inwards account, motor expenses account and electricity and gas account respectively in the general ledger. The individual amounts are also to be credited to the accounts of the respective suppliers accordingly.

4.3.3 Sales Returns Book

The sales returns book or returns inward book is the book of original entry that records returns on goods sold to customers. The sales returns book analyses the goods were returned.

Illustration 4.3.3.1

Refer to Illustration 4.2.1

Victor Enterprises

Sept.10, 2022 Jacobs and Sons returned 3 wooden chairs
Sept.12 2022 Annan Enterprises returned 2 wallclocks
Sept.14 2022 Moruf Enterprises returned 1 wooden chair

Prepare the Sales returns book for Victor Enterprises.

Solution to Illustration 4.3.3.1

Victor Enterprises Sales Returns Day Book

Date	Particulars	Sales ledger ref	Amount
2022			N
Sept.10	Jacobs & Sons		
	3 wooden chairs	SL114	1,500
Sept.12	Annan Enterprises		
	2 wallclocks	SL71	1,196

Sept14	Moruf Enterprises		
	1 wooden chair	SL83	<u>500</u>
	Transfer to sales return DR	GL12	<u>3,196</u>

Refer to illustration 4.4

Joy bringer Returns OutwardsBook

Date	Supplier	Folio	
		Purchases ledger ref	Amount
2022			¢
Aug3	J.LeyeLtd.	PL40	200,000
Aug5	Bala&Sons	PL36	150,000
Aug10	MikeEssien &Co	PL06	40,000
Aug10	Nana &Co	PL72	<u>45,000</u>
Transfer to returns outward account GL180			<u>435,000</u>

The relevant purchases ledger references would be the same as those in the purchases daybook.

4.3.4 The Journal (General Journal)

The journal is used as the book to record transactions that do not fit in to other subsidiary books. The information recorded in the journal about each transaction includes:

- The date of the transaction
- The debit and credit charges in specific ledger accounts
- A brief explanation of the transaction, referred to as “narration”

The narration is required to indicate the purpose and authority of the transaction. For efficient use of the journal, candidates must be able to analyse the effect of a transaction on assets, liabilities, and owner’s equity. The subsidiary books already considered are also referred to as journals. For example, the Sales Day Book or sales Journal, Purchases Day Book or purchases Journal, etc. To distinguish this book from other day books, this journal is sometimes referred to as “General Journal” or “Journal Proper”

4.3.4.1 Uses of the Journal

The journal is used for the following:-

- Opening and closing entries
- Transfer from one account to the other
- Purchases and sales of non-current assets on credit.
- End of period adjustments
- Correction of errors.
- To record purchase of business transaction

4.3.4.2 The format of the Journal

The Journal has similar rulings to the purchases Day Book and other day books already considered but with slight modifications to show the accounts to be debited and credited in the ledger. A typical Journal is ruled thus:

Date	Particulars	Folio	Dr	Cr
	The name of account to debit		XX	
	The name of account to credit			XX
	The Narration			

The name of the account to be debited is always shown first. The name of the account to credit is inset to the right hand side.

The narration is not indented. After each set of journal entries, there should be a gap before the next set of entries are made. This is to make each set of journal entries stand out clearly.

4.3.4.3 Opening Entries

When the journal is used for opening entries the aim is to determine the value of the opening capital.

Illustration 4.3.4.3.1

N. Gyan business affairs on January 1, 2022 stood as follows:

	₹
Cash in hand	66,000
Cash at bank	366,000
Inventories	375,000
Furniture and fittings	76 180,000
Trade Payables	150,000

Prepare the opening Journal of the business. Record these transactions in a Journal.

Solution to Illustration 4.3.4.3.1

**N. Gyan
Journal**

Date	Particulars		Dr ₹	Cr ₹
2022				
Jan 1	Cash in hand	CB1	66,000	
	Cash at bank	CB1	366,000	
	Inventories	GL1	375,000	
	Furniture and fittings	GL2	180,000	
	Trade Payables	PL3		150,000
	Capital(difference)	PL1		837,000
Being assets and liabilities of N.Gyan at January 1, 2022			987,000	<u>987,000</u>

4.3.5 Transfer from one account to the other through the journal

Only the journal can readily explain the transfer from one account to the other. The reason for the transfer will be explained as narration, thus removing any doubt about the authenticity of the adjustment,

Illustration 4.3.5.1

Record through the journal entry the transfer of ₹600,000 from Waconia & Co's account in the bought ledger to their account in the sales Ledger, to set off purchase against sales. The transaction took place on 31 January, 2023.

**Waconia &
CoJournal**

Date	Particulars	Fol.	Dr	Cr
31/01/23	Bought ledger control account Sales ledger control account Being balance on bought ledger Transferred to sales ledger on contract basis.	PL.20 SL.12	600,000 600,000	

4.3.6 Other uses of the Journal

The use of journal for other purposes is shown in the following

illustration:**Illustration 4.3.6.1**

The following transactions took place in the books of Goodluck Ltd. in June, 2022.

- (i) A machine is bought on credit from Jerry Enterprises for ₦186,000 on June 1
 - (ii) A motor vehicle is sold to Jebeleje on credit for ₦360,000 on June 8
 - (iii) Bobo T. Adetoro owed ₦160,000. He offers a motor car in full settlement of the debt on June 16 and the offer was accepted.
 - (iv) Ilemobayo is a creditor. On June 25, his business is taken over by Prospect Ventures to which the debt of ₦45,000 is now to be paid.
- Show the journal entries to record the transactions

Solution to Illustration 4.3.6.1

Goodluck Ltd. Journal

Date 2022	Particulars	Fol	Dr ₦	Cr ₦
June 1	Machinery DR Jerry Enterprises Purchase of machinery on credit		186,000	186,000
June 8	Jebeleje DR Motor vehicle		360,000	360,000
June 16	Motor vehicle DR Bobo T. Recording acceptance of motor car in full Settlement of debt.	160,000 78		160,000
June 25	Ilemobayo DR		45,000	

Prospect Ventures		45,000
Debt owed to Ilemo bayo to be paid to prospect ventures		

4.4 Discounts

Discounts are reductions made from the gross amount or value of goods and services.

There are two types of discounts, they are trade discounts and cash discounts

4.4 .1 Trade Discount

- a. Trade discount is an allowance given to a trader buying in large quantity.

The invoice price would be the same for all customers but the net selling price may be different for customers depending on the quantity purchased by them.

- b. Trade discount is not recorded in the books of accounts. It is only a means of Calculating the net selling price of goods. Only the net amount of goods sold is transferred to the books.

4.4.2 Cash Discounts

Cash discounts are discount granted in consideration of immediate payment or payment within a prescribed time. There are two types of Cash discounts. They are discount allowed and discount received. Discount allowed are allowances granted to customers while discount received are allowances from suppliers.

4.5 Principle of Double Entry

Double entry principle states that for every debit entry, there must be a corresponding credit entry and vice versa. If the principle is properly followed, the total of the debit entries in the accounts must be equal to the total of the credit entries.

There are three pairs of concepts that aid the understanding of the double entity principles and they are:

	Debit	Credit
1	Incoming	Outgoings
2	Receiving(Receiver)	Giving(giver)
3	Losses/Expenses	Profit/gains

Anything considered being an incoming, or being received by an entity is debited e.g. cash is an incoming to an entity hence cash received is debited. On the other hand, anything that is outgoing, or given out is credited e.g. goods sold are outgoing hence sales is credited.

In general, the above principles are the underlying basis for debiting assets and expenses as well as crediting liabilities and revenue. The nature, types and functions of ledger accounts can now be discussed before we go into the application of the double entry principle.

4.5.1 Ledger Accounts

A ledger is the book containing a group of accounts. It contains the permanent records of the assets, liabilities, Income, expenses and equity of a business entity. The accounts in a ledger are those to which entries are posted from the subsidiary books.

4.5.2 Importance of the ledger accounts

- (i) They serve as the means of keeping permanent records of assets, liabilities, income, expenses and owner's equity.
- (ii) They provide relevant information that is required to prepare the statement of profit or loss and the statement of financial position.
- (iii) They give the origin of every transaction and the parties involved.
- (iv) They show the details of the movement in each account. For instance, a bank account will show what amount had been deposited or how much had been withdrawn and for what purpose.
- (v) The Trial Balance is extracted from the ledger accounts at the end of the accounting period.

4.5.3 Types of Accounts:

Accounts can be grouped under three main classifications

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- Real Accounts
- Personal Accounts

- Nominal Accounts

Real Accounts: These are accounts relating to tangible things that can be seen, felt, touched and moved in most cases e.g. cash, cars, goods etc. The rule of double entry to these types of accounts is *Debit*, when there are additions, that is, when more of these items are acquired. *Credit*, when these items are disposed off, either by selling them off, when damaged beyond use or when given out as gift.

Personal Accounts: These are accounts dealing with persons, corporate bodies or even partnerships. Before these accounts can exist, there must be credit transactions unlike the real accounts where both cash and credit transactions are involved.

In personal accounts, these accounts are opened only if the persons concerned purchase goods or services on credit or if they sell goods or services on credit. There is no need of writing or recording the names of persons who have purchased on cash basis. This amounts to a waste of time and efforts since the company has nothing to do with the persons again. However, cash paid or received for debt owed or receivable can be recorded in the personal accounts.

The case will be different if payment is deferred till a future date, it will be necessary to know those who owe and those who are owed as the case maybe.

Nominal Accounts: These are the accounts opened for income and expenses'. They are not real or personal but are for gains and losses items. We only talk of benefits arising from these accounts as a result of the services rendered. Examples are rent, salaries, electricity, discounts, drawings, net profits or losses on trading or disposal of non-current assets etc.

4.5.4 Types of Ledgers

Ledgers can also be classified into the following four groups:-

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- (a) **Sales Ledger or Trade Receivables Ledger**

This contains all the personal accounts of customers otherwise referred to as trade receivables.

(b) **Purchases Ledger or Payables Ledger**

This contains the personal accounts of suppliers of goods and services, other wise referred to as trade payables.

(c) **Private Ledger**

The Private ledger contains details of capital accounts, drawings account, loan account and investment account. Usually only the senior managers have access to these accounts in order to prevent details of the items contained there in from being publicized.

(d) **General Ledger**

The general ledger,also referred to as the nominal ledger,contains the remaining accounts such as:-

- **Nominal accounts;** relating to expenses, wages, rent, sales, purchases, bad debts accounts; and
- **Real accounts;** relating to assets such as land and buildings,motor vehicles, inventories, plant and machinery.

4.5.5 Application of the double entry principle

To record a transaction using the double entry principle the following steps must be taken.

- (i) Ensure that a transaction has actually taken place. That is at least two parties are involved and the transaction can be measured in monetary terms.
- (ii) Identify the two main accounts involved. That is, under which two main subject matters the transaction can be divided.

For example: Adeolu Enterprises purchased a motor car for ₦750, 000 cash. The transaction can be measured monetarily and it involves at least two parties (Adeolu Enterprises and the motor dealer)

- Two main subject matters can be identified
 - (a) Motor car was purchased
 - (b) Cash was paid

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- (iii) Identify the one that receives value. In the above example motor car has increased, therefore it has received value.

- (iv) Identify the one that has given value—cash has been reduced, in this case it has given value
- (v) Debit the account that has received value with ₦750,000 (i.e. debit motorcar) and credit the account that has given value (i.e. credit cash)

4.5.6 Debit and Credit Entries

(a)	An account consists of two sides; the debit side to the left hand
	And the credit side to the right hand side. By the time it is ruled at —
Debit side	Title of the account Creditside

Date	Particulars	folio	Amount	Date	Particulars	folio	Amount
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- (b) On both sides of the accounts we have columns for date, particulars (details of the transaction), the folio and the amount.
- (c) An amount recorded on the debit side is called debit entry while an amount recorded on the credit side is called a credit entry.
- (d) The corresponding entry of the debit entry is found on the credit side of another account and the corresponding entry for the credit entry is found on the debit side of another account.
- (e) The folio is the ledger page on which the corresponding debit or credit entry could be found.

What is explained above can be summarized as follows

Asset Account

(Debit)	₦	(Credit)	₦
Increase (through acquisition or introduction by owner)		(Decrease through disposal For cash or other considerations)	

Liability Account

(Debit)	₦	(Credit)	₦
Decrease(through settlement in cash or other consideration		Increase(obtaining goods or services on credit	

Capital Account

(Debit) ₦	(Credit) ₦
Decrease(as a result of losses incurred)	Increase(through cash/asset introduced and profit made)

Revenue Account

(Debit)	(Credit)
Decreases	Increase(Sales)
E x	
Debit	Credit
(Increase)	Decreases
p e n s e s A c c o u n t	

4.5.7 The general rules for recording in the ledger areas follows:

- A. An account that receives is debited
 - (i) An increase in an asset or in an expense is debited. That is there is addition to assets and expenses.
E.g. Office rent is paid. The rent is an expense and has increased by the transaction; therefore the rent account should be debited.
 - (ii) A decrease in revenue or a decrease in liability is debited.

Examples

(a) Returns on sales is a decrease of sales revenue, therefore there turn on sales/returns in wards account should be debited.

(b) When payables are paid, the liability due to the Suppliers will reduce, therefore the payables account is debited with the amount paid.

B. An account that give sis credited:

(i) Any decrease in an asset or in an expense account is credited.

E.g. when a machine is sold, the amount in the account will decrease, therefore machine account is credited.

(ii) Any increase in liabilities or income is a credit. E.g. when goods are sold the revenue of the company increases, therefore sales account is credited.

4.6 Cash Transactions

The simplest way to look at the application of the double entry is through casht ransactions.

a. When cash is received, debit cash and credit the corresponding accounts

b. When cash is paid, credit cash account and debit the corresponding account.

Illustration 4.6

The following transactions took place in the books of Olu Aina Enterprises in 2022

(i) January 4, 2022 Cash sales of ₦900,000

(ii) January 10, 2022 Payment of office rent ₦250,000 in cash

(iii) January 18, 2022 Purchased ₦200,000 goods for cash

(iv) January 25, 2022 Purchased stationery for ₦40,000 cash.

Prepare the necessary ledger Accounts for each of the transactions.

Solution to Illustration 4.6

Cash is given, therefore credit cash account and debit purchases account.

DR	CashAccount	CR
	2022	N200,000
	Jan 18 Purchases	

DR	Purchases Account	CR
2016	N	
Jan 18Cash	200,000	

- iv. Purchased stationery for cash – cash is given, therefore credit cash and debit Stationery account

DR	CashAccount
N	

DR	StationeryAccount	CR
2022	N	N
Jan.25 Cash	40,000	

Note

Note that for each of the four transactions of Olu Aina Enterprises cash account is affected. The four cash Accounts can be combined as shown below

Olu Aina Enterprises

DR		Cash Account		CR	
2022	₦	2022		₦	
Jan4	Sales	900,000	Jan10	Officerent	250,000
			Jan18	Purchases	200,000
			Jan25	Stationery	40,000

This is not different from how a firm's purchases and sales of

different dates will be Combined in one purchases account and sales account respectively.

4.6.1 Transactions made on credit

- (i) When cash is not received immediately for goods sold then it is sold on credit. Therefore the receivables/customers' account receives instead of cash, therefore the receivables account is debited and sales account is still credited.
- (ii) When cash is not paid immediately for goods, then it is purchased on credit, therefore, the creditor gives. Payables account will be credited and purchases account debited.

Illustration 4.6.1

R.Okonkwo is also a trader. The following transactions took place in his books.

₦

Bought goods on credit from Jaja Ltd.	85,000
Sold goods on credit to Sule I&Co	176,000
Purchased some office machines on credit from Apala Engineering Ltd.	150,000

Show the double entries for each of the transactions.

Solution to Illustration 4.6.1

(i)

R.Okonkwo PurchasesAccount

	N	N
JajaLtd.	85,000	

Payables Account (JajaLtd.)

	N	N
Purchase		85,000

(ii)

Receivables Account(SuleI&Co)

	N	N
Sales	176,000	

SalesAccount

	N	N
Receivables(SuleI&Co)		176,000

(iii)

OfficeMachine

	N	N
ApalaEngineeringLtd.	150,00	

ApalaEngineeringAccount

	N	N
Officemachine		150,00

Note the following

The above transactions were posted to the ledger accounts for demonstration only. In real life situation, the amount recorded in the sales ledger, purchases ledger and office machines would have been accumulated in the relevant books of original entry, only the totals would be transferred to the different ledger accounts.

4.7 Balancing a ledger Account

At the end of every period, all ledger accounts must be balanced off. Balancing means to find the difference between the debit side and credit side of one account.

- (i) Balance carried down (bal c/d): This is the figure that is used to force the lesser side to agree with the higher side, because the total of the two sides of an account must be equal.
- (ii) Balance brought down (bal b/d): This is the closing balance (bal c/d) of the period that becomes the opening balance at the beginning of the next period.

4.8 Interpretation of the balances

- (i) In a trade receivables account, the debit side is expected to be greater than the credit side, therefore the balance c/d would be on the credit side of the trade receivables account but when it is brought down (bal b/d) in the next period, it is debit balance. Therefore a debit balance in trade receivables account and other assets account represents an asset.
- (ii) In a trade payables account, the credit side is usually greater than the debit side. Balance c/d is on the debit side and balance b/d on the credit side. This is a liability.
- (iii) The cash account will always be a debit balance, except where it is a bank account when it can either be a credit balance (bank overdraft) or debit balance (an asset).
- (iv) The capital account will always be a credit balance.

4.9 Comprehensive Illustration

Illustration 4.9

Mensa Joe Enterprises started a retail business, selling cement on retail basis. On March 1, 2022, he introduced the following into the business:

- (i) Motor van valued at ₦480,000
- (ii) Cash from his salary account ₦330,000
- (iii) Money borrowed from a friend ₦66,000

The following transactions also took place in March

		₦
March 3	Purchased cement on credit from Fola Ltd.	189,000
„ 3	Paid carriage on cement to warehouse	16,456
„ 6	Sold goods on credit to Aburi & Co	190,000
„ 8	Sold cement for cash	26,280
„ 11	Paid sundry expenses	16,278
„ 15	Purchased cement on credit from Fola Ltd.	60,000
„ 17	Bought some Dunlop tyres from Okechuku Enterprises on credit	10,852
„ 20	Paid cash to Fola Ltd. on account	167,500
„ 22	Aburi & Co paid cash on account	125,000
„ 25	Paid Salaries and wages	77,958
„ 25	Paid electricity bill	6,000
„ 27	Sold cement on credit to K. Opobo	68,000

Required:

- (i) An opening Journal.
- (ii) Open the ledger accounts and post the opening journal and transactions during the month.
- (iii) Balance the ledger accounts.
- (iv) Draw up partial balance as at March 31, 2022

Solution to illustration

4.9

Mensah Joe Enterprises

(i) Opening Journal

Date	Particulars		DR ₦	CR ₦
2022	Motor Van		480,000	
March 1	Cash		396,000	
	Loan (friend)			66,000
	Capital			810,000
		92	<u>876,000</u>	<u>876,000</u>

(ii)

Capital account

2022	N	2022	N
March31 Balc/d	810,000	March1Cash	330,000
		March1Motor vehicle	<u>480,000</u>
	<u>810,000</u>		<u>810,000</u>
		April1Balb/d	810,000

Loan account

2022	N	2022	
March31 Balc/d	<u>66,000</u>	March1CashAccount	<u>66,000</u>
		April1 Balb/d	66,000

Cash account

2022		2022	
Bal.b/d	Opening balance		
March1Capital	330,000	March3	Carriage inward 16,456
„ 1 Loan 66,000		„ 11	Sundry expenses 16,278
„ 8Sales 26,280		„ 20	FolaLtd. 167,500
		“ 25	Salaries &Wages 77,958
„ 22 Aburi& Co125,000		„ 25	Electricity bill <u>6,000</u>
<u>547,280</u>		31Balc/d	<u>263,088</u>
April Balb/d	263,088		

Motor vehicle Account

2022	₦	2022	₦
March 1 Capital (Opening bal)	<u>480,000</u>	March 31 Balc/d	<u>480,000</u>
April 1 Bal b/d	480,000		

arriage Inwards

2022	₦	2022	₦
March 3 Cash	<u>16,456</u>	March 31 Balc/d	<u>16,456</u>
April 1 Balb/d	16,456		

Aburi&Co-Receivables

2022	₦	2022	₦
March 6 Sales	190,000	March 22 Cash	125,000
		March 31 Balc/d	<u>65,000</u>
	<u>190,000</u>		<u>190,000</u>
April 1 Balb/d	65,000		

FolaLtd-Payable

2022	₦	2022	₦
March 20 Cash	167,500	March 3 Purchases	189,000
March 31 Balc/d	<u>81,500</u>	March 15 Purchase	<u>60,000</u>
	<u>249,000</u>		<u>249,000</u>
		Apri 11 Balb/d	81,500

SundryExpensesAccount			
2016	₦	2016	₦
March11Cash	<u>16,278</u>	March 31 Balc/d	<u>16,278</u>
March31c/d	16,278		

Motor Van expenses

2022	N	2022	N
March 17 Okechukwu-Tyres	<u>10,852</u>	March 31 Bal c/d	<u>10,852</u>
April 1 Bal c/d	10,852		

Salaries & Wages account

2022	N	2022	N
March 25 Cash	<u>77,958</u>	March 31 Bal c/d	<u>77,958</u>
April 1 Bal b/d	77,958		

Electricity Bill Account

2022	N	2022	N
March 25 Cash	<u>6,000</u>	March 31 Bal c/d	<u>6,000</u>
April 1 Bal b/d	6,000		

Purchases Account

2022	N	2022	N
March 3 Fola Ltd.	189,000	March 31 Bal c/d	<u>249,000</u>
March 15 Fola Ltd.	60,000		<u>249,000</u>
	<u>249,000</u>		
April 1 Bal b/d	249,000		

Sales Account

2022	N	2022	N
March 31 Bal c/d	284,280	March 6 Aburi &	190,000
		“ 8 CoCash	26,280
		” 2 K.Opobo	68,000
	<u>284,280</u>		<u>284,280</u>
		April 1	284,280

Okechuku Enterprises–Accounts payable

2022	N	2022	N
March 31 Balc/d	<u>10,852</u>	March 17 M/V expenses- Tyres	10 852
		April 1 Balb/d	10,852

K. Opobo Account–Receivables

2022	N	2022	N
March 27 Sales	<u>68,000</u>	March 31 Balc/d	<u>68,000</u>
	<u>68,000</u>		<u>68,000</u>
April 1 Balb/d	68,000		

Notes

- (a) Balances carried down on 31 March 2022, the end of March, became the balances brought down on 1 April, the beginning of the next period.
- (b)(i) All assets accounts, i.e. cash account, motor vehicle account and trade receivables account, have debit balances.
- (ii) All liabilities accounts, i.e. loan account and Trade payables account have credit balances.
- (iii) Capital accounts have credit balances
- (iv) Sales account has credit balance
- (v) In our illustrations in this chapter, the transactions are posted directly to the ledger accounts. In real practice the transactions would first pass through the books of original entry or Day Books.

(iv) Trial Balance

	DR	CR
	N	N
Capital		810,000
Loan		66,000
Cash	263,088	
Motor Vehicle	480,000	
Carriage Inwards	16,456	
Trade Receivables–Aburi & Co	65,000	
- K. Opobo	68,000	

Trade Payables–Fola Ltd		81,500
-Okechuku Enterprises		10,852
Sundry Expenses	16,278	
MotorVan Expenses	10,852	
Salaries and Wages	77,958	
Electricity bill	6,000	
Purchases	249,000	
Sales		284,280
		<hr/>
	<u>1,252,632</u>	<u>1,252,632</u>

4.10 TrialBalance

A Trial Balance is a list of balances extracted from the ledger accounts at a given date, arranged according to whether they are debit balances or credit balances. The total of the debit and credit balances should agree if the double entry rules have been properly followed. Though a Trial Balance can be drawn at any time, it is usual practice to prepare it at the end of an accounting period before preparing the entity's final accounts.

Illustration4.10

The Trial Balance to our illustration 4.9 can be drawn up thus:

Mensah Joe Enterprises Trial Balance

At March 31, 2022

	Dr	Cr
	₦	₦
Capital		810,000
Loan		66,000
Cash	263,088	
Motorvehicle	480,000	
Carriageinwards	16,456	
Trade Receivables– Aburi&	65,000	
Trade payables		81,500
Sundry expenses	16.278	
Motorv an expenses	10,852	
Salaries and wages	77,958	
Electricity bill	6,000	
Purchases	249,000	
Sales		284,280
Account payable		10,852
Receivables–Opobo	<u>68,000</u>	
	<u>1,252,632</u>	<u>1,252,632</u>

NOTE

- (i) The two receivables (i.e. Aburi & Co and Opobo) accounts could have been summed up in the General Ledger but they are shown separately here for convenience.
- (ii) The balances brought down represent the position of the items in the Trial Balance. For instance, the balances brought down for capital, loan, payables, sales and accounts payable are on the credit side, this is also their position in the Trial Balance.

4.11

Accounting equation

This signifies the relationships existing between the elements of the basic financial statements (statement of financial position and statement of profit or loss)

4.11.1

Basic Accounting Equation

The basic accounting equation expresses the equality of Assets to Equity. In practice, the owner of a business outfit starts by bringing in equity and this is recorded by the business as incoming asset that is equivalent to the equity supplied.

Mathematically, this is expressed as: Asset (A)

= Equity (E)

Symbolically, this can be stated as:

A = E

Where A is asset

E is equity

Illustration 4.11.1

Odoguwa started his business by paying ₦250,000 into the Business Bank Account.

Solution

Payment by Odoguwa is equity (E)

Money received into the Business Account is asset

(A) Therefore A = E

Substituting values for the equation

above ~~₦~~250,000 = ~~₦~~250,000

Illustration 4.11.1

If Odoguwa decides to buy inventory of ~~₦~~50,000 on credit, the structure of the equation will change.

We now have a liability, the giver of the inventory and also an asset, the inventory received. The equation has now expanded to include, Assets, Liability and equity. Symbolically, Liability is represented by L. The new accounting equation will now be:

A		=	L	+	E
₦			₦		₦
Cash at Bank	250,000				250,000
Inventory	<u>50,000</u>	(owing to suppliers)	<u>50,000</u>		
	<u>300,000</u>	=	<u>50,000</u>		<u>250,000</u>

Assets and Liabilities have both increased.

The expanded equation is now

$$A = L + E$$

Changing the subject to the formula

The subject of the formula can be changed to derive any of the two other items as follows:

To make L the subject of the formula

$$A = L + E$$

$$A - E = L$$

This can be rearranged to

$$\text{read: } L = A - E$$

If on the other hand E is to be made the subject of the formula, the formula will be derived as follows:

$$A = L + E$$

$$A - L = E$$

Re arranged, it will be

$$E = A - L$$

Example 3

Use the accounting equation to fill the gaps in the table below

	Assets	Liabilities	Equity
	N	N	N
(i)	-	34,561	22,416
(ii)	246,122	-	134,769
(iii)	144,903	65,711	-

Start by stating the accounting equation to derive the solution to (i) to (iii) above

Answer

Accounting equations

$$(i) \quad A = L + E$$

$$(ii) \quad L = A - E$$

$$(iii) \quad E = A - L$$

$$(i) \quad A = \text{N}34,561 + \text{N}22,416$$

$$= \text{N}56,977 \text{ Ans}$$

$$(ii) \quad L = \text{N}246,122 - \text{N}134,769$$

$$\text{N}111,353 \text{ Ans}$$

$$(iii) \quad E = \text{N}144,903 - \text{N}65,711$$

$$= \text{N}79,192 \text{ Ans}$$

Revenue Based Accounting Equation

The goal of the statement of profit or loss is to derive the profit or loss made during the period. An accounting equation can also be derived from the statement of profit or loss thus:

$$\text{Profit} = \text{Revenue} - \text{Expenses}$$

Symbolically, this can be stated as:

$$\begin{array}{rcl} P & = & R - E \\ \text{Where } P & = & \text{Profit} \\ R & = & \text{Revenue} \\ E & = & \text{Expenses} \end{array}$$

Change of the subject of the formula

Like in the case of the accounting equation derived from the statement of financial position, the subject of the formula in the accounting equation can be changed thus:

(i) Where Revenue is not known

$$\begin{array}{rcl} P & = & R - E \\ P + E & = & R \\ R & = & P + E \end{array}$$

(ii) Where Expenses figure is not known

$$\begin{array}{rcl} P & = & R - E \\ P - R & = & -E \end{array}$$

Multiply the above equation with minus all through

$$\begin{array}{rcl} -P - (-R) & = & -(-E) \\ -P + R & = & +E \end{array}$$

By Re-arrangement

$$R - P = E$$

$$E = R - P$$

Example 4

- (i) Inventory bought for ₦25,000; sold for ₦40,000
- (ii) Inventory bought for ₦15,000; Loss on sale ₦3,000
- (iii) Goods sold for ₦23,500 and profit on sale is ₦4,500 Required: using the accounting equations:

- (i) Determine the profit
- (ii) Determine the revenue
- (ii) Determine the Expenses

Solution

(i) Accounting equation

$$P = R - E$$

Where P = profit R = Revenue E = Expenses

$$\begin{aligned} P &= \text{N}40,500 - \text{N}25,000 \\ &= \text{N}15,000 \quad \text{Ans} \end{aligned}$$

(ii) Accounting equation

$$R = P + E$$

$$R = \text{N}(3,000) + \text{N}15,000 \text{ (Loss is negative profit)}$$

$$R = \text{N}12,000$$

(iii) Accounting equation

$$E = R - P$$

$$E = \text{N}23,500 - \text{N}4,500$$

$$= \text{N}19,000 \quad \text{Ans}$$

Example 5

The following information are given:

		N
Equity	1/4/2014 – 31/3/2015	124,600
Equity	1/4/2015 – 31/3/2016	214,250
Drawings	1/4/2015 – 31/3/2016	22,390

Required:

- Determine the profit for the year ended 31/3/2016
- Assuming Equity as at year ended 31/3/2016 was ~~N~~82,620, compute the profit or loss for the year.

Solution

Equity	1/4/2014 – 31/3/2015	(E)	N 124,600	(Opening equity)
Add Profit	1/4/2015 – 31/3/2016	(P)	<u>?</u>	
			<u>?</u>	
Less: Drawings		(D)	<u>(22,390)</u>	
		(E2)	<u>214,250</u>	

Symbolically:

Represent Equity 1/4/2014 – 31/3/2014 by E1

Represent profit by P

Represent Drawing sat 1/4/2015–31/3/2016

D

Represent Equity 1/4/2015 – 31/3/2016 by E2

(a) There fore the accounting

$$\text{Equation} = E1 + P - D = E2$$

$$P = E2 - E1 + D$$

$$P = \cancel{N}214,250 - \cancel{N}124,600 +$$

$$\cancel{N}22,390 \quad P = \cancel{N}112,040$$

$$\text{Profit} = \cancel{N}112,040 \text{ Ans}$$

Proof:		N
Equity	(E1) 1/4/2014 – 31/3/2015	124,600
Add: Profit	(P)	<u>112,040</u>
		236,640
Less: Drawings	(D)	<u>22,390</u>
Closing Equity	(E2)	<u>214,250</u>

(b). $P = E2 - E1 + D$

$$P = \cancel{N}82,620 -$$

$$\cancel{N}124,600 + \cancel{N}22,390 \quad P = \cancel{N}19,590$$

Loss

Loss= ~~₦~~19,590 Ans

Proof:	₦
Equity at beginning	124,600
Less Loss	<u>19,590</u>
	105,010
Less Drawings	<u>22,390</u>
Equity at the end	<u>82,620</u>

Comprehensive Example

The following are extracted from the records of Odoguwa, a proprietor.

- i) The proprietor deposited ~~₦~~250,000 cash in the business Account as a start-up fund
- ii) He acquired inventory of ~~₦~~50,000 on credit
- iii) He paid the supplier of the inventory the sum of ~~₦~~27,000 from the business account
- iv) He allowed his building worth ~~₦~~250,000 to be used for the business
- v) Half of the inventory acquired in (ii) above was sold for cash ~~₦~~40,000
- vi) He paid ~~₦~~10,000 to the supplier of the inventory from his personal resources

Required:

- a) State with the aid of a table, the effects of each transaction on Assets, Liabilities and Equity (that is, by stating 'Increase', 'Decrease' and 'No Effect')
- b) Provide figures to support your submission in (a) above.

Solution

a.

	Assets	Liabilities	Equity
(i)	Increase	No effect	Increase
(ii)	Increase	Increase	No effect

(iii)	Decrease	Decrease	Noeffect
(iv)	Increase	Noeffect	Increase
(v)	Increase	Noeffect	Increase
(vi)	Noeffect	Decrease	Increase

Solution

b.

(i)

	A	=	E	
	₦		₦	
Cash at Bank	250,000	=	Equity	250,000
Thus:	Assets	=	Equity	

(ii)

	A		L	E
	₦		₦	₦
CashatBank	250,000		Equity	250,000
Inventory	<u>50,000</u>		Suppliers	<u>50,000</u>
	<u>300,000</u>			<u>250,000</u>

Thus:

$$\text{Assets} = \text{Liability} + \text{Equity}$$

(iii)

	A		L	E
	₦		₦	₦
CashatBank	223,000		Equity	250,000
Inventory	<u>50,000</u>		Suppliers	<u>23,000</u>
	<u>273,000</u>			<u>250,000</u>

Thus:

$$\text{Assets} = \text{Liability} + \text{Equity, i.e. } \text{N}273,000 = \text{N}(23,000 + 250,000)$$

(iv)

	A		L	E
	N		N	N
Building	250,000	Equity		250,000
Inventory	50,000	Equity		250,000
Cash at Bank	<u>223,000</u>	Suppliers	<u>23,000</u>	<u> </u>
	<u>523,000</u>		<u>23,000</u>	<u>500,000</u>

Thus:

$$\text{Assets} = \text{Liabilities} + \text{Equities i.e. } \text{N}523,000 = \text{N}(23,000 + 500,000)$$

(v)

	A	=	L	+	E
	N		N		N
Building	250,000		Equity		250,000
Inventory (N 50,000 – N 25,000)	25,000		Equity		250,000
Cash at Bank			Equity (Profit)		15,000
(N 223,000 – <u>N40,000</u>)	<u>263,000</u>		Suppliers	<u>23,000</u>	<u> </u>
	<u>538,000</u>			<u>23,000</u>	<u>515,000</u>

Thus:

$$\text{Assets} = \text{Liabilities} + \text{Equities}$$

Note: Profit = Sales – Cost

$$\text{Profit} = \text{N}40,000 - \text{N}25,000$$

$$\text{Profit} = \text{N}15,000$$

(vi)

	A	=	L	+ E
	N		N	N
Building	250,000	Equity		250,000
Inventory	25,000	Equity		250,000
CashatBank	<u>263,000</u>	Equity		10,000
		Equity(Profit)		15,000
		Suppliers	<u>13,000</u>	_____
	<u>538,000</u>		<u>13,000</u>	<u>525,000</u>

Thus:Assets= Liabilities+Equities,i.e.~~N~~538,000=~~N~~(13,000+525,000) =

4.12 Chapter Summary

In this chapter, source documents have been discussed as well as their uses and relationship to the books of original entry. Importance of the books of original entry have also been examined and illustrated how they are to be transferred to the ledger accounts. The Journal, as a means of recording un usual transactions, was also examined.

4.13 Multiple choice questions (MCQ)

- (1) Which of the following statements about a journal are correct?
 - I. The double entry for a transaction is completed in a journal.
 - II. Journal issued to record withdrawal of cash to the office
 - III. A set-off between customers and suppliers is resolved through journal entries
 - IV. Journal records adjusting events.
 - A. I,IIIand IV
 - B. I,IIandIII
 - C. IIandIV
 - D. IIIandIV
 - E. II,IIIand IV
- (2) Which of the following journal entries may be accepted

as being correct according to their narration?

		Dr	Cr
		N	N
(A)	Plant and machinery	250,000	
	ErnestOpare&Co		250,000
	Purchasesofinventoriesoncredit		
(B)	Baoku Ltd.	160,000	
	Cash account		160,000
	Cash received from Baok Ltd.		
(C)	Sangisha&Sons	840,000	
	MotorVehicles		840,000
	Sales of motor vehicle on credit		
(D)	Capital account	1,500,000	
	Powergeneration		1,500,000
	Introduction of generator in to the business.		
(E)	CashAccount	20,000	
	MotorVehicles		20,000
	Sales of motor vehicles on credit		
(3)	The invoiced price of acommodity is ₦50, 000 with a trade discount of 10%.		
	C.Eghan issued the invoice to Wiki Promo. How much is recorded in the books of original entry of Wiki Promo and in what book is it recorded?		
(A)	₦50,000 and purchases daybook		
(B)	₦45,000 and purchases daybook		
(C)	₦50,000andsalesdaybook		
(D)	₦45,000andsalesdaybook		
(E)	₦50,000and salesjournal		
(4)	Which of the following roles does a debit note serve?		
(A)	A document issued by the seller informing the buyer that his account has been credited for over charge on		

the invoice.

- (B) A document issued by the seller informing the buyer that his invoice was undercharged.
 - (C) A document that generates a credit note from the seller to the buyer
 - (D) A document by which goods are issued from store to production.
 - (E) A document by which goods already issued are returned to store
- (5)
- (I) Order and Goods Received Note (GRN)?
 - (II) The GRN confirms that goods are supplied according to the specification in the purchase order.
 - (III) The purchase order is issued after goods have been received stating that the goods are in order.
 - (IV) The amount on the purchase order is compared with the amount on the GRN before payment is made to the buyer.
 - (V) There is no relationship between GRN and Purchase order.
 - (VI) Goods Received Note is issued before arrival of the goods
 - a. I and III
 - b. I, II and III
 - c. II and IV
 - d. IV and V
 - e. I, II and IV
- (6) The sales returns day book is used to record _____
- A. Credit notes issued to customers
 - B. Money received from account receivable
 - C. Names and contact details of account receivables
 - D. Debit notes issued to suppliers
 - E. Money received from account payable
- (7) Which of the following is not a subsidiary book?
- A. Sales day book
 - B. Cash day book
 - C. Returns inward day book
 - D. Cash book
 - E. Purchases return day book.

4.14 Short-answer questions (SAQ)

1. What is the main source document for recording cash paid in to the bank?
2. The total in a sales daybook is transferred to account.
3. The duplicate copy of credit note will serve as the source document to record in the book.
4. State the importance of narration in a journal.
5. What is the source document for cash sales?

4.15 Examination type questions with solutions

1. Enter the following transactions in the double column cash book of Joe Limited for the month of January, 2022.

Jan 1	Balance of cash in hand ₦500, at bank ₦1,400
Jan 2	Paid S. Aina by cheque ₦900
Jan 3	Bought goods for cash ₦800 and with cheque ₦380
Jan 6	Drew cash from bank for office use ₦800
Jan 6	Paid Moji ₦250 by cheque
Jan 8	Sold goods for cash ₦800
Jan 8	Received cheque from Ade ₦1,350 in full settlement of his account
Jan 10	Paid ₦1,330 cash into bank
Jan 11	Received cheque from A. Williams ₦3,000
Jan 12	Paid John ₦5,000 in full settlement of his account
Jan 13	Paid ₦500 cash into bank
Jan 17	Received cash ₦500 for personal use

2. Journalise the following transactions.

2 nd January, 2022	Anuoluwapo deposited N100,000 cash into First Bank of Nigeria to begin her stationery business under the name "Dasliva Enterprises"
3 rd January, 2022	Purchased 120,000 of stationeries on open account from Paper products Ltd
4 th January, 2022	Purchased store supplies costing N8,000 for cash from Surety company.
9 th January, 2022	Sold stationery on account to Unity Ltd for ₦25,000 on credit
12 th January, 2022	Bought stationeries costing ₦50,000 for cash from Paper converters Ltd
16 th January, 2022	Paid wages of ₦200 to John through cheque
16 th January, 2022	Paid rent to Adaza ₦1,700 cheque
20 th January, 2022	Sold stationeries on credit to Tayo Ltd for ₦15,000
22 nd January, 2022	Received payment cash ₦25,000 from Unity Ltd
25 th January, 2022	Cash sales ₦220,000
27 th January, 2022	₦40,000 was borrowed from First Bank of Nigeria

28th January, 2022 Withdrew ~~₦~~6,000 cash for personal use
 30th January, 2022 Goods worth ~~₦~~5, 000 was sold on credit to Ade but it was wrongly debited to Tade's account.

4.16 Solution to multiple choice question (MCQ)

- (1) A
- (2) C
- (3) B
- (4) B
- (5) A
- (6) A
- (7) B

4.17 Solutions to short answered questions (SAQ)

1. Bank Pay-in-Slips.
2. Sales ledger.
3. Returns inwards/Returns on sales.
4. To indicate the purpose and authority of the transaction.
5. Duplicate of the cash receipt issued by the seller.

4.18. Solution to examination type question 1:

Joe Limited

Double Column Cash Book

For the month of January, 2022

Date	Particulars	F	Cash ₦	Bank ₦	Date	Particulars	F	Cash ₦	Bank ₦
1/1/2022	Balance ^{b/d}		500	1400	2/1/2022	S. Aina			900
6/1/2022	Bank	C	800		3/1/2022	Purchases		800	380
8/1/2022	Sales		800		6/1/2022	Cash	C		800
8/1/2022	Ade			1,350	6/1/2022	Moji			250
10/1/2022	Cash	C		1,330	10/1/2022	Bank	C	1,330	
11/1/2022	A. Williams			3,000	12/1/2022	John		5,000	
13/1/2022	Cash	C		500	13/1/2022	Bank	C	500	
31/1/2022	Bal ^{c/d}		6,030		17/1/2022	Drawing		500	
					31/1/2022	Bal ^{c/d}			5,250
			8,130	7,580				8,130	7,580
1/2/2022	Bal ^{b/d}			5,250	1/2/2022	Bal ^{b/d}			6,030

Solution to examination type question 2

Dasliva Enterprise

Journal

For January, 2022

Date	Particulars	Dr ₦	Cr ₦
2/1/2022	First Bank of Nigeria Capital	100,000	100,000
	Being capital deposited at commencement of business		
3/1/2022	Purchases Paper product ltd	120,000	120,000
	Being Stationeries bought on credit from Paper Store Ltd		
4/1/2022	Store supplies Cash	8,000	8,000
	Being cash purchases of store supplies		
9/1/2022	Unity Ltd Sales	25,000	25,000
	Being sales on credit to Unity Ltd		
12/1/2022	Purchases Cash	50,000	50,000
	Being purchases of stationery paid with cash		
16/1/2022	Wages Bank	200	200
	Being wages of ₦200 paid with cheque to John		
16/1/2022	Rent Bank	1,700	1,700
	Being payment of rent ₦1,700		
20/1/2022	Tayo Ltd Sales	1,500	1,500
	Being sales on credit to Tayo Ltd		
22/1/2022	Cash Unity Ltd	25,000	25,000
	Being payment received from Unity Ltd		
25/1/2022	Cash Sales	220,000	220,000
	Being cash received from sales		
27/1/2022	Bank Loan	40,000	40,000
	Being money collected from First Bank of Nigeria		
28/1/2022	Drawing Cash	6,000	6,000
	Being cash withdrawn/used for personal use		
30/1/2022	Ade's A/c Tade's A/c	5,000	5,000

	Being credit sales to Ade wrongly posted into Tade's account now corrected.	200,000	200,000
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4.19 Examination type questions without solutions

1. A source document provides basic information that is used in posting entries into the books of original entries. You are required to:
 - (a) Explain the following types of source documents
 - (i) Receipt
 - (ii) Sales Invoice
 - (iii) Debit Note
 - (iv) Credit Note
 - (v) Pay Slip
 - (vi) Cheque Counter foils
 - (b) Enumerate four importances of source documents in recording in books of accounts.
 - (c) Describe the following types of source documents:
 - i. Quotations
 - ii. Pro Forma Invoice
 - iii. Delivery Note
 - iv. Purchase Order
 - v. Payment Vouchers

2. On January 2, 2023, Accra Enterprises issued the following invoices to its customers. The invoice numbers were serially numbered as: 2119 – 2124. The entity trades in gift items, designer's birthday cards and bags.

Date	Description of Goods	
3/1/23	Joseph Ventures	
	24 Cards	@N600
	8 Cards	@N900
	Trade discount @ 2%	
4/1/23	Michael Enterprises	
	40 Birthday Cards @	N 600 each

	Tradediscount@2%		
10/1/23	Sunday Ventures		
	80 Birthday Cards @		₦ 600 each
	90 Bags @		₦ 900 each
12/1/23	TradeDiscount @7 ¹ / ₂ %		
	Kate Paulina		
	5 Bags @		₦ 900 each
	12 Birthday cards @		₦ 600 each
15/1/23	Jude Deku		
	15 Birthday cards @		₦ 600 each
	18 Bags @		₦ 900 each
	Tradediscount @2 ¹ / ₂ %		
31/1/23	Adam Enterprises		
	150 Birthday Cards @		₦ 600 each
	105 Bags @		₦ 900 each
	TradeDiscount@9%		

Prepare the analytical sales day book of Accra Ventures for the month of January, 2023.

CHAPTER FIVE

TRIAL BALANCE

Chapter Five Contents

- Trial balance
- Extended trial balance
- Accounting errors
- Effects of accounting errors
- Uses of Journal

Learning Objectives on Trial Balance

After studying this chapter, readers should be able to:

- t) **Explain and State the Nature and Significance of Accounting**
- *Define and State Purposes of a Trial Balance;*
 - *Explain Extended Trial Balance;*
 - *State the Usefulness and Limitations of a Trial Balance;*
 - *Identify and Explain Errors not affecting the agreement of a Trial Balance;*
 - *Identify and Explain Errors that affect the agreement of a Trial Balance;*
 - *Explain how journals can be used to correct errors;*
 - *Identify Users of Financial Statements and their Information Needs;*
 - *Explain the use of Suspense account; and*
 - *Explain the effect of errors on Profit or Loss account.*

5.1 Purposes of Extracting Trial Balance

A Trial Balance is usually not an account but is a list of balances extracted from the ledger accounts at a given date, arranged according to whether they are debit balances or credit balances. It records summary of debit and credit balances obtained from the General Ledger (GL). The total of the debit and credit balances should agree if the double entry rules have been properly followed. Though a Trial Balance can be drawn at any time, it is usual practice to prepare it at the end of an accounting period before preparing the entity's final accounts.

Illustration 5.1

The Trial Balance to our illustration 5.1 can be drawn up thus:

Mensah Joe Enterprises

Trial Balance at 31 March 2016

	Dr ₦	Cr ₦
Capital		810,000
Loan		66,000
Cash	263,088	
Motorvehicle	480,000	
Carriage inwards	16,456	
Trade Receivables– Aburi&	65,000	
Trade payables		81,500
Sundry expenses	16,278	
Motor van expenses	10,852	
Salaries and wages	77,958	
Electricity bill	6,000	
Purchases	249,000	
Sales		284,280
Account payable		10,852
Receivables–Opobo	<u>68,000</u>	
	<u>1,252,632</u>	<u>1,252,632</u>

NOTE

- (iii) The two receivables (i.e. Aburi & Co and Opobo) accounts could have been summed up in the General Ledger but they are shown separately here for convenience.
- (iv) The balances brought down represent the position of the items in the Trial Balance. For instance, the balances brought down for capital, loan, payables, sales and accounts payable are on the credit side, this is also their position in the Trial Balance.

5.2 Extended Trial Balance

An extended trial balance is an adjusted trial balance after all identifying errors have been located, corrected and updated in a newly prepared trial balance. In this situation the initial Trial balance will not agree, it will be made to agree with a temporary suspense account debit or credit balances. To prepare an extended trial balance, all the errors will be identified, corrected with necessary accounting entries and an updated trial balance will be prepared.

5.3 Usefulness and Limitation of the Trial Balance

The main uses of the Trial Balance are:

- (i) To check the arithmetical accuracy of entries in the ledger;
- (ii) To detect such errors of posting that can easily be identified by the Trial Balance;
- (iii) At a glance, it indicates balances in various ledgers and General Ledger accounts;
- (iv) It is used by the external auditor to trace items with significant balances to schedule and

- source documents; and
- (v) To facilitate preparation of the final accounts.

5.4 Accounting Errors

The following are limitations of trial balance:

- (i) It is a mere list of balance and not an account;
- (ii) A balanced trial balance does not signifies correctness of a trial balance; and
- (iii) It does not indicate errors such as omission, principles and reversal of entries among other errors not affecting trial balance.

Errors not affecting Trial Balance Agreement

The preparation of a Trial Balance does not prove that transactions have been completely and correctly recorded in the proper accounts. These categories of errors are corrected through debit and credit entries. Thus, they do not appear in the suspense account. They are errors that do not affect the agreement of the Trial Balance and they include the following:

- (i) **Error of omission:** This is a complete omission of a transaction from the ledger. Both the debit entry and the credit entry were not recorded. For example Cash Sales of ₦100,000 omitted from the record, to correct this error, DR Cash and CR Sales ₦100,000.
- (ii) **Error of principle :**When a transaction is posted to the wrong class of account an error of principle has been committed. An example is where a trader purchases an additional motor vehicle for ₦950,000 in cash and treated the transaction as a motor running expense by crediting his cash/bank account and debiting Motor Running Expenses Account (Nominal class of account). The motor vehicles Account (asset-Real Account) ought to have been debited and cash/bank credited. Or Purchase of Equipment ₦800,000 on Credit from Gyan debited into Purchases Account and Credited to Gyan Account. This can be corrected by Crediting Purchases Account and Debiting Equipment Account. Purchases Account only records items that are meant for resale.
- (iii) **Error of commission:** This is an error within the same class of account but affecting different persons. It is the posting of entry to the account of a person other than the one intended. For example, a payment of ₦120,000 received from B. Abbey that is credited to B. Abu's account. This can be corrected by debiting B. Abu's Account and crediting B. Abbey's Account ₦120,000.

- (iv) **Compensating errors:** An error made in the ledger which, is exactly by the coincidence, balanced by another error elsewhere in the ledger is referred to as a compensating error. More than one error may at times be made and yet the sum totals exactly equal another single error somewhere else in the ledger. The effect is usually that there is overstatement of an item in one account and an equivalent amount understated in another account.
- (v) **Complete reversal of entries:** This involves error in which, for a transaction, the account that ought to be debited is credited and the one to be credited is debited. For instance, cash paid to trade receivables is debited in cash account and credited in trade payable account instead of vice versa. For example, Cash Sales of ₦100,000, Cash Account was debited as ₦100,500 and Sales Account credited with ₦100,000. Also, purchases of goods worth ₦150,000 from Essien was debited into Purchases Account ₦150,000 and credited to Essien's Account ₦150,500. Notice that there was over debit of ₦500 and over credit of ₦500. The errors cancel out each other. To correct the errors, credit Cash Account and debit Essien's Account ₦500.
- (vi) **Errors of original entry:** This error is committed where a transaction is incorrectly recorded in a source document or book of original entry and the incorrect amount is eventually posted to the relevant account in the ledger. This type of error will not have any effect on the agreement of the trial balance. For example if goods invoiced at ₦52,500 to J. K. Salmon is recorded as ₦55,200 in the sales day book, the trial balance will in no way show the error if the incorrect amount of ₦55,200 is also debited to J. K. Salmon's account with other sales. It is a situation in which the original amount was recorded incorrectly. The double entries are observed with completely different figures. For example, a credit sales of ₦600,000 was debited to Trade Receivables Account and Sales Account as ₦1,000,000. There was over debit and over credit of ₦400,000. To correct the errors, debit Sales account and credit Trade Receivables account ₦400,000. There can also be an instance of under debit and credits. Salaries and Wages Paid in Cash ₦190,000, this was debited into Salaries and Wages Account and Credited to Cash Account as ₦110,000. To correct the errors, debit Salaries and Wages Account and credit Cash Account ₦80,000.
- (vii) **Transposition Errors:** The errors occur when the position of closely related figures is interchanged and debit and credit entries are passed with the interchanged figures. For

example, credit purchases from Asamoah of ₦107,000 debited into Purchases Account and credited into Asamoah's Account as ₦170,000. The position of 7 in the figure was inadvertently interchanged leading to over credit and over debit of ₦63,000. This can be corrected by crediting Purchases Account and debiting Asamoah's Account ₦63,000.

5.5 Errors that affect the Trial Balance

The total of the debit side and credit side of the Trial Balance may not agree which means that one or more errors have been committed. Some of these errors are:

- (i) Arithmetic/casting errors in balancing ledger accounts
- (ii) Using one figure for the debit entry and an other figure for the credit entry in respect of one transaction;
- (iii) Errors of extracting the wrong figure from the ledger to the Trial Balance;
- (iv) Listing a debit balance to the credit side of the Trial Balance;
- (v) Listing a credit balance to the debit side of the Trial Balance;
- (vi) The posting of debit as credit or vice versa while the other entry is correctly made;
- (vii) Incorrect lifting of opening balances into the trial balance; and
- (ix) Making an entry on only one side of the accounts, omitting the second entry. This is called single entry posting.

5.6 Correction of Errors

There are two approaches to the corrections of errors. This is dependent on the effect of the error on the Trial Balance. For errors which do not affect the agreement of Trial Balance totals, there will always be two affected accounts in between which the error will be corrected, while errors which affect the agreement of the Trial Balance will affect only one ledger account and Suspense Account. The corrections of the errors will be by passing double entries between the Ledger Account and the Suspense Account.

Suspense Account

The suspense account is an account in which the net difference in Trial Balance totals is recorded temporarily until enough information is available to locate the errors and make necessary adjustments/entries to correct such errors causing the difference. It is a non-permanent account, which is used to record net difference between the debit and credit sides of an unbalanced trial balance. It warehouses interim differences in the trial

balance until the errors are discovered and corrected.

Location of Errors

Errors which affect the agreement of the Trial Balance totals are more easily discovered than those which do not affect Trial Balance totals. In most cases errors not affecting the Trial Balance will only come to light through complaints from affected third parties such as customers or suppliers.

An error of either type can be located by taking the following steps:

- (i) Re-cast/recheck the addition of ledger balances on the Trial Balance;
- (ii) Check for any omission on the Trial Balance;
- (iii) Make sure that the ledger balances appear on the correct side of the Trial Balance i.e. Income, Liabilities, capital and sales to be on the credit side while Expenses, Assets, Drawings and Purchases should be on the debit side;
- (iv) Check for correct transfer of ledger balances to the Trial Balance;
- (v) Take a general look at the entries in the ledger to see if a figure close to the difference sought is in the trial balance;
- (vi) Check the double entries in the ledger;
- (vii) Check whether the opening balances from the ledger accounts are correctly lifted;
- (viii) Check the arithmetic in the ledger. Recast each side of ledger accounts and reconfirm the balances c/d and b/d
- (ix) If the trial balance difference is exactly divisible by two, check for one half of the difference on the trial balance, the figure might be on the wrong side of the trial balance;
- (x) Take the difference between the debit and credit sides to ascertain whether there balance in the trial balance with the same value, if so correct the differences;
- (xi) Examine whether Discount Allowed and Discount Received are correctly posted;
- (xii) Determine whether the final figure from the Sales and Purchases journals have been posted Sales and Purchases Accounts;
- (xiii) Verify to know whether balances on the Ledgers Account confirm whether they are been posted; and
- (xiv) Check obvious wrong items on either the debit or credit sides of a trial balance;
- (xv) If the trial balance difference is exactly divisible by 9, there could be error of transposition of figures, for example, ~~N~~98 written as ~~N~~89. The difference is 9.

Steps involved in correcting Errors

In correcting errors which are not revealed by the Trial Balance the following steps should be taken:

- (i) Read the question well and try to understand the transaction involved;
- (ii) When the transaction is understood, determine the accounts involved and the entry which ought to be passed;
- (iii) Compare the entries which ought to be passed with what has been done, as reported in the question; and
- (iv) On the basis of the observed difference, effect the correction of errors using double entries with either ledger accounting or journal entries.

5.7 Uses of Suspense Account

- (a) It is useful in correcting errors affecting a trial balance;
- (b) Incorrect balances in a trial balance is posted to suspense account; and
- (c) It is useful in balancing all temporary balances.

Illustration 5.2

After extracting the Trial Balance of Giring ori Enterprises on 31 March, 2022, It was discovered that the debit side was higher than the credit side by ₦6,180. A review of the ledger revealed the following errors:

1. A sum of ₦720 on a Receivables' account was omitted from the balance of Trade Receivables.
2. An item of furniture purchased for ₦5,760 had been debited for repairs.
3. The payments side of the cash account had been under cast by ₦3,900
4. The total of one page of the sales day book had been carried forward as ₦12,924, where as the correct amount was ₦15,084.
5. A debit note of ₦1,260 received from a customer had been posted to the wrong side of his account.
6. Mr Laku whose debts of ₦3,120 to the business had been written off, paid during the year. His personal account was credited but no corresponding entry was made.

You are required to:

- (i) Prepare Journal entries to correct the errors.
- (ii) Write up the Suspense account.

Solution to Illustration 5.2

GIRINGORI ENTERPRISES

- (i) Journal Entries on 31 March, 2022

		DR N	CR N
(a)	Suspense Account To Payables Account (Being entry in respect of omitted receivable balance)	Dr 720	720
(b)	Furniture Account To Repairs Account (Being correction of the purchase of Furniture earlier debited to Repairs account)	Dr 5,760	5,760
(c)	Suspense Account To Cash Account (Being correction of the undercast of cash book payment)	Dr 3,900	3,900
(d)	Suspense Account To Sales Account (Being correction of wrong amount/c/f On one page of the sales day book)	Dr 2,160	2,160
(e)	Suspense Account To Receivables Account (Being correction of posting a debit note to the page of the Sales daybook)	Dr 2,520	2,520
(f)	Cash Account To Suspense Account (Being entry of recovered debt omitted from cash account)	Dr 3,120	3,120

- (ii)

	Suspense Account	
	N	N
Payables	720	Cash
Cash	3,900	Trial Balance
Sales	2,160	

Illustration5.3

The information relates to Kumasi Ventures, which operates eatery selling Donkunnu on wholesale to Customers in Lagos Island.

Below is the Statement of Financial Position as at 30 April, 2022:

Noncurrent Assets	₦ '000
Assets:	
Equipment	14,000
Trucks	12,000
Furniture	<u>4,000</u>
	<u>30,000</u>
Current Asset:	
Inventory	7,000
Trade Receivables	3,000
Bank	4,000
Suspense	<u>2,000</u>
	<u>16,000</u>
Total Assets	<u>46,000</u>
Capital	32,000
Profit or Loss	<u>12,000</u>
	44,000
Less: Drawings	<u>-5,000</u>
	39,000
Trade Payables	<u>7,000</u>
Total Capital and Liabilities	<u>46,000</u>

The Trial balance did not agree and the balance in the suspense account of ₦2,000,000 was posted to suspense account as indicated in the Statement of Financial Position as 30 April, 2022 above.

The following errors were discovered.

- i. The closing inventory has severely impaired and it is under valued by ₦3,250,000.
- ii. The Purchases Daybook was under cast ₦1,400,000
- iii. Outstanding Stationery expenses of ₦1, 115,000 was omitted and not provided for.
- iv. The interest received duly in the Cashbook totaling ₦1, 200,000 was not entered in the ledger.
- v. A Cheque duly received from a customer, Koffi John amounting to ₦4,155,000 was credited to his account as ₦4,105,000.
- vi. A payment of ₦ 615,000 for Equipment was credited into the Cashbook but debited into equipment account.
- vii. Discount allowed of ₦ 925,000 was posted into discount received account.
- viii. Purchase of Small Delivery Van of ₦3,000,000 was recorded in the Purchases Account. This was part of the inventory above.

You are required to Prepare the:

- a) Necessary Journals to correct the errors.
- b) Suspense Account
- c) Statement of Profit or Loss Account for the year ended 30 April, 2022 and a revised Statement of Financial Position as at this date.

KUMASI VENTURES

a) Journal Entries to Correct Errors

Particulars	₦ '000	₦ '000
Profit or Loss	3,250	
Inventory		3,250
Being amount of overvalued/impaired inventory written off		
Purchases (under cast)	1,400	
Suspense		1,400
Being amount of under cast written off to suspense account		
Profit or Loss: Stationery	1,115	
Outstanding/Accrued Stationery Account (SOFP)		1,115
Being amount of outstanding expensesomitted (SOFP)		

Suspense Account	1,200	
Interest Received (Profit or Loss)		1,200
Being interest received(single entry) written to suspense account		
Suspense Account (N4,155 –N4,105)	50	
Trade Receivable (Koffi John)		50
Being correction wrong credit overstated in Koffi John's account		
Equipment Repairs (Profit or Loss)	615	
Equipment account		615
Being correction of error of principle		
Discount Allowed (Profit or Loss)	925	
Discount Allowed (Profit or Loss)	925	
Suspense Account		1,850
Being Correction of error of complete reversal of entries		
Delivery Van Account	3,000	
Inventory Account		3,000
Being correction of error of principle		

b) Suspense Account

			N '000	N '000
Bal b/d	2,000	Purchases (P or L)	1,400	
Interest Received	1,200	Discount Allowed	925	
Trade Receivables (Koffi John)	<u>50</u>	Discount Allowed	<u>925</u>	
	<u>3,250</u>		<u>3,250</u>	

c) Statement of Adjusted Profit or Loss for the Year Ended 30 April, 2022

	N '000
Net Profit (SOPF)	12,000
Add: Interest Received	<u>1,200</u>
	13,200
Less:	
Closing Inventory	
impaired/overstated	3,250
Purchases undercast	1,400
Equipment Repairs	615
Stationery outstanding (Omission)	1,115

Discount Allowed	925	
Discount Allowed	<u>925</u>	
		<u>8,230</u>
		<u>4,970</u>

Adjusted Statement of Financial Position as at 30 April, 2022

Noncurrent Assets	₦ '000	₦ '000
Assets:		
Equipment(14,000-615)		13,385
Trucks		12,000
Delivery Van		3,000
Furniture		<u>4,000</u>
		<u>32,385</u>
Current Asset:		
Inventory (7,000-3,000-3,250)		750
Trade Receivables (3,000-50)		2,950
Bank		<u>4,000</u>
		<u>7,700</u>
Total Assets		<u>40,085</u>
Capital		32,000
Profit or Loss		<u>4,970</u>
		36,970
Less: Drawings		<u>-5,000</u>
		31,970
Trade Payables	7,000	
Accrued Stationery	<u>1,115</u>	<u>8,115</u>
Total Capital and Liabilities		<u>40,085</u>

Chapter Summary

In this chapter we have discussed trial balance, extended trial balance, uses of trial balance, errors that do not affect a trial balance, errors that affect a trial balance and their corrections. Also, adjustments were made to indicate how errors affect profit or loss and statement of financial position.

Review Questions

Multiple choice and short-answer questions

- (1) Which of the following will increase the value of the account?
- I. Debit an asset account
 - II. Debit a liability account
 - III. Debit an expense account
 - IV. Debit an income account
- (A) I and II
(B) I and III
(C) II and III
(D) II and IV
(E) I and II & IV
- (2) When a photo copy machine is purchased on credit for N500,000, state the account to be debited and credited
- | | Debit | Credit |
|-----|------------------|------------------|
| (A) | Office equipment | Purchases |
| (B) | Purchases | Office equipment |
| (C) | Seller | Office equipment |
| (D) | Office equipment | Seller |
| (E) | Office Equipment | Sales |
- (3) An entry on the right-hand side of a ledger account is
- (A) Credit entry
 - (B) Debit entry
 - (C) Contra entry
 - (D) Balance c/d

(E) Balance b/d

Use the following information to answer questions 4 and 5

The following two accounts show the application of the double entry for a transaction on a particular date.

Motor Vehicle

Olu Ventures

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N		N	
Olu Ventures	75,000	Cash	15,000
		Balance b/d	<u>60,000</u>
			<u>75,000</u>
	<u>75,000</u>		<u>75,000</u>

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		N	
balance b/d	75,000	Motor Car	75,000
			<u>75,000</u>

- (4) What does the entry on the debit side of Motor vehicle account represent?
- (A) OluVentures purchased ₦75,000 motor vehicle in cash
 - (B) A motor vehicle of ₦75,000 is purchased from OluVentures
 - (C) Motor vehicle is sold to OluVentures for ₦75,000
 - (D) OluVentures sold a motor vehicle for ₦75,000
 - (E) Olu Venture brought down ₦75,000 in motor vehicle account
- (5) What does the balance c/d in OluVentures account stand for?
- (A) Trade Payables
 - (B) Trade Receivable
 - (C) Accounts payable for motor car
 - (D) Accounts receivable for motor car amount transferred to statement of profit or loss'
- (6) An error in which the position of figures is inter-changed is called _____
- (A) Errors of Principles
 - (B) Transposition Error
 - (C) Error of Commission
 - (D) Error of Omission
 - (E) Error of Complete Reversal
- (7) An error which reverse errors in another book of account is known as _____
- (A) Error of Omission
 - (B) Error of Principles
 - (C) Compensating Error
 - (D) Transposition Error
 - (E) Error of Commission
- (8) Which of the following errors affect agreement of a trial balance?
- (A) Arithmetic error
 - (B) Error of Commission
 - (C) Error of Principles
 - (D) Error of Original Entry
 - (E) Compensating Error
- (9) Which of the following errors do NOT affect agreement of a trial balance?

- (A) Single entry posting
 - (B) Error of Commission
 - (C) Error of Principle
 - (D) Error of Complete Reversal
 - (E) Compensating Errors
- (10) A trial balance is the balance extracted from _____ ledger
- (A) Real
 - (B) Nominal
 - (C) Impersonal
 - (D) General
 - (E) Personal

Short Answer Questions (SAQ)

1. Information stored in a computer-based accounting system which can be arranged in to any desired format is called.....
2. The relationship between the ledger and the Trial Balance is that a debit balance in the ledger will be on the.....side of the Trial Balance and a credit balance on the side.
3. How does the Trial Balance complement the usefulness of the double entry principle?
4. State any four types of errors that do not affect the Trial Balance
5. While the Trial Balance proves the equality of the debit and credit entries in the ledger it does not guarantee absence of.....
6. It is common to divide the ledger for a large organization into four separate ledgers known as the private,.....and.....
7. A non-current asset, which was bought on January 2022 was debited into purchases account and credited into cash account. What is the name of the error corrected by the book keeper?
8. A list of balances from various books of account is called _____
9. A trial balance re-prepared after all errors have been located and corrected is called _____
10. An error in within the same class of account but affecting different person is called _____

Theory and calculation Questions Review Questions

- (1) (a) Identify and explain Three(3)Types of accounts
(b) Outline Four (4) uses of a ledger account
- (2) An entity start edatrading business in Mokola on 1 December 2016 with ₦200,000 deposited in a bank at Mokola Other transactions for the month of December 2016 were:

2/12/2016: The proprietor gave his old car to the business for ₦180,000
3/12/2016 Bought office Furniture ₦40,000 from John Venture on credit
3/12/2016 Bought goods worth ₦92,000 with cheque from Paul
4/12/2016 Cash sales worth ₦65,000 and money deposited in to the business Account by the customer direct.
10/12/2016 Paid John Venture ₦22,500 with cheque in respect of the purchase of Furniture
12/12/2016 Purchase goods worth ₦72,500 on credit from Julius Ventures
15/12/2016 Goods sold on credit totalling ₦48,900 to Azikwe Enterprise
20/12/2016 Paid Julius Venture total outstanding amount as at 12 December 2016
24/12/2016 Paid stationery expenses ₦12,500 with cheque
31/12/2016 Paid Telephone expenses for business calls ₦4,500 cheque
31/12/2016 Settled staff salaries with ₦20,000 cheque

You are required to:

- (a) Prepare and balance all relevant ledger accounts as at 31 December, 2016
 - (b) Prepare the entity's trial balance on 31 December, 2016
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3. Give and explain Five (5) types of errors that do not affect balancing of trial balance
 4. Itemise and explain any SIX (6) errors that will affect balancing of trial balance
 5. Highlight any FIVE (5) errors that affect trial balance.

Solution to Review Questions

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|-----|---|------|---|
| (1) | B | (6) | B |
| (2) | D | (7) | C |
| (3) | A | (8) | A |
| (4) | B | (9) | B |
| (5) | C | (10) | D |

Answer to Short Answer Questions

1. Database
2. Debit, credit
3. The Trial Balance tests whether the principle of double entry is properly **followed in recording in ledger accounts.**
4. Error of principle
 - Error of commission
 - Error of complete omission
 - Errors of compensation
5. Errors
6. Private, Sales ledger and Purchases ledger and General Ledger.
7. Error of Principle
8. Trial Balance
9. Extended Trial Balance
10. Error of Commission

CHAPTER SIX

ACCOUNTING FOR NON-CURRENT ASSETS

Chapter Six Contents

- Features and classifications of Non-current assets
- Computation and accounting for depreciation
- Disposal of non-current assets
- Non current assets register
- Non current assets coding

6.0 Learning objectives

After you have studied this chapter, you should be able to:

- State the types and characteristics of non-current assets
- Differentiate between capital and revenue expenditure
- Define depreciation and explain the need to provide for depreciation in final accounts
- Calculate depreciation using the straight line (equal installments) and reducing balance methods
- Calculate any profit or loss made on the sale of non-current assets
- Explain the significance of maintaining non-current assets register
- Explain asset coding

6.1 Introduction

IAS 16- Property , Plant and Equipment is the accounting standard that specifies how to account for items of non-current asset classified as property, plant and equipment. **Assets:**

An asset has been defined as ‘a resource controlled by an entity as result of past events, and from which future economic benefits are expected to flow to the entity’.

A careful examination of the above definition will bring out the following salient characteristics of items that will qualify to be referred to as an asset.

- i. It must be a source. In other words for an item to be called an asset, it must be valuable.
- ii. It must be owned or controlled by the entity. By control, it means that the entity can prevent others from obtaining the same economic benefits that it is entitled to derive from there source.
- iii. It must have resulted from past events. This means that an asset will

ordinarily not be from a future transaction that is yet to happen. If an entity propose to buy a motor vehicle next financial year, such intention to buy the vehicle does not in any way create an asset.

- iv. Economic benefits are expected to be derived by the entity from the asset in future. An item that has no future economic benefit can not be referred to as an asset.

6.2 Classification of Assets

There are two forms of assets held by business organisations.

These are: Non-current assets and current assets.

a. Current Assets

According to IAS I-Presentation of financial statements, current assets include cash, receivables, prepaid expenses and inventory. They are assets that are likely to be realised, sold or consumed in an entity's normal operating cycle; or within twelve months after the reporting date. They are held for the purpose of trading. All other assets are classified as non-current.

b. Non-Current Assets

Non-current assets are those assets that were not bought purposely to be sold but to be used in the business for a long time. Non-current assets are categorized into two:

i. Tangible non-current assets

Tangible non-current assets are assets that have material and physical existence such as property (Land and buildings, plant and equipment, motor vehicles, furniture and fittings, machinery, etc). Such assets are usually held for use in the production or supply of goods and services for rental to others or for administrative purposes.

ii. Intangible non-current assets

Intangible non-current assets have no physical or material existence and can not be touched but they provide expected future benefits. Such intangible non assets are good will, patents and trademarks. No further reference is made to intangible assets because the detail treatment is outside this syllabus.

Some times, it is not possible to state whether an asset is current or non-current until its function is known. The classification of an asset as

current non-current requires a little caution. This is because an asset may indeed change with changing circumstances. For instance, an entity that manufactures and sells cars will classify cars as inventory, a current asset. If however, the entity were to use one of its manufactured cars for its operations, then the classification changes from 'current' to 'non-current'. It must therefore, be known that the classification of assets as property, plant and equipment is usually guided by their functions, physical attributes or expected use full lives.

6.3 The determination of the cost of non-current assets

Almost every business entity of any size or activity uses assets of a durable nature in its

operations. Such assets are not acquired for resale but rather they are used in the business to increase the earning capacity or productivity of the organisation.

6.3.1 Initial Measurement

At the date of acquisition, items of property, plant and equipment are recorded at their initial historical cost. Cost in this case refers to the amount of cash or cash equivalent that was paid or the fair value of other consideration that have been given instead of cash, to acquire an asset at the time of its acquisition or construction. Business entities sometimes construct by themselves using their available materials and manpower, assets such as buildings, plant and equipment, furniture, fixtures and fittings. This may be done in order to save costs, meet their own preferred specification or simply because they wish to make use of their idle capacity. Fair value is the price to be received in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date (IFRS 13). Transactions in which two or more unrelated parties agreed to do business, acting independently and in their self-interest is referred to as an arm's length transaction. In other words, the price at which the item was exchanged between them is free and fair and market-determined. Both buyer and seller are independent, possess equal bargaining power, are not under pressure or duress from the opposing party, and are acting in their own self-interest to attain the most beneficial deal.

6.3.2 Components of Acquisition Costs

Generally, the cost of an item of property, plant and equipment comprises of:

- i. Its purchase price plus import and other non-recurring levies (e.g. development levies, consent fee, etc) less any trade discounts and rebates.
- ii. The directly attributable costs of bringing the asset to its location and working condition for the purpose that management intended to use the asset (IAS 16).

These directly attributable costs may include the cost of labour engaged in its installation or construction, cost of preparing the site for construction, carriage inwards, installation and assembly expenses, cost of testing the asset on completion and relevant professional charges (e.g. architect's fee, surveyor's fee, etc).

Illustration 6.1

Flatworks (Sierra Leone) Ltd, orders a machine from a Nigerian tools manufacturer at an invoice price of Le100, 000,000. Payment will be made in 48 monthly installments of Le2, 500,000 (including Le20, 000,000 interest charges). Other relevant costs include:

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Value Added Tax	12,500,000
Freight Charges	10,250,000
Installation and other start-up costs	4,000,000
Trade discount given	1,000,000

What is the cost of the machine to be capitalized in Flat works (Sierra Leone) Ltd?

Solution to Illustration 6.1

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Invoice price	100,000,000
Trade discount	<u>(1,000,000)</u>
	99,000,000
VAT	12,500,000
Transportation charges	10,250,000
Cost of installation	<u>4,000,000</u>
Total Cost	<u>125,750,000</u>

* The interest charges of Le20, 000,000 on the installment purchase will be

recognised as interest expense over the next 48 months and written-off in the statement of profit or loss.

Elements of cost of different types of items of property, plant and equipment.

Capitalisation: means to recognize an amount of cost or part of the cost of an item as an asset. So when an item of cost is 'capitalised', it is treated as an asset and not an expense.

6.3.2 Land

When land is purchased, certain incidental costs are generally incurred, in addition to the purchase price. These incidental costs may include commissions to real estate brokers, legal fees for examining and insuring the title and fees for surveying, draining, clearing and grading the property. All these expenditures are part of the cost of the land since they are intended to get the assets ready for use. Any proceeds obtained in the process of getting the land ready for its intended use, such as the sale of cleared timber, are treated as reduction in the price of the land.

Local improvements, such as pavements, streetlights, sewers, drainage system and land-scaping requires special treatment. These are usually charged to the land account because they are relatively permanent in nature. However, expenditures on land such as private drive ways, fences, and car parks are recorded separately. These expenditures should be recorded as land improvements and depreciated over their estimated useful lives because they have limited useful lives.

6.3.3 Cost of building

The cost of building should include all expenditures related directly to the acquisition or construction. These costs include materials, labour, overheads costs incurred during construction, professional fees and building permit. An entity may engage the services of a contractor or have its building constructed. All costs incurred by the contractors from excavation to completion are considered part of the building cost.

There are occasions where land purchased as a building site has on it an old building which is not suitable for the buyer's use. In this case, the only useful "asset" being acquired, is the land. Where this happens, any cost incurred in demolishing the old

building should be charged to land together with the purchase price of the land itself. This is because the cost of demolition less its salvage value is a cost of getting the land ready for its intended use.

6.3.4 Cost of equipment

The term "equipment" in accounting includes delivery equipment, office equipment, machinery, furniture and fittings, factory equipment and similar assets. The costs of these assets include the purchase price, freight and handling charges incurred insurance on the equipment while in transit and costs of conducting trial runs. Costs therefore include all expenditures incurred in acquiring the equipment and preparing it for use.

6.4 Capital expenditure and Revenue Expenditure

6.4.1 Capital Expenditure

Capital expenditure may be defined as the cost of acquiring a non-current asset for use in an entity. Capital expenditure includes such costs as are incurred in adding value to existing non-current assets in order to improve their earning capacity and to prolong their life's for more than one accounting period.

Examples of capital expenditure are:

- i. Purchase price of non-current assets such as motor vehicles, buildings, furniture and fittings, plant and machinery;
- ii. Extension or any improvement of a permanent nature made to any structure
- iii. Legal fees of acquiring land or buildings;
- iv. The cost incurred in bringing any non-current asset to its present location; and
- v. Any other cost that must be incurred in getting the non-current assets ready for its intended use.

6.4.2 Revenue Expenditure

Revenue expenditure on the other hand is any cost in which its earning potential is exhausted within one accounting period. Such expenditures are not made to increase or improve the value of non-current assets but rather, are made for the maintenance and day-to-day running of the business.

Examples of revenue expenditure are:

- i. The cost incurred in acquiring trading inventories for sale;
- ii. Cost of repairing any non-current assets;
- iii. Discount allowed on credit sales;
- iv. Expenses in connection with rent, insurance, telephone and electricity; and.
- v. Staff salaries and emoluments.

6.4.3 Differences between capital and revenue expenditure Differences due to time:

Where the benefit that is derived from an item of expenditure is used up or exhausted

Within one accounting period, then such expenditure is revenue expenditure.

However, if the benefit derived from an item of expenditure extends to more than one period of account, it should be referred to as capital expenditure.

Differences due to type of account:

An increase in capital expenditure is added or debited to a non-current asset account, which is finally disclosed in the statement of financial position. All revenue expenditures are charged to the Statement of profit or loss. An organisation should be careful not to incorrectly classify capital and revenue expenditure. As it can be seen from the above, the classification of capital and revenue expenditure has a direct impact on the resulting profit figure in the statement of profit or loss and also the assets values in the statement of financial position. This is true because if organisations wrongly classify revenue expenditure as a capital expenditure, the total expenses figure in the statement of profit or loss will be understated. This will result in overstating the net profit of the business. Should the owner appropriate the profit for his personal use, it might lead to the collapse of the business since the owner is spending his capital instead of the profits or gains from the business.

6.5 Depreciation

Capital expenditure like building, plant, fixtures and fittings do normally last for more than one year. It is obviously possible that these assets may deteriorate with the passage of time due to its usage. There is therefore the need to recognise the loss in the value of non-current assets in the books of accounts. If this is not done, the

value of non-current assets in the statement of financial position will be incorrectly stated.

The process of recognising the loss in the value of non-current assets as a result of using such assets is called depreciation. IAS 16 defines depreciation and some concepts relevant to depreciation accounting as follows:

i. **Depreciation**

This is the systematic allocation of the depreciable amount of an asset to its useful life.

ii. **Depreciable amount**

This is the cost of an asset (or its revalued amount, in cases where a non-current asset is revalued during its life) less its residual value.

iii. **Residual value**

This is the expected disposal value of the asset (after deducting disposal costs) at the end of its expected useful life.

iv. **Useful life**

This is the period over which the asset is expected to be available for use by the business entity.

Non-current assets produce revenue through use rather than through resale. They can be viewed as quantities of economic service potential to be consumed over time in the earning of revenues. Depreciation recognition transfers an apportion of acquisition cost and capitalised post-acquisition cost of non-current asset to an expense account called depreciation expense. The corresponding credit is the accumulated depreciation account, a contra non-current assets account that reduces gross assets value to the carrying amount. This expense is recorded as an adjusting entry at the end of each accounting period. Depreciation expense could be classified as a selling or administrative expense, depending on the use to which the asset is put. Manufacturing firms include depreciation of plant and machinery or factory building in the cost of goods produced.

When the goods are sold, depreciation becomes part of cost of goods sold.

Certain types of non-current assets have unlimited useful economic life's, and so do not require depreciation. This is usually true of land unless the land is an agricultural land or land acquired for extractive purposes. By contrast, buildings will normally have limited useful economic life, and therefore, will normally

be subjected to depreciation.

It is important to point out/emphasise that the accumulated depreciation account does not represent cash set aside for replacement of non-current assets nor does its recognition imply the creation of reserves for asset replacement.

6.5.1 Causes of depreciation

There are several factors that contribute to depreciation of non-current assets. These factors or causes can be classified as follows:

i. Physical deterioration

This is where the fall in value of a non-current asset is due to wear and tear as a result of its constant use. Natural occurrences such as erosion, rust and decay also reduce the value of any non-current asset.

ii. Obsolescence

This is where an asset is put out of use even though it is in good working condition. This occurs where an asset becomes out of date as a result of new inventions or technological advancement. For example, bakers used clay-molded ovens in baking bread. The invention of gas-molded ovens has certainly rendered the use of the clay mould out of date. This factor of depreciation is known as obsolescence.

iii. Inadequacy

Another situation closely linked with obsolescence is where a non-current asset is rendered useless as a result of the growth and changes in the size of a business. A fisherman who uses a canoe may have to acquire a large fishing boat when the demand for fish increases beyond the capacity that the canoe can cope with. In this situation, an organisation can clearly deduce that it would be more efficient and economical to operate a large fishing boat than the canoe, and as a result, the canoe will be put out of use, though it is in good working condition. This factor of depreciation is known as inadequacy.

iv. Depletion

Natural resources such as mines, quarries, oil, coal and gas deposits become worthless when the deposits or resources are depleted. These assets are called wasting assets. The process

of providing for the consumption of such assets is called depletion.

◆ **Time factor**

There are certain assets that have specific period of legally determined life span. Assets such as patent, copy rights, finance Leases have a legal life fixed in terms of years. As and when the years elapse, the value of these assets reduces. The cost of these assets must be spread over their legal lives. The term used in recognizing the fall in value of these assets is termed amortisation.

6.5.2 Methods of calculating depreciation

There are several methods of calculating depreciation. These include:

- v. Straight Line Method or Fixed Installment Method or Equal Installment method
- vi. Reducing Balance Method or Diminishing Balance Method
- vii. Sum-of-the-Years'-Digits Method
- viii. Units-of-Output Method
- ix. Revaluation Method
- x. Machine Hour Method
- xi. Depletion of Unit Method

The syllabus for which this manual is prepared covers only two of the methods listed above: Straight Line or fixed installment or equal installment method and the reducing balance or diminishing balance method. The remaining methods will be treated in the next stage of the course.

Before the two methods are discussed, but it is important to note the elements of depreciation that will be put in to use while illustrating the depreciation methods the elements include:

- The cost (or revalued amount) of the non-current asset.
 - The estimated residual value of the non-current asset.
 - The estimated useful economic life of the non-current asset.
 - The method of depreciation considered appropriate for the business by management
- This method becomes the accounting policy of the business entity.

All the elements mentioned above involve a certain amount of subjectivity. As a result of the subjective nature of the depreciation computation.

6.5.3 Straight Line Method

The straight line method is the most widely used method of computing depreciation charge for financial statements purposes. Under this method, an equal amount of depreciation is charged in each accounting period over the useful life of the non-current asset. The depreciation amount is computed by dividing the original cost of the non-current asset less estimated residual (salvage) value by the useful life of the asset. A mathematical formula can be deduced as follows:

$$\text{Annual Depreciation} = \frac{\text{Original cost of Asset} - \text{Salvage Value}}{\text{Useful Life of Asset}}$$

Illustration 6.5.3

On January 1, 2022 Hyde Limited purchased a motor vehicle for Le250,000,000. The motor vehicle has an estimated useful life of five years with a salvage value of Le5,000,000.

You are required to calculate the depreciation charge and accumulated depreciation for each of the years and show the net book value as at the end of 2026 accounting period using the straight-line method.

Solution to Illustration 6.5.3

$$\text{Annual Depreciation} = \frac{\text{Le250,000,000} - \text{Le5,000,000}}{5}$$

$$= \text{Le49,000,000}$$

Year	Carrying amount at start of year	Depreciation for the year	Accumulated Depreciation	Carrying amount at end of year
	Le	Le	Le	Le
2022	250,000,000	49,000,000	49,000,000	201,000,000
2023	201,000,000	49,000,000	98,000,000	152,000,000
2024	152,000,000	49,000,000	147,000,000	103,000,000
2025	103,000,000	49,000,000	196,000,000	54,000,000
2026	54,000,000	49,000,000	245,000,000	5,000,000

In the example above, the cost of the non-current asset is **Le250, 000,000**; the depreciable amount is **Le245,000,000**; the residual value is **Le5,000,000**; the use ful life is 5 years and the depreciation per year is **Le49,000,000**. The carrying amount at the end of 2026 equals the residual value (**Le5, 000,000**).

6.5.4 Reducing Balance Method

Under this method of depreciation, the book value of a non-current asset at the beginning of the year is multiplied by a fixed percentage to determine the depreciation for the accounting year. This procedure is repeated in subsequent accounting periods so as to reduce the depreciable amount of the non-current asset to its residual value or to zero if it has no residual value.

Illustration 6.5.4

On January 1, 2022 John Kay Limited purchased plant for **Le250, 000,000**. It is the policy of John Kay to depreciate Plant at 20% per annum. You are required to calculate carrying amount as at the end of 2026 accounting period using the reducing balance method.

Solution to Illustration 6.5.4

Year	Carrying amount at start of year	Depreciation Rate	Depreciation for the year	Accumulated Depreciation	Carrying amount at end of year
	Le		Le	Le	Le
2022	250,000,000	20%	50,000,000	50,000,000	200,000,000
2023	200,000,000	20%	40,000,000	90,000,000	160,000,000
2024	160,000,000	20%	32,000,000	122,000,000	128,000,000
2025	128,000,000	20%	25,600,000	147,600,000	102,400,000
2026	102,400,000	20%	20,480,000	168,080,000	81,920,000

When a non-current asset is purchased during the year, depreciation is calculated to the nearest month. In some organisations, a full year's depreciation charge is provided on non-current assets acquired during the year irrespective of the date in the year in which they were purchased. Where this is the case any assets old in the year will also not attract depreciation in the year of sale irrespective of the time of sale within the accounting period.

Computing Reducing Balance Depreciation Rate

Where the percentage rate is not given, this can be calculated by using a formula, provided the residual value, the cost and the estimated useful life of the non-current asset is known.

The formula that can be used to derive the percentage depreciation rate per annum to write down the asset to the residual value or zero (where the asset has no residual value) is:

Depreciation Rate = $1 - \sqrt[n]{\frac{\text{Residual Value}}{\text{Cost of Asset}}}$ Where

n = estimated useful life of the asset.

Illustration 6.5.4.1

A non-current asset cost **Le1,000,000** and its estimated value is **Le200,000** at the end of **5 years**. The reducing balance depreciation rate is

$$\text{Depreciation rate} = 1 - \sqrt[n]{\frac{R}{C}} = 1 - \sqrt[5]{\frac{\text{Le}200,000}{\text{Le}1,000,000}}$$

$$= 1 - \sqrt[5]{0.2}$$

$$= 1 - 0.7248$$

$$= 0.2752 \text{ or } 27.52\%$$

Using this rate to depreciate the non-current asset using the diminishing balance method, we have

Year	Cost/Carrying amount at Beginning	Rate	Depreciation for the year	Accumulated Depreciation	Carrying amount at end year
	Le	%	Le	Le	Le
1	1,000,000	27.52	275,200	275,200	724,800
2	724,800	27.52	199,465	474,665	525,335
3	525,335	27.52	144,572	619,237	380,763
4	380,763	27.52	104,786	724,023	275,977
5	275,977	27.52	75,949	799,972	200,028

Note: The excess of **Le28** over the residual value of **Le200,000** is due to rounding error.

6.6 Accounting for depreciation

After calculating the depreciation charge for the accounting year, you must record the amount in the books of account. It is important for you to remember that the process of making allowance for depreciation is charging to revenue the cost of the non-current asset consumed during the accounting period. This, therefore, means that Depreciation is revenue expenditure and as such must be recorded in the same manner that accountants record normal business expenses.

The double entry method of recording depreciation expense in the books of account is as follows:

- i. Depreciation expense charged for the year

Dr	Depreciation expense account
Cr	Accumulated Depreciation Account

- ii. At the end of the year or at any time during year when all ledger accounts are closed to prepare financial statements:

Dr	Statement of profit or loss
Cr	Depreciation expense account.

This implies that depreciation is treated as a contra to the non-current asset account. The non-current asset account is maintained at its original cost. A ledger account called “Accumulated Depreciation account” is opened and all depreciation calculations are credited to that account, the corresponding entry being passed into the Depreciation charge Account as a debit.

Illustration 6.6

On January 1, 2018 Bragado Limited purchased Equipment for Le800, 000. It is the policy of the Company to depreciate all equipment at 20% per annum using redundancy balance method. **Required:**

Record the above in the under listed ledger accounts for the years ending December 31, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022:

- a. The Equipment account
- b. The Accumulated Depreciation on Equipment Account
- c. The Depreciation Expense Account
- d. The Statement of Profit or Loss (Extracts) for the respective years.

e. The Statement of Financial Position(Extracts)as at December 31,2018–2022.

(a) **Solution to illustration**

6.5

EquipmentAccount

			Le				Le
2018	Bank		800,000	2018	Balanc	c/d	800,000
Jan				Dec31	e		
2019	Balance	b/d	800,000	2019	Balanc	c/d	800,000
Jan				Dec31	e		
2020	Balance	b/d	800,000	2020	Balanc	c/d	800,000
Jan				Dec31	e		
2021	Balance	b/d	800,000	2021	Balanc	c/d	800,000
Jan				Dec31	e		
2022	Balance	b/d	800,000	2022	Balanc	c/d	800,000
Jan				Dec31	e		

(b) **Accumulated Depreciation on Equipment Account**

31/12/2018	Balance	c/d	160,000	31/12/2018	Depreciation	160,000
18					expense	0
31/12/2019	Balance	c/d	288,000	01/01/2019	Balance	0
19				31/12/2019	Depreciation	128,000
			288,000		expense	0
31/12/2020	Balance	c/d	390,400	01/01/2020	Balance	288,000
20				31/12/2020	Depreciation	102,400
			390,400		expense	0
31/12/2021	Balance	c/d	472,320	01/01/2021	Balance	390,400
21				31/12/2021	Depreciation	81,920
			472,320		expense	0
31/12/2022	Balance	c/d	537,856	01/01/2022	Balance	472,320
22				31/12/2022	Depreciation	65,536
			537,856		expense	0
				01/01/2023	Balance	537,856

(c) **DepreciationExpenseAccount**

		Le16			Le16
31/12/2018	Accum.Depr.Equi	0,000	31/12/2018	Profit or loss	0,000
8	pt		8		
31/12/2019	Accum.Depr.Equi	128,000	31/12/2019	Profit or loss	128,000
9	pt		9		
31/12/2022	Accum.Depr.Equi	102,400	31/12/2022	Profit or loss	102,400

0	pt		0		
31/12/2021	Accum. Depr. Equip	81,920	31/12/2021	Profit or loss	81,920
31/12/2022	Accum. Depr. Equip	65,536	31/12/2022	Profit or loss	65,536

Statement of Profit or Loss (extract) for year ended December 31,

		Debit side
		Le
2018	Depreciation Expense	160,000
2019	Depreciation Expense	128,000
2020	Depreciation Expense	102,400
2021	Depreciation Expense	81,920
2022	Depreciation Expense	65,536

The balance on the equipment account will be shown on the statement of financial position at the end of the accounting year less the balance on the Accumulated Depreciation Account as follows:

Statement of Financial Position (Extract) at December 31,

	Assets	Cost	Accumulated	Carrying
		Le	Depreciation	amount at end of year
			Le	Le
2018	Non-current Assets			
	Equipment	800,000	160,000	640,000
2019	Equipment	800,000	288,000	512,000
2020	Equipment	800,000	390,400	409,600
2021	Equipment	800,000	472,320	327,680
2022	Equipment	800,000	537,856	262,144

6.7 Disposal of non-current assets

An entity can dispose of its non-current assets by either selling it for cash, exchanging it for a similar asset or a different one, or merely by discarding the asset. In all these three situations the organisation must remember to take out the asset disposed from the main non-current asset account. This is done by opening an account for the purpose of the disposal. Into this account is debited the cost of the non-current asset and its associated accumulated depreciation is credited into the same account. A profit or loss may arise from the disposal of the non-current asset when compared with the carrying cost (cost less accumulated depreciation).

Accounting Entries

On the disposal of non-current asset, the following entries must be passed: Open a Non-current Asset Disposal Account and;

- i. Transfer the cost of the non-current asset sold to the non-current asset disposal account thus:
Dr. Non-current asset disposal account
Cr. Non-current asset account
- ii. Transfer the accumulated depreciation on the asset sold to the non-current asset disposal account as follows:
Dr. Accumulated depreciation
account Cr. Non-current asset
disposal account
- iii. The amount realized from the sale of the non-current asset must be recorded thus:
Dr. Cash, Bank or Sundry receivables account Cr.
Non-current asset disposal account

Where the non-current assets disposal account ends in a credit balance, it means that the amount received from the sale is more than the carrying amount of the non-current asset; hence a profit is the resulting figure.

Dr. Non-current asset disposal Account Cr.

Statement of Profit or Loss

Where the non-current asset disposal account ends in a debit balance, it means that the amount received from the sale is less than the carrying amount of the non-current asset sold; hence, the loss must be recorded.

Dr. Statement of Profit or Loss

Cr. Non-current asset disposal Account

The entries above can be illustrated by assuming that the equipment purchased by Bragado in Illustration 6.6 was sold for cash amounting to Le295, 000 at January 2, 2023. The cost of the equipment as at January 2, 2023 was Le800, 000, its associated accumulated depreciation amounted to Le537,856 leaving a carrying amount of

Le262,144 (Le800,000-Le537,856). Since the equipment was sold for Le295, 000 it means that a profit amounting to Le32, 856 will be calculated as thus:

Calculation of profit on sale of equipment	Le
Cost of equipment	800,000
Less Accumulated depreciation	<u>537,856</u>
Carrying Amount	<u>262,144</u>
Proceeds from sale of equipment	295,000
Less Carrying amount	<u>262,144</u>
Profit on disposal of equipment	<u>32,856</u>

If one again assumes that the equipment purchased by Bragado in Illustration 10.5 was sold for cash amounting to Le200, 000 on January 2, 2023. The balance on the equipment account as at January 2, 2023 will show cost of Le800,000, with its associated accumulated depreciation of Le537,856 leaving a carrying amount of Le262,144 (Le800,000-Le537,856). Since the equipment was sold for Le200,000, a loss amounting to Le62,144 will be calculated as thus:

Calculation of loss on sale of equipment	Le800,000
Cost of equipment	0,000
Less Accumulated depreciation	<u>537,856</u>
Carrying amount	<u>262,144</u>
Proceeds from sale of equipment	200,000
Less carrying amount	<u>262,144</u>
Loss on disposal of equipment	<u>(62,144)</u>

The transaction involving the sale of assets at a profit as per Illustration 10.5 will be recorded as:

Equipment Account					
		Le			Le
01/01/2023	Balance b/d	800,000	02/01/2023	Equipment disposals	800,000
Accumulated Provision for Depreciation Account-Equipment					
		Le			Le
02/01/2023	Equipment disposals		01/01/2023	Balance b/d	<u>537,856</u>
Equipment Disposals Account					
02/01/2023	Equipment account	800,000	02/01/2023	Accumulated provision for depreciation	537,856

31/12/2023	Statement of Profit or Loss	<u>32,856</u> <u>832,856</u>	02/01/2023	Cash	<u>295,000</u> <u>832,856</u>
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Statement of Profit or Loss (extract) for the year ended December 31, 2023

Gross Profit	XXXX
Add profit on sale of equipment	32,856

6.8 Non-current asset register

A non-current asset register is used to record information about a business' non-current assets. This enables the business to maintain control over its assets and reduces the risk of loss from theft and the risk that assets are under utilised. The non-current asset register provides details of the cost and depreciation for each non-current asset of the business. The register can therefore be used to check the General Ledger balances relating to the cost and depreciation of its non-current assets. The non-current asset register will usually be sub-divided into sections which will record different classes or types of non-current assets. For example, a business might have the following sections in its register:

- Property
- Plant and machinery
- Fixtures and fittings
- Motor vehicles

Information to be recorded for each asset

A non-current asset register would typically record the following information for each of its non-current assets:

- A description of the asset (to enable it to be identified)
- The date it was acquired
- The cost of the asset
- How the asset was funded
- The depreciation that has been charged for each accounting period
- The carrying value of the asset at the end of each accounting period
- The date of disposal (if appropriate)

- Details of the disposal proceeds

Many businesses will also include additional information if they believe it will be useful to do so; e.g

- The gain or loss made on disposal
- The location of the asset (or who it has been assigned to)
- The asset's servicing regime to help in its maintenance
- Details of any impairments or damage done to the asset
- Purchase and, if appropriate, sale invoice references

A typical non-current asset register will contain the following information about all items of Property, plant and equipment:

Description:

Acquisition date: Cost: Depreciation charges:

Carrying amount:

Funding method: Disposal date; and Disposal proceed.

6.9 Asset Coding

Asset coding is a process of attaching a unique identification number (ID) to an item of property, plant and equipment for identification and verification purposes. Property Control is charged with identifying equipment that meets non-current asset criteria, assigning an inventory control number, affixing an inventory control tag, and recording it in the banner non-current asset system.

Asset coding can be created following these steps:

- Identify the asset type and category
- Assign a unique ID number
- Choose the appropriate tag type
- Enter basic information about the asset
- Apply assets tags
- Implement quality and verification process

6.10 Summary

In this chapter the distinction between capital expenditure and revenue expenditure has been clearly explained. The item of cost or expenditure to be capitalised should include all the activities that are intended to put the asset in a condition ready for use. We have also defined depreciation to mean the process of spreading the cost of a non-current asset over its useful life and that when an asset is fully depreciated and it is still in use one must not continue depreciating the asset. We again learnt that where an asset is disposed off during the year the carrying amount at the time of sale should be deducted from the sale proceeds and either a profit or loss on disposal posted to the Statement of Profit or Loss. Non-current asset register and coding were described in the later part of the chapter.

6.11 Multiple Choice Questions (MCQ)

- 1) The loss in value of non-current tangible assets as a result of passage of time is referred to as?
 - a. Depletion
 - b. Deterioration
 - c. Wasting
 - d. Amortisation
 - e. Obsolescence

- 2) Depreciation of an asset with fixed period of legal life is referred to as?
 - a. Obsolescence
 - b. Amortisation
 - c. Diminishing balance method
 - d. Depletion
 - e. Deterioration

- 3) Which of the following assets will not be shown on the statement of financial position of a business entity?
 - a. Intangible asset such as management services

- b. Intangible assets such as goodwill
- c. Tangible asset such as machinery
- d. Tangible asset such as buildings
- e. Intangible asset such as research and development

4) Which of the following is an example of revenue expenditure?

- a. Expenditure on non-current assets bought by the firm
- b. Expenditure on the repairs of buildings
- c. Formation expenses before a company commenced business
- d. Tax paid to the Internal Revenue Service
- e. Repairs to vehicle with hooked engine

5) Every asset should have at least

- a. Tangible and intangible equalities
- b. Monetary cost and future benefit
- c. An adequate monetary value
- d. An inadequate monetary value
- e. Durable equalities

Use the information below to answer Questions 6 and 7.

A motor van was purchased by a bookshop on 1 July 2020 for Le10,000,000 and sold on 30 June 2022 for Le8,200,000. The firm's accounting year ends on December 31, each year. Motor vans are depreciated at 10% per annum on cost. Full year depreciation is charged in the year of purchase but none in the year of sale. The asset is not expected to have any residual value on date of sale.

6) What is the profit or loss on disposal of the

- motor van?
- a. Le100,000(loss)
 - b. Le200,000(loss)
 - c. Le200,000(profit)
 - d. Le1,200,000(loss)
 - e. Le1,200,000(profit)

7) What is the accumulated depreciation on the motor van as at June

30, 2021? a. Le500,000

b. Le1,000,000

c. Le1,500,000

d. Le2, 000,000

e. Le3, 000,000

6.12 Short Answer Questions (SAQ)

- 1) A company has business premises worth Le80, 000,000. An additional amount of Le20, 000 was used to provide metal gate for the building. The cost of the gate should be treated as _____

The following information relates to Questions 2 and 3.

- Motor vehicles at cost (1/1/2022) Le50,000,000
 - Accumulated depreciation (1/1/2022) Le18,000,000
 - Depreciation is at the rate of 20% per annum using reducing balance method
- 2) What would be the depreciation charge for 2022?
- 3) What would be the carrying amount of the motor vehicles as at December, 31 2022?
- 4) The value of a non-current asset is recorded in a _____
- 5) The provision made for the loss in value of non-current assets that is of a _____ nature is referred to as _____

6.13 Examination type questions

- I. Kokou Ltd. Made the following non-current asset purchases in 2022 accounting year.

Type of Asset	Cost(Le)	Date
Motor vehicle	70,000,000	January, 1
Furniture and fittings	120,000,000	March, 1
Furniture and fittings	40,000,000	July, 1

Motor vehicle	208,000,000	October,1
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The company's policy is to depreciate motor vehicle and furniture and fittings at the rates of 25% and 20%, using the fixed installment and reducing balance methods respectively.

Depreciation is calculated on monthly basis. **Required:**

- a) The Motor Vehicle Account
 - b) Furniture and Fittings account
 - c) The respective Accumulated depreciation accounts
 - d) A statement of financial position (extract) for each of the years 2022 and 2023
2. Koffi is a trader dealing in the sale of second hand clothes and prepare account to December 31, of each year. The following transactions in assets have taken place:

2022	January,1	Purchased Office Equipment for Le150.000,000
2022	July,1	Purchased Plant and Machinery costing Le500.000,000
2023	October,1	Bought Plant for Le300.000,000
2023	December,1	Purchased Office Equipment for Le200.000,000

Koffi maintains its non-current assets at cost and depreciates its asset at a constant rate of 20% using the straight line method of providing for depreciation. Assets purchased attract full year depreciation charge in the year of acquisition, whilst any asset disposed off attracts no depreciation charge in the year of sale.

You are required to prepare the following accounts for year 2022 to 2023:

- a) The Office equipment account
- b) The Plant and Machinery account
- c) The respective accumulated Provision for depreciation accounts
- d) A statement of financial position (extract) as at December 31, 2022 and 2023

6.14 Solution to Multiple Choice Questions

1. D
2. B
3. A
4. B
5. B
6. C
7. B

6.15 Solution to short answered questions

1. Capital Expenditure
2. Le6,400,000
3. Le25,600,000
4. Real account
5. Depletion

6.16 Solution to Examination type questions

Kokou Limited

1. Motor Vehicle Account

Le'000			Le'000		
1/1/2022	Bank	70,000	.	.	.
1/10/2022	Bank	208,000	31/12/202	Balance c/f	278,000
		<u>278,000</u>	2		<u>278,000</u>
1/1/2023	Balance b/d	278,000	31/12/2023	Balance c/d	<u>278,050</u>
1/1/2024	Balance b/d	278,000			

Furniture & Fittings Account

		Le'000			Le'000
1/3/2022	Bank	120,000			
1/7/2022	Bank	40,000	31/12/2022	Balancec/d	160,000
		<u>160,000</u>		31/12/2023balc/d	<u>160,000</u>
1/1/2023	Balanceb/d	<u>160,000</u>			<u>160,000</u>
1/01/2024	Balb/d	<u>160,000</u>			

Depreciation account–Motor vehicles

		Le'000			Le'000
31/12/2022	Balc/d	30,500	31/12/2023	Depreciation Expense	<u>30,500</u>
		<u>30,500</u>			<u>30,500</u>
				Balanceb/d	30,500
31/12/2023	Balc/f	<u>100,000</u>	01/01/2023	Depreciation Expense	<u>69,500</u>
100,000					<u>100,000</u>
					0
			01/01/2024	Balanceb/d	<u>100,000</u>
					<u>0</u>

Accumulated Depreciation Account–Furniture&Fittings

		Le'000			Le'000
31/12/2022	Balancec/	<u>24,000</u>	31/12/2022	Depreciation expense	<u>24,000</u>
		0			<u>24,000</u>
		<u>24,000</u>			
f31/12/2023	Balancec	51,200	1/1/2023	Balanceb/d	
				24,000	
		<u>51,200</u>	xpense	27,200	
/f					<u>51,200</u>
			1/1/2003	Balanceb/d	<u>51,200</u>

Statement of Financial Position (Extract) as at 31Dec.

	2022	Cost Le'000	Accumulated Depreciation Le'000	Carrying amount Le'000
Non-currentAssets				
Motorvehicles		278,000	30,500	247,500
Furniture&Fittings		<u>160,000</u>	<u>24,000</u>	<u>136,000</u>
		<u>438,000</u>	<u>54,500</u>	<u>383,500</u>
2023				
Non-currentAssets				
Motorvehicles		278,000	100,000	178,000
Furniture&Fittings		<u>160,000</u>	<u>51,200</u>	<u>108,800</u>
		<u>438,000</u>	<u>151,200</u>	<u>286,800</u>

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Office Equipment Account

01/01/2022	Bank				
		Le'000			Le'000
		<u>150,000</u>	31/12/2022	Balancec/f	<u>150,000</u>
		150,000			150,000
01/12/2023	01/01/2023 Balanceb/d	150,000	31/12/2023	Balancec/f	350,000
	200,000				
		<u>350,000</u>			<u>350,000</u>
01/01/2024	Balanceb/d	350,000			

Plant&MachineryAccount

		Le'000			Le'000
01/07/2022	Bank	<u>500,000</u>	31/12/2022	Balancec/f	<u>500,000</u>
		500,000			500,000
01/01/2017	Balanceb/d	500,000	31/12/2017	Balancec/f	800,000
01/10/2017	Bank	<u>300,000</u>			
		800,000			<u>800,000</u>
01/01/2018	Balanceb/d	800,000			

Accumulated Depreciation Account-Office equipment

		Le'000			Le'000
		0			
31/12/2022	Balancec/f	<u>30,000</u>	31/12/2022	Depreciationexpense	<u>30,000</u>
		30,000			30,000
31/12/2023	31/12/2023 Balancec/f	100,000	01/01/2023	Balanceb/d	30,000
	Depreciationexpense	<u>70,000</u>			
		100,000			<u>100,000</u>
			01/01/2024	Balanceb/d	100,000

Accumulated for DepreciationAccount-Plant&machinery

Le'000					Le'000
31/12/2022	Balancec/f	<u>100,000</u>	31/12/2022	Depreciationexpense	<u>100,000</u>
				100,000	
				100,000	
31/12/2023	Balancec/f	260,000	01/01/2023	Balanceb/d	100,000
		<u>260,000</u>	31/12/2023	Depreciationexpense	<u>160,000</u>
					260,000
			01/01/2024	Balanceb/d	260,000

Depreciation Expense Account-Office equipment

	Le'000		Le'000
31/12/2016	Accumulated depreciation	30,000	30,000
2017	Account	30,000	30,000
31/12/2017	Accumulated depreciation	100,000	100,000
	Account	100,000	100,000

Depreciation Expense Account-Plant & Machinery

	Le'000		Le'000
31/12/2022	Accumulated depreciation	100,000	100,000
2023	Account	100,000	100,000
31/12/2023	Accumulated depreciation	160,000	160,000
	Account	160,000	160,000

Statement of Financial Position (Extract) as at December 31,

	2022	Cost Le'000	Accumulated Depreciation Le'000	Carrying amount Le'000
Non-current Assets				
Office Equipment		150,000	30,000	120,000
Plant & Machinery		500,000	100,000	400,000
		650,000	130,000	520,000
2023				
Non-current Assets				
Office Equipment		350,000	100,000	250,000
Plant & Machinery		800,000	260,000	540,000
		1,150,000	360,000	790,000

6.17 Examination like question without solutions

1. A company depreciates its fleets of motor vehicle sat the rate of 25%, using there ducing balance method. From the information given below, you are required to draw up the following accounts for year ended December 31, 2021 and 2022:

- a) The Motor vehicles Account
- b) The accumulated depreciation account –Motor Vehicle
- c) The Motor vehicle disposal account
- d) A statement of financial position (extract)asat December 31,2021and2022

2021	January,1	Purchased6carsforLe50.000,000each
2021	September,1	Purchased2truckscostingLe500.000,000
2022	November,1	Sold 2 ofthe cars boughtonJanuary1,2021forLe90,000,000
2022	December,1	Purchasedonetruckfor Le200.000,000

2. Kossi commenced business on March 1, 2010 selling mobile phones and prepares accounts to December 31, of each year. The following transactions in assets have taken place

Date	Asset	Detail s	Cos t	Scrapvalue	Dep.rat e
Jan,12020	Land&Buildings	Purchase	Le980,000,000	Le80,000,000	4%
Jan,12020	Plant &Machiner y	Purchase	Le550,000,000	Le20,000,000	10%
June,30202 2	Building	Sale	Le480,000,000	Le20,000,000	
Aug,12022	Plant &Machiner y	Purchase	Le475,000,000	Le65,000,000	10%
Oct,12022	Building	Purchase	Le550,000,000	Ni l	4%

Included in the land and buildings account is Le100, 000,000 representing the cost of land with a scrap value of Le40, 000,000. The

scrap values of the various assets above were determined by a firm of professional valuers. The depreciation method used is the straight line method and it is the policy of the company to provide depreciation on the basis of one month ownership one month depreciation charge. The building with a scrap value of Le20, 000,000 was sold for Le 400, 000,000 on June 30, 2022.

Required:

- a) The respective non-current assets accounts
 - b) The disposal of asset account
 - c) There spective accumulated depreciation accounts
- 3 On January 1, 2018 Adrion Limited purchased Equipment for Le 450, 000. It is the policy of Adrion Limited to depreciate Plant at 20%. You are required to show the Equipment account in the books of Adrion Limited as at the end of 2022 accounting period using the reducing balance method.

CHAPTER SEVEN

ADJUSTMENT FOR SIMPLE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

- Allowances for doubtful and irrecoverable receivables
- Accruals and prepayments
- Drawings in goods and cash
- Non current and current liabilities

Accounting for inventories

Learning Objectives

After you have studied this chapter, you should be able to:

- *Calculate Allowances for irrecoverable and doubtful receivables;*
- *Calculate Allowances for discounts on trade receivables*
- *Explain prepayments and accruals;*
- *Identify and Calculate prepayment and accruals;*
- *Explain accounting for goods and cash drawings;*
- *State the differences between current and noncurrent liabilities; and*
- *Explain Accounting for inventories.*

7.1 Allowances for Recoverable and Doubtful Receivables

In a financial year, from day-to-day financial transactions, many changes occur in the management of an entity's economic resources. These changes bring about financial obligations from customers to pay up outstanding trade receivables, commitment to pay certain current and liabilities as and when due. Examples of these financial obligations and commitment include interest accrues daily on debts, as rent expense payable/outstanding for use of an office building, prepaid stationery expense, income receivable and other related financial items in day-to-day management of a business entity. Similarly, other resources and obligations such as employees' salaries originate as service is rendered, customers buy goods on credit, supplier supplies goods for sale on credit, lenders give loans to a business entity obligations with payments to follow at specified dates. In most cases, the end of the accounting period generally does not coincide with the receipts or payments of cash associated with all types of resource changes indicated in the preceding paragraphs.

Consequently, adjusting entries are used to record such resource changes (expenses accrued, prepaid, incomes receivables and provisions for doubtful debts are made where necessary) to ensure the accuracy and truthful representations of the economic phenomena reported in the financial statements. This chapter will consider some of the

adjustments most commonly made in the preparation of the final accounts and also discuss why such adjustments are required. Also, their treatments in both the Statement of Profit and Loss and Statement of Financial Position will be treated in detail in the chapter. Accountants rely on two principles in the adjusting process—**revenue recognition** and **matching principles**. The revenue recognition concept requires that revenue be reported when earned, not before and not after. Revenue is earned for most entities at the time when services and products are delivered to customers and not when cash was eventually paid. If an entity sells goods on 31 December, 2021 to a customer, despite the fact that the customers have not paid as at this date; the revenue was earned in the year 2021 and this should be reported as revenue in the 2021 Statement of Profit or Loss for year ended 2021, even if the customer paid for the goods later in the year 2022. The value of goods bought by the customers will be recorded as trade receivable in the Statement of Financial Position as at 31 December, 2021. Besides, where there is a likelihood of default on the credit sales to the customers in 2021, the entity will make a provision for doubtful debts as an expense in the Statement of Profit or Loss for year ended 2021 and this will reduce the total value of the trade receivable in the Statement of Financial Position as at 31 December, 2021.

Furthermore, the matching principle aims to report expenses in the same accounting period as the revenues that are earned as a result of incurring these expenses. The matching of expenses with revenue is a major part of the adjusting process. As an example if a business earns monthly revenue while operating out of rented store space, the matching concept stipulates that rent must be reported on the statement of profit or loss for a particular period, December, even if rent is paid in a period earlier than or after December. This ensures that the rent expense for December is matched with the revenue of the particular month. At the end of an accounting period, it is likely that an entity will find that some expenses have been paid which relate to the next accounting period, while to other amounts, which relate to the current period remain outstanding. In order that the account shows a true and fair view of the entity's Financial Performance, adjustments for such items are necessary. The simple adjustments affecting the Statement of Profit or Loss for the year ended and the Statement of Financial Position as at a given date are classified into three categories:

- (1) Allowances for irrecoverable and doubtful trade receivables;
- (2) Allowances for discounts on trade receivables;
- (3) Deferrals and prepayments;
- (4) Accrued Expenses and Revenues;

- (5) Drawings of goods and cash by proprietor;
- (6) Current and noncurrent liabilities;
- (7) Inventories(Closing and Opening); and
- (8) Other adjustments

Revenue in the Statement of Profit consists of cash and credit sales of goods to customers. The credit sales occur when goods are sold to customers and payments made in a latter day in the accounting year (within 12 months) or outside the accounting year (outside 12 months).

The accounting entries for credit sales are: debit entry in customer/trade receivable account and credit entry in sales account. The debit entries (total debit balances) in all customers account/trade receivable, if unpaid at the end of an accounting year is known as trade receivable which is reported in the debit side of a trial balance. In the final account, in anticipation of payment at a latter day, trade receivable is recognized under current asset in the Statement of Financial Position as at a given date. To apply the prudence concept, that is, anticipating all probable future loss of incomes, certain proportion of the trade receivables (total unpaid credits of customers) are set aside by debiting Allowances for Irrecoverable/Doubtful receivables with a corresponding credit entry in the Provision doubtful Trade Receivables' Account. In such a situation, the net trade receivable (trade receivable minus total provision for doubtful trade receivables (balances of provision for doubtful debt on the credit side of the trial balance plus debit entry in the Statement of Profit or Loss) will be recognized under current asset in the Statement of Financial Position. On the other hands, there is increase or decrease in allowance for doubtful debt or a situation where the earlier doubtful trade receivables provisions on the credit side of a trial balance is no longer required.

- **Accounting entries for an Increase in Provision in Allowances for Doubtful Debt**

If there is an increase in provision for doubtful debt in the trial balance, debit amount of increase into the Statement of Profit or Loss and credit accumulated provision for doubtful debt in the trial balance. In the SOFP, under current asset, the net trade receivable in the SOFP will be trade receivable minus accumulated provision for doubtful debt.

- **Accounting entries for a Decrease in Provision in Allowances for Doubtful Debt**

Assume that there is a decrease in provision for doubtful debt in the trial balance, credit the amount of decrease to Gross Profit in the Statement of Profit or Loss and debit accumulated provision for doubtful debt in the trial balance. In the SOFP, under current asset, the net trade receivable in the SOFP will be trade receivable minus balance (amount in the credit side of trial balance minus amount of reduction) in the provision for doubtful

debt.

- **Accounting entries when Allowances Provision for Doubtful Debt are no longer necessary**

Where the provision for doubtful debt reported on the credit sides of the trial balance is no longer necessary, credit the amount no longer required to Gross Profit in the Statement of Profit or Loss and debit accumulated provision for doubtful debt in the trial balance. In the SOFP, under current asset, the net trade receivable in the SOFP will be trade receivable minus the provision for doubtful debt in the trial balance.

Bad Debts

An entity that sells its goods on purely cash basis, does not have to worry about customers not paying for such goods. This is not always the case. Goods and services are usually sold or rendered on credit, giving rise to trade receivables. The business entity is therefore taking the risk of some customers defaulting in the payment of their debts. Trade receivables that cannot be collected are called bad debt or irrecoverable debts, which is the risk of doing business on credit terms. Where a customer's debt is found to be irrecoverable, steps must be taken to remove such debts from the list of customer owing the business entity. This is done by completely writing off the debt from the receivables account. Writing off of a particular debt from the list of receivables accounts means that the value of the assets (receivables) of the business has reduced or diminished. This has the effect that the business entity has incurred losses that must be accounted for by increasing the expense account of irrecoverable debt, which will eventually reduce profit and also reduce assets of receivables. This also translates to a reduction of the net assets of the business. Where an account containing a debt is declared 'irrecoverable' a journal entry must be passed as follows:

	Dr.	Cr.
	₦	₦
Bad /Irrecoverable debts expense account (Statement of Profit or Loss)	x	x
To: Trade receivables account (Statement of financial position)		

It is important for entities to review their receivables periodically and identify those debts that are unlikely to be collected in full. These irrecoverable debts may then be written-off in the statement of profit or loss. This practice prevents overstatement of both profit and assets and is always required if irrecoverable debts are probable and can be estimated. At the end of the accounting period the total debt written off is transferred from the irrecoverable debts account to the Statement of

Profit or Loss as follows:

Dr.

Cr.

x

Statement of Profit or Loss

Irrecoverable debts account

Illustration 7.1

Kumasi Venture extracted Trial Balance

	Debit	Credit
	¢	¢
Trade Receivables	500,000	
Allowances for doubtful debt		50,000
Trade Payable		100,000
Gross Profit		150,000
Capital		<u>200,000</u>
	<u>500,000</u>	<u>500,000</u>

Assume the following situations that there are:

- i. Increase in allowances for doubtful receivables to 15%
- ii. Increase in allowances for doubtful receivables by 2 ½ %
- iii. Allowances for doubtful receivables increase to ¢62,000
- iv. Allowances for doubtful receivables reduce by ¢10,000
- v. Allowances for doubtful debt reduce to 7 ½ % of Trade Receivables
- vi. Decrease in allowances for doubtful debt by 3% of Trade Receivables
- vii. Allowances for doubtful receivables are no longer required
- viii. A customer with outstanding of ¢80,000 in the above trial balance is declared bankrupt by a competent court of jurisdiction

Required:

With appropriate ledger entries, post items i-v and under each assumption; prepare the extracts of Statement of Profit or Loss Account and Statement of Financial Position.

Situation I:

Increase in allowance for doubtful debt to 15%: 15% of ¢500,000 = ¢75,000

Original provisions allowance for doubtful debt(trial balance) = ¢50,000

Increase in provision = ¢125,000

Allowance/Provision for Doubtful Trade Receivables' Account

₪	₪
Bal c/d (SOFP) <u>125,000</u>	Bal b/f 50,000
<u>125,000</u>	P or L <u>75,000</u>
	<u>125,000</u>
	Bal b/d 125,000

Statement of Profit or Loss Extract

	₪
Gross Profit from trial balance	150,000
Less Expenses:	
Increase in Allowance for doubtful debt	<u>(75,000)</u>
Profit for the year	<u>75,000</u>

Statement of Financial Position Extract

Current Assets:

Net Trade Receivables (₪500,000- ₪125,000)	<u>375,000</u>
Capital	200,000
Profit for the year	<u>75,000</u>
Total Capital	<u>275,000</u>

Current Liability:

Trade Payable	<u>100,000</u>
Total Capital and Liability	<u>375,000</u>

Situation II: Increase in allowances for doubtful receivables by 2 ½ %

Increase in allowance for doubtful debt to 2 ½ %: 2 ½ % of ₪500,000 = ₪12,500

Original provisions allowance for doubtful debt (trial balance) = ₪50,000

Increase in provision = **₪62,500**

Allowance/Provision for Doubtful Trade Receivables' Account

	₹		₹
Bal c/d (SOFP)	<u>62,500</u>	Bal b/f	50,000
<u>62,500</u>		P or L	<u>12,500</u>
		<u>62,500</u>	
		Bal b/d	62,500

Statement of Profit or Loss Extract

Statement of Profit or Loss Extract	₹
Gross Profit from trial balance	150,000
Less Expenses:	
Increase in Allowance for doubtful debt	<u>(12,500)</u>
Profit for the year	<u>137,500</u>

Statement of Financial Position Extract

Statement of Financial Position Extract	
	¢
Current Assets:	
Net Trade Receivables (¢500,000- ¢62,500)	<u>437,500</u>
Capital	200,000
Profit for the year	<u>137,500</u>
Total Capital	<u>337,500</u>
Current Liability:	
Trade Payable	<u>100,000</u>
Total Capital and Liability	<u>437,500</u>

Situation III: Allowances for doubtful receivables increase to €62,000

Increase in allowance for doubtful debt to ₦62,000	=	₦62,000
Original provisions allowance for doubtful debt (trial balance)=		<u>₦50,000</u>
Increase in provision	=	<u>₦112,000</u>

Allowance/Provision for Doubtful Trade Receivables' Account

₪	₪
Bal c/d (SOFP) <u>112,000</u>	Bal b/f 50,000
<u>112,000</u>	P or L <u>62,000</u>
	<u>112,000</u>
	Bal b/d 112,000

Statement of Profit or Loss Extract

	₪
Gross Profit from trial balance	150,000
Less Expenses:	
Increase in Allowance for doubtful debt	<u>(62,000)</u>
Profit for the year	<u>88,000</u>

Statement of Financial Position Extract

	₪
Current Assets:	
Net Trade Receivables (₪500,000- ₪112,000)	<u>338,000</u>
Capital	200,000
Profit for the year	<u>88,000</u>
Total Capital	<u>288,000</u>
Current Liability:	
Trade Payable	<u>100,000</u>
Total Capital and Liability	<u>338,000</u>

Situation IV: Allowances for doubtful receivables reduce by ₪10,000

Reduction in allowance for doubtful debt by ₪10,000(debit)	=	(₪10,000)
Original provisions allowance for doubtful debt (trial balance)	=	₪ <u>50,000</u>
Increase in provision	=	<u>₪40,000</u>

Allowance/Provision for Doubtful Trade Receivables' Account

₹		₹	
Gross Profit	10,000	Bal b/f	<u>50,000</u>
Bal c/d	<u>40,000</u>	<u>50,000</u>	
<u>50,000</u>		Bal b/d (SOFP)	40,000

Statement of Profit or Loss Extract

₹

Gross Profit from trial balance 150,000

Add:

Decrease in Allowance for doubtful debt 10,000

Profit for the year **160,000**

Statement of Financial Position Extract

₹

Current Assets:

Net Trade Receivables (₹500,000- ₹40,000) 460,000

Capital 200,000

Profit for the year 160,000

Total Capital **360,000**

Current Liability:

Trade Payable 100,000

Total Capital and Liability 460,000

Situation V: Allowances for doubtful debt reduce to 7 ½ %

7 ½ % of ₹500,000 = ₹37,500, ₹50,000-₹37,500 = ₹12,500

Reduction in allowance for doubtful debt by ₹10,000(debit) = (₹12,500)

Original provisions allowance for doubtful debt (trial balance) = ₹50,000

Decrease in provision = **₹37,500**

Allowance/Provision for Doubtful Trade Receivables' Account

₹		₹	
Gross Profit	12,500	Bal b/f	<u>50,000</u>
Bal c/d	<u>37,500</u>	<u>50,000</u>	
<u>50,000</u>		Bal b/d (SOFP)	37,500

Statement of Profit or Loss Extract

	₹
Gross Profit from trial balance	150,000
Add:	
Decrease in Allowance for doubtful debt	<u>12,500</u>
Profit for the year	<u>162,500</u>

Statement of Financial Position Extract

Current Assets:

Net Trade Receivables (₹500,000- ₹37,500)	<u>462,500</u>
Capital	200,000
Profit for the year	<u>162,500</u>
Total Capital	<u>362,500</u>

Current Liability:

Trade Payable	<u>100,000</u>
Total Capital and Liability	<u>462,500</u>

Situation VI: Decrease in allowances for doubtful debt by 3% of Trade Receivables

3% of ₹500,000 = ₹15,000

Reduction in allowance for doubtful debt by ₹10,000(debit)	= (₹15,000)
Original provisions allowance for doubtful debt (trial balance)	= ₹ <u>50,000</u>
Decrease in provision	= <u>₹35,000</u>

Allowance/Provision for Doubtful Trade Receivables' Account

₹	₹
Gross Profit 15,000	Bal b/f <u>50,000</u>
Bal c/d <u>35,000</u>	<u>50,000</u>
<u>50,000</u>	Bal b/d (SOFP) 35,000

Statement of Profit or Loss Extract

₹

Gross Profit from trial balance 150,000

Add:

Decrease in Allowance for doubtful debt 15,000

Profit for the year **165,000**

Statement of Financial Position Extract

₹

Current Assets:

Net Trade Receivables (₹500,000- ₹35,000) 465,000

Capital 200,000

Profit for the year 165,000

Total Capital **365,000**

Current Liability:

Trade Payable 100,000

Total Capital and Liability 465,500

Situation VII: Allowances for doubtful debt no longer required

3% of ₹500,000 = ₹15,000

Allowance for doubtful debt not required (debit) = (₹50,000)

Original provisions allowance for doubtful debt (trial balance) = ₹ 50,000

Decrease in provision = **₹0.0000**

Allowance/Provision for Doubtful Trade Receivables' Account

₺		₺	
Gross Profit	50,000	Bal b/f	<u>50,000</u>
Bal c/d	<u>0.000</u>		<u>50,000</u>
	<u>50,000</u>	Bal b/d (SOFP)	0.000

Statement of Profit or Loss Extract

₺

Gross Profit from trial balance 150,000

Add:

Decrease in Allowance for doubtful debt 50,000

Profit for the year **200,000**

Statement of Financial Position Extract

₺

Current Assets:

Net Trade Receivables (₺500,000- ₺0.000) 500,000

Capital 200,000

Profit for the year 200,000

Total Capital **400,000**

Current Liability:

Trade Payable 100,000

Total Capital and Liability 500,500

Situation VIII: A customer with outstanding of ₺80,000 in the above trial balance is declared bankrupt by a competent court of jurisdiction

Trade Receivables' Account

₺		₺	
Bal b/d	<u>500,000</u>	Bad Debt	82,000
	<u>500,000</u>	Bal c/d	<u>418,000</u>
Bal. b/d (SOFP)	418,000		<u>500,000</u>

Statement of Profit or Loss Extract	¢
Gross Profit from trial balance	150,000
Add:	
Bad Debt	<u>82,000</u>
Profit for the year	<u>68,000</u>

Statement of Financial Position Extract	¢
Current Assets:	
Net Trade Receivables (¢500,000-¢50,000- ¢82,000)	<u>368,000</u>
Capital	200,000
Profit for the year	<u>68,000</u>
Total Capital	<u>268,000</u>
Current Liability:	
Trade Payable	<u>100,000</u>
Total Capital and Liability	<u>368,000</u>

Illustration 7.2

Jack Terr or has been in business for several years dealing in the sale of second hand clothes. During the three year ended October, 31, 2016, he presented the following

Credit sales	Irrecoverable Debts	
	¢	¢
October, 31, 2014	4,500,000	1,200,000
October, 31, 2015	8,750,000	3,850,000
October, 31, 2016	12,200,000	6,300,000

You are required to show the above information for the year ended October, 31, 2014, 2015 and 2016 in the following accounts:

- Trade receivables account
- Irrecoverable debts account
- Statement of Profit or Loss

Solution to Illustration 7.2

(a) Trade Receivable Account

	€		€
		31/10/2014	
31/10/2014 Sales	4,500,000	Irrecoverable debts	1,200,000
		31/10/2014 Balance c/f	3,300,000
	<u>4,500,000</u>		<u>4,500,000</u>
1/11/2014 Balance b/f	3,300,000		

Trade Receivable Account

	€		€
	8,750,000	31/10/2015 Irrecoverable debts	3,850,000
31/10/2015 Sales		31/10/2015 Balance c/f	4,900,000
	<u>8,750,000</u>		<u>8,750,000</u>
1/11/2015 Balance b/f	4,900,000		

Trade Receivables Account

	€		€
31/10/2016 Sales	12,200,000	31/10/2016	6,300,000
		Irrecoverable debts	
		31/10/2016 Balance c/f	5,900,000
	<u>12,200,000</u>		<u>12,200,000</u>
1/11/2016 Balance b/f	5,900,000		

(b) Irrecoverable debt Account

	€
31/10/2014	
31/10/2014	Statement

	Trade Receivables	<u>1,200,000</u>	of Profit or Loss	1,200,000
31/10/2015	31/10/2015		Statement	<u>3,850,000</u>
Trade Receivables		<u>3,850,000</u>	of Profit or Loss	
31/10/2016		31/10/2016	Statement	
Trade Receivables	<u>6,300,000</u>	of Profit or Loss	<u>6,300,000</u>	

c. Statement of Profit or Loss (extract) ended October, 31xxxxxx

	¢	¢
2014 Gross profit	Xxxxxx	
Less Irrecoverable debts	<u>1,200,000</u>	<u>X</u>
2015 Gross profit	xxxxxx <u>3,850,000</u>	
Less Irrecoverable debts		<u>X</u>
2016 Gross profit	xxxxxx <u>6,300,000</u>	
Less Irrecoverable debts		<u>X</u>

7.2 Allowance and Discounts on Trade Receivables

In certain businesses allowance is made for cash discount that is expected to be offered to customers on the trade receivables balance at the reporting period end. Proponents of this concept argue that since entities allow discounts on credit sale for prompt payment, recording gross realizable value of receivables as the balance on receivables account less allowance for doubtful debts alone will not give the best estimate of the amount expected to be collected from trade receivables. They argue that the best estimate of the value of receivable is that one that gives effect to cash discounts. Hence, making the determination of allowance for discounts on receivables.

The way in which allowance for discount on receivables is calculated is almost the same as when calculating allowance for doubtful debts alone. You must however remember to apply the same rate or percentage to the net amount of trade receivables less allowance for doubtful debts. This is so because discounts are allowed on debts expected to be paid and not irrecoverable debts.

It is the process of making allowance for the possibility of a debt becoming irrecoverable in the future but by what amount cannot be calculated with substantial accuracy. In the case of doubtful debts, the amount or its estimate still remains in the list of receivables and is not cancelled from the receivables account unlike the case of debts that have actually become irrecoverable. Doubtful debt does not relate to any specific debtor, but the business entity recognizes the fact that not all the existing debts will be collected and as such, it is prudent that such uncertainty is reflected in the Statement of Profit or Loss and the statement of financial position. The account treatment necessary to make a provision for doubtful debts is:

1. When a provision is made for the first time:

Debit: Statement of Profit or Loss

Credit: Allowance for doubtful debts Account

With the initial allowance made.



In this way the current year's profit is reduced, while in the statement of financial position the allowance is clearly shown and deducted from trade receivables. In subsequent accounting period's new estimate must be made in respect of debts that may be considered doubtful. The new allowance should be compared with the existing one and where the current allowance is greater than the previous one, the difference representing an increase in allowance for doubtful debts should be accounted for as follows:

Debit: Statement of Profit or Loss with the increase

Credit: Allowance for doubtful debts (current allowance less previous allowance)

However, if the current allowance is less than the previous one, the difference representing a decrease in allowance for doubtful debts should be accounted for as follows:

Debit: Allowance for doubtful debts account With the reduction in allowance made

Credit: Statement of Profit or Loss (Previous allowance less current allowance)



Illustration 7.3

Viscosity Ltd. has been in business since 2014 dealing in the sale of mobile phones. During the three-year period ended December 31, 2016 the company presented the following information relating to receivables:

	Receivables	Irrecoverable Debts (excluding Irrecoverable debts)
	₹	₹
31 December, 2014	7,000,000	1,000,000
31 December, 2015	18,250,000	2,500,000
31 December, 2016	10,000,000	4,300,000

Viscosity Ltd. makes provision for a doubtful debt at the rate of 6% on receivables. There was no balance on the provision for doubtful debt at the beginning of 2014 financial year.

You are required to show the above information for the year ended 31 December, 2014, 2015 and

2016 in the following accounts:

- (a) Irrecoverable debt
- (b) Allowance for doubtful debts account
- (c) Statement of Profit or Loss (extracts)
- (d) Statements of financial position (extracts)

Solution to Illustration 7.3

(a) Irrecoverable debts account

	€		€
31/12/2014 Trade Receivables	<u>1,000,00</u>	31/12/2014 Statement of Profit or Loss	<u>1,000,000</u>
31/12/2015 Trade Receivables	<u>2,500,000</u>	31/12/2015 Statement of Profit or Loss	<u>2,500,000</u>
31/12/2016 Trade Receivables	<u>4,300,000</u>	31/12/2016 Statement of Profit or Loss	<u>4,300,000</u>

(b) Allowance for doubtful debts account

	€		€
31/12/2014 Balance c/f	<u>420,000</u>	31/12/201 Statement of Profit or Loss	<u>420,000</u>
	<u>420,000</u>		420,000
		1/1/201 Balance b/f	420,000
31/12/2015 Balance c/f	<u>1,095,000</u>	31/12/201 Statement of Profit or Loss	<u>675,000</u>
	<u>1,095,000</u>		1,095,000
31/12/201 Statement of Profit or Loss	495,000	1/1/201 Balance b/f	<u>1,095,000</u>
31/12/2016 Balance c/d	<u>600,000</u>	1/1/201 Balance b/f	600,000
	<u>1,095,000</u>		

(c) **Statement of Profit or Loss(extract) for the year ended 31December xxxxxxxx**

	¢	¢	¢
2014 Gross profit			xxxxxxx
LessIrrecoverabledebts	1,000,000		
Increaseinallowancefordoubtfuldebt	<u>420,000</u>	<u>(1,420,000)</u>	X
2015 Grossprofit		xxxxxxx	X
Less bad debts	2,500,000		
Increase in Provision for doubtful debt	675,000	<u>3,175,000</u>	X
2016 Gross profit			xxxxxxx
AddDecreaseinProvisionfordoubtfuldebt	495,000		
Lessbaddebts	(4,300,000)	<u>(3,805,000)x</u>	

(d) **StatementofFinancialPosition(extract)at31Decemberxxxxxxx**

¢	¢	
2014 TradeReceivables	7,000,000	
Lessallowancefordoubtfuldebts	<u>420,000</u>	<u>6,580,000</u>
Increaseinallowancefordoubtfuldebt		
2015 TradeReceivables	18,250,000	
Less allowance for doubt ful debts	675,000	17,575,000
2016 TradeReceivables		
Lessallowancefordoubtfuldebts	10,000,000	
Lessbaddebts	<u>675,000</u>	<u>9,400,000</u>

Illustration 7.4

Mahatma Ltd. has been in business since 2014 dealing in the sale of Italian executive shoes. During the three years ended 31 December 2016 the company presented the following information relating to receivables:

	Trade Receivables	Allowancefor doubtfuldebts	Allowancefor cashdiscount allowed
	¢	¢	%
31December2014	17,000,000	1,000,000	4
31December2015	28,550,000	4,500,000	4
31December2016	22,000,000	2,800,000	4

You are required to show the above information for the years ended 31 December, 2014, 2015, and 2016 in the following accounts:

- Allowance for discounts on receivables
- Statements of Profit or Loss (extracts)
- Statements of financial position (extracts)

Solution to Illustration 11.8

(a) Allowance for discounts on receivables account

	Notes	¢'000		Note	¢'000
31/12/2014 Balance c/f		<u>640,000</u>	31/12/2014 Statement of Profit or Loss	(1)	<u>640,000</u>
			1/1/2015 Balance		<u>640,000</u>
31/12/2015 Balance c/f	(2)	<u>962,000</u>	31/1/2015 b/d Statement of Profit or Loss	(4)	<u>322,000</u>
		<u>962,000</u>			<u>962,000</u>
31/12/2016 Statement of Profit or Loss	(5)	<u>194,000</u>	11/1/2017 Balance b/f	(2)	<u>962,000</u>
	(3)	<u>768,000</u>			<u>962,000</u>
31/12/2017 Balance c/f		<u>962,000</u>	1/1/2018 Balance b/f		<u>768,000</u>

Statement of Profit or Loss(extract)for the year ended31Decemberxxxxxxx

¢		¢	¢
2014	Grossprofit	xxxxxxx	x
	Less allowance for doubtful debt	1,000,000	
	Allowance for discount on receivables	<u>640,000</u>	(1,640,000) x
2015	Grossprofit	xxxxxxx	x
	Less allowance for doubtful debts(Note4)	4,500,000	
	Allowance for discount onreceivables	322,000	4,822,000 x
	2016 Grossprofit	xxxxxxx	
	Less:Allowance for doubtful debts.	2,800,000	
	Decrease in allowance for discounts on receivables(Note6)	<u>(194,000)</u>	<u>2,606,000</u> x

(c)Statement of Financial Position(extract) as at 31Decemberxxxxxxx

2014	¢	¢	¢
Receivables		17,000,000	
Lessallowancefordoubtfuldebts	1,000,000		
allowancefordiscountsonreceivables	<u>640,000</u>	<u>1,640,000</u>	
15,360.000			
2015			
Receivables		28,550.000	
Lessallowancefordoubtfuldebts	4,500,000		
allowancefordiscountsonreceivables	<u>962,000</u>	<u>(5,462,000)</u>	
23,088,000			
2016		22,000,000	
Receivables			
Lessallowancefordoubtfuldebts	2,800,000		
allowancefordiscountsonreceivables	<u>768,000</u>	<u>(3,568,000)</u>	
		18,432,000	

Note1:¢(1,7000,000–1,000,000)x4%=¢640,000

Note2:¢(28,550,000–4,500,000)x4%=¢962,000

Note3:¢(22,000,000–2,800,000)x4%=¢768,000

Note4:¢(4,500,000–1,000,000)=¢3,500,000(Increase in allowance)

Note5:¢(4,500,000–1,000,000)=¢3,500,000(Increase in allowance)

Note6:¢(768,000–962,000)=-194,000(decrease in allowance)

Irrecoverable Debts Recovered

It is a common occurrence that a debt, which has previously been written off in previous accounting periods, may be paid or recovered. In such a situation, the recovered debt should be reinstated. The debt is reinstated in the sale ledger account to ensure that a detailed and concise history of the customer is available as a guide for granting credit to the same customer in future. It will also assist the entity in its credit rating of all customers that buy goods from them on credit.

The accounting entries when a debt is recovered are:

Debit: Trade Receivables account } with the amount of debt reinstated
Credit: Irrecoverable debts recovered account }

Debit: Cash or bank account } With the amount recovered from the customer
Credit: Trade Receivables account in full or part settlement of debt owed }

At the end of the accounting period the balance in the irrecoverable debts recovered account will either be transferred directly to the Statement of Profit or Loss or to the main irrecoverable debts account. Whichever way the transfer will produce the same result.

7.3 Accrual and Prepayments

a) Accrued Expenses

Accrued expenses and accrued revenues reflect transactions where cash is paid or received after a related expense or revenue is recognized. It represents an item, the use of which the firm has already benefited from during the current accounting period, but which will not be paid for until the next accounting period. If we do not make an adjustment the profit for the current period will be overstated. Examples of items that need to be accrued for include electricity, since it is not likely that these bills will exactly coincide with the entity's accounting year-end. The accounting entry for accrued expenses is:

	Dr.	Cr.
Expense (Statement of Profit or loss)	x	
To: Accrued expense (Statement of financial position)		x

In this case, the relevant expense in the Statement of Profit or Loss is increased by the accrued

		₪	₪
Electricity expenseA/c	Dr.	120,000	
To: Accrued ExpenseA/c			120,000

b) Prepayments

Deferrals or prepayments refer to transactions where cash is paid or received before a related expense or revenue is recognized. These transactions are recorded when cash is paid for expenses that apply to more than one accounting period or when cash is received for revenue that relates to more than one accounting period. The portion of the expense or revenue that applies to the future period is deferred as a prepaid expense (asset) or unearned revenue (liability). If we do not make adjustments for prepayments and unearned revenues, profit or the current period will be understated or overstated respectively. Items, which normally need to be prepaid, include rent and rates, insurance and road licensing fee.

The accounting entry requires the prepayment to reduce the relevant expense in the Statement of Profit or Loss thereby increasing profit. The same applies to the unearned revenue, where the adjusting entry reduces the relevant revenue in the Statement of Profit or Loss thereby decreasing profit. Since conceptually the prepayment represents an amount owned by an entity from a third party and unearned revenue represents amounts owed by the business to third party, they are included under current assets and current liabilities respectively in the statement of financial position. The accounting entries are as follows:

Debit: Prepayments (Statement of financial position)

Credit: Expenses (Statement of profit or loss)

Debit: Revenue (Statement of profit or loss)

Credit: Unearned revenue (Statement of financial position)

Illustration 7.6

Assume that Santo Ltd. paid ₦240,000 for two years insurance protection beginning on December 1, 2016.

The cash payment of ₦240,000 will be debited to the insurance account. With the passage of time, the benefit of the insurance protection gradually expires and apportionment of the unexpired insurance is transferred to the next accounting period as a prepaid expense. For instance, one month's insurance coverage expires by December 31, 2016. This expense is ₦10,000, $240,000 \times \frac{1}{24}$. The insurance account will be as follows:

Insurance Account

	31/12/2016	Profit or loss	₹	
1/12/2016	Cash			
	240,000			10,000
	<hr/>			
	240,000			
		Prepaidc/f	230,000	
1/1/2017	Prepaidb/f			
	230,000			
	<hr/>			
	240,000			
	<hr/>			
	110,000			
	31/12/2017	Profit or Loss		120,000
	(240,000x ¹² /24)			
		31/12/2017	Prepaidc/f	110,000
1/1/2018	Prepaidb/f			
			<hr/>	
			230,000	
			<hr/>	

The balance carried forward of ₪230,000, and ₪110,000 represents insurance prepaid to be shown under current assets in the Statement of Financial Position for the years 2016 and 2017 respectively.

The adjusting entries will be journalized as follows:

2016	Dr	Cr
	₪	₪
Insurance Prepaid	230,000	
Insurance expense		230,000
2017		
Insurance Prepaid	110,000	
Insurance expense		110,000

Let us now illustrate the treatment of deferred revenue as follows: Illustration 11.2

Assume that Santo Ltd rented a small office in its building to a customer on January 1, 2016.

The rental agreement required the payment of ₪180,000 cash in advance for 18 months' rent. This transaction is recorded as

Dr: Cash. Cr: Rent Received.

On December 31, 2016, the unadjusted Trial Balance will report ₪180,000 as rent received, which is overstated by ₪60,000 ($6/18 \times ₪180,000$) relating to 2017. The rent received account will be as follows:

Rent Receivable Account

	₪'000		₪'000
31/12/2016 Profit or loss	120,000	1/1/2016 Cash	<u>180,000</u>
31/12/2016 Balance c/f	<u>60,000</u>		<u>180,000</u>
	<u>180,000</u>	1/1/2017 Balance b/f	<u>60,000</u>

The balance carried forward of ₪60,000 in 2016 represents unearned revenue which will be recorded under current liabilities in the Statement of Financial Position for the year 2016. The adjusting entry will be journalised as follows:

	Dr.	Cr.
	¢	¢
Rent receivableA/c	60,000	
Deferred Rent Revenue		60,000

Accrued Revenue

Accrued revenue refers to transactions where cash is received after related revenue is recognized. It represents an item, the use of which the entity has already dispensed with during the current accounting period, but which will not be received until the next accounting period. If we do not make an adjustment the profit for the current period will be understated. Examples of items that need to be accrued for include interest earned on treasury bills of which payment has not been received, since it is not likely that the maturity of these bills will exactly coincide with the entity's accounting year-end. The accounting entry for accrued revenue is:

		N	N
Accrued income (Statement of Financial Position)	Dr.	x	
To: Interest Receivable (Statement of Profit or Loss)	Cr.		x

In this case the relevant income in the Income statement is increased by the accrued amount. In the statement of financial position the accrued income will appear under current assets, reflecting an amount owned by the business entity.

Illustration 7.7

Assume that the Trial Balance of Sky Ltd. shows interest receivable of ¢855,000. Excluded from the Trial Balance is a 182 days Bank of Ghana Bond purchased on August 1, 2015 at an interest rate of 15% per annum at a cost of ¢12,000,000. Sky Ltd prepares account to December 31 each year.

From the illustration above, Sky Ltd. will receive a total of ¢900,000 ($15\% \times \text{¢}12,000,000 \times 6/12$) representing interest that will be earned on the bond for the period August 1, 2015 to January 31, 2016. Since five months interest amounting to ¢750,000 ($5/6 \times \text{¢}900,000$) relates to 2015 financial year, it must be accrued in the Statement of Profit or Loss for 2015 though the amount will be received after 2015. The interest receivable account will be recorded as follows:

Interest Receivable Account

			2015		€'00085
2015			Dec31	Cash	5,000
Dec31	Statement of profit or Loss	1,605,000	Dec31	Int. Receivables(Une arnedincome)c/d	<u>750,000</u>
		<u>1,605,000</u>	2016		<u>1,605,000</u>
2016			Jan 31	Cash	900,000
Jan 1	Balanceb/d	750,000			
Dec31	Statement of Profit	<u>150,000</u>			
	or				
	Loss				
				<u>900,000</u>	<u>900,000</u>

The adjusting entry will be as follows:

	Dr.	Cr.
	¢	¢
Interest accrued A/c	750,000	
To: Interest receivable A/c		750,000

Drawings of goods and cash by proprietor

When a proprietor withdrew cash for private or family use, the accounting entry is:

	Dr.	Cr.
	¢	¢
Drawing (Statement of Financial Position, Capital)	X	
To: Cash Account		X

When a proprietor withdrew goods for private or family use, the accounting entry is:

	Dr.	Cr.
	¢	¢
Drawing (Statement of Financial Position, Capital)	X	
To: Purchases Account		X

Noncurrent and Depreciation Expenses

As stated earlier, the non-current assets (both tangible and intangible) reduce in value of their expected useful life due to factors identified in an earlier chapter of this book. The reduction in value is accounted for using depreciation. The depreciable value of the non-current assets are spread over its useful life.

The accounting treatment is as follows:

	Dr.	Cr.
	¢	¢
Depreciation expense (Statement of Profit or Loss)	X	
To: Accumulated Depreciation (Statement of financial position)		X

The effect of the entry is to show depreciation as a business expense in the Statement of Profit or Loss, there by reflecting the proportion of cost or valuation attributable to the current period. The fact must not be forgotten that depreciation is a non-cash item. This means it is a book adjustment only, which does not involve the physical movement of cash.

Illustration 7.8

Given below is the record of depreciation extracted from the books of Santos Ltd. At the end of 2015 under the straight-line method.

Assets(Cost) ₹		Residual Estimated Value ₹	Useful life	Proportional use by function	
				Selling & Distribution	Administrative
Building	1,600,000	100,000	15yrs	46%	54%
Equipment	910,000	10,000	10yrs	40%	60%

Computation:

		Selling ₹	Administration ₹
Building[(₹1,600,000-₹100,000)÷15yrs]	100,000	46,000	54,000
Equipment[(910,000-10,000)÷10yrs]	90,000	36,000	54,000
Totals	190,000	82,000	108,000

The adjusting entry for the set two assets is:

	Dr.	Cr.
	₹	₹
Depreciation Expense	Selling expense	82,000
	Administration expense	108,000
Accumulated Depreciation:	Building	100,000
	Equipment	90,000

The adjusting entry reduces the carrying amount of the building and equipment accounts. The Accumulated Depreciation account is a contra account that has a stated balance against that of the assets account to which it relates. Thus, the accumulated depreciation account is deducted from the gross building and equipment accounts, leaving the carrying amounts of ₦1,500,000 (₦1,600,000-₦100,000) and ₦820,000 (₦910,000-₦90,000) for building and equipment respectively in the Statement of Financial Position.

Summary

In this chapter we have considered some of the adjustments that are often made to improve the quality of the year-end accounts used to prepare the financial statements. We should also understand that these adjustments are needed in order to record the actual expenses incurred and the actual revenue earned for the accounting year. It must also be remembered that each of the adjustments considered will impact upon the Statement of Profit or Loss and the Statement of Financial Position. We have learnt that depreciation is a business expense that must be charged in the statement of profit or loss of any period that a non-current asset has been in use. In addition we learnt that any business debt that an entity is unable to collect is called an irrecoverable debt and that there is the need to also record allowance for irrecoverable debts so that the receivable figures in the statement of financial position will reflect the amount that the business is likely to collect from receivables. Finally we have also learnt how to record irrecoverable debts, allowance for doubtful debts, allowance for cash discounts in the ledger, Statement of profit or loss and the statement of financial position. It is hoped that, readers will have better understanding of the purpose and accounting treatment for depreciation, irrecoverable debts allowance and accruals and prepayments.

Multiple Choice Questions (MCQ)

1. Which of the following would result from an increase in the allowance for doubtful debts?
 - a. A decrease in gross profit
 - b. An increase in gross profit
 - c. A decrease in net profit
 - d. An increase in net profit
 - e. An increase in asset

Use the following details to answer Question 2.

Trade receivables control account balance	¢500,000.00
Allowance for doubtful debts	¢50,000.00
Allowance for discount allowed on receivables	5%

2. The receivables figure to be shown under current assets in the Statement of Financial position is
 - a. ¢425,000.00
 - b. ¢427,500.00
 - c. ¢447,500.00
 - d. ¢450,000.00
 - e. ¢475,000.00

3. During year 2016, Victor paid rent amounting to ¢500,000. He owed ¢50,000 at the beginning of the year and by 31 December 2016, he had paid rent in advance of ¢100,000. His rent charge for 2016 was?
 - a. ¢350,000
 - b. ¢450,000
 - c. ¢500,000
 - d. ¢550,000
 - e. ¢650,000

4. At the end of the first year of trading, a trader's receivables amounted to ¢5,000. This excludes ¢180 debts found to be irrecoverable. At the same date, it was estimated that ¢70 of the ¢5,000 would still turn out to be irrecoverable debts. Determine the net realizable value of receivables at the end of the first year of trading.
 - a. ¢4,750
 - b. ¢4,820
 - c. ¢4,930
 - d. ¢5,000
 - e. ¢45,030

5. A trader had trade receivables of ¢50,000 at the end of his accounting period. Trade receivables at the beginning of the period was ¢60,000. His policy is to make allowance for doubtful debts at the rate of 5%. State the change in value of the allowance for doubtful debts at the end of the current accounting period.
- ¢500 decrease in allowance
 - ¢500 increase in allowance
 - ¢2,500 decrease in allowance
 - ¢2,500 increase in allowance
 - ¢3,000 decrease in allowance
6. When a debt thought to be irrecoverable and written off is subsequently recovered, which additional entry is required to complete the two entries given below?
- Debit Personal Account/Credit Irrecoverable Debts Recovered Account
 - Debit Cash/Bank Account/Credit Personal Account
 - Debit Income statement/Credit irrecoverable debts recovered account
 - Debit Statement of Profit or Loss/Credit Cash/Bank account
 - Debit irrecoverable debts recovered account/Credit Statement of Profit or Loss account
 - Debit irrecoverable debts recovered account/Credit personal account
 - Debit cash/credit Statement of Profit or Loss
7. From the following information, calculate the cash paid by trade receivables during the year. Receivables at the beginning of the year ¢350,000 Receivables at close of the year ¢500,000, Credit sales for the year ¢510,000.
- ¢340,000
 - ¢360,000
 - ¢380,000
 - ¢520,000
 - ¢660,000

8. The fact that allowances are made against doubtful debts upholds the concept of
- Consistency
 - Prudence
 - Materiality
 - Business entity
 - Realisation
9. Which accounting concept does not agree with making allowance for discount receivable?
- Prudence
 - Business entity
 - Accruals
 - Consistency
 - Materiality
10. A customer owing €200,000 was allowed to pay €180,000 in full settlement of his indebtedness. This results in a
- Decrease in liability, increase in asset and increase in capital
 - Decrease in asset, decrease in capital and decrease in liability
 - Decrease Receivables, increase cash and decrease capital
 - Decrease in capital, decrease in asset and increase in liability
 - Increase in capital, decrease in asset and decrease in liability
11. When provision for doubtful trade receivable in the trial balance is no longer required, the accounting entry is:
- Debit P or L & Credit Trade Receivable Account
 - Debit Trade Receivable & Credit P or L
 - Debit Provision for doubtful Trade Receivable Account & Credit P or L
 - Credit P or L & Debit Provision for doubtful Trade Receivable Account
 - Debit Bad Debt Account and Credit P or L
12. Annual rent payable is €500,000. Rent prepaid at 1 January, 2016 was €80,000 and rent accrued at 31 December 2016 was €60,000. How much was paid in respect of rent in 2016?
- €360,000

- b. ¢420,000
- c. ¢480,000
- d. ¢500,000
- e. ¢520,000

Short Answer Questions

1. State the journal entries for allowances for bad and doubtful receivable that is no longer required in the trial balance.
2. An entity, which prepares account to December every year paid ¢150,000 as insurance for the period ended 31 March 2022. Calculate the amount of insurance prepared for the year ended 31 December, 2021.
3. State the journal entries for decrease in allowances for doubtful receivables.
4. An entity's allowance for doubtful receivable rose from ¢105,000 to ¢200,000. Raise the appropriate journal to record the transactions.
5. Which accounting concept allows for delay in payment for an expense, which has been supplied and used in the accounting period?
6. Prepaid expense is a _____ in the statement of financial position.
7. An expenses, which is outstanding during the year is a _____ in the statement of financial position.
8. An allowance to a credit customer to encourage prompt payment of cash is called_____
9. A form of discount deducted from selling price of a product is called_____
10. State the journal entries to record discount received from a supplier.

THEORY AND CALCULATION QUESTIONS

1. On 1 January, 2016 the following balances amount go the rsstood in the books of Menntua Enterprise.
Electricity and Water ¢15,000,000Cr.
Insurance¢50,000,000Dr.
During the year ended 31 December 2016, the following information relating to the above accounts have been provided:
 - a. Motor insurance of ¢870,000,000was paid on1June 2016 for a one year period.
 - b. Marine insurance of ¢190,000,000 covering the year ended 31March2017 was paid on 1st April 2016. The Entity had not insured one of its buildings in respect of fire after the insurance premium expired on31December2015.The Building was insured for ¢60,000,000 last year and the insurance company does not intend to renew the

premium.

- c. Electricity bill amounting to €750,000,000 was paid on 1 March 2016 and also electricity bill amounting to €250,000,000 in respect of November and December 2016 had not been paid by the end of the accounting period. On June 1, 2016 €15,000,000 was paid in respect of an old building that is being used as warehouse by the entity. This payment was made at a time when there was no meter in the building. The electricity bill for the building was arrived at by charging the entity €13,500,000 for total consumption in 2016.

You are required to record the above transactions in the appropriate ledger accounts.

2. The following balances were extracted from the ledgers of Victorosky Ltd.

	01/04/2015	31/03/2016
	€'000	€'000
Rent receivable-Prepayments	108,000	215,000
Rates and insurance-Prepayment	450,000	385,000
Accruals	103,000	185,000
Trade receivables	798,000	985,000
Stationery: inventories in hand	235,000	275,000
Owing to suppliers	109,000	97,500

During the year ended 31 March 2016, the following transactions took place:

	€'000
Rent received by cheque	418,000
Rates paid to AMAB by cash	950,000
Payments to suppliers for stationery	205,000
Irrecoverable debts written off on a customer who has been declared bankrupt	50,000
Insurance paid by cheque	550,000
Discount allowed	65,000
Cheque received from customers	8,525,000

You are required to post and balance the above transactions in the appropriate ledger accounts.

3. The Trial Balance of Santo Ltd. At 31 December 2014 reported an amount of €750,000 by way of trade receivables. At the time of preparing the Trial Balance, the accounts clerk discovered that a customer owing €150,000 would not be able to settle such debts. It is the policy of Santo Ltd. to make allowance for

doubtful debts of 5% of all outstanding trade receivables at the end of each accounting period. During the accounting year ended 31 December 2015 the company made a total credit sale of ₵980,000 out of which an amount of ₵550,000 was collected from trade receivables. A court in Accra declared a customer who owes the company an amount of ₵85,000 bankrupt in August 2015. The company recorded three cheques amounting to ₵175,000 that were dishonoured.

The company recorded ₵1,500,000 and ₵850,000 in connection with cash sales and credit sales respectively in the year 2016. The company received ₵1,250,000 from trade receivables and also showed ₵670,000 as the outstanding balance on the sales ledger account. A cheque was received from the customer whose debt was written off in 2014 in full settlement of his debt.

You are required to post and balance the following accounts:

- a. Trade receivables account
- b. Irrecoverable debts account
- c. Allowance for doubtful debts account

4. The net profit of Kumasa Ltd. for years ended 31 December 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2016 were ₵450,000, ₵598,000, ₵515,000 and ₵798,000 respectively. It has now been found that the wrong method of depreciation has been used over the years for motor vehicles and Plant and Machinery.

Details on the assets are as follows:

	Date	Cost ₵'000	Scrap value ₵'000	Depreciation Rate
Plant and Machinery	1/1/2013	980,000	40,000	10%
Motor vehicles	1/1/2013	670,000	20,000	25%

The straight line method of depreciation was used with an estimated useful life of ten (10) years and four (4) years for Plant and Machinery and Motor vehicles respectively. The directors of the company have now decided to adopt the diminishing balance method of providing for depreciation as follows:

Plant and Machinery	15%
Motor vehicles	20%

You are required to re-compute the net profit of Kumasa Ltd. for the years ended

31December31 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2016

5. (a) Distinguish between provision for bad receivables and provision for doubtful receivables.
- (b) State the accounting entries for bad receivables and doubtful receivables.

Solution to Multiple Choice Questions

1. C.
2. B.
3. A.
4. C.
5. A.
6. C.
7. B.
8. B.
9. A.
10. C.
11. C
12. A.

Solutions to Short Answer Questions (SAQ)

1. A credit entry to the Gross Profit in the income statement.
2. $\text{€}30,000$
 $3/15 \times 150,000$
 $\text{€}30,000$
3. DR allowances for doubtful receivable account

CR Gross profit in the income statement.

Being amount of decrease in allowance for doubtful receivable.
4.

		DR	CR
DR	Statement of P or L	$\text{€}95,000$	
CR	Allowance for doubtful receivable		$\text{€}95,000$

Being amount of increase in trade receivable in allowance for doubtful debt

5. Accrual
6. Current Assets
7. Current Liability
8. Discount Allowed
9. Quantity Discount

	DR ¢	CR ¢
10. DR Supplier's Account	XX	
CRD Discount Received Account		XX
Being amount of discount received from a supplier.		

Solution to some Questions

15,000

MenntuaEnterprise

998,500

Question 1

1,500

WaterandElectricityAccount

1,015,000

2016		¢'000
March1	Bank	750,000
June1	Bank	15,000
Dec31	Balancec/d	<u>250,000</u>
		<u>1,015,000</u>

2017

2016	
Jan 1	Balanceb/f
Dec31	StatementofProfitorLoss
Dec31	Balancec/d(15000-13,500)

2017

€'000					
Jan1	Balanceb/f	1,500	Jan1	Balancec/d	250,000

InsuranceAccount

2016		¢'000	2016		¢'000
Jan 1	Balanceb/d	50,000	Dec31	StatementofProfitorLoss	
April1	Bank	190,000	Dec31	Loss	760,000
			Dec31	Balancec/d	
				- Marine	47,500
				- Motor	362,500
June1	Bank	870,000			
Dec31	Balance	<u>60,000</u>			
		<u>1,170,000</u>			<u>1,170,000</u>
2017			2017		
Jan1	Balance		Jan1	Balanceb/f	60,000
b/d:MarineMotor		47,500			
		262,500			

Solution to question 2

Victorosky Ltd.

Rent Receivable Account

2015		€'000	2015		€'000
	Statement of				
31/3/2015	Profit or loss	311,000	1/4/2015	Prepaid b/f	108,000
		<u>215,000</u>		Bank	418,000
31/3/2015	Prepaid c/f	<u>526,000</u>			
					<u>526,050</u>
2017			1/4/2016	Prepaid b/f	215,000

Rates and Insurance Account

2015		€'000	2015		€'000
April 1	Balance b/f	450,000	April 1	Balance b/f	103,000
	Cash	950,000		Profit and Loss	1,647,000
	Bank	550,000		Prepaid c/f	385,000
	Owing c/f	185,000			
		2,135,000			<u>2,135,000</u>
					<u>185,000</u>
				Owing b/f (fire)	

Trade Receivables Account

2015		€'000	2015		€'000
April 1	Balance b/f	798,000		Balance b/f	103,000
				Bank	8,525,000
	Credit Sales	8,930,000		Irrecoverable debt	50,000
				Discount allowed	65,000
				Balance c/f	985,000
		<u>9,728,000</u>			9,728,000
	Balance b/f	985,000			

Stationery Account

2015		¢'000	2015		¢'000
April 1	Balance b/f	235,000	April 1,	Balb/f	109,000
		205,000	2016		
2016	Bank		March 31	Statement of Profit or Loss	153,500
March 31	Owing c/f	<u>97,500</u>	March 31	Prepaid c/f	<u>275,000</u>
2016		<u>537,500</u>	2016		<u>537,500</u>
April 1	Prepaid b/f	275,000	April 1	Owing b/f	97,500

Solution to question 3

Santo Ltd.

Trade Receivables Account

a.

		¢'			¢
2014	Balance b/f	<u>750,000</u>	2014	Irrecoverable debt	150,000
		<u>750,000</u>		Balc/f	<u>600,000</u>
2015	Balb/f	600,000	2015	Bank	550,000
2015	Credit sales	980,000	2015	Irrecoverable debt	85,000
2015	Dishonoured cheque	<u>175,000</u>			<u>1,120,000</u>
		<u>1,755,000</u>	2015	Balc/f	<u>1,755,000</u>
2016	Balb/f	1,120,000	2016	Bank	1,250,000
2016	Credit sales	850,000	2016	Irrecoverable debt	50,000
2016	Irrecoverable debt recovered account	150,000		Bank (debt recovered)	150,000
	Bal b/f		2016	Bal c/f	<u>670,000</u>
		<u>2,120,000</u>			<u>2,120,000</u>
2017		670,000			

Irrecoverable Debts Account

b.

	ç'		ç15
	<u>150,000</u>	2014 Statement of Profit or Loss	<u>0,000</u>
			150,000
2015 Trade receivables	<u>150,000</u>		
	<u>85,000</u>	Statement of Profit or Loss	<u>85,000</u>
2016 Trade receivables	50,000	2016 Trade Receivables (debt recovered)	<u>85,000</u>
Statement of Profit or Loss	<u>100,000</u>		150,000

c.

Allowance for doubtful debts account

	ç'		ç30
2014 Balance c/d	<u>30,000</u>	2014 Statement of Profit or Loss	<u>,000</u>
		(750,000 – 150,000) x 5%	30,000
2015 Balance c/d	<u>30,000</u>		
	<u>56,000</u>	Balance b/d	30,000
		Statement of profit or loss ()	<u>26,000</u>
2016 Statement of profit or	22,500		<u>56,000</u>
	<u>33,500</u>	2017 Balance b/d	33,500

Solution to question 4

Kumasa Ltd.

Straight line method–Plant and machinery

Year	Beginning Depreciable Amount	Depreciation Rate	Depreciation for the year	Accumulated Depreciation
	₤		₤	₤
2013	940,000,000	10%	94,000,000	94,000,000
2014	940,000,000	10%	94,000,000	188,000,000
2015	940,000,000	10%	94,000,000	282,000,000
2016	940,000,000	10%	94,000,000	376,000,000

Straight line method-Motor Vehicles

Year	Beginning Depreciable Amount	Depreciation Rate	Depreciation for the year	Accumulated Depreciation
	₤		₤	₤
2003	650,000,000	25%	162,500,000	162,500,000
2004	650,000,000	25%	162,500,000	325,000,000
2005	650,000,000	25%	162,500,000	487,500,000
2006	650,000,000	25%	162,500,000	650,000,000

Reducing balance method – Plant and Machinery

Year	Beginning Depreciable Amount	Depreciation Rate	Depreciation for the year	Accumulated Depreciation	Closing Depreciable Amount
	₹		₹	₹	
2013	940,000,000	15%	141,000,000	141,000,000	799,000,000
2014	799,000,000	15%	119,850,000	260,850,000	679,150,000
2015	679,150,000	15%	101,872,500	362,722,500	577,277,500
2016	577,277,500	15%	86,591,625	449,314,125	490,685,875

Motor vehicles

Year	Beginning Depreciable amount	Depreciation Rate	Depreciation for the year	Accumulated Depreciation	Closing Depreciable amount
	₹		₹	₹	₹
2013	650,000,000	20%	130,000,000	130,000,000	520,000,000
2014	520,000,000	20%	104,000,000	234,000,000	416,000,000
2015	416,000,000	20%	83,200,000	317,200,000	332,800,000
2016	332,800,000	20%	66,560,000	383,760,000	266,240,000

Computation of Adjusted Net profit for the years ended 31 December 2013, 2014, 2015, and 2016.

	2013	2014	2015	2016
	₺000	₺000	₺000	₺000
Net profit before adjustment	450,000	598,000	515,000	798,000
Add Depreciation (wrong method)				
Motor vehicles Plant & equipment	162,500	162,500	162,500	162,500
	94,000	94,000	94,000	94,000
	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	
	706,500	854,500	771,500	1,054,500
Less Depreciation (correct method)	(130,000)	(104,000)	(83,200)	(66,560)
Motor vehicles Plant & equipment	(141,000)	(119,850)	(101,873)	(86,592)
Adjusted Net Profit	<hr/> <u>435,500</u>	<hr/> <u>630,650</u>	<hr/> <u>586,427</u>	<hr/> <u>901,348</u>

CHAPTER EIGHT

CONTROL OR TOTAL ACCOUNTS

- Receivables and payable control ledger accounts
- Suppliers and customers statements
- Reconciliation of suppliers and customers statements and ledger accounts

8.0 Learning Objectives

At the end of this chapter candidates should be able to:

- Explain control accounts and know their usefulness
- Know the main types of control accounts
- Prepare receivables and payables control accounts from given information
- Describe and prepare trade receivables and payables statements of account
- Reconciliation of Suppliers /Customers Statement of Account
- Purpose of Suppliers and Customers Statement of Accounts

8.1 Introduction

Control account is an account used to record the balances on a number of accounts and to provide a cross-check on them. It is a memorandum account because it does not follow double entry principle. It is also subsidiary referred to as mirror account. Since this account is used to record the total balances from the ledger account, it can be referred to as a total account. In a small entity it may be possible for one person to maintain all the ledger accounts. Where a business maintains a large number of accounts, it will become necessary to divide the ledger into sections and assign the recording of each section to different persons for internal control purposes. The main areas to which such ledgers can be divided are the Subsidiary Ledger, Trade receivables ledger, Trade payable ledger and General ledger.

In very large entities, the sub-division may further be divided among employees. Where this type of divisions takes place, it will be necessary to institute controls on the accuracy of the postings made to each ledger. This is achieved by maintaining total accounts for trade receivables and payables in the general ledger. These total accounts are referred to as control accounts.

8.2 The Nature and Functions of Control Accounts

A control account is an account, the balance of which reflects the aggregate

balances of many related subsidiary accounts which are part of the double entry system.

The control account is a memorandum record only, and so does not form part of the double entry system. However, it is kept using double entry principle. Control accounts can be kept in respect of Customers accounts (Revenue (Sales) Ledger), Suppliers' accounts (Bought (Purchases) Ledger) and expenses. Control accounts are maintained to facilitate easy detection of errors. Consequently, they act as a check on the entries in the various subsidiary ledgers. Where the Trial balance totals are not equal, balances in each ledger can be added together and compared with the balance in the respective control accounts. Ordinarily, the two should be equal. Where there is a difference, such ledger that fails to reconcile with the control account will be investigated rather than all the ledger accounts.

Control accounts are also called self-balancing ledgers because the total trade receivables and total trade payables in the general ledger should be equal to the aggregate of the balances in the respective individual accounts in the subsidiary ledger.

8.2.1 Merits of Control Accounts

The merits of using control accounts can be summarized as follows:

- They can be used to locate errors more easily as they are localized to specific Ledger(s).
- They make it difficult to commit fraud because they are normally under the control of responsible officers and their preparation is separate from the clerks who maintain the individual ledger accounts.
- They provide information about the total trade receivables and total trade payables thereby making management of the receivables and payables accounts easy.
- They allow for account set-off
- Reduce risk of errors by posting totals rather than individual items.
- Reduced delay in producing final accounts.

8.2.2 Sources of Information for Control Accounts

Information recorded in control accounts are obtained from:

- Receivables and Payables accounts
- Returns inwards and outwards accounts
- Bills payable and receivable accounts
- Dishonoured cheques
- Cash paid to payables and cash received from receivables (obtained from the cash book).
- Discount received and discount allowed accounts
- Sales day book and purchases day book.

8.3 Trade Receivables or Sales Ledger Control Account

Sales ledger control account is the account containing the summary of all trade receivables or customers' accounts. What is posted to the debit side of this account is the aggregate of all the items recorded on the debit side of the receivables accounts. The same thing applies to the credit side of the account.

Summary of Entries

(i)	Debit—(a)	Opening debit balances
	(b)	Credit Sales from sales day book
	(c)	Dishonoured bills and cheques from customers
	(d)	Debit notes issued
	(e)	Cash paid to Customers from the cash book
	(f)	Transfers and other items (Contra)
	Credits: (a)	Opening Credit Balances
	(b)	Cash received from customers as recorded in the cash book.
	(c)	Discounts allowed as recorded in the cash book
	(d)	Returns inwards as recorded in the sales return day book.
	(e)	Irrecoverable debts written off

- (f) Bills receivable
- (g) Set off between sales ledger control and purchases ledger
Control accounts
(Contra)

The above listed items are presented in a T-account below:

Sales (or Trade Receivables) Ledger Control Account

	₦		₦
Bal.b/d	X	Bal.b/d (if any)	X
Credit sales	X	Cash received	X
Dishonoured bills and Cheques	X	Discounts allowed	X
Debit Notes	X	Returns inwards/sales Return	X
Cash refunds	X	Irrecoverable debts	X
Contra	X	Bill receivable	X
Balances c/d	X	Contra	X
	<hr/>	Bal.c/d	<u>X</u>
	<u>XX</u>		<u>XX</u>
Bal.b/d	X	Balances b/d	X

8.4 Trade Payables or Purchases Ledger Control Account

This is the account containing the summary of all the accounts of the trade payables or suppliers in the purchase ledger. What is posted to the debit side of this account are the aggregate of all the items recorded on the debit side of the payables accounts. The same thing applies to the credit side of the account.'

Summary of entries in the Purchases Ledger Control

Accounts Debit entries

- (a) Opening debit balance
- (b) Payment to suppliers obtained from the cash book
- (c) Return outwards
- (d) Bills payable
- (e) Discounts received from the memorandum column on the credit side of the
- (f) Credit notes
- (g) Transfers between sales ledger control and purchases ledger control accounts.

Credit entries

- (a) Opening Credit balances
- (b) Credit purchases obtained from the purchases day book
- (c) Cash refund from suppliers
- (d) Dishonoured bills payable
- (e) Transfers and other items

The above listed items are presented in a T-account below

Purchases (trade payables) ledger control account

b/d ifany	b/d(ifany)
PaymenttoSuppliers	Credit Purchase
ReturnsOutwards/Purchasesreturns	Dishonoured Cheques
Returns Payable	Dishonoured bills payable
Discount received	Cash refund Contra
Creditnotesreceivables	cec/d
Contra/setoff	
c/d	
	Bal.b/d

Transactions not to be posted into control account

- Cash sales should not be debited to the sales ledger control account rather, cash sales should be debited to the cashbook.
- Cash purchases should also not be credited topurchases ledger control account but should be credited to the cash book.
- Allowance fordoubtful debts.
- Cash discount allowed and received.
- Interest paid on bill discounted;
- All forms of provisions should be ignored in any question.

Illustration 8.1

Extracts from the books of JKO Ltd.shows the following balances for the month of June 2022

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Sales ledger balances– June 1,2022	4,702
Purchases ledger balances– June 1,2022	2,757
Sales journal balances–June 30,2022	37,437
Purchases journal balances– June 30,2022	40,800
Returns Inwards	910
Returns Outwards	749
Receipts from Customers–Cash	38,529
Discount allowed	1,345
Payments to Suppliers	35,415
Discounts received	746
Irrecoverable debts written off	115
Sales ledger set off	209
Purchases ledger set off	110

On June 30,2022, it was discovered that a supplier was paid twice in error for ₦157. The amount was refunded on that date.

You are required to prepare the sales and purchases ledger balances control account as at July 1, 2022.

Solution to Illustration 8.1

JKO Ltd.

Sales Ledger Control Account

2022		₦'000	2022		₦'000
June			June		
1	Balb/f	4,702	30	Cash	38,529
30	Sales	37,437	30	Returnsinwards	910
30	Setoff	110	30	Discount sallowed	1,345
			30	Irrecoverable debts	115
			30	Set-off	209
			30	Balc/d	<u>1,141</u>
		<u>42,249</u>			<u>42,249</u>
July 1	Balb/d	1,141			

Purchases Ledger Control Account

2022 June		₦'000	2022 June		₦'000
30	Returns outwards	749	1	Bal b/f	2,757
30	Cash	35,415	30	Purchases	40,800
30	Discounts received	746	30	Cash refund	157
30	Set-off	209	30	Set off	110
30	Balc/d	<u>6,705</u>			
		<u>43,824</u>			<u>43,824</u>
July 1	Balance b/d	6,705			

Illustration 8.2

Adebol Enterprises controls his Trade payables accounts by drawing up monthly Trade Payables Ledger Control Account in two parts A and B. The following figures are available at January 31, 2022 when there is a difference on the Trial balance of ₦2,000,000.

	A ₦'000	B ₦'000
Jan 1 Balance on Trade Payables (credit side)	18,400	13,600
Jan 1 Balance on Trade Payables Ledger (debit side)	150	184
Jan 1 – 31 Purchases	114,512	17,372
Jan 1 – 31 Returns outwards	11,000	1,652
Jan 1 – 31 Sundry charges by suppliers	1,200	144
Jan 1 – 31 Cheques paid to suppliers	17,980	13,420
Jan 1 – 31 Discount received from suppliers	1,420	1,180

Jan31	Balances carried down to debitside	150	132
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The book-keeper in charge of the A Ledger makes his Ledger accounts balance ₦103,712,000 while the clerk in charge of the B Ledger makes his Ledger balances total ₦16,812,000.

Required

Prepare the two Control Accounts and draw any conclusion you can from them.

Solution to Illustration 8.2

AdebolEnterprises

Trade Payables Ledger Control Account(A)

2022		₦'000	2022	2022		₦'000
Jan	Balanceb/d	150	Jan1	Balanceb/d		
	18,400					
1– 31	Return soutwards	11,000	1– 31	Purchases	114,512	
1– 31	Bank	17,980	1– 31	Sundry charges	1,200	
1– 31	Disc.Received	1,420	31	Balancec/d	150	
31	Balancec/d	<u>103,712</u>				
		<u>134,262</u>				<u>134,262</u>
Feb1	Balanceb/d	150	Feb1	Balanceb/d		103,712

Trade Payables Ledger Control Account(B)

2022		₦'000	2022	2022		₦'000
Jan	Balanceb/d	184	Jan1	Balanceb/d	13,600	
1– 31	Bank	13,420	1– 31	Purchases	17,372	
1– 31	DiscReceived	1,180	1– 31	Sundrycharges	144	
1– 31	Returnsoutwards	1,652	31	Balancec/d	132	
1– 31	Balancec/d	<u>14,812</u>				
		<u>31,248</u>				<u>31,248</u>
Feb1	Balanceb/d	132	Feb1	Balanceb/d	14,812	

The Control Accounts reveal that there is a difference of ₦2,000,000 between the Control Account for the B Ledger (₦16,812,000 – ₦14,812,000) which is the total discovered by the bookkeeper in charge of that Ledger. The A Ledger seems to be correct. The error has been

localised to the B Ledger, the entries in which can be re-checked carefully to detect the error. This is one of the numerous advantages of the Total or Control account.

8.6 Trade Receivables Statement of Account

Trade receivables statements are documents sent periodically, usually once a month, by a seller to his customers showing the position of their accounts up to a certain date. Each statement gives the particulars of the invoices, debit notes and credit notes that the seller has sent to the customer during a month, payments made by the customer and how much the customer owes the seller and when the amount will be due for payment. The statement is often a copy of the customer's account in the seller's books.

The statement may be kept for reference purposes or returned to the seller with the Customer's cheque. In either case neither the customer nor the seller's records the statement in his books.

Illustration 8.3

The following transactions took place between Maitama Enterprises of 2, Jalingo Street, Lagos and her customer Adeoti & Co of 10 Ibikunle Avenue, Ikeja in January 2022.

Jan 2, 2022	Invoice number 426, with a value of ₦23, 120,000
Jan 9, 2022	Invoice number 489, with a value of ₦16, 240,000
Jan 16, 2022	Adeoti & Co paid a sum of ₦25, 140,000 with cheque No 0493422
Jan. 22, 2022	Invoice number 563 for ₦52, 910, 000
Jan 25, 2021	Credit note number 1326 for ₦6, 000,000 was sent

Required:

Prepare a Trade receivables statement to effect the set-off transactions

Solution to Illustration 8.3

MAITAMA

Enterprises 2, Jalingo

Street, Lagos

Adeoti & Co January 2022

10, Ibikunle Avenue, Ikeja

			Ref Balances	Debits	Credits
January			₦'000	₦'000	₦'000
2	Goods	426	23,120		23,120
9	Goods	489	16,240		39,360
16	Payment	Chq 04934		25,140	14,220
22	Goods	563	52,910		67,130
25	Credit note	1326		6,000	61,130

Amount due on January 31, 2022

Cash discount terms: 5% for payment within 15 days

8.7. Reconciliation of accounts receivable Statement of Account

The reconciliation of accounts receivable is the process of matching the detailed amounts of unpaid customer balances to the accounts receivable total stated in the general ledger. This matching process is important, because it proves that the general ledger figure for receivables is correct. The two information sources for this reconciliation are:

General Ledger

There is usually an account in the general ledger that is specifically designated for the sole compilation of all receivables related to customers (known as trade receivables). After all transactions have been recorded for a reporting period and all subsidiary ledger balances have been posted to the general ledger, the resulting ending balance in the receivables account is the summary total to be verified through a reconciliation.

Receivables Detail

The detailed listing of unpaid customer balances that should match the ending balance in the general ledger is usually recorded in a subsidiary sales ledger. To extract this information for reconciliation purposes, print the aged accounts receivable report as of the final day of the reporting period. The totals on this report are then compared to the receivable total in the general ledger.

8.7.1 Accounts Receivable Reconciling Items

When the reconciliation is conducted, there may be differences between the two amounts. One reason is that a journal entry was made to the general ledger account that bypassed the subsidiary sales ledger. This is the most common reason for a difference. Another reason is that a billing was accidentally posted to an account other than the trade receivables account. This is the least common reason for a difference, since the billing module is set to automatically record all balances to the correct account. A final possibility is that the aged receivables report was run as of a different date than the date used to obtain the general ledger balance.

8.7.2 When to Reconcile Receivables

This reconciliation process is typically conducted as part of the month-end closing activities prior to issuance of the financial statements. If the reconciliation is not conducted and there turns out to be an error in the general ledger, this means there could be a material inaccuracy in the financial statements.

At a minimum, there should be a reconciliation of accounts receivable at the end of the fiscal year, so that any inaccuracies related to receivables will have been removed from the financial statements prior to their examination by the company's external auditors.

8.8 Summary

In this chapter importance of control accounts, have been explained in the detection of errors and in the management of the subsidiary accounts. It also revealed that, through illustrations, how errors in a Trial Balance that does not “balance” can be detected easily through the control account. Receivables statements are also described and how they are prepared. Reconciliations are considered an important control activity. If they are not

performed, the probability that an auditor will find errors will increase, which could trigger a judgment that a business has a material control weakness.

8.9 Review Questions

Multiple-choice questions (MCQ)

When there is a set off between trade receivables and trade payables, the amount is:

debited in sales ledger control account and credited in purchases ledger control account

debited in purchase ledger control account and credited in sales ledger control account

Debited to the Customer's account and credited to purchases Ledger Control account

Debited in the cash book and credited in sales ledger control account

Credited in the cash book and debited in the purchases ledger control account

Which of the following will **NOT** be recorded in the sales ledger control account?

Amount received from receivables

Bills payable discounted

Cash sales

IV Discounts allowed

- A I and II
- B I and III
- C II and III
- D II and IV
- E II, III and IV

Control accounts are also called

Total accounts

Self balancing ledger

Three column cash book IV General Journal

- A I and II.
- B II and III
- C I and III
- D III and IV
- E I, III, and IV

(1) What is the effect of purchases set-off on control account?

- A It will reduce amount receivable from trade receivables
- B It will increase the amount receivable from trade receivable
- C It will require issue of credit note to the trade payables.
- D It will require the supply of goods to the tune of the set-off in full settlement.
- E It will require issue of debit note to trade receivable.

(2) What is the source of information for dishonoured cheques recorded in total account?

- A Bank statement credit side
- B Cash book credits side
- C Cash book debit side
- D Debit note
- E Credit note

- (3) Which of the following is not a feature of a control account?
- A. It is maintained by the Chief Finance Officer (CFO)
 - B. It is used to check arithmetic accuracy of the ledger to which it relates
 - C. It contains the total of entries in individual accounts
 - D. The ledger to which it relates is known as self balancing ledgers
 - E. Entries therein appear on the same side as they do in the individual account.
- (4) Which of the following would not be posted to the credit side of Payables control account?
- A. Total credit purchases
 - B. Transfer of credit balances from receivables ledgers
 - C. Transfer of debit balances to receivables ledgers
 - D. Set-off (Contra)
 - E. Interest charged by the suppliers.

Short-answer questions (SAQ)

- (1) The account in the general ledger that shows the total amount owed to the business and agrees with the totals of the relevant subsidiary ledger account is termed theaccount.
- (2) How often are postings made to the general ledger?
- (3) A supplementary record used to provide detailed breakdown of control account balances in the general ledgers known as.....
- (4) List four items that are normally posted to the credit side of the purchases Ledger control account
- (5) Dishonoured cheques credited to payables ledger control account represents

8.11 Examination like questions

1.
 - (a) Give Six(6) sources of Information for Control accounts
 - (b) Highlight four (4) Advantages of Control Accounts
2. The following information were extracted from the records of Agbato shopping complex for the month January, 2023

₦'000

Sales ledger balance–1/1/23	5,805
Bought ledger balances–1/1/23	3,405
Sales Journal Totals–31/1/23	40,455
Purchases Journal Totals–31/1/23	48,400
Sales Return	950
Purchases Return	845
Receipt from Customers–Cash	38,200
Allowance to Customers	1,450
Allowances from Suppliers	1,240
Allowance to Customer disallowed	230
Irrecoverable debts	145
Allowance from suppliers withdrew	125
Purchases ledger set off	190

On January 31, 2023, it was discovered that a supplier was paid thrice for ₦185, 000 on each occasion. The amount paid in excess was refunded on that date to him.

You are required to prepare the receivables and payables ledger balances on February 1, 2023.

3.
 - (a) Give five (5) items each on the credit side of sales control account and debit side of purchases control account
 - (b) Why is control accounts are described as a self-balancing ledger?

8.12 Solution to Revision Questions

- (1) B
- (2) C
- (3) A
- (4) A
- (5) B
- (6) A
- (7) D

8.13 Solutions to Short Answer Questions

- 1) Sales Ledger Control account or Receivables ledger Control Account
- 2) Every month end
- 3) Subsidiary ledger
- 4)
 - i. Opening Credit balances
 - (ii) Credit purchases
 - (iii) Cash refund from suppliers
 - (iv) Dishonoured bill payable
- 5) Cheques issued in favour of suppliers but which were subsequently dishonoured.

CHAPTER NINE

BANKING SYSTEMS AND SERVICES

- Banking system
- Funds transfer
- Inter banks transfer
- Adjusted cash book
- Bank reconciliation statement

Learning objectives

At the end of this chapter candidates should be able to:

- *State the types of bank accounts an entity can open with the bank;*
- *Explain the procedures for banking of monies received and documentation;*
- *Explain funds transfer and forms;*
- *State the methods of handling, storing money and security aspects;*
- *Explain interbank transfer, settlements and clearing rules;*
- *Prepare Adjusted Cashbook;*
- *Prepare a bank reconciliation statement;*
- *Prepare manual and on-line bank reconciliation statement.*

9.1 Types of Bank Accounts

This section deals with bank reconciliation statement and reasons that account for its preparation. The entity should prepare a cashbook to record inflow and outflow of cash in the entity. The balance in the cashbook and the bank statements most times differ. On a monthly basis, bank reconciliation statement is usually engaged to reconcile differences between the cashbook and bank statements. One of the ways to guard against loss of cash through theft and fraud is to open and maintain a bank account. Apart from the prevention of theft, a business entity or customer also enjoys some credit facilities and professional advice from its bank. To keep money in a bank, there are two main types of accounts an entity or individual may keep with the bank. These are **Savings account** and **Current account**.

To be able to transfer money from one account to the other, a customer must have a

bank account, which are of many types. These are:

Savings Account

This type of account is meant for the small savers to keep their surplus funds. This account is usually opened by individuals such as clubs, associations, salary earners, petty traders etc. A prospective customer who is a salary earner should bring a letter of introduction from his/her employer, upon which he/she will be given the bank's application forms to complete and supply the following information:

- a) His full names and address (Not Postal Office Box)
- b) Business or Occupation
- c) Specimen signature or thumb print
- d) Three (3) recent passport photographs, and
- e) Customer's identity card or international passport or driver's license.
- f) An initialed passbook. This varies from bank to bank. The bank then issues the paying-in-booklet to the customer to enter the initial deposit and other subsequent deposits.

Some other distinguishing features of savings accounts are:

- i. No cheques are required for withdrawal
- ii. Customers may not be granted overdraft facilities on this type of account
- iii. Interest is payable on the sum standing to the customer's credit
- iv. The balance standing to a customer's credit on savings account is repayable on demand. However, the bank reserves the right to demand 7 days notice for withdrawals of part or the whole deposit on the account.
- v. Customers must be present physically when withdrawal is made.
- vi. In the past, passbooks were issued to the customer to show both the credit and debit entries of the account. But now days, paying-in-slips and withdrawal slips are issued to customers to make deposits to and withdrawals.

- vii. No reference is required for this type of account except where cheques will be paid in to the account in the future, but a letter of introduction is required where the account will be used to receive the customer's salary.

Current Account

A current account is operated by the use of cheques. Money can be withdrawn from the account anytime without giving prior notice to the banker. For this reason it is called "Demand Deposit." The customer usually does not enjoy any interest on current account balances. In a few cases, little interest may be given by the bank. A current account customer may be granted an overdraft. A cheque book containing cheque leaves is issued to the account holder when a current account is opened. The cheque leaves are serially numbered. The holder of the account can issue cheques to pay for goods and services rendered to the business with. However, the cheques must be duly signed by the drawer and the signature must be regular or identical to that on the mandate card. Money is deposited into the bank account through pay-in-slips. The cheque and pay-in-slip numbers are printed in magnetic ink to facilitate the processing of transactions by the computer.

At intervals, usually every month, the banker sends bank statements to its customers, detailing all cash lodgements, cheques paid, dishonoured cheques, bank charges, direct payments, dividend warrants received on behalf of the customer, etc.

Opening a Bank Current Account

Every business entity is required to open a current account to transact its business. To open a current account, most banks usually request for such items/information as:

- a) A written application to open an account, stating the type and purpose of the account.
- b) Two or more reference letters from people who maintain current accounts with any branch of the bank or other banks.
- c) Two or more passport photographs.
- d) Copy of the Article and Memorandum of Association if it is a corporate organization or deed of partnership for partnership firms and constitution. In respect of an unincorporated body.
- e) An extract of the minutes of the meeting in which the decision to open the account was

taken.

- f) An initial deposit as may be stipulated by the bank from time to time.
- g) In some countries evidence of payment of tax by the sole trader, partner or the limited liability company.
- h) Completed specimen signature card
- i) The specimen signatures of the authorized person(s) must be on the mandate card. The signature(s) on cheques are compared with the specimen signature(s) each time the customer wants to make a withdrawal.

Interest Bearing Accounts

Some business organisations transact a large volume of business through their current accounts every month, and they may not be able to earn any interest on their current account balances. Therefore some businesses usually open some other accounts on which they can earn interests; these could be referred to as interest-bearing accounts. These consist of savings accounts and fixed deposit accounts. They will transfer surplus cash from the current account to these accounts to earn interests.

Fixed Deposit Account

A fixed deposit account is an account kept with the bank in form of investment for a specific period of time usually 30 days, 60 days, 90 days or 180 days. A fixed rate of interest is payable by the bank on such deposits.

Adequate notice of withdrawal from or termination of the investment must be given to the bank or else the customer forfeits his right to the next interest payable on the investment or suffers penal charge for premature termination.

The features of this type of account are as follows:

- a) The balance standing to a customer's credit on deposit account is repayable at date of maturity but banks usually reserve the right to roll-over the investment and the accrued interest at the prevailing market rate if they do not receive any counter instruction from the account holder on or before maturity.
- b) The customer is not issued with cheque book but with a receipt or certificate indicating the

terms and conditions of the deposit e.g. amount fixed, interest rate, date of maturity, etc.

- c) Both the bank and the customer agree on the terms and conditions of the relationship, such as interest rate, amount and duration of the account.
- d) No bank statement is issued to the customer.
- e) No reference is taken since the account requires cash transaction. But where lodgement of cheque is anticipated in the future, bank must ensure that references are taken and all the necessary account opening procedures are followed.
- f) Although, commission is charged by the bank, accrued interest on the investment is subject to withholding tax at the prevailing rate (currently 10%).

9.2 Procedures for Banking Monies Received and Payments

In the modern day banking, an entity or individual can walk into a banking hall to make direct lodgement of cash to a bank cashier. Such a bank customer fills a cash deposit voucher or pay-in-slip to indicate various denominations (N1,000, N500, N200, N100, N50 and coins), on receipt of the cash and cash deposit form, the cashier does the physical counting using a cash counter or count manually to confirm the amount and sign, date and stamp the form. The stamped form and electronic receipts will be given to the customer. These will be used to post into the debit side of the entity's cashbook. The cashier will debit bank account and credit the customer's personal ledger. On the other hand, rather than walking to the bank, a customer can at the comfort of his or her office/home transfer cash into the bank using online or mobile banking applications. The customer will generate and print the receipt for the payment to credit the cashbook and debit the bank account. A two-Column cashbook can be used to record cash and bank account together. Withdrawals can be made through a cheque, electronic transfer or ATM or debit or credit cards. If requested, bank issued Automated Teller Machine (ATM) card to holders of current and savings accounts to withdraw money from the machine and some of these machines can take savings from the customers. ATM will further be discussed below under Electronic Funds Transfer and Electronic Banking products

9.3 Funds Transfer and Forms

Technology has brought a lot of changes to the banking industry. One of these technological innovations in the banking industry are ATM. Electronic Funds Transfer and Point of Sale (POS) Machine among other notable innovations in the industry.

Funds Transfer can be done through technology, in this situation, funds are moved electronically through mobile application, internet banking or filling of Transfer Forms indicating names of owners of accounts, account type, account number (10 digits number) to debit, account number to credit, Paying Bank, Beneficiary Bank, Amount in figure and in words, date and signature. After the customer has filled all the information on the Electronic Transfer Form, a designated bank officer authorises by signing, dating and stamping the transfer form, the fund form is used to post into the customer's bank account and funds are instantly electronically transferred to beneficiary bank account, debit and credit alerts are received immediately. For internal control purposes, the electronic transfer forms are pre-numbered sequentially. Funds transfer can also be done manually through direct cash lodgement, cheques, pay-in-slip and bank draft among other methods. This will be discussed after electronic fund transfer methods.

i) **Automatic-TellerMachines(ATM)**

ATM is a cash dispenser which is designed to enable customers enjoy banking services without coming in contact with the Bank Teller (Cashier). The machine, therefore, performs the function traditionally reserved for cashiers. It is electronically operated and as such response to request by customers is done instantaneously.

- (a) ATM is user-friendly and it guides users through the instructions that have been pre-programmed into it for easy operation.
- (b) Access to the ATM is through the use of a Personal Identification Number (PIN) and a plastic card that contains magnetic strips with which the customer is identified. Banks usually hand over the PIN personally to the customer who is usually instructed not to disclose the number to a third party.
- (c) It is essential for users to ensure that the ATM card is safe and that it is not defaced. Otherwise, it may be rejected by the machine, even where the PIN has been correctly entered.
- (d) The first step to take while using the ATM is to insert the Card and thereafter the PIN. Then the customer selects the service required e.g. withdrawal, in which case, he will depress the "Withdrawal Key" and then press the number keys to indicate the amount of money required and the preferred denominations. It is not enough to punch the amount required, it is also necessary to press "ENTER" for the ATM to

dispense cash.

Other functions that the machine is capable of performing are:

- It dispenses Cash;
- It receives deposits;
- Printing of statements;
- Provision of account balances;
- Transfer of funds;
- Payment of bills;
- Cash Advances;
- Display of Promotional messages; and
- Issuance of Receipts on withdrawal/payments

The objective of introducing the ATM in Nigeria is mainly to decongest the counter and encourage cashless economy.

ii) **Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT)**

EFT system allows customer's account to be (instantly) credited electronically anywhere in the country especially in banks where there is on-line service. It provides a more suitable and cost-effective way of transferring funds when compared with the traditional modes such as Mail/Telegraphic transfers. It is more secure and time saving when money is transferred through EFT. Such money is transferred electronically by the bank through their branches or accredited agents.

iii) **Electronic Fund Transfer At Point of Sale (EFTPOS)**

This is a system which enables a customer's account to be debited instantly with the cost of purchase in an outlet. The system requires the customer to be an ATM Card holder.

iv) **Electronic Card Products (DEBIT CARD)**

At present, most banks in Nigeria issue electronic debit cards. Debit Cards are like the EFTPOS that are supposed to be passed to a customer's account immediately.

There are two popular debit cards; the Pass Card and the Smart Card.

(a) **PassCard**

On application by the customer, this product is processed in an IBM machine by debiting a customer's bank account.

(b) **SmartCard**

This is a debit card whose micro-chips contain additional information on the bio-data and financial position of the holder.

v) **Credit Card**

At present, most banks in Nigeria issue electronic debit cards. Debit Cards are like the EFTPOS that are supposed to be passed to a customer's account immediately. A credit card is a convenient method of payment which embodies two essential aspects of basic banking functions; the transmission of payment and the granting of credits. This type of card is not yet in operation in Nigeria. Another variant of a credit card is that which provides a bank customer with a revolving credit line via POS, Web and ATMs. The features of this type of card include:

- a. Cash withdrawals (through ATM)
- b. Purchases (through POS and internet)
- c. Convenient access to a revolving line of credit, renewable and available throughout card life span
- d. Flexible repayment options—repayment could be in full or in part (subject to interest on outstanding indebtedness).

Cheques

Cheque is a manual method of transferring money either physically (cash withdrawal) from one bank account to another bank account. A cheque is a written order upon a particular banker to pay a certain sum of money to a specified person or entity.

There are three parties to a cheque namely

- i. The drawer—issues the cheque (Account holder)
- ii. The drawee—The bank on which the cheque is written and
- iii. The payee—the person to whom the cheque is payable.

One of the means by which a bank customer can have an idea of the balance in his/her account is to record on the cheque counter foils the amount of money drawn and the amount of money deposited. Another means of knowing the balance is through the amount recorded in the bank columns of the cashbook.

Dishonoured Cheques

A business may deposit a cheque received from a customer into its bank account but the bank may refuse to honour the cheque for various reasons. A cheque that the banker has refused to pay (for whatever reason) is referred to as a dishonoured cheque.

A cheque may be dishonoured for any of the following reasons:-

- a) The cheque is not dated
- b) The amount in words does not correspond to the figure written on the cheque
- c) The balance in the drawer's account is not sufficient to accommodate the amount to be drawn with the cheque.
- d) The cheque has been mutilated
- e) The cheque has become stale
- f) Signature on the cheque is irregular
- g) The cheque is post-dated
- h) The cheque is not signed.
- i) Where it is suspected that the cheque has been stolen from the drawer and the bank wishes to seek further confirmation from the drawer as a safeguard.

Stale Cheque

The legal tenure of a properly endorsed cheque is 6 months from the date of issue. A cheque presented after 6 months is said to be stale. A stale cheque when presented to the bank will not be honoured. However, a stale cheque may be re-validated by altering the date but the authorised signatures have to endorse the altered date before the bank will accept to honour it.

Order Cheque

A cheque is described as an order cheque when it is only made payable to the person named on the cheque. The bank can only make payments to the person whose name is written on the cheque. It is not negotiable, that is it cannot be endorsed to another person.

Bearer's Cheque

This refers to a cheque paid over-the-counter to a specific name or to the presenter (bearer) of the cheque. A bearer cheque can be a cheque endorsed to another person. That is, it can be passed to another party by mere delivery.

Cross Cheques

It denotes a cheque that has two transverse lines drawn across the face of the cheque. This means the cheque can only be paid into the customer's bank's account. It can not be cashed over the counter in a bank.

Pay-In-Slip

A bank customer fills out a pay-in-slip for a deposit usually in duplicate or triplicate. Some pay-in-slips are carbonized, thus providing automatic office copies of the pay-in-slip for posting into the cashbook. Pay-in-slips are sometimes referred to as cash lodgement tellers. It is used to pay cash into a bank account.

Items to be found on a pay-in-slip or cash lodgement teller are:-

- i. Date
- ii. Name of bank and the branch
- iii. Account number
- iv. Account name
- v. Note and coin denomination
- vi. Amount in figures
- vii. Amount in words
- viii. Total amount

- ix. Payer's name and signature
- x. Payer's telephone number
- xi. Mother's maiden name

Where the pay-in-slip is not the carbonized type, details of cheques are analyzed on the reverse side. The bank teller or collecting cashier will sign the duplicate copy of the pay-in-slip and put the bank's official date stamp on it.

This will serve as documentary evidence of the amount deposited. The pay-in-slip can be compared with the amount debited in the cashbook. Some banks now also confirm lodgement with machine-generated slips.

Stop Payment Order

As soon as a bank customer becomes aware that a cheque is lost or stolen, he should issue a stop payment order to the bank immediately. The order should state the serial number of the cheque, the amount and the payee (if already issued and signed). Also, when holders of ATM, users of mobile banking application and internet banking lose his or her phone or suspect that the Personal Identification Number (PIN) has been exposed or hacked, such users should instantly block the online/internet banking to avert loss of money.

Methods of Handling, Storing and Security as aspects of Money

In the management of day-to-day business activity, an entity must keep an eye, monitor, track and control cash to ensure safety and security. The following are best practices of cash handling, storing and security of cash.

a) Organisation is crucial to effective cash management

The entity must be fully aware of its location, daily cash needs and threshold of cash to maintain for daily transactions. This will prevent the entity from preventing cash losses and cash mishandling problems from day to day operations of a business.

b) Keep an eye on your cash

It is crucial for an entity to at all times know where its cash is and how much of it is with whom to put in place necessary cash handling and management tools. An entity may engage technology to manage its cash to ease cash management problems.

c) Implement Policies and Procedures

The entity must implement and improve on the cash management procedures put in

place to reduce cash mishandling. The staff must be well trained to be comfortable on the use of the policies and procedures to manage cash in an entity.

d) Keep less cash in vault

The entity must not keep large amount in in the vault to discourage staff from being dishonest and take away the cash for personal use or do teeming and lading by taking the same amount of money for personal use and return the same at the end of the month. The entity can set cash limit to be kept in the iron and fire proof safe.

e) Invest in Technology

The entity can invest in technology, for example, putting an alarm system in the fire proof iron vault such that when the maximum cash limit is reached, the alarm sounds and the cashier will go to the bank to deposit the excess cash in the safe.

f) Cash Storage System

Cash must be stored in the fire proof and secured safe located in a secured area with security lock to be controlled by the vault manager. Access to the cash storage system must be discouraged and physically restricted. The amount of cash in in the fire proof safe must not be in excess overnight and during weekends. Excess cash must be deposited in the money deposit bank. The fire proof safe must not be left unlocked even during working hours.

g) Use of Mercury Light

To detect counterfeit or fake money, the cash office must be equipped with mercury light to be used to detect fake money that a fraudulent customer may pay to the cashier. The cashier must be well trained to know the security features (security thread, polymer strip, micro printing, gold lines, colour ink, water mark) of a country's currency

h) Cash Register Balance

The entity must maintain a cash register ledger to record income received and payments made from day-to-day cash collection of the cashier. A good internal control system must be put in place and receiving cashier should be different from the payment cashier.

i) Insurance Policy

The cashiers must be well insured so that the entity will be indemnified when there is a loss of cash.

9.4 Inter-Bank Transfers and Clearing Roles

Through the use of computer and the internet, a lot of electronic equipment is now available which enables banks to transfer funds from the account of one customer to another without the need for exchange of paper documents. This electronic equipment is turning the monetary system to a cashless society. At present in Nigeria, some of the available Electronic banking products are Auto-Teller Machine (ATM), Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT) and Electronic devices such as the Magnetic Ink Character Recognition (MICR).

Apart from the foregoing, there are some other forms of electronic banking including Electronic Fund Transfer At Point of Sale (EFTPOS), Debit Cards and Smart Cards.

We shall now discuss the mode of operation of some of these products.

Bank's Clearing System

This refers to an established system of settling payments among banks. Clearing of cheques are usually done within 3 working days in Nigeria by a 'clearing house'. It is now electronically done through Nigeria Inter-Bank Settlement System (NIBSS), which was incorporated in 1993. NIBSS is owned by all licensed banks, Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) and Discount Houses. It started operations in 1994. It is a modern financial architecture to handle inter-bank payments. It was established to eliminate bottleneck, bureaucracy and delay in manual clearing system. It makes the money market and international payment system to be more efficient.

Bank Statement and Bank Reconciliation Statement

The bank usually sends a bank statement to its customer at the end of every month. The statement contains details of the receipts and payments by and on behalf of the customer for that period. Receipts will include cash paid into the customer's account and those paid by third parties direct into the bank. Until the customer receives the bank statement or accredits advice transactional return in respect of the direct credit to his bank account, the business may not be aware of it or the amount involved.

Payment or withdrawal will also include tails of cheques issued by the customer, bank charges and payments made automatically at given dates on behalf of the customer to third parties by the bank (on the customer's instruction). This is called a standing order. The balance at the end of the period represents the balance as per bank statement. This balance can be a credit balance (favourable) or a debit balance (overdraft). Remember that in the cash book of the customer, a favourable balance is a debit balance and a credit balance is an overdraft.

On-Line Bank Reconciliation Statements

Where an entity uses on-line or internet banking facilities, a designated officer will be designated to monitor or keep an eye over direct transfer into the bank account, direct debit entries such as payment of bills, standing order instructions and various bank charges. The officer will be required to prepare electronic cashbook, electronic adjusted cashbook and electronic bank reconciliation statements. A formatted excel, QuickBooks, SAGE or Tally may be deployed to carry out processes of bank reconciliation.

Example of a Bank Statement

Illustration 9.1 below is used as an example of a bank statement.

Illustration 9.1

Mr. K.A. Afolabi maintains a current account No. 0023456789 with XYZ Bank Ltd. The balance on the account as at 31/12/2015 was ₦15,500 credit.

Mr. Afolabi's transactions with the bank in the month of January 2016 were as follows:

- a) ₦10,000 cash deposited on 2/1/2016.
- b) A cheque of ₦2,500 issued to Mr. Afolabi by one of his receivables was lodged into his bank account on 6/1/2016.
- c) He drew a 'cash' cheque number 000062 for ₦4,000 on 7/1/2016. The cheque was presented to the bank and payment received on that date.
- d) He issued a cheque No. 000063 for ₦5,000 to one of his payables, Mr. S. O. Babalola on 10/1/2016. Mr. Babalola presented the cheque to XYZ Bank Ltd. on 13/1/2016 and received payment.
- e) Received cheques totalling ₦22,000 from various customers and lodged them into the account on 14/1/2016. All cheques matured for credit to the account on 19/1/2016.
- f) There was a standing agreement between the bank and Mr. Afolabi that his monthly life assurance premium of ₦2,150 should be paid direct to the insurance company by the bank. The bank remitted this on 25/1/2016.
- g) A customer living up country deposited a cash sum of ₦9,500 into Mr. Afolabi's account No. 0023456789 with the local branch of XYZ Bank Ltd. on 27/1/2016. The bank credited Mr. Afolabi's Account the same day.
- h) On 31/1/2016 XYZ Bank Ltd. debited Mr. Afolabi's account with a service charge of

₦420.50.

You are required to prepare a statement as it would have been prepared by XYZ Bank Ltd reflecting the above transaction.

Solution to Illustration 9.1

Statement In respect of:

XYZ Bank Limited 202 Marina, Lagos

Account No: 0023456789

Customer: Mr.K.A.Afolabi

Period covered: 01/01/2016 – 31/01/2016 Date issued: 05/02/2016

Date	Transaction	Debit	Credit	Balance
01/01/2016	Balance b/f	₦	₦	₦
02/01/2016	Cash deposit		10,000	25,500
06/01/2016	Cheque deposit		2,500	28,000
07/01/2016	Cheque No 000062 – cash	4,000		24,000
13/01/2016	Cheque No 000063 –	5,000		19,000
19/01/2016	Cheque deposit		22,000	41,000
25/01/2016	Standing Order	2,150		38,850
27/01/2016	Cash deposit		9,500	48,350
31/01/2016	Service charge	420.50		47,929.50
	Opening Balance	15,500.00		
	Total Debit	11,570.50		
	Total credits		44,000.00	
	Closing balance			47,929.50

9.5 Adjusted Cash Book

The bank and its customer (e.g. a business entity) maintain independent records in respect

of the transactions taking place between them. Therefore it is necessary to reconcile the bank statement balance with the bank balance in the cashbook to be assured that the two are in agreement on the amount of money deposited and cheques drawn.

Usually the bank column balance in the cashbook and bank statement balance are not always in agreement and they need to be reconciled. An adjusted cashbook is usually employed to post direct transfer by customers (debit entries in the cash book), standing order instructions, Commission on Transactions (COT), Bank Charges, Value Added Tax (VAT) on COT SMS Alert credit and debit Charges, VAT on SMS debit and credit alerts and other bank charges.

The disagreement between an entity's cashbook and bank statements may be traced to the following factors:-

- (a) Unpresented cheques:- These are the cheques drawn on the bank to the payees but have not been presented to the bank for payment. The cashbook of the business would have been credited (that is it has been treated as payment through the bank by the business). This transaction would appear on the credit side of the cash book but missing from the debit side of the bank statement.
- (b) Uncredited cheques:- These are cheques deposited in the business bank Account and not yet recorded in the bank statement until three or four days thereafter, whereas it would have been recorded on the debit side of the cashbook.

The transaction will appear on the debit side of the cashbook but missing from the credit side of the bank statement.
- (c) Bank charges:- These are charges made by the bank to cover the expenses in Handling Bank account. The major charges are based on the volume (i.e. turnover) of the transactions on the account. It is sometimes called commission on turnover (COT). Other charges are charges for cheque book, interest charges on bank overdraft facilities from the bank, administration expenses etc. These charges would have been recorded in the bank statement but will be missing on the credit side of the cash book.
- (d) Standing Order: This is where the business entity has instructed its bank to Make regular amounts of money at given dates to some other third parties. On

due dates, the bank would have made the payments but the fact will not be known to the business. An example is where a business instructs its bank to make regular payments of insurance premiums on its policies to its insurance company. The bank would show the debit entries on the bank statement but the credit entries will be missing on the cash book of the business.

- (e) Direct Debits: These are direct payments of expenses on behalf of the business by the bank, e.g. electricity bills and telephone bills. These have the same effect as the bank charges.
- (f) Direct Credits: These are amounts received on behalf of the business directly by the bank. The bank account would have been credited and shown on the bank statement but the entry will be missing from the debit side of the cash book e.g. dividends on investments.
- (g) Error of the customer or of the bank

Manual/On-line Steps Involved In Reconciling the Discrepancies

- (a) Tick items on the debit side of the cash book against items on the credit side of the bank statement. Outstanding items on the debit side of the cash book that are missing on the credit side of the bank statement are uncredited lodgements. List them out.
- (b) Tick items on the credit side of cashbook against items on the debit side of the bank statement. Items outstanding on the credit side of the cashbook but missing on the debit side of the bank statement are unpresented cheques. List them out.
- (c) The remaining items on the debit side of the bank statement are bank charges and standing orders. List them out.
- (d) The remaining items on the credit side of the bank statement are amounts paid into the bank directly for the benefit of the business entity by its customers (i.e. direct credits).

After all these have been adjusted, it should be possible to reconcile the cash book balance with the balance on the bank statement. If it is not, and then there are some errors which further investigation would reveal and be traced to their sources.

Preparation of Manual/On-line the Bank Reconciliation Statement

Two main steps are involved in the preparation of a bank reconciliation statement.

- (1) Determine the adjusted cash book balance. This adjustment will not be affected by items (a) and (b) above. The adjustment will be affected mainly by items (c) and (d).
- (2) Reconciling the adjusted cash book balance with the bank statement balance.

Step 1-Determining the adjusted Cash Book Balance

Format

Cash Book (with Adjustment)

	N		N
Direct credit	x	Direct debits	X
Balance b/d (debit bal.)	x	Standing order	X
		Cheque earlier lodged	
		Now dishonoured	x
Add:-Direct Credit	x	Bank charges	x
Understatement	x	Over statement of cash	x
	—	Adjusted cash balance	<u>x</u>
	<u>xx</u>		<u>xx</u>

The adjusted cash book balance is the amount that will be shown in the statement of financial position as balance at bank (current asset).

Step2-Reconciling the adjusted cashbook balance with the bank statementbalance.

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Adjusted Balance as per cash book	xx
Add: Unpresented cheques	xx
Error of overstatement by bank	<u>xx</u>
	xx
Uncredited cheques	(xx)
Error reducing the business balance	
Committed by bank	(<u>xx</u>)
Balance as per bank statement	<u>xx</u>

Using an Alternative Method

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Balance as per bank statement	xx
Add: Uncredited cheques	xx
Bank error reducing cash balance	<u>xx</u>
	xx
Unpresented cheques	(xx)
Bank error overstating cash balance	(<u>xx</u>)
Adjusted Balance as per cash book	<u>xx</u>

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1	A	B	C
2	Electronic-Adjusted Cashbook in Excel Format		
3	Description	Amount	Amount
3		¢	¢
4	Bal b/d (debit Balance)		xxxxx
5	Add/Direct Credit in Bank Account		
6	Electronic Transfer	xxxxxx	
7	Electronic Dividend Received	xxxxxx	
8	Fixed Deposit Interest Received	<u>xxxxxx</u>	
9	=B6 + B7 + B8 or = sum(B6:B8) then press enter, answers supplied		<u>xxxxxx</u>
10	=C4 + C9 OR =SUM(C4:C9) then press enter, answers supplied		xxxxxx

11	Deduct direct debit in the bank account		
12	Standing order	XXXXX	
13	Direct payment of electricity	XXXXX	
14	Commission on Transactions (COT)	XXXXX	
15	Bank Charges	XXXXX	
16	VAT on COT	<u>XXXXX</u>	
17	=B12 + B13 +B14 + B15 +B16 or =SUM(B12:B16), then press enter		<u>XXXXX</u>
18	Closing Balance in the Cashbook: = C10-C17, then press enter, answers supplied		<u>XXXXX</u>

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1	D	E	F
2	Electronic-Bank Reconciliation Statements		
3	Description	Amount	Amount
3		¢	¢
4	Debit balance from Adjusted Cashbook		xxxxx
5	Add unpresented cheques		
6	Cheque 1	xxxxxx	
7	Cheque 2	xxxxxx	
8	Cheque 3	<u>xxxxxx</u>	
9	=E6 + E7 + E8 or = SUM(E6:E8) then press enter, answers supplied		<u>xxxxxx</u>
10	=F4 + F9 OR =SUM(F4:F9) then press enter, answers supplied		xxxxxx
11	Deduct uncredited cheques		
12	Cheque 1	xxxxxx	
13	Cheque 2	xxxxxx	
14	Cheque 3	xxxxxx	
15	Cheque4	xxxxxx	
16	Cheque 5	<u>xxxxxx</u>	
17	=E12 + E13 +E14 + E15 +E16 or =SUM(B12:B16), then press enter		<u>xxxxxx</u>
18	Closing Balance in the Cashbook: = E11-E17, then press enter, answers supplied		<u>xxxxxx</u>

***Note:** If balance in the bank statement is used, in the excel work you add uncredited cheques and unpresented cheques*

Illustration9.2

The following bank account and bank statement relatet othe firm of Mohammed and Sons for the period of 1 to 12 June, 2022.

BankAccount

2022	N	2022	N
June1Balb/f	6000	June2	Cheque Owen 400
3Cash	500	2	Cheque Peter 150

5	Cheque Kuku	85	6	Cheque Ringo	105
7	Cheque Labe	220	8	Cheque Smith	365
9	Cheque Michael	155	10	Cheque Thomas	1,120
11	Cheque Ndidi	<u>36</u>	12	Balance c/d	<u>5,180</u>
		<u>7,320</u>			<u>7,320</u>
	Balance b/d	5,180			

Bank statement as at 12 June, 2022

2022		Debit ₦	Credit ₦	Balance ₦
	June 1 Balance			6,000
2	Cheque no. 98876	400		5,600
3	Cash		500	6,100
4	Charges	20		6,080
5	Cheque deposits		85	6,165
6	Cheque no. 98877	150		6,015
7	Cheque deposit		220	6,235
8	Cheque deposit (by Umoru)	600		6,835
9	Cheque dishonoured	85		6,750
10	Standing order (Insurance Premium)	560		6,190
11	Cheque 98878	105		6,085

You are required to effect the necessary adjustments to the bank account, prepare the adjusted balance and prepare a Bank Reconciliation Statement

Solution to Illustration 9.2

Adjusted Cash Book

Date	June 2022	₦	June 2022	₦
	Balance b/d	5,180	Bank charges	20
	Direct credit (Umoru)	600	Standing Order	560
			Dishonoured cheques	85
			Balc/d	<u>5,115</u>
		<u>5,780</u>		<u>5,780</u>
	Balance b/d	5,115		
B. Bank Reconciliation Statement at 12 June, 2022				
				₦
	Adjusted balance as per cashbook			5,115
	Add:-unpresented cheques:-			
	Smith		365	
	Thomas		<u>1,120</u>	<u>1,485</u>
				6,600
	less:- Uncredited cheques:			
	Micheal		155	
	Ndidi		<u>360</u>	<u>515</u>
	Balance as per Bank statement			<u>6,085</u>

Illustration 9.3

The following is the summary of the cashbook of Akintola Enterprises for the month ended 31/5/2022

Cash Book

	₦		₦
Balance b/d	2,110	Sundry payments	23,280
Sundry receipt	<u>22,610</u>	Bal.c/d	<u>1,440</u>
	<u>24,720</u>		<u>24,720</u>
Balance b/d	1,440		

On investigation the following errors were discovered.

- i. Bank charges of ₦53 on the bank statement had not been entered in the cashbook.
- ii. A cheque drawn for ₦27 by the enterprise had been returned by the bank marked "Returned to drawer" but this had not been recorded in the cashbook.
- iii. The opening balance in the cash book was wrongly brought down as ₦2,110 instead of ₦2,205.
- iv. The cash book showed a deposit of ₦2,178 which had not yet been credited to the account by the bank.
- v. The bank had debited a cheque for ₦108 in error to the entity's account.
- vi. The bank statement showed an over drawn balance of ₦50
- vii. A payment of ₦70 cheque was treated as a receipt in the cashbook.
- viii. Three cheques issued to suppliers for ₦321, ₦555 and ₦45 had not been presented for payment.

You are required to

- (a) Write up the adjusted cash book.
- (b) Prepare a bank reconciliation statement.

Solution to Illustration 9.3

Akintola Enterprises

(a)	Adjusted Cash Book			
	₦			₦
Balance b/d	1,440	Bank Charges		53
Difference in opening bal.	95	Error in cheques drawn		140
Dishonoured cheque				27
Balance c/d			<u>1,315</u>	
	<u>1,535</u>			<u>1,535</u>
Balance b/d 1,315				

(b) Bank Reconciliation Statement at 31 May,2022	₦	₦
Adjusted balance as per cashbook		1,315
Add:unpresented cheques	321	
	555	
	<u>45</u>	<u>921</u>
		2,236
Less:Uncredited cheque	2,178	
Debit in error by the bank	<u>108</u>	<u>2,286</u>
Balance as per Bank Statement(Overdraft)		<u>(50)</u>

Note: Payment of ₦70cheque recorded in error as receipt gave a correction of ₦140 in the cash book because the error will be cancelled first before the ₦70 is reinstated on the credit side.

Illustration 9.4

The following information was extracted from the records of a petty trader as at 30 June 2022.

Balance as per Bank Statement was ₦1,000 credit. Cash Book balance showed ₦37,000 credit in the Bank Account column.

The following had been reflected in the Bank Statement but not in theCashbook.

Bank charges	₦5,000
Bank loan interest	₦1,000
Interest from investments	₦2,000
Dividends from shares	₦12,000

In addition, a cheque for ₦20,000 issued to Kete was dishonoured because of insufficient fund. Another cheque for ₦30,000 issued to Jimoh remained unpresented. A cheque for ₦20,000 from Kudiratu was yet to be credited

You are required to produce an adjusted Cash Book and then a Bank Reconciliation Statement as at 30 June 2022.

Solution to Illustration 9.4

Adjusted Cash Book Account

₦	₦		
Interest on Investments	2,000	Balance b/f	37,000
Dividends	12,000	Bank charges	5,000
Kete (dishonoured Cheque)	20,000	Interest on loan	1,000
Balance c/d	<u>9,000</u>		
	<u>43,000</u>		<u>43,000</u>
		Balance b/d	9,000

Bank Reconciliation Statement as at 30 June 2022

₦

Adjusted Cash Book Balance	(9,000)
Add: unpresented cheques	<u>30,000</u>
	21,000
Less: Uncredited cheque	<u>20,000</u>
Balance per Bank statement	<u>1,000</u>

Illustration 9.5

The following Cash Book and Bank Statement were extracted from the records of Dugbe Alawo Enterprise as at 31 January 2022.

Cash Book on 31 January 2022

Date	Details	Cheque No.	Amount ₦	Date	Details	Cheque No.	Amount ₦
3/1/22	Bal b/d		18,500	6/1/22	Owen	000666	4,595
4/1/22	Elijah	007605	1,980	9/1/22	Mikel	000667	1,450
6/1/22	Roland	101005	3,700	16/1/22	George	000669	1,430
16/1/22	Bright	202808	3,600	27/1/22	Obama	000670	2,105
31/1/22	Bush	404003	2,880	31/1/22	Bal c/d		21,080

		<u>30,660</u>	<u>30,660</u>
31/1/17	Balb/d	21,080	

Dugbe Alawo Enterprise

Bank Statements on 31 January 2022

Date	Details	ChequeNo.	Debit N	Credit N	Balance N
4/1/22	-		-	-	18,500
5/1/22	Elijah	007605	-	1,980	20,480
9/1/22	Roland	101005	-	7,300	27,780
17/1/22	Mikel	000667	1,450	-	26,330
30/1/22	Obama	000670	2,105	-	24,225
30/1/22	CreditTransfer		-	1,680	25,905
30/1/22	Dishonouredcheque	007605	1,980	-	23,925
31/1/22	Cheque	909808	1,560	-	22,365
31/1/22	Bankcharges		548	-	21,817
31/1/22	StandingOrder		5,560	-	16,257
31/1/22	Bankcharges		28	-	16,229
31/1/22	VAToncharges		29	-	16,200

Note: Cheque number 101005 had been transposed in error in the CashBook as ₦7,300. Also, cheque number 909808 was debited in error in the Bank Statements.

You are required to prepare Dugbe Alawo Adjusted CashBook and Bank Reconciliation on 31 January, 2022

Steps to be followed:

a. Prepare Adjusted CashBook:

- (i) Check debit entries in the Bank Statement not credited in the original cashbook; credit these in the Adjusted Cash Book. These are:

	N
Dishonouredcheque	1,980
Bank charges	548
Standing order	5,560
Bank charges	28
VAT on charges	29

- (ii) Check credit entries in the Bank statements not debited in the original cashbook; debit this in the Adjusted Cash Book. This is:

<u>₦</u>	
Credit Transfer	1,680

- (iii) Correct transposition errors made in the Cash Book – Roland (~~₦~~7,300 – ~~₦~~3,700 = ~~₦~~3,600) Since the amount is understated in the cashbook, debit ~~₦~~3,600 into Adjusted Cash Book.

b. Prepare the Bank Reconciliation Statement:

- (i) Use either closing balance in the original cashbook (~~₦~~21,080) or closing balance in the Bank Statements (~~₦~~16,200).
- (ii) If the closing balance in the original cash book is used, add unpresented cheques and deduct uncredited cheques.
- (iii) If the closing balance in the Bank Statement is used, adjust bank errors (~~₦~~1,550), add this back to the closing balance, add uncredited cheques and deduct unpresented cheques.
- (iv) Identify uncredited cheques by checking cheques received (debited) in the Original cash book but not credited in the bank statement; where these cheques were not on the credit column of the bank statements, the cheque will be described as uncredited cheques. They are:

<u>₦</u>	
Bright – Cheque number 202808	3,600
Bush – Cheque number 404003	<u>2,880</u>
	<u>6,480</u>

- (v) Identify the unpresented cheques by checking cheques that had been issued to customers, credited in the original cash book but not on the debit side of the bank statements. These cheques are described as unpresented cheques. They are:

<u>₦</u>	
Owen – Cheque number 000660	4,595
George – Cheque number 000669	<u>1,430</u>
	<u>6,025</u>

- (vi) Reconcile all bank statements and cash book errors.
- (vii) Prepare the Adjusted Cash Book to determine debit items credited in the bank statements but not debited in the original cash book because the cash book keepers did

not have information about the transactions.

It also includes correction of errors in the original cash book: These are:

	N
Bank charges	548
Standing Order	5,560
Bank charges	28
VAT on charges	29
	<hr/> 6,165

The items are all direct debit in the bank statements not credited in the cash book. These items are credited in the Adjusted Cash Book. This also includes dishonoured cheque 007605, earlier credited in the Bank Statements but now reversed as a result of unavailability of funds in Elijah's account in the bank, instructions not to pay the cheque and non-conformity with other banking procedures.

- (viii) Correct errors in cash book (~~N7,300~~–~~N3,700~~) debiting Adjusted Cash Book.
- (ix) Determine direct credit in the bank statements not debited in the original cashbook, this is:

	N
Credit Transfer	1,680

This is debited in Adjusted Cash Book.

- (x) Prepare the Bank Reconciliation Statements.

Solution

Adjusted Cash Book

	N		N
Bal b/d	21,080	Bank charges	548
Errors in cashbook		Standing Order	5,560
		Bank Charges	28
(N7,300 – N3,700)	3,600	VAT on charges	29
Credit Transfer	1,680	Dishonoured cheque	1,980
	<hr/>	Bal c/d	<hr/> 18,215
	26,360		26,360
Bal b/d	<hr/> 18,215		

Dugbe Alawo Enterprise
Bank Reconciliation Statements on 31 January 2022

	₦	₦
Balance as per Bank Statements		16,200
Add:		
Cheque No:909,808		<u>1,560</u>
		17,760
Add:Uncredited cheques:		
Bright	3,600	
Bush	<u>2,880</u>	<u>6,480</u>
		24,240
Less:Unpresented cheques:		
Owen	4,595	
George	<u>1,430</u>	
		<u>6,025</u>
Balance as per Cash Book		<u>18,215</u>

Dugbe Alawo Enterprise
Alternative Presentation: Bank Reconciliation 31/1/2022

	₦	₦
Balance as per Adjusted Cash Book		18,215
Add:Unpresented cheques:		
Owen	4,595	
George	<u>1,430</u>	<u>6,025</u>
		24,240
Less:Uncredited cheques:		
Bright	3,600	
Bush	<u>2,880</u>	<u>6,480</u>
		17,760
Less:Amount deducted in error		
Cheque number 909808		<u>1,560</u>
Balance as per Bank Statements		<u>16,200</u>

In February, 2022, Dugbe Alawo Enterprise should ensure ₦1,560 debited in error should be credited back to the Bank Statements.

Questions

Multiple choice and short-answer questions

- (1) Which of the following reconciliation items will affect the cashbook balance?
- i. Bank error over stating the bank balance
 - ii. Cash book error, overstating the bank balance
 - iii. Income received through the bank
 - iv. Imprest cheques
- a. I and II
 - b. II and III
 - c. II and IV
 - d. I and III
 - e. III and IV
- (2) A cheque, which was credited into an entity's cashbook but not debited by the bank is known as ----- cheque
- a. stale
 - b. order
 - c. bearer
 - d. unpresented
 - e. uncredited
- (3) Which of the following kind of cheques describe customer's cheque not honoured in the bank?
- (a) Stale cheque
 - (b) Crossed cheque
 - (c) Dishonoured cheque
 - (d) Order cheque
 - (e) Bearer cheque
- (4) Which of the following cheques cannot be endorsed from one person to another?
- (a) Bearer cheque
 - (b) Order cheque
 - (c) Crossed cheque
 - (d) Stale cheque

- (e) Dishonouredcheque
- (5) A cheque that has been recorded as a debit entry in the original cash bookbut not yet recorded as a credit entry in the bank statement is known as:
- (a) Crossed cheque
 - (b) Dishonoured cheque
 - (c) Crossed cheque
 - (d) Unpresented cheque
 - (e) Uncredited cheque

(6) Given the following balance ¢

Bank Statement	(100,000)
Unpresented Cheque	150,000
Uncredited Cheque	40,000

Calculate the balance in the cashbook

- (a) ¢290,000
 - (b) (¢290,000)
 - (c) (¢210,000)
 - (d) ¢190,000
 - (e) ¢90,000
- (7) Which of the following is not useful to prepare bank a bank reconciliation statement?
- (a) Cash Register
 - (b) Used Cheque Stubs
 - (c) Bank Statements
 - (d) Cashbook
 - (e) Errors in the bank Statements

- (8) Which of the following has a debit entry in the adjusted cashbook?
- (a) Standing Order
 - (b) Dishonoured Cheque
 - (c) E-Dividend
 - (d) Bank Charges
 - (e) Direct payment of electricity
- (9) An overdrawn balance in the cashbook is -----
- (a) an expense in the Statement of Profit or Loss
 - (b) a noncurrent asset in the Statement of Financial Position
 - (c) a current asset in the Statement of Financial Position
 - (d) a current liability in the Statement of Financial Position
 - (e) a noncurrent liability in the Statement of Financial Position
- (10) A bank reconciliation statement is a statement-----
- (a) sent by the bank when bank account is overdrawn
 - (b) sent by the bank when an entity makes an error
 - (c) drawn by the bank to verify an entity's cashbook and bank statement balances
 - (d) drawn by the bank to reconcile unpresented and uncredited cheques
 - (e) drawn up by an entity to verify cashbook and bank statement balances.

Short Answer Questions (SAQ)

1. An acronym EFTPOS means-----
2. State any two (2) parties to a cheque
3. In the modern clearing system, state meaning of NIBSS
4. The person to whom a cheque is written is called-----
5. The person to whom a cheque is payable over the counter is known as----
6. In the banking system, the tenure of a stale cheque is-----

7. A cheque with two transverse line drawn over the face of the cheque is known as---
8. A cheque in which a debit entry was recorded in the cashbook without a corresponding credit entry by the bank is called-----
9. State the full meaning of ATM in electronic banking system
10. A specific instruction to the bank to pay a custom sum of money over a period of time is called-----

1) Name and explain the two (2) main steps involved in preparing the bank reconciliation statement

2) When a customer's cheque that is lodged is dishonoured by the bank, what is the effect on cash balance? Describe a dishonoured cheque

3)

(a) Name and explain the account that a business normally maintains with a bank when it has funds for investment for a relatively long period.

(b) Use the following information to answer questions below

Given:

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i. Balance as per cash book	223,760
ii. Dividend received by bank on behalf of customers	1,170
Bank charges	360
iv. Unpresented cheques	21,600
v. Uncredited cheques	3,300
vi. Total lodgements credited by the bank	750,000

Determine the Adjusted Cash Book Balance and the balance as per bank statement.

4) Identify and explain Six (6) approaches that an entity can employ to handle, store and secure cash.

(5) (a) Write short notes on the following:

- i. Credit card
- ii. Electronic Fund Transfer(EFT)
- iii. Automatic Teller Machine(ATM)
- iv. Stale Cheque
- v. Bank's Clearing System

(a) Cash Book of Favour Ventures on 31/1/2022

	₦		₦
4/1/22 Balb/d	29,000	4/1/22 Oliver	12,500
Revenue	15,000	9/1/22 David	7,500
12/1/22 Abraham	5,000	16/1/22 Jacob	2,500
30/1/22 Sales—cheque 501	30,000	30/1/22 PAYE	2,500
31/1/22 Sales—cheque 101	15,000	30/1/22 Pension	2,500
		30/1/22 Emmanuel	1,000
		Balc/d	<u>65,500</u>
	<u>94,000</u>		<u>94,000</u>
Balb/d	<u>65,500</u>		

Favour Bank Statements on 31/1/2022

Date	Details	Cheque No.	Debit ₦	Credit ₦	Balance ₦
4/1/22	Balance b/f	-	-	-	29,000
16/1/22	Abraham	-	-	5,000	34,000
17/1/22	Owen	-	12,500	-	21,500
18/1/22	Deposit	501		30,000	51,500
19/1/22	David		7,500	-	44,000
19/1/22	Standing Order		1,000	-	43,000
30/1/22	PAYE		2,050	-	40,950
30/1/22	Commission on transactions		115	-	40,835
31/1/22	VAT		6	-	40,829
31/1/22	SMS alert		105	-	40,724

Note: The cashier made transposition errors in recording PAYE in the CashBook

You are required to prepare Favour Ventures Adjusted Cash Book and Bank Reconciliation Statements on 31 January, 22.

Solution to Revision Questions

- (1) B
- (2) D
- (3) C
- (4) B
- (5) E
- (6) C $(-₦100,000 - ₦150,000 + ₦40,000) = ₦210,000$
- (7) A
- (8) C
- (9) D
- (10) E

Short Answer Questions (SAQ)

- 1. Electronic Fund Transfer at Point of Sales
- 2. Drawer
Drawee
Payee
Any two (2)
- 3. Nigeria Inter Banks Settlement System
- 4. Drawee
- 5. Payee
- 6. 6 months
- 7. Cross cheque
- 8. Uncredited cheque
- 9. Automated Teller Machine
- 10. Standing Order

CHAPTER TEN

Chapter Ten Contents

- Procedures and importance of payroll and pay slips
- Types of payroll systems
- Calculations of gross earnings, deductions, net payment and pay slips
- Accounting for payroll

PAYROLL ACCOUNTING

Learning Objectives

After you have studied this chapter, you should be able to:

- *State the importance of payroll accounting;*
- *Explain the procedures of preparing payroll and pay slips;*
- *Identify and calculate incentive payment schemes;*
- *State types of payroll systems;*
- *Calculate gross earnings, deductions, net payments and prepare pay slips; and*
- *Record payroll transaction, journal preparation and postings to nominal ledgers.*

10.1 Importance of Payroll Accounting

In this chapter, you will learn how to calculate the salaries and wages with the various deductions that are made from the gross pay to derive net pay and calculate personal income taxes of employees. Thus, you will be able to know how to use the Progressive Personal Income Tax Schedule to calculate the income tax of an employee. Social security supports a variety of programmes such as employees' pension contributions, social Security Contributions, National Health Insurance Scheme, National Housing Fund, disability, Pension and survivor benefits among others for retired persons (senior citizens). Thus, students will learn how statutory deductions are calculated and the reasons why they are deducted at source from the gross pay of employees. Also, you will understand what types of reliefs are available to employees and how they are adjusted before the employees' net pay is computed. Finally, students will comprehend how salaries and wages and deductions are posted into journal, nominal ledgers and their treatments in the Statement of Profit or Loss for the year ended.

Payroll

Payroll may be defined as a record showing the names of employees, rates of pay, hours worked, bonuses, allowances, gross earning (salaries), statutory

deductions and other deductions during a given pay period. In simple terms, pay roll is a document in tabular format showing each worker's gross earning, deductions (statutory and otherwise) made from his gross earnings and the net amount payable to him in a particular pay period. In a computerised payroll system, mostly in a formatted Microsoft Excel, the computer stores variety of data such as employees' names, address, staff number, social security number, marital status, number of hours work, pay rate, housing allowances, transport allowance, responsibility allowance, other allowances, gross pay, statutory and non-statutory deductions and net pay. In such a computerised payroll system, the formatted Microsoft Excel, Personal Income Tax computation is completely automated. There is a provision for add, delete, promotion and demotion of employees to automatically update files in the computer to capture new employment, retirement, dismissal, termination, suspension, death, promotion and other day-to-day variations in employment contract. The formatted Microsoft Excel uses the payroll transaction date to accumulate total gross, net pay and Personal Income Tax weekly, monthly and annually. Thus, it is important that the correct employment date is inputted into the computer to ensure that the software automatically computes the correct net pay of employee from time to time.

The objectives of either manual or computerised payroll accounting are to process information such as; Hours Worked, Pay Rate, Gross Earning, Deduction and Net Pay (salary). Pay roll usually constitutes the most significant or material obligation or expense in most business entities. Business entities are required by law to send returns on their payroll including the amount of income tax deducted at source to the tax authorities. Business organizations record information relating to employees' pay due to the following:

- 1) It is used for cost control purposes, usually in the form of variance analysis.
- 2) It is also the basis upon which most tax clearance certificates are prepared.

Employees are usually paid either wages or salaries for work done monthly in an entity. Wages refer to the type of employees' hourly, daily or weekly remuneration package that is time based. In this situation the rate of pay is given as a fixed amount per hour for the number of hours actually worked or of those who reported for duty. Salary, though time based, is quoted on an annual basis.

In Ghana and Nigeria all employees are taxed under the PAYE (Pay-as-You

Earn)system. This is a form of withholding tax system where the employer is legally required to deduct at source and the income tax and social security contributions from the wages or salaries of employees and pay/remit the same to the appropriate/relevant authorities. Therefore, it means that the employee will not have to wait till the end of the year for him to personally pay his tax liabilities to the state. The PAYE tax is a monthly phenomenon which is seen as an estimate and as such may result in over payment or under payment of an employee's income tax liability at the end of the year.

Gross pay or earning is the total emolument or, pay/salary or total weekly wage that employees earn in a particular period before statutory and other deductions are made. In Nigeria and Ghana, gross pay is the consolidated income of an individual earned from employment. The consolidated salary of an employee may consist of the following components:

- a) Basic Salary;
- b) Leave allowance;
- c) Responsibility allowance;
- d) Transport allowance;
- e) Overtime allowance;
- f) Risk allowance;
- g) Meal Subsidy;
- h) Utility Allowance; and
- i) Other Earned Allowances.

Procedures of Preparing Payroll and Pay Slips

In an entity, to prepare a payroll in either a manual or computerised system, the Payroll or Salaries and Wages Department keeps, update and maintain files of senior management staff, middle management staff, operational staff and other categories of staff. In the entity, the department also has general file where salary scales, allowances, bonuses, leave allowances, meal tickets, Personal Income tax rates and other information on benefits in kind for all categories of employees. The files in the Payroll or Salaries and Wages provide basic varieties of data such as names, sex, marital status, date of birth, employment letter, account details (i.e. names, account number and bank's name) acceptance of duty, time of resumption of duty, grade level, step, annual salaries and wages, hourly rate, hours to work per day, in a week and monthly, annual allowances, benefits-in-kind and perquisites of

the offices. The information assists the payroll officers to accurately prepare salaries and wages of all employees of an entity weekly and monthly as may be required. Besides, it assists in the preparation of personnel annual budget and submission to relevant offices. After collecting useful information of every employee, the payroll officers prepare weekly wage, monthly salaries to calculate gross pay, deduct the statutory and non-statutory deductions and Personal Income Tax to derive net pay. The head of the Payroll section will collate the salaries and wages payable by preparing a schedule and summary of salaries and wages indicating total amount to pay as net salaries, statutory and non-statutory deductions. The summary of salaries schedule will show total amount of net salaries and wages, statutory and non-statutory deductions payable to Bank A, Bank B and Bank C among other banks. This will provide information to the Bursar, Chief Accountant of Chief Finance Officer on how much to pay to various banks as net salaries, payments of statutory and non-statutory deductions.

10.3 Methods of Computing Incentives Payment Schemes/Systems

An employee incentive scheme is employed to protect, motivate and encourage workers to more efficient, effective and productivity output to produce more with the least possible input costs. It gives good incentives to the efficient, effective and productive workers. The two main remuneration methods often used are: Time based system and Piecework system. Others include: Straight salary, bonuses, commission etc. Methods of remuneration refer to the basis used in calculating wages of workers. In the preparation of payroll, the organisation must initially determine the employee's Gross Salary or wages using the most appropriate remuneration plan adopted by the entity. The employees' incentive schemes are discussed below in turns:

Time Based System/Rate Based Scheme

In this system of remuneration, employees are paid according to number of hours actually worked multiplied by a fixed amount or rate. This simply means that the longer the period for which an employee works, the larger his or her gross pay will be. This method of remuneration is usually employed in the manufacturing industries. The payment to the employees is based on this formula:

Earnings = Clock hours x Rate per hour

Advantages

- a) It is simple to understand and administer;
- b) Wage negotiations(changes)can be easily effected;
- c) It has stood the test of time;
- d) It provides incentive for longer period of work; and
- e) It facilitates cost control.

Disadvantages

- a) There is no incentive to improve productivity and efficiency;
- b) It is not a sound accounting practice to pay all employees in the grade the Same rate irrespective of performance;
- c) Cost of supervision under this method is very high;
- d) It is not a very good basis forcost control; and
- e) It does not encourage innovation.

Performance related Systems/Performance Based Remuneration Method

Under this system, the remuneration in terms of wages or salaries that is paid to eachemployeeisdependentonhisorherlevelofoutput, performance or services rendered. Workers are normally given a fixed sum per unit of output so that the higher one's output the larger one's gross pay or salary.Casual labourers, cooks, painters, contractors, etc.are of ten paid by this method.

The payment to the employee is based on the formula below:

Earnings=Number of units produced x rate per unit

Advantages

- a) It attracts higher grade workers;
- b) It provides direct incentive for innovations, efficiency and high productivity with out the difficulties associated with individual piece work rates, schemes;
- c) It is simple to understand and administer;
- d) It facilitates cost control; and
- e) It has stood the test of time.

Disadvantages

- a) Cost of output may exceed budget if proper supervision is not carried out;
- b) It results in competition for higher grade workers thereby increasing the cost per output;
- c) Shoddy work or inferior goods may be made, if there is no proper supervision

- d) Too much emphasis on productivity, this may be detrimental if the standard is premised on perfection ; and
- e) It does not take into account individual disabilities, or abilities.

Straight Salary

Under this method of remuneration, employees are paid a fixed amount annually with a constant increase per annum. This is usually stated as follows:

Gross Pay = ₦10,000,000 + ₦2,000,000 – ₦18,000,000.

The above statement means that this employee will receive ₦10,000,000 for the first year of his engagement. Thereafter his gross pay will increase by ₦2,000,000 every subsequent year following the date of his employment. This increment will continue until when it gets to ₦18,000,000. Thereafter, only if he is promoted will he earn further increments.

It must however be noted that the gross pay under this method does not depend on the number of hours worked or output produced.

Bonus Schemes

These are schemes which are used by employer to reward exceptional performance of employees. Bonuses are paid in addition to the normal earnings mentioned above. Such incentives vary from one company to the other. The main purpose of providing these incentives is to encourage workers to produce their best for the company.

Types of Bonus Schemes

Halsey Premium Plan

This plan was introduced by F. A. Halsey in 1891. The plan simply combines the time and piece rate systems. The main features of this plan are as follows:

- a) Workers are paid at a rate per hour for the actual time taken to perform a task;
- b) A standard time is set for each piece of work, job or operation;
- c) If a worker takes standard time or more than the standard time to complete his work, he is paid wages for the actual time taken by him at the time rate; and
- d) If a worker takes less than the standard time, he is paid a bonus equal to 50% of the time saved at the time rate fixed.

Under this system, total earnings of a worker are equal to wages for the actual time taken by him plus a bonus. The formula for calculating bonus and total earnings under this incentive plan is:

$$\text{Bonus} = 50\% \text{ of } [\text{Time saved} \times \text{Time rate}]$$

$$\text{Total earnings} = \text{Time rate} \times \text{Time taken} + 50\% \text{ of } [\text{Time saved} \times \text{Time rate}]$$

Illustration 10.1

Standard time (or Allowed time) = 250 hours. Wages rate per hour = ₹15

Actual time taken = 220 hours

Thus time saved = 250 hrs – 220 hrs = 30 hrs.

$$\text{Bonus} = 50\% [30 \text{ hrs} \times ₹15] = ₹225$$

$$\text{Total earnings} = ₹15 \times 220 \text{ hrs} + 50\% [30 \text{ hrs} \times ₹15] = ₹3,525$$

Advantages of Halsey Plan.

- a) It is easy to understand;
- b) It guarantees a minimum time wage to all the workers. This means that slow or lazy and relatively inefficient workers have nothing to fear on the plan;
- c) The benefits resulting from saving in time is equally divided between workers and the employer; and
- d) Bonus is separately calculated for each job. As a result any time saved by a worker on a particular job is not adjusted against excess time taken by him on another job.

Disadvantages of Halsey Plan

- a) Workers do not like the employer to share the benefits of time saved by them;
- b) It does not provide the employer with full protection against high rate setting; and
- c) Extra efficiency of a worker is not fully recognised and rewarded.

Rowan Plan

This plan is similar to the Halsey incentive plan mentioned above. The difference lies in the calculation of bonus. The main features of Rowan Plan are as follows:

- a) Wages are paid on time basis for the actual time worked by the worker;
- b) A standard time is determined for each piece of work or job;
- c) If a worker completes his work in standard time or in more than the standard time, he is paid wages for the time actually taken by him;

- d) If a worker completes his work in less than the standard time, he is entitled to a bonus; and
- e) The Bonus is calculated as the proportion of wages of actual time taken which the time saved bears to the standard time.

The formula for calculating bonus and total earnings under this incentive plan is:

$$\text{Bonus} = \frac{\text{Time saved}}{\text{Time allowed}} \times \text{Time taken} \times \text{Time rate}$$

$$\text{Total earnings} = (\text{Time taken} \times \text{Time rate}) + \text{Bonus}$$

Illustration 10.2

Standard time (or Allowed time) = 250 hours

Wages rate per hour = ₦15

Actual time taken = 220 hours

$$\text{Bonus} = \frac{30}{250} \times 220 \times ₦15 = ₦396$$

$$\text{Total Wage} = ₦3,300 + ₦396 = ₦3,696$$

Advantages of Rowan Plan

- a) Earnings = $(220 \text{ hrs} \times ₦15) + ₦396 = ₦3,696$; just like Halsey Plan, it provides guaranteed minimum wages to workers;
- b) It protects the employers against loose rates setting;
- c) It pays a higher bonus than that under the Halsey plan up to 50% of the standard time saved;
- d) The worker is not induced to rush through the work if time save is more than 50% of the standard time, the bonus increases at a decreasing rate; and
- e) It provides good incentives for comparatively slow workers and beginners.

Disadvantage of Rowan Plan

- a) The calculation of bonus is complicated and may not be easily understood by workers whom may suspect the employers' motives; and
- b) In case of extra efficient workers, bonus is less than under Halsey Plan. This is true when the time saved is more than the time taken.

Comparison of Halsey Plan and Rowan Plan

- a) **Bonus:** When time saved increases, bonus under Halsey Plan also keeps increasing. But under the Rowan Plan, when time saved increases, bonus increases only when time saved is up to 50% of the standard time allowed. Thereafter the amount of bonus begins to decline. Bonus under the two plans is the same when time saved is exactly 50%. Before 50% of standard time saved, bonus under Rowan Plan is higher than that of Halsey Plan and after 50% of the time saved, bonus under Rowan plan is lower than that of Halsey Plan. For example under Rowan plan, a person who has saved 60% of time allowed earns the same amount of bonus if he saves 40% of the time allowed;
- b) **Earnings per hour:** Under both plans earnings per hour of workers keep on increasing, but the rates of earnings under the two plans differ. When time saved is less than 50% of time allowed, the rate of increase in per hour earnings is higher in Rowan Plan whereas when time saved is more than 50% of time allowed, the rate of increase in per hour earnings is higher in Halsey Plan. At 50% time saved, earnings per hour under both schemes are the same;
- c) **Effect on Labour Cost:** Labour cost per unit decreases as production increases up to the standard time allowed; thereafter, it continues to decrease but not at a fast rate; and
- d) Rowan plan cost per unit is higher than under Halsey Plan until time saved is 50% of time allowed. Thereafter it is lower and soon becomes significantly lower. At 50% time saved, labour cost per unit is the same under both plans.

Allowable deductions and reliefs

These are statutory deductions and others that are expected to be deducted from the gross salary of an employee at the end of a given period. In Ghana, these deductions include the following:

Income Tax

- a) 5% of employee's pay for Social Security Contributions;
- b) Employees' provident fund;
- c) Any percentage contribution towards a Special retirement fund by an employee;
- d) Medical Insurance;
- e) Union/Senior Staff Dues or Welfare Fund Contributions;
- f) Repayment of Employees Advances or Loan from Employers;
- g) Hire Purchase Deductions;
- h) Others deductions are:
- i. The first two deductions (income tax and social security contribution) are compulsory in

Ghana. However, the other deductions will depend on the regulations of the company in question and the employee's own preferences;

- ii. Children Allowance ₦2,500 per child subject to maximum of 4 children under the age of 18 still in the school;
- iii. Dependent Relative Allowance, ₦2,000 each with maximum of two (2) dependents;
- iv. In Nigeria, the deductions are similar to what you have in Ghana in many respects.
- v. Some of the deductions include:
 - a) Income tax;
 - b) 8% of employee's gross pay for contributory pension;
 - c) 2 ½ % contributions to National Housing Fund (NHF);
 - d) Medical insurance;
 - e) Union dues/welfare contributions;
 - f) Cooperative contributions/loan repayments

10.4 Types of Payroll Systems

There are two (2) main types of payroll system. These are:

- a) Manual Payroll System; and
- b) Computerised Payroll System.

Manual Payroll System

The employees in the salaries and wages department collect data, store in files in the cabinet files and, process employees' data (names, sex, staff number, department, hourly work, hour rate, bonus, Salaries and allowances) to manually compute gross pay; deduct Personal Income Tax, Statutory and Non-statutory deductions to calculate net pay of employees. The filing is done manually and computations are also done manually using calculators, adding machines and casting machines among other basic office machines.

Advantages of Manual Payroll System

- a) Salaries and wages are prepared manually; and
- b) The processes are easily comprehensible.

Disadvantages of Computerised Payroll System

- a) The manual process of computation of salaries and wages is tedious, cumbersome and difficult;
- b) The process is not reliable and it is inefficient;

- c) The process of salaries and wages computation is very slow;
- d) The rate of errors of addition is high;
- e) Correction of error of addition and human error is inflexible and difficult;
- c) It is not fast, it is inaccurate and unreliable; and
- f) The filing and stationery costs are huge making it ineffective.

Computerised Payroll System

The computer through application packages store, process and automate employees' data (names, sex, staff number, department, hourly work, hour rate, bonus, Salaries and allowances) to compute gross pay; deduct Personal Income Tax, Statutory and Non-statutory deductions to calculate net pay of employees.

Advantages of Computerised Payroll System

- a) Salaries and wages are automated;
- b) It is fast, accurate and reliable;
- c) It uses coding system for most of the data, so; it is more efficient;
- d) It can back up large volume of data and information of many years on output devices such as flash drive, compact disc, hard disc, internet and cloud;
- e) Casting error is eliminated, human errors can be easily corrected;
- f) The data and information stored can be retrieved anytime even if there is fire or other natural disaster;
- g) Training and retraining cost of employees may be huge;
- h) It generates printed Payroll Report when it is needed to aid analyses;
- i) It assists in the preparation of personnel budget accurately timely and;
- j) It cost efficient in the long run because less labour hours and stationery costs are required.

Disadvantages of Computerised Payroll System

- a) Software, hardware and installation costs may be expensive in the short-run;
- b) Labour union and employees may not want to change from manual to computerised payroll systems, so; the processes of the change may be difficult, controversial and this may hit up the system.

10.5 Calculations of Gross Earnings, Deductions, Net Py and Pay Slips

Gross pay/Gross earning is the quantum of basic salary and variety of allowances

such as housing, transport, utility, responsibility and bonus among other allowances. The total of basic salary and allowances is called consolidated salaries and wages. Deductions are amount deducted at source from the gross earnings/gross pay. There are two types of deductions; these are statutory and non-statutory deductions. The statutory deductions are deductions in which employers have legal obligations to reduce at source from the gross pay/gross earnings. The entity has obligation to remit what was deducted to the owners that is the appropriate agency recognize by the law of the land to collect the deductions. These statutory deductions are:

- a) Pension contributions by employers with minimum of three (3) staff, 10% by the employer and 8% from the salaries of employees, the amount deducted at source is remitted to the Pension Fund Administrator (PFA), employees are to have pension accounts with PFAs of their choice. Non-compliance/non-remittance attracts 2% of the unpaid amount;
- b) 2 ½ % of employees' monthly basic salaries as National Housing Funds (NHF) and the amount deducted is remitted to the Federal Mortgage Bank. Employees with basic salary of less than ₦ 3,000 and expatriates are exempted. Non-compliance attracts of the amount deducted by the employer is ₦ 50,000, self-employed ₦ 5,000 or one (1) year imprisonment on conviction or both . Obstructing deduction or non-remittance is ₦5,000 or one (1) year imprisonment on conviction or both;
- c) National Health Insurance Scheme (NHIS), employer contributes 10% and employees contribute 5% to provide easy access health care services for employees, spouse and four (4) biological children less than 18 years of age. A contributor with more than six family members can register one (1) additional person as a dependent relative;
- d) Pay as You Earn (PAYE) Tax/Personal Income Tax, this is calculated based on the progressive Personal Income Tax rate provided in the Personal Income Tax Act, 2011. The progressive Personal Income Tax Rate is as follows:

Income	Tax Rate
First ₦300,000	7%
Next ₦300,000	11%
Next ₦500,000	15%
Next ₦500,000	19%
Next ₦1,600,000	21%

Above ₦3,200,000	24%
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The above is the applicable Personal Income Tax Rate with effect from 2011. The consolidated relief is ₦200,000 or 1% of gross income, whichever is higher plus 20% of gross income. This is deducted from gross income as personal income relief, deductions are removed to have taxable income;

- e) Industrial Training Fund (ITF), every employer with at least five (5) employees or an annual turnover of ₦50 million must contribute 1% of its annual payroll cost to Industrial Training Fund to equip indigenous workers with adequate skills for economic development and an employer can claim a refund of up to 50% of the amount contributed, if employees received necessary to assist him or her to acquire adequate skills. The due date to file return to ITF is within 3 months after year end. The penalty for delay in payment is 5% of the unpaid amount payable for every month of default; and
- f) Nigeria Social Insurance Trust Fund (NSITF), 1% of employees' monthly payroll is contributed in the first two (2) years of the commencement of the Act in 2010 to the NSITF to provide a definite and adequate safer work condition and compensation for workers or their dependents in the events of death, injury, disease or disability occurring from employment. Payroll in this case means remunerations excluding pension contributions, bonuses, and overtime and one-off payments like 13th month salary.

The statutory deductions are also applicable in Ghana, Gambia and other West African countries. For example, at the beginning of each Government fiscal year (1st January in the case of Ghana), the Minister of Finance presents the Budget to Parliament. In Nigeria, the President presents the Appropriation bill to the National assembly a few months before the commencement of a fiscal year (1st January). After due processes the bill is passed into law and becomes the Appropriation Act.

The budget statements contain the rates of income tax and any deductible reliefs for the following year. Due to the annual changes in rates and reliefs, the rates of income tax used in the computations in this book are for illustration purposes only.

The non-statutory monthly payroll deductions such as union dues, cooperative deductions, furniture, housing and motor vehicle loans repayment, which employers have no legal obligation to deduct. The employers deduct non-statutory deductions to protect the welfare of employees working in an entity. The monthly net pay of an employee is the excess of the gross pay or salary over deductions. It is often

called disposable income or “take home pay”. It is the pay the worker actually takes home for a given period. It is monthly gross pay/gross earnings minus the monthly statutory and non-statutory deductions of employees working in an entity.

After the Payroll Department completed the preparation of monthly salaries and wages, the schedule of salaries, summary sheet and deductions of various banks will be dispatched to the Chief Finance officer/Bursar/Chief Accountant for payments into the bank account of various beneficiaries indicated on the salaries schedule. After the payments of Salaries and Wages and the Statutory and Non-Statutory Deductions, the Payroll Department issued a document known as Pay Slip to every employee in an entity. A Pay Slip is a document given to employees when they have been paid salaries and deductions paid or payable to various beneficiaries. It shows detailed of basic monthly salaries, allowances, Statutory and Non-Statutory Deductions to arrive at employees’ net pay for the month. The template of a Pay Slip of ABC Limited in May 2022 is presented below:

ABC Limited, Payroll Department in the Account and Finance Department:

Pay Slip of an Employee in January 2022:

Month	Descriptions	₦	₦
May 2022	Income		
	Gross Salary/Gross Earnings		XXXX
	Basic MonthlySalary		XXXX
	Housing Allowance		XXXX
	Transport Allowance		XXXX
	Meal Subsidy		XXXX
	Responsibility Allowance		XXXX
	Other Cash Allowances		XXXX
	Consolidated Salaries(Gross Income)		XXXX
	Less: Consolidated Reliefs		
	₦200,000 or 1% of gross income whichever is higher +20% of gross income		(XXXX)
			XXXX
	Less: Statutory Deductions		
	Total pension Contributions: (Employer & Employees)	XXXX	
	National Housing Funds (NHS)	XXXX	
	National Health Insurance Scheme (NHIS)	XXXX	
	PAYE/Personal Income Tax	XXXX	
	Industrial Training Fund (ITF)	XXXX	
	Nigeria Social Insurance Trust Fund (NSITF)	XXXX	
	Total statutory deductions (TST)	XXXX	
	Less: Non-statutory deductions (NST)		
	Union Dues	XXXX	
	Cooperative deductions	XXXX	
	Repayment of Motor vehicle loans	XXXX	
	Repayment of Housing Loans	XXXX	
	Repayment of Furniture Loans	XXXX	
	Total Non-Statutory deductions (TNST)	XXXX	
	Less: Total deductions = TST + TNST		(XXXX)
	Total Net Pay (Monthly)		XXXX

The calculation of Gross Income/Gross Pay/Gross Earnings Less reliefs, Tax, Statutory and non-Statutory Deductions and Net Pay:

Month	Descriptions	₦	₦
Jan. 2022	Income		
	Gross Salary/Gross Earnings		Xxxx
	Basic Monthly Salary		Xxxx
	Housing Allowance		Xxxx
	Transport Allowance		Xxxx
	Meal Subsidy		Xxxx
	Responsibility Allowance		Xxxx
	Other Cash Allowances		Xxxx
	Consolidated Salaries(Gross Income)		Xxxx
	Less: Consolidated Reliefs		
	₦200,000 or 1% of gross income whichever is higher +20% of gross income		(xxxx)
			Xxxx
	Less: Statutory Deductions/Allowable Deductions		
	Total pension Contributions: (Employer & Employees)	xxxx	
	National Housing Funds (NHS)	xxxx	
	National Health Insurance Scheme (NHIS)	xxxx	
	Industrial Training Fund (ITF)	xxxx	
	Nigeria Social Insurance Trust Fund (NSITF)	xxxx	
		<u>xxxx</u>	
	Less: Total statutory deductions (TST)		(xxxx)
	Taxable Incomes		<u>xxxx</u>
	PAYE/Personal Income Tax derived with the applicable tax rate		(xxxx)
	Personal Income After Tax/Disposable Income		<u>xxxx</u>

Income	Tax Rate
First ₦300,000	7%
Next ₦300,000	11%
Next ₦500,000	15%
Next ₦500,000	19%
Next ₦1,600,000	21%
Above ₦3,200,000	24%

The above is the applicable Personal Income Tax Rate with effect from 2011. The consolidated relief is ₦200,000 or 1% of gross income, whichever is higher plus 20% of gross income.

Previous year Relief and Personal Income Tax Rates:

- a) 1998: ₦5,000 + 20% of Earned Income;
- b) 1997: ₦3,000 + 15% of Earned Incomes
- c) Personal Income Tax Rates

Before 2011 PITA	Rate	1998	Rate	1997	Rate
First ₦30,000 at	5%	First ₦20,000 at	5%	First ₦10,000 at	5%
Next ₦30,000 at	10%	Next ₦20,000 at	10%	Next ₦10,000 at	10%
Next ₦50,000 at	15%	Next ₦40,000 at	15%	Next ₦20,000 at	15%
Next ₦50,000 at	20%	Next ₦40,000 at	20%	Next ₦20,000 at	20%
Above ₦160,000 at	25%	Above ₦120,000 at	25%	Above ₦60,000 at	25%

Other Personal Income Tax Rates used to solve illustrations in the pack to solve

Other Rates used to solve illustrations in the pack to solve	Rate
First ₦1,800,000 at	0%
Next ₦1,800,000 at	5%
Next ₦4,800,000 at	10%
Above ₦4,800,000 at	15%

10.6 Accounting for Payroll Transactions

For the purpose of Accounting, the entries in the pay slips are passed in through the general journal to record the payments made at the end of the given pay period.

1. When Liabilities/Expenses are due
 - a) Debit Wages/Salaries Account with the Gross Salary.
 - b) Credit Provident Fund Account.
 - c) Credit Income Tax Account.
 - d) Credit Medical Insurance Account
 - e) Credit Union Dues Account
 - f) Credit any Other Deduction Account
 - g) Credit Payroll Payable Account with Net Salary or Wages.
 - h) Credit 12.5% Employer's Social Security Fund Account
 - i) Debit Employer's Social Security expenses Account (i.e. contribution)
2. When Expenses or Liabilities are Paid
 - a) Debit provident fund account and credit Cash/Bank account with the amount paid
 - b) Debit Income tax account and credit cash/bank with the sum paid.
 - c) Debit any other deduction account and credit cash/bank account with the amount paid
 - d) Debit payroll payable account and credit cash/bank account with the amount paid.
 - e) Debit 12.5% Employer's Social Security Fund Account and credit cash or bank account

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Salary JournalMonthOfJanuary2016

Date	Particulars	Folio	Dr	Cr
2016January31			N	N
	WagesandSalariesA/c		Xx	
	ProvidentFund			xx
	UnionDues			xx
	Otherdeductions			xx
	IncomeTax			xx
	Net pay			xx
	Payrollsummaryforthemonth of			
			<u>Xx</u>	<u>xx</u>
	ProvidentFund		Xx	
	MedicalInsurance		Xx	
	UnionDues		Xx	
	Otherdeductions		xx	
	IncomeTax		xx	
	Net pay		xx	
	Bank			xx
	Paymentofstaffsalariesandallowancesfort hemonth of			
			<u>xx</u>	<u>xx</u>

The illustrations below are Examination type questions. It covers pay rolling, Rowan and Halsey Schemes, Personal Income Tax Computations, Statutory and Non-Statutory Deductions, Pay Slip and Journal Entries.

Illustration10.3

Mr. Attah Thomas is an employee of Kente Limited and he earns annual salaries and allowance in the year ended 31 December, 2021 as follows:

	¢
Basic Salaries	6,000,000
Housing Allowance	400,000
Transport Allowance	200,000
Benefits in Kind	500,000

The following information is relevant:

- Mr. Attah Thomas contributes 2 ½ % of his basic salary to National Housing Fund (NHF);
- He also contributes 8% of his emolument to approved contributory pension scheme

under Pension Act;

- c) He maintained aged mother and father and spent an annual sum of ₦36,000 each on the parents;
- d) He maintained four children under the age of 18 in public schools spending ₦10,000 each per annum;
- e) He has a life insurance policy paying ₦60,000.

You are required to calculate Mr. Attah's:

- a) Gross Earnings
- b) Consolidated Relief and Statutory Deductions
- c) Taxable Income and Personal Income Tax for the Year of Assessment 2021.

a) Gross Income	₦	₦
Basic Salaries		6,000,000
Housing Allowance		400,000
Transport Allowance		200,000
Benefits in Kind		500,000
Gross earnings/Consolidated Salaries		7,100,000
b) Consolidated Relief		
Higher of ₦200,000 and 1% of ₦7,100,000		
₦200,000 + 20% of ₦7,100,000	1,620,000	
National Housing Fund (NHF)		
2.5% of ₦6,000,000	150,000	
Contributory Pension		
8% of (₦6,000,000 + ₦400,000 + ₦200,000)	<u>528,000</u>	
Statutory Deductions	2,298,000	
Less: Other Reliefs		
Children Allowance (₦2,500 *4)	10,000	
Dependent Relative Allowance (DRA) (₦2,000 *2)	<u>4,000</u>	
Total reliefs		<u>2,312,000</u>
c) Taxable Income		<u>4,788,000</u>

Personal Income Tax computation

c: continuation	Tax Rate		Tax
Income	Percentage	¢	¢
First ¢300,000	7%	300,000	21000
Next ¢300,000	11%	300,000	33000
Next ¢500,000	15%	500,000	75000
Next ¢500,000	19%	500,000	95000
Next ¢1,600,000	21%	<u>1,600,000</u>	<u>336000</u>
		3,200,000	560,000
Above ¢3,200,000	24%	<u>1,588,000</u>	<u>381,120</u>
Total Taxable Incomes		<u>4,788,000</u>	
Annual Personal Income Tax			941,120
Monthly Taxable income(¢4,788,000/12)		399,000	
Monthly Personal Income Tax(¢941,120/12)			78,426.67

Illustration10.4

Mr. Yeboah Partey works at Kumasi Limited in Ghana, the following annual information was extracted from his electronic personal emolument cards for the year ended 31 December, 2021.

	¢
Basic Salaries	24,000,000
Transport Allowance	2,000,000
Entertainment Allowance	900,000
Utility Allowance	600,000

Additional information:

- Annual rent allowance is 40% of annual basic salary;
- Meal Allowance is ¢5,000 per working day and assume 260 working days in the year ended 2021;
- Annual leave allowance is 20% of basic salary;
- Contributions to approved pension scheme in 2004 Pension Act is 8% of

emoluments and emoluments are defined as basic salaries, transport and rent allowance;

- e) Repayment of Vehicle loans to government ₵120,000 annually;
- f) Cooperative deductions ₵50,000 monthly;
- g) Union dues is 1 ½ % of annual emolument as defined in d above;
- h) He is entitled to 13th month one month salary as Christmas bonus;
- i) Mr. Yeboah has Life Assurance Policy of ₵150,000 per annum;
- j) He contributes 2 ½ % of basic salary to National Housing Funds (NHF);
- k) Assume that Leave Allowance and Christmas Bonus was paid along December Salary and they are part of Gross Earnings; and
- l) Also, he maintained aged father and mother with a sum ₵100,000 each, 2 children above 20 years of age who graduated in University of Ghana and 4 other children in public schools in Ghana. He spent ₵20,000 each annually to maintain 6 children.

You are required to:

- a) Compute Gross Earnings, Statutory/Allowable Deductions and Personal Income Tax Liability for the year ended 31 December, 2021.
- b) Compute monthly net pay to capture the statutory, Personal and non-statutory deductions in December, 2022 Pay Slip.

- a) Yeboah Partey Gross Earnings, Statutory/Allowable Deductions and Personal Income Tax Liability for the year ended 31 December, 2021

	₵	₵
Basic Salaries		24,000,000
Rent Allowance (40% of ₵24,000,000)		9,600,000
Transport Allowance		2,000,000
Meal Allowance (₵5,000 * 260)		1,300,000
Entertainment Allowance		900,000
Utility Allowance		600,000
Leave Allowance (20% of ₵24,000,000)		4,800,000
Christmas Bonus (₵24,000,000/12)		<u>2,000,000</u>
Gross Earnings		45,200,000
Less: Consolidated Reliefs		

Higher of ₦200,000 and 1% of ₦45,200,000		
Higher of ₦200,000 and ₦452,000		
₦452,000 + 20% of ₦45,200,000		
₦452,000 + ₦9,040,000	9,492,000	
National Housing Fund (2 1/2 % of ₦24,000,000)	600,000	
Pension Contribution		
8% of (₦24,000,000 + ₦9,600,000 + ₦2,000,000)	<u>2,848,000</u>	
Statutory Deductions	12,940,000	
Other Allowable Deductions		
Life Assurance Policy	150,000	
Dependent Relative (₦2,000 * 2)	4,000	
Children Allowance (₦2,500 *4)	<u>10,000</u>	
Total Allowable Deductions		<u>13,104,000</u>
Taxable Income		<u>32,096,000</u>

Personal Income Tax Computation for the Year of Assessment 2021

	Tax Rate		Tax
Income	Percentage	₦	₦
First ₦300,000	7%	300,000	21000
Next ₦300,000	11%	300,000	33000
Next ₦500,000	15%	500,000	75000
Next ₦500,000	19%	500,000	95000
Next ₦1,600,000	21%	<u>1,600,000</u>	<u>336000</u>
		3,200,000	560,000
Above ₦3,200,000	24%	<u>28,896,000</u>	<u>6,935,040</u>
Total Taxable Incomes		<u>32,096,000</u>	
Annual Personal Income Tax			7,495,040
Monthly Taxable income(₦4,788,000/12)		2,674,667	
Monthly Personal Income Tax(₦941,120/12)			624,586.67

- b) Yeboah Partey monthly net pay to capture the statutory, Personal Deductions and non-statutory deductions in December, 2022 Pay Slip.

		Monthly
	Annual	Annual/12
	¢	¢
Basic Salaries	24,000,000	2,000,000
Rent Allowance (40% of ¢24,000,000)	9,600,000	800,000
Transport Allowance	2,000,000	166,667
Meal Allowance (¢5,000 * 260)	1,300,000	108,333
Entertainment Allowance	900,000	75,000
Utility Allowance	600,000	50,000
Leave Allowance (20% of ¢24,000,000) Note: Paid once in December	4,800,000	4,800,000
Christmas Bonus (¢24,000,000/12) Note: Paid once in December	<u>2,000,000</u>	<u>2,000,000</u>
Gross Earnings(Annual/Monthly)	<u>45,200,000</u>	<u>10,000,000</u>
Statutory Deductions		
National Housing Fund (2 1/2 % of ¢24,000,000)	600000	50,000
Pension Contribution		-
8% of (¢24,000,000 + ¢9,600,000 + ¢2,000,000)	2848000	237,333
PAYE/Personal Income Tax	<u>7,495,040</u>	<u>624,586.67</u>
Total Statutory Deductions	<u>10,943,040</u>	<u>911,920</u>
Non-Statutory Deductions		
Repayment of Vehicle Loans	120,000	10,000
Cooperative Deductions (¢*50,000 *12)	600,000	50,000
Union Dues (1 1/2% of (¢24,000,000 + ¢9,600,000 + ¢2,000,000)	<u>534,000</u>	<u>44,500</u>
Total Non-Statutory Deductions	<u>1,254,000</u>	<u>104,500</u>
Total Statutory and Non Statutory Deductions	<u>12,197,040</u>	<u>1,016,420</u>
Net Annual/Monthly Pay	<u>33,002,960</u>	<u>2,750,247</u>

Illustration10.5

Victor, Simon and Alata are in the employment of GYAN Enterprise in Kumasi Ghana. The Pay Roll annual information for the year ended 31 December, 2016 are as follows:

Staff		Responsibility	Bonus	Meal
Names	Basic Salary	Allowance		Allowance
	¢	¢	¢	¢
Victor	27,500,00	2,000,000	40%	500,000
Simon	26,200,000	1,800,000	35%	450,000
Alata	24,800,000	1,500,000	30%	400,000

The following information are relevant:

- National Health Insurance Scheme, employee 5% and employer 10% of basic salaries.
- The current Personal Income Tax Rate is applicable;
- Monthly Cooperative Deductions: Mr. Victor, ¢150,000, Mr. Simon ¢120,000 and Mr. Alata ¢100,000;
- Union Due is 2 ½ % of basic salaries;
- Bonus is a percentage of basic salaries; and
- Salaries and all deductions are paid on first day of every month

The company also operates an approved Retirement Pension Fund with a Pension Fund Administrator retirement fund to which allemployees are expected to contribute mandatory8% of basic salary. It is the policy of the employer to top up the pension ofeveryemployee'scontributionby10% of the total basic salaries of the basic salary. This represents the total emoluments (Basic Salaries, Housing and Transport Allowances) of the employees.

During the year 2016 the following loans were granted to each staff:

Staff		Distress	
Names	Car Loan	Loan	Year
	¢	¢	Loan was Taken
Victor	50,000,000	10,000,000	2,014

Simon	40,000,000	8,000,000	2,015
Alata	20,000,000	8,000,000	2,015

All loans taken in the Enterprise with the exception of distressed loans attract a concessionary interest at a rate of 5% simple interest on there duced balance at the beginning of the period . It is expected that the principal mount will be repaid or a mortisedonanequalbasisoveraperiod offiveyears.

You are required to prepare the payroll worksheet and relevant journal entries of Victor, Simon and Alata for the year 2016.

Descriptions	Victor	Simon	Alata	Total
	¢'000	¢'000	¢'000	¢'000
Basic Salary	27,500	26,200	24,800	78,500
Responsibility Allowance	2,000	1,800	1,500	5,300
Meals allowance	500	450	400	1,350
Bonus	11,000	9,170	7,440	27,610
Consolidated Salaries	<u>41,000</u>	<u>37,620</u>	<u>34,140</u>	<u>112,760</u>
Less: Statutory Deductions				
Contributory Pension (8%* Basic Salary)	- 2,200.00	- 2,096.00	- 1,984.00	- 6,280.00
National Health Insurance Scheme (5% * Basic Salaries)	= <u>1,375.00</u>	= <u>1,310.00</u>	= <u>1,240.00</u>	= <u>3,925.00</u>
	= <u>3,575.00</u>	= <u>3,406.00</u>	= <u>3,224.00</u>	= <u>10,205.00</u>
Taxable Pay	37,425	34,214	30,916	102,555
Less: Annual Personal Income Tax Approximately	<u>-8,774</u>	<u>-8,003</u>	<u>-7,212</u>	<u>-23,989</u>
Income After all Statutory Deductions	<u>28,651</u>	<u>26,211</u>	<u>23,704</u>	<u>78,566</u>
Annual Loan Repayments	10,000	8,000	4,000	22,000
Annual Cooperative Deductions (Monthly *12 in '000)	1,800	1,440	1,200	4,440

Union Dues (2.5% * Emolument i.e. Basic Salaries)	<u>688</u>	<u>655</u>	<u>620</u>	<u>1,963</u>
	<u>12,488</u>	<u>10,095</u>	<u>5,820</u>	<u>28,403</u>
Net Salary Pay	16,164	16,116	17,884	50,163

Victor's Personal Income Deducted at Source (Liability)

Victor's Personal Income Tax	Tax Rate		Tax
Income	Percentage	¢	¢
First ¢300,000	0.07	300,000	21,000
Next ¢300,000	0.11	300,000	33,000
Next ¢500,000	0.15	500,000	75,000
Next ¢500,000	0.19	500,000	95,000
Next ¢1,600,000	0.21	<u>1,600,000</u>	<u>336,000</u>
		<u>3,200,000</u>	<u>560,000</u>
Above ¢3,200,000	0.24	34,225,000	8,214,000
Total Taxable Incomes		37,425,000	
Annual Personal Income Tax			8,774,000
Monthly Taxable income(¢37,425,000/12)		3,118,750.00	
Monthly Personal Income Tax(¢8,774,000/12)			731,166.67

Simon's Personal Income Deducted at Source (Liability)

Simon's Personal Income Tax	Tax Rate		Tax
Income	Percentage	¢	¢
First ¢300,000	0.07	300,000	21,000
Next ¢300,000	0.11	300,000	33,000
Next ¢500,000	0.15	500,000	75,000
Next ¢500,000	0.19	500,000	95,000
Next ¢1,600,000	0.21	1,600,000	336,000
		3,200,000	560,000
Above ¢3,200,000	0.24	31,014,000	7,443,360
Total Taxable Incomes		34,214,000	
Annual Personal Income Tax			8,003,360

Monthly Taxable income(¢34,214,000/12)		2,851,166.67	
Monthly Personal Income Tax(¢8,003,360/12)			666,946.67

Alata's Personal Income Deducted at Source (Liability)

Alata's Personal Income Tax	Tax Rate		Tax
Income	Percentage	¢	¢
First ¢300,000	0.07	300,000	21,000
Next ¢300,000	0.11	300,000	33,000
Next ¢500,000	0.15	500,000	75,000
Next ¢500,000	0.19	500,000	95,000
Next ¢1,600,000	0.21	1,600,000	336,000
		3,200,000	560,000
Above ¢3,200,000	0.24	27,716,000	6,651,840
Total Taxable Incomes		30,916,000	
Annual Personal Income Tax			7,211,840
Monthly Taxable income(¢30,916,000/12)		2,576,333.33	
Monthly Personal Income Tax(¢7,211,840/12)			600,986.67

GYAN's Journal Entries for Outstanding Salaries and Deductions in the year 2016

	Debit	Credit
	¢	¢
Consolidated Salaries(P or L)	112,760	
Statutory Employer's Deductions (10% *¢112,760)	11276	
NHIS Employer's Deductions (10% *¢112,760)	11276	
Personal Income Staff (PAYE All Staff)		23,989
Staff Pension (All Staff)		6,280
Pension Employee's Contribution		11276

NHIS Total Staff Contribution		3925
NHIS Employee's Contributions		11276
Non-Statutory Deductions		0
Loan Repayment		22,000
Total Staff Cooperative		4,440
Union Dues		1,963
Total Staff Salaries (16,164 +16,116 + 17,884)		50,163
Being Salaries and Deductions Accrued for the year		
	<u>135,312</u>	<u>135,312</u>

GYAN Journal Entries for Payment of Salaries and Deductions for the year 2016

	Debit	Credit
	₹	₹
Bank		112760
Statutory Employer's Deductions (10% *₹112,760)		11276
NHIS Employer's Deductions (10% *₹112,760)		11276
Personal Income Staff (PAYE All Staff)	23989	
Staff Pension (All Staff)	6280	
Pension Employee's Contribution	11276	
NHIS Total Staff Contribution	3925	
NHIS Employee's Contributions	11276	
Non-Statutory Deductions	0	
Loan Repayment	22000	
Total Staff Cooperative	4440	
Union Dues	1963	
Total Staff Salaries (16,164 +16,116 + 17,884)	50163	
Being Salaries and Deductions Paid for the year		

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Working Notes: Loan Schedule of the three (3) Staff

VictorLoanRepaymentSchedule

Year	Loan		Repayment				ClosingBalance
	Opening Balance	Interest Due(5%)	Total Prin+Int	Principal	Interest	TotalRepayment	
	₺		₺	₺			
2014	50,000,000	2,500,000	52,500,000	10,000,000	2,500,000	12,500,000	40,000,000
2015	40,000,000	2,000,000	42,000,000	10,000,000	2,000,000	12,000,000	30,000,000
2016	30,000,000	1,500,000	31,500,000	10,000,000	1,500,000	11,500,000	20,000,000
2017	20,000,000	1,000,000	21,000,000	10,000,000	1,000,000	11,000,000	10,000,000
2018	10,000,000	500,000	10,500,000	10,000,000	500,000	10,500,000	-

SimonLoanRepaymentSchedule

Year	Loan		Repayment				ClosingBalance
	Opening Balance	Interest Due(5%)	Total Prin+Int	Principal	Interest	TotalRepayment	
	₺		₺	₺			
2015	40,000,000	2,000,000	42,000,000	8,000,000	2,000,000	10,000,000	32,000,000
2016	32,000,000	1,600,000	33,600,000	8,000,000	1,600,000	9,600,000	24,000,000
2017	24,000,000	1,200,000	25,200,000	8,000,000	1,200,000	9,200,000	16,000,000
2018	16,000,000	800,000	16,800,000	8,000,000	800,000	8,800,000	8,000,000
2019	8,000,000	400,000	8,400,000	8,000,000	400,000	8,400,000	-

AlataLoanRepaymentSchedule

Year	Loan			Repayment			Closing Balance
	Opening Balance	Interest Due(5%)	Total Prin+Int	Principal	Interest	Total Repayment	
	¢		¢	¢			
2015	20,000,000	1,000,000	21,000,000	4,000,000	1,000,000	5,000,000	16,000,000
2016	16,000,000	800,000	16,800,000	4,000,000	800,000	4,800,000	12,000,000
2017	12,000,000	600,000	12,600,000	4,000,000	600,000	4,600,000	8,000,000
2018	8,000,000	400,000	8,400,000	4,000,000	400,000	4,400,000	4,000,000
2019	4,000,000	200,000	4,200,000	4,000,000	200,000	4,200,000	-

Illustration 10.6

The table below shows the data relating to three employees of Watonga Ltd for the month ending 31 December, 2016.

Name	Standard Hours Expected	Actual Hours Worked	Rate Per Hour (¢)
Amartey	255	215	40,000
Osibio	200	222	35,000
Morton	180	160	30,000

Included in the conditions of service of Watonga Ltd for the above named members of staff are the following:

- (ii) Rent allowance of 18% of the basic salary
- (iii) Risk allowance equal to 20% of the basic salary
- (iv) Social security contributions and
- (v) Personal income tax liability at the rate of 17.5%.

You are required to prepare Payroll work sheet, showing the basic pay, deductions and net salary of each staff under the following:

- (a) Halsey Premium incentive plan of remuneration
- (b) Rowan incentive plan of remuneration

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Payroll Worksheet for the month ended 31December2016.

	Amartey	Morton	Osibio	Total
	¢'000	¢'000	¢'000	¢'000
BasicSalary	8,600	7,770	4,800	21,170
Rentalallowance	1,548	1,399	864	3,811
Riskallowance	1,720	1,554	960	4,234
Bonus(seeworkings)	800	-	300	1,100
ConsolidatedSalary	12,668	10,723	6,924	30,315
LessStatutorydeductions:				-
5%Socialsecurity	430	<u>389</u>	240	1,059
TaxablePay	<u>12,238</u>			
LessIncometax(17.5%)	2,142	10,334	6,684	29,256
NetSalary	<u>10,096</u>	<u>1,808</u>	1,170	5,120
		8,526	5,514	24,136

a) Rowanincentiveplan

PayrollWorksheetfor themonthended31stDecember2016

	Amartey	Morton	Osibio	Total
	¢'000	¢'000	¢'000	¢'000
BasicSalary	8,600	7,770	4,800	21,170
Rentalallowance	1,548	1,399	864	3,811
Riskallowance	1,720	1,554	960	4,234
Bonus(seeworkings)	1,349	-	533	1,882
ConsolidatedSalary	13,217	10,723	7,157	31,097
LessStatutorydeductions:				-
5%Socialsecurity	430	389	240	1,059
TaxablePay	<u>12,787</u>	10,334	6,917	30,038
Less Income tax(17.5%)	2,238	1,808	1,210	5,256
NetSalary	<u>10,549</u>	8,526	5,707	24,782

Workings on bonus

Halsey incentive plan

Bonus = 50% of [Time saved x Time rate] Thus time saved

Name	Standard Hours expected (A)	Actual hours worked (B)	Time saved (A-B)
Amartey	255	215	40hrs
Osibio	200	222	Nil
Morton	180	160	20hrs

Bonus for Amartey = 50% [40hrs x ₦40,000] = ₦800,000
Bonus for Osibio = 50% [0hrs x ₦35,000] = ₦Nil

Bonus for Morton = 50% [20hrs x ₦30,000] = ₦300,000

Rowan incentive plan

Bonus = $\frac{\text{Time saved}}{\text{Time taken}} \times \text{Time rate} \times \text{Time allowed}$

Bonus for Amartey = $\frac{40\text{hrs}}{255\text{hrs}} \times 215\text{hrs} \times ₦40,000 = \underline{₦1,349,020}$

Bonus for Osibio = $\frac{0\text{hrs}}{200\text{hrs}} \times 222\text{hrs} \times ₦35,000 = \underline{₦Nil}$

Bonus for Morton = $\frac{20\text{hrs}}{180\text{hrs}} \times 160\text{hrs} \times ₦30,000 = \underline{₦533,333}$

Practice Questions

Multiple Choice Questions

Which document contains details of gross earnings made and the amount of net earnings payable to a specific employee in a particular pay period?

- a. Payroll
- b. Wages sheet
- c. Payslip
- d. Payment voucher
- e. Salary control register

1. Which of the following payroll deductions is influenced by statutory legislation?

- a. Union dues
- b. Income tax
- c. Co-operative contribution
- d. Salary advance
- e. Loan refund

2. Which of the following is not a function of a payroll voucher?

- a. It gives evidence that an employee has collected his salary
- b. It shows the date of payment of wages and salaries
- c. It is used to collect salary on behalf of an employee
- d. It shows the total deductions from the gross salary.
- e. It shows net salary payable

Use the information below to answer Questions 4 and 5.

Victor Akakpo works with a company which operates Rowan Bonus scheme to reward its workers. His rate per hour is fixed at ₦250 with a standard time of 12 hours to perform a job. Actual time spent by him to complete the job is 9 hours.

3. What is the bonus paid to Victor Akakpo?

- a. ₦364
- b. ₦452

4. What is Victor Akakpo's gross pay?

- a. ¢ 2,052
- b. ¢ 2,161
- c. ¢ 2,700
- d. ¢ 2,813
- e. ¢ 41,260

Use the information below to answer Questions 6 to 8

The payslip of Musah Busanga for the month of August 2016 revealed the following: Basic Salary
¢100,000

Income Tax 15% of basic salary

Social Security Contribution:

Employer: 12½% of basic salary

Employee : 5% of basic salary Professional allowance: ¢25,000 per month

- 5 .What was the amount of total deductions from Musah Busanga's basic pay?
 - a. ¢5,000
 - b. ¢14,250
 - c. ¢20,000
 - d. ¢23,000
 - e. ¢23,750

6. The total amount of social security contributions to the credit of Musah Busanga for August, 2016 was
 - a. ¢5,000
 - b. ¢12,500
 - c. ¢17,500
 - d. ¢19,250
 - e. ¢20,000

7. What was the net salary paid to Musah Busanga for August 2016?
 - a. ¢82,000
 - b. ¢89,500
 - c. ¢102,000
 - d. ¢105,000
 - e. ¢477,000

8. In a pay roll system, which of the following is NOT a statutory deduction?

- a. PAYE Tax
- b. Union Dues
- c. Industrial Training Fund (ITF)
- d. Staff contributory Pension fund
- e. Nigeria Social Insurance Trust Fund (NSITF)

9. The sum of money paid by employer to protect and motivate employees to be more efficient and productive is known as -----

- a. Bonus
- b. Allowance
- c. Incentive
- d. Wages
- e. 13th Month salaries

Short Answer Questions (SAQ)

Give the following Information:

Standard Time 500 hours

Actual Time 450 hours

Wage Rate ₦20

Using Halsey Premium Plan, Calculate the total earnings

1. A document, which shows employees' names, salaries, allowances, statutory and non-statutory deductions is called---
A method of remuneration where employees are paid as a product of number of actual hours work daily and fixed wage rate is known as-----
2. A kind of remuneration based on employees' output or service rendered from time to time is called-----
In an entity, a payment mechanism put in place to reward an employee for outstanding and unexpected performance is referred to as-----
3. Mr.Kojo John in May 2022 for 700 actual hours, the standard time is 800 hours and standard rate is ₦30 per hour. Using Rowan Scheme, compute the gross earnings of Mr. Kojo John in May, 2022.
4. Give TWO (2) examples of emolument used in computing contributory pension funds.
5. A document issued by the pay roll department after the payment of monthly salaries

and wages is known as-----

6. State the current rate of contributory pension fund of employees.
7. Business entities are required by law to send returns on their statutory deductions on their payroll including the amt of income tax deducted at source to

Theory

1. Mr. Victor Kakapo has been in the employment of Pacheco Limited since 1 January, 2021 on a salary scale of ₵50,000,000 per annum. He has 8% pension contributions and the employer contributes 10% annually as pension for staff. Other statutory deductions are: Staff National Health Insurance Scheme (NHIS) 5%, Employer's NHIS is 10% and PAYE Tax rate is the current rate of tax; or the year 2021 his annual entitlements were as follows:

¢	Inconvenience allowance	5,000,000
	Leave allowance	3,000,000
	Risk allowance	4,000,000

He is married with two children attending secondary schools in Ghana. He contributes to the social security scheme. He qualifies for the following reliefs:

	¢
Marriage	300,000
Child education	480,000
Aged dependent relatives – two	400,000

You are required to compute the Personal Income Tax, Net Pay and relevant journal entries of Mr. Victor Kakapo for the year ended 31 December, 2021.

Hints:

He is to pay union dues of 3% of the basic salaries, monthly loan repayment is ₵180,000 and monthly cooperative deductions, ₵150,000. Assume that the salaries and deductions are payable first week of January, 2022.

2. Explain briefly what is meant by:

- a. Time rate method of remuneration
 - b. Piece rate method of remuneration
 - c. State any three (3) advantages and two (2) disadvantages of each of the methods of remuneration mentioned above
3. State briefly the main features of:
 - a. Halsey Premium incentive plan of remuneration
 - b. Rowan incentive plan of remuneration
 - c. Compare the main features of the incentive plans discussed above.
 4. Highlight SIX (6) advantages of computerised and FOUR disadvantages of Manual Pay roll systems.
 5. The monthly salary structures of Five (5) managers due in May 2022 are presented in the table below

Names	Basic	Housing	Transport	Utility	Responsibility	Entertainments
	Salaries	Allowance	Allowance	Allowance	Allowance	Allowance
	¢	¢	¢	¢	¢	¢
Mr. Gyan	700,000	300,000	100,000	80,000	200,000	160,000
Mr. Addo	600,000	300,000	100,000	90,000	200,000	160,000
Mr. Ibrahim	850,000	350,000	150,000	120,000	200,000	140,000
Mr. Dauda	940,000	400,000	180,000	150,000	300,000	180,000
Mr. Fatau	980,000	400,000	200,000	180,000	300,000	180,000

Additional Information:

- a. Annual leave Allowance is 15% of basic salary each for the managers;
- b. Every staff pays 2 ½ % Industrial Training Fund, Approved Pension Contribution 8%, National Health Insurance Scheme 5%;
- c. Employer pays 10% each for Approved Pension Contribution and National Health Insurance Scheme as a support to employees;
- d. Mr. Gyan and Mr. Dauda are responsible to maintain 5 Children each under the age of 18 in public schools in Ghana;
- e. All the staff maintain aged mother, fathers and other dependent relatives and spent ¢200,000 monthly each on the relative;
- f. The relevant Tax Authority agreed to give the current consolidated reliefs and other reliefs such as the approved Children and dependent relative allowances;

- g. The current Personal Income Tax Rate is applicable, the union due is 2 ½ % annually of the emolument which consist of basic salary, housing and transport allowances. Besides, the monthly cooperative contribution of each of the five managers is ₦80,000.

Required:

- a) Compute the Personal Income Tax Due and Net Pay of the five (5) Staff in May, 2022
- b) Prepare the relevant journal entries to accrue for the salaries and deduction on 31 May, 2022
- c) Prepare the relevant journal entries to pay the salaries and deductions on June 7, 2022.

Solution to Multiple Choice Questions

- 1. C
- 2. B
- 3. C
- 4. D
- 5. D
- 6. C
- 7. C
- 8. D
- 9. B
- 10. C

Answers: Short Answer Questions

- 1. $₦9,500 = ₦20 \times 450 + 50\% \times (500 - 450 \times ₦20) = ₦9,000 + ₦500 = ₦9,500$
- 2. Pay Roll
- 3. Time Rate System
- 4. Performance Remuneration System
- 5. Bonus
- 6. $₦23,625 = 700 \text{ hours} \times ₦30 + 100/800 \times 700 \text{ hours} \times ₦30 = ₦21,000 + ₦2,625 = ₦23,625$
- 7. Basic Salary, Housing Allowance, Transport Allowance, any two
- 8. Pay Slip
- 9. 8% of emolument (Basic Salary + Housing Allowance + Transport Allowance)
- 10. Appropriate Authorities e.g. relevant state tax authority

CHAPTER ELEVEN

PREPARATION OF SIMPLE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Chapter Eleven Contents

- Simple statement of profit or loss
- Simple statement of financial position

Manufacturing accounts

11.0 Learning Objectives

After you have studied this chapter, you should be able to:

- Define, explain and record returns inwards, returns outwards, carriage inwards and carriage outwards;
- identify items that will appear in the Statement of Profit or Loss and Statement of Financial Position of a sole trader;
- explain why carriage inwards and carriage outwards are recorded in the Statement of Profit or Loss;
- prepare the inventories account and show how the opening and closing inventories are treated in the Statement of Profit or Loss;
- prepare a Statement of Profit or Loss and Statement of Financial Position;
- explain and pass the necessary adjustments in respect of accruals, prepayments and provisions that affect the Statement of Profit or Loss;
- explain and calculate cost of goods sold taking into consideration the appropriate adjustments such as returns inwards and outwards, carriage inwards and outwards; and
- prepare simple Manufacturing Account.

11.1 Introduction

The information recorded in the book-keeping system (ledger records) is analysed and summarised periodically (usually each year) and the summarised information is presented in Financial Statements. The object of preparing financial statement is to provide information that is useful for decision making by all stakeholders.

The components of financial statements as earlier stated in this manual include:

- (a) A statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income;
- (b) A statement of financial position;
- (c) A statement of changes in equity;
- (d) A statement of cash flows; and

(e) Notes to the financial statements.

In this syllabus, the focus is on the statement of profit or loss and the statement of financial position but other

Comprehensive income is outside the syllabus hence it will not be discussed.

11.2 Preparation of Financial Statements

The basic approach to preparing a statement of profit or loss (a performance statement) and a statement of financial position (a position statement) in practice is summarised as follows:

- a. The balances on all the accounts in the ledgers are extracted into a trial balance
- b. Adjustments are made for year-end items
- c. Prepare the statement of profit or loss for the year from the adjusted income and expenses to determine profit for the year
- d. After the determination of profit, prepare the statement of financial position. This is done using an accounting equation: $\text{Asset (Non-current and current)} = \text{Equity (Capital)} + \text{Liabilities (Non-current and current)}$

11.3 The Trial Balance

A trial balance is a list of all general ledger accounts balances extracted from the books of account to ensure arithmetic accuracy of postings in the nominal ledgers.

The first step in the preparation of the final accounts is the compilation of a Trial Balance, with a view to:

- (a) Confirming the arithmetical accuracy of the Ledger postings, and
- (b) Providing in one statement a concise summary of the items, which are to be included in the Statement of profit or loss and the Statement of Financial Position.

Debit balances recorded in the Trial Balance normally represent either assets, losses or expenses. The assets are reported in the Statement of Financial Position, while losses and expenses are debited to the Statement of profit or loss.

Also, credit balances represent liabilities, allowances reserves, or revenues and gains. The liabilities are reported in the Statement of Financial Position while income and gains are credited to the Statement of profit or loss.

Candidates must remember to carefully distinguish between balances which appear in the Statement of profit or loss, and those that appear in the Statement of Financial

Position. The Statement of profit or loss essentially closes off all the nominal account balances during a particular accounting period. Any account, which remains in the Trial Balance after the Statement of profit or loss has been prepared, represents either assets or liabilities that must be recognised in the Statement of Financial Position. The balance on the Statement of profit or loss will finally be transferred to the capital account in the Statement of Financial Position.

11.4 The Statement of Profit or Loss

This is a statement that summarises the revenues, costs, and expenses incurred during a specified period. The main objective of this Statement is the determination or calculation of the gross and net profits for the period. It is also in this account that the cost of obtaining the goods, usually referred to as cost of goods sold or simply as cost of sales is calculated.

Another important function of this Statement is that it enables the owner of a business entity to compare the gross and net profit of a current period with the results attained in previous periods. It is pertinent that, the component items in the Statement of profit or loss do not vary in any material effect from previous and subsequent accounts, as this will make it impossible for any analyst to make meaningful approximate comparison. This therefore means that the Statement of profit or loss should be standardised so that the same items appear in similar form in the successive final accounts in order that an effective comparison may be made of one financial year and another.

A Statement of Profit or Loss is a Performance Statement

The actual items in the Statement of profit or loss of different classes of entities will necessarily vary depending on the nature of the nominal accounts in their respective business; for example, customs duty, licenses, and freight and insurance on inward shipments of raw materials will be essential items in the books of a cigarette manufacturer but these particular items would not appear in the Statement of profit or loss of a retail tobacconist.

The following is the usual method of preparing the Statement of profit or loss.

On the debit side are recorded:

- i. Inventories at commencement of the period, which is usually, called opening

Inventories.

- ii. Purchases during the period (less returns outwards) is net purchases
- iii. All purchase expenses, such as wages, carriage inwards, and other items which are incurred in putting the product in to as a liable condition or location.

The account is credited with-

- 1. Sales during the period (less returns inwards) is net sales.
- 2. Inventories at end of period (it is the usual practice of deducting the closing inventories figure from the sum total of opening inventories and net purchases on the debit side of the Statement of profit or loss so as to show on the face of the account the cost of goods sold).

Where there is a credit balance on the Statement of profit or loss, then the business entity has recorded a gain, which is referred to as gross profit and will be transferred to the net Income section as a credit entry.

Before we attempt to complete the Statement of profit or loss of an entity in detail we need to understand the following accounting terminologies:

11.4.1 The movement of inventories

Entities usually maintain four different accounts for the inventories function. These are:

- Sales account
- Returns Inwards Account or Sales Returns Account
- Purchases account and
- Returns outwards account or Purchases Returns Account

Goods sold are recorded in the Sales account and goods returned by customers (returns inwards) are recorded in the returns inwards account. In the same vein, transactions involving goods bought for sale are recorded in Purchases account while goods bought but returned to the supplier are recorded in the returns outwards account.

Usually, sales are recorded separately on the credit side of the sales account; no further entries are debited into the account. The return inwards account is not recorded in the debit side of sales account. The normal accounting entry for return inward is: Debit returns inward and credit customer's account or receivables account. The returns inwards account serves as a contra to the sales account by recording all sales that have been

returned by customers. Return inward, being a contra entry to sales account has a debit balance, which is usually deducted from sales at the end of the financial period in the statement of profit or loss to have net sales. Thus, sales minus return inward are described as net sales.

The accounting entries will be recorded as follows

a. Cash Sales

Dr. Cash	}	With goods sold for cash
Cr. Sales Account		

b. Credit Sales:

Dr. Trade Receivables Account	}	With goods sold on credit
Cr. Sales Account		

c. Returns inwards Account

Dr. Returns inwards Account	}	With goods sold but returned by customers
Cr. Trade Receivables Account		

d. Closing Balance on Returns Inwards Account

Dr. Sales Account (by deduction)	}	With the closing balance on the return inwards account
Cr. Returns inwards Account		

Similarly the purchases account is maintained separately for recording all goods bought for the sole purpose of resale in the accounting period. The returns outwards account serves as a contra to the purchases account. In this account is recorded all purchases that were returned to suppliers. Being a contra account to the purchases account means that it is eventually deducted from purchases when preparing the statement of profit or loss. The net effect shows the net purchases of the entity for the period.

The accounting entries will be recorded as follows:

a. Cash Purchases:

Dr. Purchases Account	}	With goods bought for cash
Cr. Bank Trade Payables Account		

b. Credit Purchases

Dr. Purchases Account

With goods bought on credit

CR. Trade Payables Account



11.4.2 Carriage inwards and outwards

Carriage is an accounting terminology that refers to the cost of transport that a trading entity incurs in moving goods meant for resale into or out of the entity. Where the carriage is charged for delivering goods purchased, it is called carriage inwards. Carriage of goods supplied out of a firm to customers is called carriage outwards.

Carriage inward: is a cost that is incurred in order to bring the goods into the company in a condition that is necessary for its sale and as such should be charged to the Statement of Profit or Loss. This is done by adding the carriage inwards to the purchases figure in the Statement of Profit or Loss. This ensures that the true cost of buying goods for resale is taken into account in calculating the gross profit of an entity.

Carriage outwards however, is not considered as a relevant cost for the purpose of putting the asset into a saleable condition. It is therefore, not added (i.e. debited) to purchases in the trading section of the Statement of Profit or Loss. As such, carriage outwards is not included in the calculation of gross profit. This is because carriage outwards is seen as expenses on sales; and as a result is charged against the gross profit along with other expenses in the Statement of Profit or Loss.

11.4.3 Goods (Inventories) taken by the Proprietor

In the last chapter, the reader's attention was drawn to the practice of taking out for their personal uses, goods or other tangible assets of their businesses by sole proprietor's and partners. The use of such products or goods (inventories) by the proprietors and partners is termed "drawings" and this constitutes a part withdrawal of the owner's capital.

The accounting effect of proprietor's drawings is a reduction in the cost of goods available for sale by the value of inventories drawn. This transaction should therefore be posted in the books thus:

	Dr	Cr
Inventories drawings	XX	
To Purchases Account		XX

Goods for sale take out by the owner.

Alternatively, this can be shown as a deduction from purchases on the Statement of Profit or Loss before arriving at the gross profit from trading activities.

The total of all drawings (goods or other tangible assets) are eventually deducted from the capital plus net profit in the Statement of financial position.

Illustration 11.1

From the following Trial Balance of Silver Key after his first year's trading, you are required to prepare a Statement of Profit or Loss for the year ended June 30, 2022 and a Statement of Financial Position as on the same date..

	€000	€000
Sales		28,000
Purchases	20,000	
Carriage outwards	800	
Electricity	400	
Salaries & Wages	3,100	
Insurance	150	
Buildings	50,000	
Fixtures	2,000	
Receivables	3,500	
Returns inwards	450	
Payables		2,050
Bank	3,250	
Drawings	2,400	
Carriage inwards	650	
Motor Vehicles	8,000	
Capital		64,405
Returns outwards		745
Rent of computers	500	
	<u>95,200</u>	<u>95,200</u>

Solution to Illustration 11.1

Statement of Profit or Loss for the year ended June 30, 2022

€000	€000
Sales	28,000
(Returns inwards)	<u>450</u>
Net sales	27,550

Less: Cost of sales		
Purchases	20,000	
Carriage inwards	<u>650</u>	
	20,650	
Returns outwards	<u>745</u>	<u>19,905</u>
Gross Profit		7,645
<u>Expenses</u>		
Carriage outwards	800	
Electricity	400	
Salaries & Wages	3,100	
Insurance	150	
Rent of Computers	<u>500</u>	
		<u>50)</u>
Profit for year		<u>5</u>

Statement of Financial Position as at June 30, 2022

Assets	€000	€000
Non-current assets		
Buildings	50,000	
Fixtures	2,000	
Motor vehicles	<u>8,000</u>	
		<u>60,000</u>
Current Assets		
Receivables	3,500	
Bank	<u>3,250</u>	<u>6,750</u>
Total Assets		<u>66,750</u>
Equity and Liabilities		
Capital (Equity)		64,405
Net Profit		2,695
Drawings		<u>(2,400)</u>
		64,700
Current Liabilities		
Payables	<u>2,050</u>	
Total Equities and Liabilities	<u>2,050</u>	<u>66,750</u>

11.4.4 The accounting treatment of inventories

From the above Statement of Profit or Loss, one can deduce that the entity is a new one as there were no inventories at the beginning of period and so only the goods that were purchased during the year were sold during the accounting period ended June 30, 2022. The usual practice is for entities in trading activities to hold certain minimum level of inventories to meet future demand.

In practice, it is expected that an entity would have as closing inventories, goods that were bought in the current accounting period but have not been sold. Goods that were bought for the purpose of resale in an accounting period but have not been sold in that particular period and carried forward to the next accounting period constitute what is referred to as closing inventories.

It must be noted that the closing inventories of an accounting period is brought forward as the opening inventories of the next accounting period. This is treated in the Statement of Profit or Loss by adding the opening inventories to the purchases figure which gives rise to cost of goods available for sale and deducting the closing inventories figure resulting in cost of goods sold.

Illustration 11.2

The following is the Trial Balance of Adetom Trading Enterprise who has been in business for several years. You are required to draw up the Statement of Profit or Loss for the year ended December 31, 2022 and a Statement of Financial Position as at that date.

	Dr.	Cr.
	₦000	₦000
Sales		45,000
Purchases	38,000	
Carriage inwards	1,800	
Inventories at 1/1/2022	4,000	
Returns inwards	2,550	
Payables		2,050
Bank	3,250	
Receivables	6,450	
Motor vehicles	11,500	
Capital		18,750
Returns outwards		<u>1,750</u>
	<u>67,550</u>	<u>67,550</u>

The following additional information is available:

1. Inventories at the end of the period ₦6,500,000
2. The proprietor withdrew goods valued at ₦8,500,000 for his house hold.

Solution to Illustration 11.2

Adetom Trading Enterprise Statement of Profit or Loss for the year ended December 31, 2022

	₦'000	₦'000
Sales		45,000
Returns inwards		<u>(2,550)</u>
Revenue		42,450
Cost of Sales		
Opening inventories	4,000	
Purchases	38,000	
Carriage inwards	<u>1,800</u>	
	43,800	
Returns outwards	(1,750)	
Drawings – inventories	(8,500)	
	<u>33,550</u>	
Closing Inventory	<u>(6,500)</u>	<u>(27,050)</u>
Gross Profit		15,400
Expenses		<u>(-)</u>
Net Profit		<u>15,400</u>

Statement of Financial Position as at December 31, 2022

Assets	₦'000	₦'000
Non-current assets		
Motor vehicles		11,500
Current Assets		
Inventories	6,500	
Receivables	6,450	
Bank	<u>3,250</u>	<u>16,200</u>
Total Assets		<u>27,700</u>
Equity and Liabilities		
Equity		18,750
Net Profit		15,400
Drawings		<u>8,500</u>
		25,650
Current Liabilities		
Payables		<u>2,050</u>
Total Equities and Liabilities		<u>27,700</u>

11.5 Statement of Profit or Loss

The main function of the Statement of Profit or Loss is to ascertain the net profit resulting from the trading activities of the accounting period.

It is debited with the gross loss and with the general, Selling, Distribution and Administration expenses for the period, and is credited with the gross profit and any miscellaneous gains made, such as interests, discounts received and allowances for irrecoverable and doubtful debts no longer required.

The following format of IAS 1 is recommended for use.

IAS 1: Presentation of Financial Statements:

Statement of Profit or Loss account for the year ended.....

	₦	
Revenue	XX	
Return inwards	XX	
Net Revenue (A)	<u>(XX)</u>	
Cost of goods sold:		
Opening inventories	XX	
Purchases	XX	
Carriage inwards	XX	
Inventories drawings	(XX)	
Return outwards	<u>(XX)</u>	
Cost of goods available for sale	XX	
Less closing inventories	<u>(XX)</u>	
Cost of goods sold (B)	<u>XX</u>	
Gross profit (A – B) = C	XX	
Decrease in provision for irrecoverable debts	XX	
Commission received/receivable	XX	
Discount received/receivable	XX	
Other income	<u>XX</u>	
Total profit from operation (D)	<u>XX</u>	
Expenses:		
<u>Administrative expenses:</u>		
Salaries and wages	XX	
Accrued salaries	XX	
Stationery	XX	
Prepaid stationery	(XX)	
Depreciation of office building	<u>XX</u>	
	<u>XX</u>	
<u>Distribution expenses:</u>	XX	
Advertising	(E) XX	

Baddebt	XX	
Allowanceforirrecoverabledebt	XX	
Discountallowed	XX	
Salescommission	XX	
Depreciationofdeliveryvan	<u>XX</u>	
	<u>XX</u>	
<u>Financecosts:</u>	(F)	XX
Interestonloan	XX	
Interestonoverdraft	<u>XX</u>	
	<u>XX</u>	
Totalexpenditure(E +F+G)=H	<u>XX</u>	
Netprofitfromoperation(D-H)	XX	
PersonalIncomeTax	<u>(X)</u>	
NetProfitAfterTax	<u>XX</u>	

Examiners may require candidates to prepare the Statement of Profit or Loss and Statement of Financial Position, from a Trial Balance, which already contains the gross profit figure. The inventories that appear in the Trial Balance in this situation are the closing inventories, which must be recorded in the Statement of Financial Position as a current asset and should not be treated as an adjustment in the Statement of Profit or Loss. The opening inventories will not be recorded because they have already been accounted for in the inventories prior to the extraction of the Trial Balance.

The balance on the Statement of Profit or Loss represents net profit or loss of the business of the entity. The resulting balance in the statement whether debit or credit will be transferred to the debit or credit of the capital account of the proprietor. The effect of this entry is to close off the Statement of Profit or Loss to the capital account.

11.5.1 Adjustments in the Final Accounts

The ultimate objective of preparing the Statement of Profit or Loss and the Statement of Financial Position, is to enable the management of an entity to determine:

- (a) The result of operations during a given period; and
- (b) The financial position at the end of that period.

It must also be noted that, in order to obtain these results accurately, it is necessary to make adjustments for:

- (1) Expenses incurred but not yet paid.
- (2) Expenses paid in advance, that is a proportion of it relates to subsequent

Accounting period(s).

- (3) Income earned in respect of the current accounting period but has not yet been received.
- (4) Income received during the current accounting part of which relates to the next accounting period.
- (5) Allowance for possible losses, e.g., Irrecoverable debts, and discounts on receivables.
- (6) Necessary adjustments for depreciation in the values of the non-current assets at the end of the trading period.

11.6 The Statement of Financial Position

It is a position statement that shows the net worth of an entity. This Statement shows the Financial Position of an entity as at the end of an accounting period. It is therefore a concise summary of assets and liabilities of an entity so arranged that the financial position of the entity on the date of the statement may be clearly ascertained.

The arrangement of the Statement of Financial Position is nothing but the expression of the accounting equation (i.e. $\text{Assets} = \text{Capital (Equity)} + \text{Liabilities}$) and as such must always agree or balance. This means the total carrying amount of assets must be equal to the sum of the values of Capital/Equity and Liabilities. The assets of a business are usually arranged in order of their permanence and for this reason they may conveniently be classified into non-current and current assets.

11.6.1 Non-current assets

These are assets which by their nature or the type of business in which they are employed, are held with the aim of earning revenue and not for the purpose of sale in the normal course of business. Non-current assets are generally valued at cost, less allowances for accumulated depreciation that is sufficient to reduce the carrying amount of the asset to its salvage or scrap value by the end of its useful working life. Examples of non-current assets are land, buildings, motor vehicles and office equipment.

It must be emphasised that the amount at which non-current assets are shown in the Statement does not reflect the

amount that will be realised if sold or the cost that will be incurred

when they are replaced, but rather it is a historical record of their cost less allowances made for accumulated depreciation. Depreciation represents that part of the cost of a non-

current asset to its owner, which is not recoverable when the asset

is finally scrapped or sold. Allowance against this loss of capital must be made before recalculating the amount of profit or loss made by a business entity.

11.6.2 Current assets

These are assets that are acquired and held for resale, and not as agents of production, but for the purpose of eventual conversion into cash. They are therefore not permanent in nature, but are continually changing in the ordinary course of business. Examples of current assets are cash, receivables, closing inventories and bills receivable. The professionally accepted basis of valuing inventories is "cost price or net realisable value, whichever is the lower." The fundamental reason for this basis of valuation is that anticipated losses should always be provided for as far as possible, while anticipated profits should be ignored until actually realised.

Although, examples of current and non-current assets have been mentioned above, it must be remembered that the dividing line between current and non-current assets is a thin one. This is due to the fact that what is considered a non-current asset in one business may be a current asset in another, and any classification must depend upon the nature of the particular business carried on by the entity. For example a business that manufactures and sells furniture will certainly record a motor vehicle purchased as a non-current asset and furniture as a current asset but if he uses any of the furniture in the office such furniture will be classified as a non-current asset.

11.6.3 Liabilities

A liability is defined as:

- a present obligation of an entity
- arising from past events
- the settlement of which is expected to result in an outflow of resources that embody economic benefits

A liability is an obligation that already exists. An obligation may arise also from normal business dealings usually from past transactions or events. Trade payables for example, arise out of past purchase transactions so also an obligation to pay a bank loan must have arisen out of past borrowings.

In the Statement of Financial Position, liabilities are usually presented under two main categories.

a. **Current Liabilities**

Current liabilities represent amounts payable by the entity within twelve months (i.e.) within the entity's normal operating cycle, for example trade payables, accruals, bank overdrafts and outstanding tax obligation.

b. **Non-current Liabilities**

Non-current liabilities refer to those obligations that will mature for settlement more than one year after the period end. Examples are long term borrowings, bank loans and loan notes.

11.6.4 Capital Account

This represents the contribution of the proprietor of an entity to the assets that the entity has acquired. It is made up of the following:

- i. The initial amount that the owner used in starting the business
- ii. Any additional amount that he invested in the business during any accounting period
- iii. The net profit from the Statement of Profit or Loss, which has the effect of increasing the capital of the owner at the end of the accounting period
- iv. The net loss from the Statement of Profit or Loss that has the effect of reducing the capital account balance at the end of the period, and
- v. Drawings, which eventually results in the reduction of the capital balance.

11.7 Manufacturing Account

In the performance reporting (Statement of Profit or Loss) of trading entities, we ascertain operating profit or loss in the financial year. This statement does not provide any information that explains cost of goods manufactured. We shall then proceed to determine profit or loss in a manufacturing entity.

Manufacturing entities usually prepare a supplementary statement called Manufacturing Account. This account shows the cost of goods produced or manufactured. The cost of goods manufactured, normally called the production costs, is transferred from the Manufacturing Account into the Statement of Profit or Loss by crediting the Manufacturing Account and debiting the Statement of Profit or Loss. The production cost effectively replaces purchases found in the Statement of Profit or Loss of a trading entity. It must however be noted that where a manufacturing entity produces more than one product, a separate Manufacturing Account should be prepared for each product, usually in the form of a department account.

Thesequenceand groupingofitemsin a ManufacturingAccount dependsonthecosting system of the entity.It is usually designed to yield the maximum amount ofinformationonthe composition ofthetotalcostofproduction.Theclassification,sequencingandgrouping oftheManufacturingAccountis as follows:

- Primecost
- Factoryoverhead
- Productioncost
- Work-in-progress

11.7.1 Primecost

- (1) This is the cost of raw materials consumed. These consist of the cost of directmaterials that the entity purchased and used in the manufacturing process. It iscalculatedas follows:

Openinginventoriesofrawmaterials	500,000
AddPurchasesofrawmaterials	2,500,000
	<hr/>
	3,000,000
Lessreturnsoutwardsofrawmaterials	200,000
Costofrawmaterials available	<hr/>
	2,800,000
Less closinginventoriesofrawmaterials	600,000
Costofrawmaterials consumed	<hr/>
	2,200,000
	<hr/>

- (2) **Directlabourcosts**:Theseconsistofthecostoflaboursuchaswagesofoperativesandworkers (bothcasualandregular)whoseeffortsaretraceabledirectlytothemanufactured product.
- (3) **Direct Expenses**: These consist of all direct costs other than directmaterialsanddirectlabour.Examplesincluderoyaltiesand costofhiringmachine. Allthe abovecostssum upto“Prime Cost”.

11.7.2 FactoryOverheads:

This sub-heading is shown immediately below the prime cost figure and consists of allindirect costs inrespect of materials, labour and expenses. They may include rent ,rates, electricity, and depreciationofplantandequipment,insurance, wagesofforemenin thefactoryand researchand development costs.

Expenses that are common to the manufacturing process as well as to the general administration of the entity are to be apportionedbetweentheFactory, Administration, Selling and Distribution costs. The method or basis commonly used in apportioning these common expenses willusuallybe providedinanexaminationquestion.

11.7.3 ProductionCost:

This is the summation of the prime costs and factory overhead figures. The factoryoverheads consist of indirect materials, indirect labour and indirect expenses.Thisrepresents thetotalcostthatamanufacturingentity incursintheproductionprocessand is transferred to the Statement of Profit or Loss for that accountingperiod.

Illustration11.3

Nkrumah Enterprises, a manufacturing entity has presented the following balances for theyearended June 30,2022.

	¢
Inventoriesof rawmaterialsat1/7/2021	30,000
Purchasesof rawmaterials	40,000
Returnoutwards	2,000
Manufacturingwages	40,000
Carriageoutwards	28,000
DepreciationofPlant	5,600
Rentandrates	16,000
Inventoriesof rawmaterialsof30/06/2022	26,000
Factoryexpenses	16,800
80%ofrent andratesrelates tothefactory	

You are required to prepare the Manufacturing Account for the year ended June 30, 2022.

Solution to Illustration 12.3

The Manufacturing Account will be prepared as follows:

Nkrumah Enterprises

Manufacturing Account for the year ended June 30, 2022.

	₦	₦
Opening inventories		30,000
Add purchases	40,000	
Returns outwards	<u>(2,000)</u>	<u>38,000</u>
		68,000
Less closing inventories		<u>26,000</u>
Cost of raw material consumed		42,000
Manufacturing wages		<u>40,000</u>
Prime cost		82,000
Factory Overheads:		
Depreciation of Plant	5,600	
Factory expenses	16,800	
Rent and rates (Factory) 80%	<u>12,800</u>	<u>35,200</u>
Manufacturing cost c/f		<u>117,200</u>

Work-in-progress

The time spent by manufacturing entities to complete a unit or batch of production is not the same; it varies from one entity to another. It is therefore possible that at the time that the accounting period of a manufacturing entity ends there might be some products that are not fully complete. Those products that have not been completed at the date of the statement of financial position are called inventories of work-in-progress.

The cost of production must be adjusted for work-in-progress at the end and the beginning of the accounting period. This is due to the fact that the amount to be transferred to the Statement of Profit or Loss must contain the cost of only products that are fully complete. Any item or product that has not been fully processed cannot be sold; hence they must not appear in the Statement.

Illustration 11.4

Koiki Enterprise is a manufacturing entity and has presented the following balances for the year ended June 30, 2022.

	₹
Inventories of raw materials at 1/7/2021	80,000
Purchases of raw materials	240,000
Work-in-Progress 1/7/2021	58,000
Returns outwards	35,000
Manufacturing wages	160,000
Office salaries	67,000
Carriage inwards	44,000
Depreciation of Plant	56,000
Insurance expenses – factory	28,000
Inventories of raw materials at 30/06/2022	48,000
Factory expenses	66,000
Work-in-Progress 30/06/2022	50,000
Royalties paid	72,000

Required: Prepare the Manufacturing Account for the year ended June 30, 2022

Solution to Illustration 11.4

The cost of production taking into 'consideration', work-in-progress would be prepared as follows:

Koiki Enterprises

Manufacturing Account for the year ended June 30, 2022

	₹	₹
Raw materials		
Opening inventories		80,000
Purchases	240,000	
Carriage inwards	<u>44,000</u>	
	284,000	
Returns outwards	<u>(35,000)</u>	<u>249,000</u>
Cost of raw materials available		329,000
Closing inventories		<u>(48,000)</u>
Cost of raw materials consumed		281,000
Manufacturing wages	160,000	
Royalties paid	<u>72,000</u>	232,000
		<hr/>
PRIME COST		513,000
Factory Overheads		
Depreciation of Plant	56,000	
Insurance expenses – factory	28,000	
Factory expenses	<u>66,000</u>	<u>150,000</u>
		663,000
<u>Work-in-Progress</u>		

Opening inventories	58,000
Closing inventories	<u>(50,000)</u>
Cost of manufactured goods c/fwd	<u>671,000</u>

11.7.3 Transfer Pricing

The usual practice in the preparation of Manufacturing Account is to transfer the production cost to the Statement of Profit and Loss at historical cost. This means that the Manufacturing Account will not record any profit or loss and for that matter it becomes difficult to know whether the manufacturing process is profitable.

To ascertain the profit or loss on the manufacturing operation, goods manufactured are transferred to the Statement of Profit and Loss at the market value of the finished products. The market value must have taken care of any relevant margin on the manufactured goods. The rationale for this technique is that the entity would want to assess its efficiency in manufacturing by comparing the cost of manufacture with the price of acquiring the products in the open market instead of going through the process of manufacturing.

In this situation, the Manufacturing Account will show a balance, which will reveal either a profit or loss on production. This will therefore inform management whether the production department is a profitable one. If the answer to this question is negative, management may have to decide whether to close the production department or institute cost-cutting measures that will result in lower cost of production by means of strict supervision and economy to cheaper production.

Illustration 11.5

Given the same question in illustration 12.4 above, let us assume that the production department transfers the finished product from the factory to the marketing department at cost plus 25%.

The solution in 12.4 can then be represented thus:

The Manufacturing Account will be prepared in the horizontal format as follows:

Manufacturing Account for the year ended June 30, 2022.

Raw materials:	₹	₹	₹
Opening inventories 80,000	Market value of goods		
Purchases	240,000	completed c/f	838,750
Add: Carriage inwards	<u>44,000</u>		
	24,000		
Less Return outwards	<u>35,000</u>	249,000	
Cost of raw materials available		<u>329,000</u>	
Less closing inventories		48,000	
Cost of raw materials consumed		<u>281,000</u>	
Manufacturing wages	160,000		
Royalties paid	<u>72,000</u>	232,000	
Prime cost		<u>513,000</u>	
Factory Overheads:			
Depreciation of Plant	56,000		
Insurance expenses-factory	28,000		
Factory expenses	<u>66,000</u>	150,000	
		<u>663,000</u>	
Work-in-progress:			
Add Opening inventories		58,000	
		<u>721,000</u>	
Less closing inventories		50,000	
Cost of completed goods c/f		<u>671,000</u>	
Gross profit on manufacture c/f		<u>167,750</u>	
		<u>838,750</u>	
			<u>838,750</u>

11.8 Summary

We have learned that the purpose of the Statement of Profit and Loss of a sole proprietor is to determine his performance for the accounting period. The performance is determined by calculating the net profit or net loss as the case may be. Important terms such as carriage inwards, carriage outwards, returns inward and returns outward have also been explained. The statement of financial position was also mentioned and explained as a statement that shows the financial position of an enterprise at a particular time or date.

We also saw that entities that manufacture products for sale will need an additional account called Manufacturing Account to record the total cost incurred in producing the products.

11.9 Multiple choice questions (MCQ)

1. Which of the following are factory overheads?

- I. Factory rent
 - II. Carriage on purchases
 - III. Factory workers' basic wages
 - IV. Basic raw materials
 - V. Plant repairs
-
- a. I, III and V
 - b. III, IV and V
 - c. I and V only
 - d. IV and V
 - e. I, II and V

Use the data below to answer Questions 2 and 3
Tractor Ltd has the following information at 31/12/2022

	£
Cost of raw materials	4,500,000
Manufacturing overheads	2,300,000
Productive wages	2,600,000
Work in progress 1/12/2022	800,000
Work in progress 31/12/2022	300,000
Payment of royalties	800,000
Closing inventories of finished goods	450,000
manufactured goods transferred to Sales Dept at cost plus 25%	

2. Prime cost is

- a. ~~£~~2,675,500
- b. ~~£~~6,650,000
- c. ~~£~~7,600,000
- d. ~~£~~7,900,000
- e. ~~£~~9,750,000

3. The manufacturing profit

- is a. ~~£~~1,862,500
- b. ~~£~~2,000,000
- c. ~~£~~2,050,000
- d. ~~£~~2,562,500
- e. ~~£~~2,675,000

4. A statement of financial position is usually prepared with

- a. Assets and liabilities at the end of the period
- b. Assets and liabilities at the beginning of the period

- c. Liabilities and sales at the end of the period
- d. Assets and equities at the beginning of the period
- e. Inventories and payables at the end of the period

Use the information below to answer Questions 5 to 7

	<u>₦</u>
Returns inwards	40,000
Sales	820,000
Opening inventories	200,000
Purchases	740,000
Gross profit	200,000

5. The closing inventories figure is

- 6. a. ~~₦~~160,000
- b. ~~₦~~320,000
- c. ~~₦~~360,000
- d. ~~₦~~400,000
- e. ~~₦~~580,000

7. The cost of goods sold is

- a. ~~₦~~580,000
- b. ~~₦~~620,000
- c. ~~₦~~640,000
- d. ~~₦~~660,000
- e. ~~₦~~740,000

8. The mark-up of the business is

- a. 24.39%
- b. 25.64%
- c. 32.26%
- d. 34.48%
- e. 36.32%

11.10 Short Answers Questions (SAQ)

- What is the effect of a decrease in allowance for bad debts on the final account...
- In preparing a Statement of Profit or Loss, interest on overdue receivables balance is treated as
- When preparing financial statement for a trading entity, rent prepaid is shown in statement of financial position as.....
- Unearned commission received in a trading entity is shown in statement of financial position as.....
- A statement that shows the state of affairs of a business entity at a point in time is referred to as a

11.11 Examination like questions with solution

1. The following Trial Balance was extracted from the books of Nyakpoo Enterprise as at December 31, 2022.

		DR	CR
	¢000		¢000
Capital			112,000
Motor Van	40,000		
Inventories	32,800		
Balance at bank	24,800		
Purchases	320,000		
Sales			446,000
Trade receivables	58,000		
Trade payables			33,120
Rent and rates	11,216		
Salaries	70,080		
General expenses		8,944	
Motor expenses		5,120	
Discount allowed		8,080	
Discount received			7,920
Insurance		3,920	
Irrecoverable debts		6,080	
Drawings		<u>10,000</u>	
		<u>599,040</u>	<u>599,040</u>

The following matters are to be taken into account:

- a) Inventories in trade as at December 31, 2022 was ¢40,320,000
- b) Salaries and wages outstanding as at 31/12/2022 amounted to ¢24,000,000.
- c) Insurance paid in advance was ¢1,400,000

One-fourth of the general expenses were for private purposes.

Required:

Prepare a Statement of Profit or Loss for the year ended December 31, 2022 and a Statement of Financial Position as at that date.

Question 2

The following Trial Balance was extracted from the books of ADETOMADEALERIN second hand clothes.

Trial Balance as at June 30, 2022.

	DR ¢000	CR ¢000
Capital		553,500
Purchases	1,255,500	
Sales		1,644,300
Repairs to building	22,896	
Motor Car	25,650	
Care expense	8,586	
Freehold land and buildings	270,000	
Balance at bank	14,580	
Furniture and fittings	39,420	
Wages and salaries	232,362	
Discount allowed	28,647	
Discounted received		21,978
Rate and insurance	6,696	
Irrecoverable debts	9,693	
Allowance for doubtful debts		3,780
Drawings	64,800	
Trade receivables	140,751	
Trade payables		108,945
General expenses	42,822	
Inventories	283 170,100	
	<u>2,332,503</u>	<u>2,332,503</u>

After adjusting for the following matters, you are required to prepare a Statement of Profit or Loss for the year ended 30th June 2022 and a Statement of Financial Position as at that date:

- i. Inventories in trade at 30/06/2022, ¢237,600,000
- ii. Wages and salaries outstanding at 30/06/2022, ¢9,720,000
- iii. Rates and insurance paid in advance at 30/06/2022, ¢1,620,000
- iv. The allowance for doubtful debts is to be increased to ¢4,860,000
- v. During the accounting year ended 30/06/2022, A detom with drew goods value
- vi. dat ¢16,200,000

for his own consumption. He instructed the accounts clerk not to record the transaction in the books.

11.12 Examination like questions without solution

1

Yafeu Enterprise is a dealer in special traditional medicine. He imports similar medicines from Abroad whenever there is shortage in the local market. The Trial Balance of the entity as at December 31,2022 is as detailed below:

	Dr. ¢'000	Cr. ¢'000
Investment income		550
Purchases	7,970	
Sales		40,250
Receivables and Payables	4,850	2,380
Inventories of finished goods	1,140	
Motor vehicles	3,800	
Electricity expenses	325	
Land and buildings (cost of land ¢2,000)	14,000	
Office Equipment	4,550	
Drawings	1,825	
Returns	930	485
Carriage inwards	300	
Administrative expenses	980	
Salaries and wages	3,650	
Vehicle running expenses	320	
Allowance for irrecoverable debts		450
Investments	8,500	
Bank and cash balances	4,380	
Selling expenses	4,785	
Furniture & fittings	5,000	
Capital		13,455
Allowance for Depreciation:		
- Office Equipment		2,250
- Motor vehicles		2,270
- Land & Buildings 284		5,500
Discount allowed	285	
	<u>67,590</u>	<u>67,590</u>

The following additional information is relevant:

1. The inventories at December 31,2022 were recorded at ¢950,000.
2. The Enterprise depreciates its assets on cost as
3. follows:

Assets:	%
Buildings	4
Motor Vehicles	20
Office Equipment	15
Furniture & fittings	10

4. Administrative expenses include rent of ₦250,000. This represents rent for the period of July 1, 2022 to May 31, 2023.
5. The Enterprise is to make allowance of ₦345,000 in respect of Personal income tax for 2022 accounting year.
6. Amount owing in respect of electricity and vehicle running expenses are ₦55,000 and ₦75,000 respectively.
7. Allowance for irrecoverable debt is ₦500,000.

Required:

Prepare statement of profit or loss for year ended December 31, 2022
and a statement of financial position as at that date.

2

SUCCESS Ltd is a Manufacturing Entity. The following is an extract from its books for the year ended December 31, 2022.

	₦
Stock of raw materials as at January 1, 2022	30,000
Purchases of raw materials	240,000
Manufacturing wages	40,000
Office salaries	28,000
Royalties	10,000
Opening stock of finished goods	13,000
Carriage outwards	2,400
Printing and stationery	5,600
Rent and rates	16,000
General expenses	26,000
Travelling expenses	16,800
Factory expenses	10,000
Sales	480,000

You are also supplied with the following additional information:

- a. Depreciation of 10% is to be charged on Plant and machinery worth €20,000
- b. The following are inventories on hand at
31/12/2022: Inventories of Raw materials €16,000
Inventories of finished goods €15,000
- c. Half of the rent and rates is chargeable to the Manufacturing Account

You are required to prepare the Statement of Manufacturing and Profit or Loss for the year ended December 31, 2022.

11.13 Solution to Multiple Choice Questions (MCQ)

- 1. C.
- 2. D
- 3. E.
- 4. A.
- 5. C.
- 6. A.
- 7. D.

11.14 Solution to Short Answer Questions (SAQ)

- 1. Increase in assets, increase in revenue
- 2. An income
- 3. Current asset
- 4. Current liability
- 5. Statement of financial position

11.14 Solution to Examination type questions

Question 1

NyakpooEnterprise

Statement of Profit or Loss for the year ended December 31, 2022

	¢'000	¢'000	¢'000
Sales			46,000
Less cost of sales: Opening inventories		32,800	
Add Purchases		<u>320,000</u>	
		352,800	
Less closing inventories		<u>40,320</u>	<u>312,480</u>
Gross profit			133,520
Add Discount received			<u>7,920</u>
			141,440
Less expenses:			
Salaries	70,080		
Add Owings	<u>24,000</u>	94,080	
Rent and rates		11,216	
General expenses	8,944		
Less drawings	<u>2,236</u>	6,708	
Motor expenses		5,120	
Discount allowed		8,080	
Irrecoverable debts		6,080	
Insurance	3,920		
Less prepaid	<u>1,400</u>	2,520	
			<u>133,804</u>
Net Profit			<u><u>7,636</u></u>

Statement of Financial Position as at December 31, 2022

Assets	€'000	€'000
Non-current Assets		
Motorvan		40,000
Current Assets		
Inventories	40,320	
Trade Receivables	58,000	
Insurance prepaid	1,400	
Balance at bank	<u>24,800</u>	
		<u>124,520</u>
Total Assets		<u>164,520</u>
Equity and Liabilities		
Capital/Equity		112,000
Net Profit		<u>7,636</u>
		9
Drawings (10,000 + 2,236)		<u>(12,236)</u>
		107,400
Current Liabilities		
Trade Payables	33,120	3
Accruals (Salaries)	<u>24,000</u>	<u>57,120</u>
Total Equity and Liabilities		<u>164,520</u>

Question 2

(a) Adetom

Statement of Profit or Loss for the year ended June 30, 2022

	€'000	€'000	€'000
Sales			1,644,300
Less cost of sales: Opening			
		170,100	
Add Purchases	1,255,500		
Less inventories drawings	<u>16,200</u>	<u>1,239,300</u>	
		1,409,400	
Less closing inventories		<u>237,600</u>	<u>1,171,800</u>
Gross profit			472,500
Add Discounts received			<u>21,978</u>

			<u>494,478</u>
Less expenses:			
Salaries	232,362		
Additions	<u>9,720</u>	242,082	
Rates & Insurance	<u>6,696</u>		
Less prepaid	<u>1,620</u>	5,076	
General expenses		42,822	
Care expenses		8,586	
Discounts allowed		28,647	
Irrecoverable debts		9,693	
Allowance for bad debts		1,080	
Repairs to building	<u>22,896</u>	<u>360,882</u>	
Net profit		<u>133,596</u>	

Adetom

(b) Statement of Financial Position as at June 30, 2022

Assets	€	€	€
Non-current Assets			
Freehold land and buildings			270,000
Motor car			25,650
Furniture and fittings			<u>39,420</u>
			<u>335,070</u>
Current Assets			
Inventories		237,600	
Trade Receivables	140,751		
Allowance	<u>4,860</u>	135,891	
Prepaid expenses		1,620	
Balance at bank		<u>14,580</u>	
Total Assets			<u>724,761</u>
Equity and Liabilities			
Capital/Equity			€
Net Profit			553,500
			<u>133,596</u>
			687,096
			<u>81,000</u>
Less Drawings (64,800 + 16,200)			606,096
Liabilities			
Non-current			-
Current			
Trade Payables	108,945		
Accruals - wages & salaries	<u>9,720</u>		
Total Equities and Liabilities			<u>724,761</u>

CHAPTER TWELVE

PREPARATION OF SIMPLE INCOMPLETE RECORDS AND SINGLE ENTRIES

Chapter Twelve Contents

- Incomplete records/single entry
- Simple statement of profit or loss
- Simple statement of financial position

Learning Objectives

After you study this chapter, you should be able to:

- *Derivation of profit from incomplete records and single entries transactions;*
- *Determine unknown figures such as sales and purchases using receivable and payable control accounts in the Statement of Profit or Loss*
- *Determine unknown figures as expenses in the Statement of Profit or Loss;*
- *Derive proprietor's cash drawings, capital or additional capital as a missing figure where all other information relating to cash payments and receipts are known*
- *Determine additional noncurrent assets and accumulated depreciations in the Statement of Financial Position;*
- *Prepare detailed statement of profit or loss from records that were not kept on double entry system; and*
- *Prepare simple incomplete records and single entries;*

12.1 Profit or Loss with Adjustments

The term 'single entry' is applied to any system, which does not provide for the twofold aspects of transactions; while the alternative term 'incomplete records' is often applied to books of account kept on such a single entry or incomplete double entry system. Pure 'single entry' recognises only the personal aspect of transactions, and, consequently, the only essential books are personal ledgers for recording transactions with receivables and trade accounts payables. In practice, however, a cash book is ordinarily kept, but, with this exception, the impersonal aspect of transactions is usually left entirely unrecorded. To prepare a set of accounts under incomplete methods and single entries, it is unlikely that examination questions provide students with all the needed information to prepare financial statements. In such situations, you may need to engage the balancing figure, cash and bank data, profit mark-up, profit margin, accounting equation and control account previously discussed in the

study text to derive the values of the missing information. The chapter extensively deals with procedures and methods that can be employed to derive missing information to prepare the Statement

Therefore, in this chapter, readers will learn the procedures and the techniques involved in preparing the statement of profit or loss and statement of financial position for an entity that has only opening and closing net assets and perhaps a cash book

information as the only known figures. Readers will also understand and learn how to ascertain the proprietor's drawings, capital and additional capital contributed if any during an accounting period from the scanty information provided by a cash book summary.

Questions on incomplete records and single entry are popular with examiners because they enable them to test important principles and techniques such as accounting equation and ledger control accounts, which have earlier been discussed in the study text. It also provides the basic information necessary to prepare final accounts but without the examiner presenting it in the form of a Trial Balance. Ability to manipulate single or incomplete records to produce final accounts is a true test of knowledge of the primary double entry principle.

The Ascertainment of Profit or Loss from Incomplete Records

Generally speaking, profits (or losses) are ascertained, under the single entry system, by a comparison of the values of the net assets at two specified dates (i.e. closing and opening dates), after taking into account additions to, or withdrawals from, capital during the period. The difference between these two values represents the profit or loss, according to whether there is an increase or decrease in the figures.

Remember the accounting equation, which states that:

$$\text{Business Assets} = \text{Owner's Capital} + \text{Business Liabilities}$$

The equation above can be restated as:

$$\text{Owner's Capital} = \text{Business Assets} - \text{Business Liabilities}$$

Notice that the business assets consist of noncurrent assets (physical or tangible assets), for example building, equipment, furniture and machinery; current assets such as closing inventories, trade receivables, prepaid expenses and commission or interest receivables. The liabilities are noncurrent liabilities (long term loan) and current liabilities such as trade payable, accrued or outstanding expenses, bank overdraft and other payables. During an accounting period, the business realised an excess of income over expenditure, the additional cash or assets generated belong to the owner(s), thus increasing the capital. The accounting

equation will now become: Opening capital+profit=opening net assets+increase in net assets.
 The introduction or withdrawal of resources by the owner will also increase or decrease the owner's capital respectively.

As a result, profit can be calculated using the format below:

€	
Closing capital	XXX
Less opening capital	<u>XXX</u>
Increase in net assets	XXX
Owners' Drawings	XXX
Additional Capital	<u>(XXX)</u>
Net profit for the year	<u>XXX</u>

Illustration to Illustration 12.1:

Calculate the net profit for the year ended 31 May 2022 from the following information:

1/6/2021	31/5/2022
€'000	€'000
Property	200,000
Equipment	60,000
Trade Receivables	40,000
Cash	10,000
Overdraft	60,000
Trade Payables	50,000

Drawings during the year drawing was ¢45,000,000 and additional capital introduced was ¢50,000,000.

SOLUTION	1/6/2021	31/5/2022
	¢	¢
Property	200,000	200,000
Equipment	60,000	90,000
Trade receivables	40,000	80,000
Cash	<u>10,000</u>	<u>15,000</u>
Total Assets	310,000	385,000
Overdraft	60,000	90,000
Trade payables	50,000	30,000
Total liabilities	<u>(110,000)</u>	<u>(120,000)</u>
Capital/Net assets	<u>200,000</u>	<u>265,000</u>
		¢
Closing capital		265,000
Opening capital		<u>(200,000)</u>
Increase in net assets		65,000
Additional capital introduced		(50,000)
Owner's drawings		<u>45,000</u>
Net profit for the year		<u>60,000</u>

Alternative Solution:

	1/6/2021	31/5/2022
	¢	¢
Total Assets	310,000	385,000
Total Liabilities	<u>(110,000)</u>	<u>(120,000)</u>
Net Assets	<u>200,000</u>	<u>265,000</u>
		¢
Closing capital	265,000	
Less opening capital	<u>200,000</u>	
Increase in net assets	65,000	
Owners' Drawings	45,000	
Additional Capital	<u>(50,000)</u>	
Net profit for the year	<u>60,000</u>	

Bolu's Venture, is sole trader selling consumables in Lagos Island. The proprietor consulted you to prepare his financial statements from its incomplete records. The entity did not keep full records, however, you were able to obtain the following information from his cheque counterfoils and diary for the year ended 31st December, 2022.

	1/1/2021	31/12/2022
	₦2000	₦2 000
Cash in hand	1200	2,670
Bank	5400 CR	42,000 CR
Furniture	6000	6,000
Motor vehicle	10,800	8,640
Inventory	61,200	67,200
Trade Receivables	37,200	29,400
Trade Payables	27,360	25,200
Bills payable	6,630	6,600
Bills Receivable	9,300	9,600

During the financial year, Bolu consumed inventory worth ₦3,600,000 with his family. He drew cash for private expenses frequently and this was estimated to ₦4,140,000 for the year. The proprietor agreed to the following advice:

- a) To write off as bad receivables ₦900,000 owed by a customer who is bankrupt in May, 2022.
- b) To depreciate:

Furniture	15% P.a
Motor vehicle	20% P.a

You are required to:

- Determine the profit of Mr. Bolu's for the year ended 31st December, 2021.
- Prepare the Statement of Financial Position as at that date.

Solution

	Opening		Closing	
	Capital		Capital	
	1/1/2021		31/12/2021	
	N=000	N=000	N=000	N=000
Assets:				
Furniture			6,000	5,100 (85% x 6000)
Motor vehicles	10,800		8,640	(10,800-8,640)
Inventory	61,200		67,200	
Trade Receivable	37,200		28,500	(29,400 – 900)
Bill Receivable		9,300		9,600
Cash in hand		<u>1,200</u>		<u>2,670</u>
			125,700	121,710
Liabilities:				
Trade Payable	27,360	–	25,200	
Bills payable	6,630	–	6,600	
Bank overdraft	<u>54,000</u>	<u>(87,990)</u>	<u>42,000</u>	<u>73,8000</u>
		<u>37,710</u>		<u>47,910</u>

Profit for the Year Ended 31/12/21

	N 000
Closing Capital	47,910
Add: drawing (3600 + 4140)	<u>7,740</u>
	55,650
Deduct: Capital introduced	0
Opening capital	<u>(37,710)</u>
Profit for the year	<u>17,940</u>

Mr. Bolu**Statement of Financial Position as at 31 December, 2021****Noncurrent Assets (Carrying Amount)**

	N 000	N 000	N 000
Furniture			5,100
Motor vehicles			<u>8,640</u>
			13,740

Current Assets

Inventory	67,200
Trade Receivables (29,400 – 900)	28,500
Bills Receivable	9,600
Cash in hand	<u>2,670</u>
	<u>107,970</u>
Total Assets	<u>121,710</u>

Financed by:

Opening capital	37,710
Add: Profit	17,940
	55,650
Less: Drawings	<u>(7,740)</u>
	47,910

Current Liabilities

Trade Payables	25,200	
Bills payable	6600	
Bank overdraft	<u>42000</u>	<u>73,800</u>

Total Capital and Liabilities **121,710**

Preparation of detailed final accounts from Incomplete Records

Really, to calculate the profit of an entity using the method presented above, students must have familiarised themselves with basic principles in control accounts, which will be used to determine unknown or missing figures such as sales, purchases and expenses. Also, the basic principles of accounting equation, that is Capital (C) plus Liabilities (L) equal Assets (A), $C + L = A$. This implies that $C = A - L$. A student who had painstakingly studied these in the previous chapters would be in comfort zone to prepare Statement of Profit or Loss and Statement of Financial Position in the current chapter. It is important for you to note that the accountant does not only prepare the final accounts of an enterprise but also communicates accounting and *financial information to stakeholders*. It is therefore much more informative when Statement of Profit or Loss is drawn. It is important for the accountant to convert these scanty and incomplete records into the acceptable double entry form.

For one to be able to prepare the statement of profit or loss and statement of financial position from single entry and incomplete records, the procedures detailed below are recommended:

Techniques and Procedures to prepare financial statements under Incomplete Records:

- Prepare a statement of affairs;
- Analyze unbanked cash sales;

- Post the cash and bank summary to the ledger accounts;
- Prepare schedules of trade payables and trade receivables;
- Extract a trial balance; and
- Draw up the final accounts—statement of Profit or Loss and Statement of Financial Position

12.2 Preparation of Statement of Affairs at the beginning and at the end including computation of opening capital

First step is to construct a Statement of Financial Position at the beginning of the accounting year. This means that the assets minus liabilities of the business must be recorded to show the Statement of Financial Position at start of the period and how opening capital will be derived or calculated. The statement prepared to show the Statement of Financial Position of the business at the beginning of the year is technically called 'Statement of Affairs'.

In most practical situations, the owner of the entity will provide lists of values of non-current assets that he uses in the entity together with the dates of acquisition. It should therefore be easy for one to calculate the accumulated allowance for depreciation on the non-current assets from the date of their purchase to the date of reporting. Values of such items as inventories in trade, receivables and liabilities may have to be estimated with the help of the owner.

From the information provided in illustration 13.1, a journal can be opened and accounting entries effected. The aim is to ensure the recording of the accounting entries following the duality principle. This means that appropriate debit entries must be posted into assets account and credit entries entered into capital or liabilities accounts.

The difference between the assets and liabilities, which usually end up with the assets exceeding the liabilities may be assumed to be the initial amount that the owner used in starting the business. Therefore,

it will be recorded as the capital of the entity. It is possible that the owner may be able to mention the initial amount used in commencing the business. Where this is the case then, any difference between such capital and the net assets estimated may be recorded as the balance on the statement of profit or loss.

Preparation of Cash and Bank Summary

The first task is to ascertain the cash position of the business, in the cashbook. This is

usually done by carefully examining the available bank statements, pay-in-slips and the cheque counter foils. The bank statements together with the cheque counter foils could reveal information concerning purchases, payment of rent, bank charges, wages, insurance, interest earned, the acquisition of non-current assets, and any personal withdrawals. Information extracted from the pay-in-slips will help determine the amount of money paid in by customers to whom goods were sold on credit and also direct sales by cheque instead of cash. The above information may be used to prepare a cash summary or a receipts and payments account for the business.

Analysis of unbanked cash sales

One must at this stage determine the amount of cash sales which have not been banked by the owner, but which might have been used by the owner to pay for business expenses, cash purchases, and perhaps personal drawings. It is possible that the owner might have made use of some of the physical inventories in trade for his or her personal use. In such a situation conducting an informal interview with the owner would confirm the existence of such occurrences. Thus, it will help the bookkeeper make an appropriate estimate for inventories drawings. Physical inventories taken by (i.e. counting) of items of inventories in the store at the close of business will give the actual closing inventories figure and therefore may not need to be estimated.

Posting from the Cash and Bank Summary

After the analysis of the cash book has been made, necessary postings are then made into the ledger. Note that at this step one, opening entries were made through the ledger, and therefore some of these new entries will be made into existing ledger accounts.

From the analysis of the debits side or receipts side of the cash and bank summary and information obtained from the pay-in-slips:

- a. Opening cash balance in the debits side is added to opening asset at the beginning and opening cash balance in the credit side is added to opening liability to determine capital of the entity in the financial year.
- b. All cash sales or takings should be credited to the trade receivables account in the sales ledger;
- c. Any proceeds from the sale of non-current assets should be credited to the respective asset accounts;
- d. Any interest or income from investment must also be credited to the appropriate revenue account.

- e. Any other item should be posted to the credit of the relevant account;
- f. Closing balance in the cash book is recognised as a current liability in the statement of financial position

From the analysis of the credit side or payment side of the cash and bank summary and information obtained from the cheque counterfoils:

- i. All payments for goods purchased should be debited to the trade payables account in the purchases ledger;
- ii. Payment of expenses should be debited to the relevant nominal account;
- iii. All purchases in connection with non-current assets should be debited to the appropriate asset accounts;
- iv. Any charges should be posted to debit of the bank charges account;
- v. Any other item should be posted to the debit of the relevant account;
- vi. Closing balance in the cash book is recognised as a current asset in the statement of position

Where any difference exists on the cash book summary necessary adjusting entries should be posted to balance the difference. If the difference is on the credit side then the cash book should be credited and the proprietor's drawings account debited. If the difference is on the debit side then one can safely presume that the owner of the business has introduced additional capital. This difference should be debited to cash and credited to the capital account of the business.

Preparation of Trade Receivables and Payables Schedule

At this stage we need to determine year-end adjustments and balances.

A schedule should be compiled detailing all customers who are owing the business, as a result of goods sold to them on credit. The total of the schedule of receivables therefore represents debts owed to the entity and as such must be carried forward to the credit of the total sales ledger control account. There is likely to be a difference in the debit side of the total receivables account, which represents total sales on credit for the period and is to be transferred to the credit of the statement profit or loss as sales or turnover (revenue). The cash sales if any in the debit side of the cash book should also be taken to the statement of profit or loss. Another schedule that should be prepared to have a list of amounts owing by the entity to its suppliers for goods purchased on credit. The total of this schedule represents total liabilities by way of trade payables outstanding at the end of the period and should therefore be carried forward to the debit of the purchases ledger control account. The total of

purchases for the period will be derived from the credit side of the purchases ledger control account as a balancing figure and should be transferred to the debit side of the Statement of Profit or Loss. In addition, cash purchases on the credit side of the cash book if any is also taken along to the Statement of Profit or Loss. Similarly, accruals and prepayments will be carried forward as closing balances in the appropriate expense accounts, the actual expense amount which has been incurred for the accounting period being accounted for as a balancing figure.

Extraction of Trial Balance

This is the final stage since all the transactions would have been recorded and the double entries completed. It is now possible for the business to extract a Trial Balance which will form the basis for the preparation of the Statement of Profit or Loss and the statement of financial position as at the period end.

Please, recall the Formats of Receivable and Payable Control Accounts

Receivable's/Sales Ledger Control Account

₦				₦
	Debit all items that can increase		Credit all items that	
	trade debit examples include:		can reduce trade debt	
	Bal b/d x		examples include:	
	Credit sales x		Bal b/d x	
	Interest charged to customers x		Discount allowed x	
	Dishonoured bills receivable x		Bad Receivable x	
	Others x		Bills receivable x	Bal c/d
	x		Cash received from	
			customers x	
			Returns inwards x	
			Purchase ledger	
	Contra (set-off) x			

Others	x
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Bal c/d	x
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<u>xx</u>	<u>xx</u>
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Bal b/d	x	Bal b/d	x
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Payable's Purchases Ledger Control Account

₦		₦	
Debit all items that can reduce		Credit all items that can	
Trade Payable:		increase trade Payable:	
Bal b/d	x	Bal b/d	x
Bills payable	x	Credit purchases	x
Discounts received	x	Dishonoured cheques	x
Cash and cheques paid to customers	x	Dishonoured Bills payable	
Returns outward	x	Interest charged by:	
Sales ledger contra (set-off)	x	Suppliers	x
Others	x	Others	x
Bal c/d	x	Bal c/d	x
	<u>xx</u>		<u>xx</u>
	<u>xx</u>		<u>xx</u>
Bal b/d	x	Bal b/d	x

Note the following in preparing Control Account

a) Receivable Control Accounts

- i. Where bills receivable and bills receivable accepted are both given, you should make use of the bills receivable accepted because the obligation on the bills arise if and only if the bills are accepted;
- ii. Discounted bills receivable should be ignored;
- iii. Honoured bills receivable should be ignored;
- iv. Bad Receivable recovered should be ignored;
- v. Unless item iv has been earlier credited to the Receivable control account and in this case should be debited to the sales ledger control account;
- vi. Cash sales should be ignored in the control account because it records transactions affecting both credit sales and credit purchases;
- vii. However, it is important to note that the addition of cash and credit sales will be transferred to the trading account;
- viii. Bad and doubtful Receivable provisions should be ignored;
- ix. Provision for discount allowable should also be ignored.

b. Payable's Control account:

- i Cash purchases should be ignored but the addition for both the credit and cash purchases are transferred to the trading account.
- ii Honoured bills payable should be ignored.
- iii Where both bills payable and bills payable accepted are given, the latter should be used because the obligation for the creditor on the bills arise if and only if the bills are accepted.

Illustration12.2

Boakye, a sole proprietor, trading as KKB Enterprise requested Oko & Associates, a firm of Chartered Accountants to prepare the accounts of his business for the year ended 31 December 2021. The assignment has been given to you by Oko & Associates as their trainee accountant. Your interview with Boakye revealed the following:

- i. He did not maintain a double book-keeping system.
- ii. All sales were on credit or cash basis. During the year, Boakye received ₦9,025,000 and

- iii. ₦475,000 in cheques and cash respectively from his customers.
- iv. Suppliers of goods during the year were paid ₦6,840,000 by cheque.
- v. Boakye used a prepaid electricity meter in the business. On 1 July 2020, he paid ₦480,000 as one year in advance for electricity used in the business. Again, on 1 July, 2021, he paid ₦600,000 in advance to cover one more year for electricity consumption. The payments were made using cheques.
- vi. The rent for the premises was ₦60,000 per month payments were by cheque.
- vii. General business expenses paid by cheques amounted to ₦106,200. He took cash of ₦38,000 every month for his private use. Boakye provided you with the following additional information:

	31/12/2021	31/12/2020
	₦	₦
Tradereceivables	1,254,000	1,045,000
Tradepayables	617,500	380,000
Rentowing	60,000	120,000
Bankbalance	3,000,000	1,073,500
Cashinhand	60,000	76,000
Inventories	1,700,500	1,510,500
Fixtures&Fittings(atcost)	-	920,000

- i) Depreciation is provide dannually at therate of 20% on Fixtures and Fittings.
- ii) Boakye had agreed to pay ₦100,000 as accountancy fees as at 31 December, 2021 having received invoice from Oko & Associates for this amount.
- iii) Differences in cash and bank balance as at the end of 31 December 2021 represent additional drawings and capital respectively.

You are required to:

- (a) Compute the profit of Boakye using the net worth approach.
- (b) Cash and bank summary for 2021.
- (c) Statement of profit or loss for the year ended 31 December, 2021.
- (d) Statement of financial position as at 31 December, 2021.

Solution to Illustration 12.2

You may wish to attempt the question before reading this explanation. You should proceed along this line to solve the problem.

- (a) Calculate opening net assets to arrive at opening capital

It is necessary to determine opening capital to enable us calculate the closing balance in the statement of financial position. All that is required is to **pick up all opening balances not forgetting the opening cash balance.**

Statement of Financial Affairs: Capital=Assets– Liabilities

31/12/2021		31/12/2020
Assets	¢	¢
Furniture & fittings (cost)	920,000	920,000
Accumulated depreciation	(184,000)	-
Inventories	1,700,500	1,510,500
Prepaid electricity	300,000	240,000
Trade receivables	1,254,000	1,045,000
Cash in hand	60,000	76,000
Bank Balance	<u>3,000,000</u>	<u>1,073,500</u>
	<u>7,050,500</u>	<u>4,865,000</u>
Liabilities		
Trade payables	617,500	380,000
Rent owing	60,000	120,000
Accountancy fee outstanding	<u>100,000</u>	<u>100,000</u>
	<u>777,500</u>	<u>600,000</u>
Capital (Net worth)	6,273,000	4,265,000
Increase in Net worth: ¢6,273,000 - ¢4,265,000		= ¢2,008,000

Computation of profit using Net worth Approach

	¢
Increase in net worth	2,008,000
Add drawings	<u>491,000</u>
	2,499,000
Less additional capital	<u>1,227,700</u>
Profit for year	<u>1,271,300</u>

Increase in net worth..... ¢5,973,000 - ¢4,125,000 = ¢1,848,000

Computation of profit by the net worth method

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Increase in net worth	2,032,000
Add Drawings (456,000 + 600,000 + 35,000)	<u>1,091,000</u>
	3,123,000
Less Additional Capital	<u>1,227,700</u>
Net Profit	<u>1,895,300</u>

(b) Construction of cash and bank summary

Even if some of the information in the question is given in the form of a cash or bank summary, it is usually necessary to build upon one or both of these summaries to calculate a missing figure such as payment for purchases and owner's drawings.

CASH BOOK SUMMARY

	Cash ¢	Bank ¢		Cash ¢	Bank ¢
Bal b/d	76,000	1,073,500	Suppliers	-	6,740,000
Received from customers	475,000	9,025,000	Drawings	456,000	-
Capital (missing figure)		1,227,700	Rent	-	600,000
			Gen. Bus. Exp.	-	106,200
			Drawings (medicals)	-	780,000
			Drawings (missing figure)	35,000	-
)		
			Bal. C/d	<u>60,000</u>	<u>3,000,000</u>
	<u>551,000</u>	<u>11,326,200</u>		<u>551,000</u>	<u>11,326,200</u>
Bal b/d	60,000	3,000,000			

(c) Statement of profit or loss for the year ended 31 December 2021

	¢	¢
Revenue		9,709,000
Cost of Sales		<u>(6,887,500)</u>
Gross profit		2,821,500
Less expenses: Electricity		

	540,000	
Rent	720,000	
Depreciation	184,000	
Generalexenses	<u>106,200</u>	
		(1,550,200)
Netprofit		<u>1,271,300</u>
Cost of SalesOpeninginventories		1,510,500
Purchases		<u>7,077,500</u>
		8,588,000
Closing inventories		<u>1,700,500</u>
		<u>6,887,500</u>

(d) Statement of Financial Position as at 31 December 2021

	€
Assets:	
Non-current Assets:	
Equipment & Fittings At cost	
Accumulated depreciation	920,000
Carrying amount	<u>184,000</u>
	<u>736,000</u>
Current Assets:	
Inventories	1,700,500
Prepaid electricity	300,000
Trade Receivables	1,254,000
Cash in hand	60,000
Bank balances	<u>3,000,000</u>
Total current assets	<u>6,314,500</u>
Total Assets	<u>7,050,500</u>

Equity and Liabilities

Capital 1/1/2021	4,265,000
Additional capital introduced	<u>1,227,700</u>
	5,492,700
Profit for the year	<u>1,271,300</u>
	6,764,000
Less: Drawings	<u>491,000</u>
Total equity	<u>6,273,000</u>
Current liabilities	
Trade payables	617,500
Rent outstanding	60,000
Accounts payable not paid	<u>100,000</u>
Total liabilities	<u>777,500</u>
Total Equity and Liabilities	<u>7,050,500</u>

WORKINGS

Construct sales and purchases ledger control accounts

In a double entry system, control accounts are used to confirm the arithmetical accuracy of the sales and purchases ledger system. This technique will be used to calculate sales and purchases as a missing figure.

Purchases Ledger Control Account

	₤		₤
Bank	6,840,000	Bal. B/d	380,000
		Purchases (missing figure)	7,077,500
Bal. C/d	617,500		
	<u>7,457,500</u>		<u>7,457,500</u>
		Bal. b/d	<u>617,500</u>

Sales Ledger Control a/c

	₤		₤
		Customers:	
Bal. b/d	1,045,000	Bank	9,025,000
Balancing figure:		Cash	475,000
Sales	<u>9,709,000</u>	Bal. c/d	<u>1,254,000</u>

	<u>10,754,000</u>	<u>10,754,00</u>
Balance b/d	1,254,000	

1. Workings for accruals and prepayments

In addition to these four techniques I t will be necessary to construct figures for the Income statement by adjusting cash paid for expenses for opening and closing accruals and prepayment.

Rent Expense Control

Electricity a/c

Balance b/d (6/12 x 480,000)	240,000	Profit or loss	540,000
Bank	<u>600,000</u>	Balance c/d (6/12 * 600,000)	<u>300,000</u>
	<u>840,000</u>		<u>840,000</u>

Balance b/d 300,000

Rent a/c

Bank	780,000	Balance b/d	120,000
Balance c/d	<u>60,000</u>	Profit or loss	<u>720,000</u>
	<u>840,000</u>		<u>840,000</u>
		Balance b/d	60,000

Accountancy fees a/c

Balance c/d	<u>100,000</u>	311	Balance b/d	<u>100,000</u>
			Balance b/d	100,000

Accumulated depreciation on fixtures and fittings a/c

Balance c/d	<u>184,000</u>	Depreciation a/c	<u>184,000</u>
		Balance b/d	184,000

Depreciation account

Accum Depreciation on	<u>184,000</u>	Profit or loss	<u>184,000</u>
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Computation of Depreciation	¢
Fixture and fittings at cost (1/1/2016)	920,000
Less Depreciation (20% @ ¢920,000)	<u>184,000</u>
Carrying amount (31/12/2016)	<u>736,000</u>

Illustration 12.3:

Damask is a retailer who deals in spare parts at Kokompe. He paid into his bank account amount of his cash takings, after retaining ¢10,000 per week for personal use and after payment of wages and expenses, which for the accounting period of 31 December 2021, were as follows:

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Staff wages	1,200,000
Goods	220,000
Cleaning	75,000
Carriage	35,000
Others	20,000
The transactions in his Bank Account during the period were:	
	¢2,000,000
Balance as at 1st January 2021	
Lodgements:	
from takings (cash)	30,130,000
Bulk sales account (cheques)	4,800,000
Interest on treasury bills	<u>30,000</u>
	<u>36,930,000</u>

Withdrawals:

¢

Goods purchased	30,830,000
Rent	400,000
Rates in connection with store	345,000
Rates in connection with own house	55,000
Air conditioner expenses for store	200,000
Air conditioner expenses for house	20,000
Telephone and electricity	150,000
Other expenses for store	70,000
Fire insurance	60,000
Life assurance policy	30,000
Repairs	150,000
Fixtures and fittings	600,000
Consultancy fees	70,000
Income tax	900,000
Owner's current account	180,000
Balance as at 31st December 2021	2,900,000
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	36,960,000
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The following information were also provided:

	31/12/2020	31/12/2021
Receivables– Bulk sales	490,000	430,000
Payables: Goods purchased	2,900,000	3,195,000
Rent	80,000	30,000
Electricity	25,000	65,000
Telephone	45,000	-
Consultancy fees	40,000	40,000
Inventories in trade	2,050,000	1,875,000
Fixtures & Fittings		540,000

You are required to prepare statement of Profit or Loss for the year ended 31 December 2021 and a Statement of financial position as at that date.

Hint: There are 52 weeks in a year.