

Chapter 1

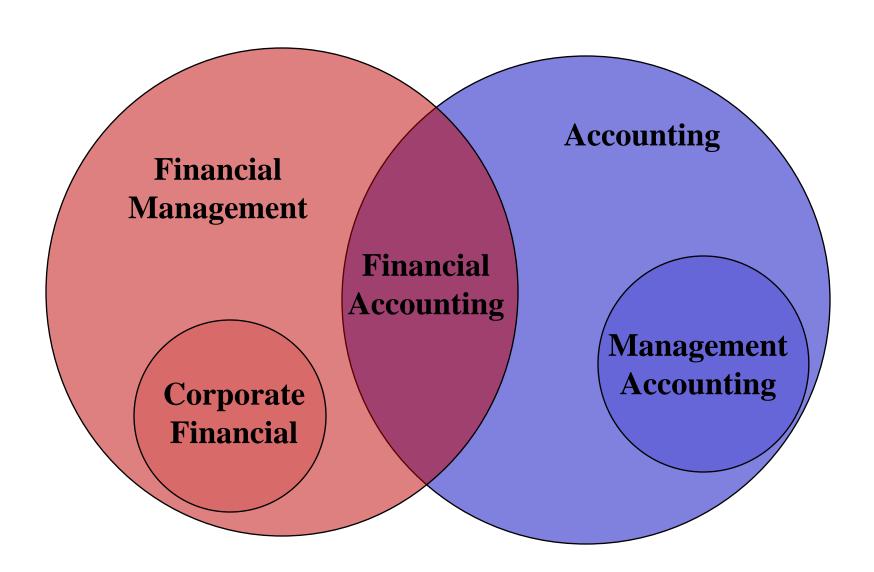
Accounting in Action

Learning Objectives

After studying this chapter, you should be able to:

- 1. Explain what accounting is.
- 2. Identify the users and uses of accounting.
- 3. Understand why ethics is a fundamental business concept.
- 4. Explain accounting standards and the measurement principles.
- 5. Explain the monetary unit assumption and the economic entity assumption.
- 6. State the accounting equation, and define its components.
- 7. Analyze the effects of business transactions on the accounting equation.
- 8. Understand the four financial statements and how they are prepared.

Where is Financial Accounting?



Preview of Chapter 1

ACCOUNTING IN ACTION The Basic Accounting Using the Accounting The Building Blocks What Is Accounting? of Accounting **Equation Equation Financial Statements** Three activities Ethics in financial Income statement Assets Transaction analysis reporting Who uses Liabilities Summary of Retained earnings Accounting accounting data? transactions statement Equity standards Statement of Measurement financial position principles • Statement of cash Assumptions flows

Financial Accounting
IFRS Second Edition
Weygandt • Kimmel • Kieso

What is Accounting?

Accounting consists of three basic activities - it

- identifies,
- records, and
- communicates

the economic events of an organization to interested users.

What is Accounting?

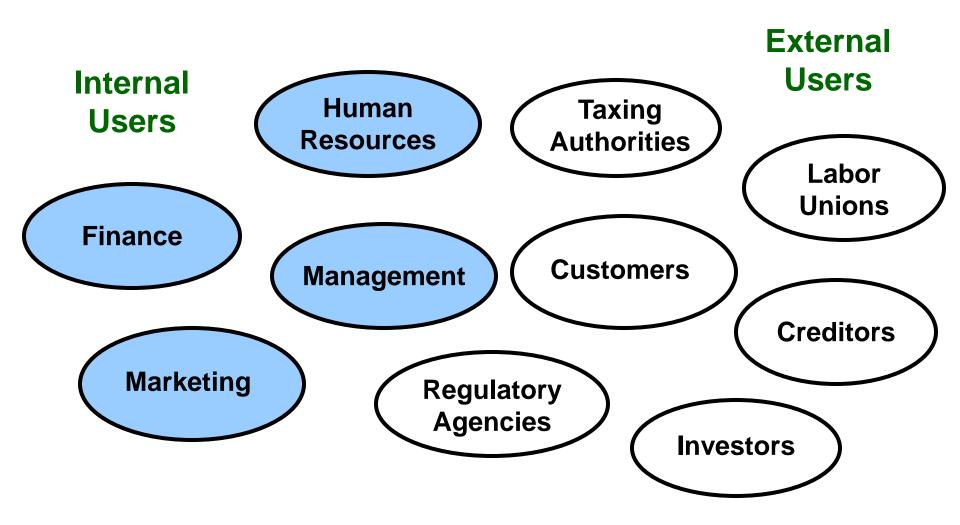
Illustration 1-1 **Three Activities** The activities of the accounting process Communication Identification Recording Prepare accounting reports Identify economic events (transactions) Record, classify, and summarize The accounting process includes

the **bookkeeping** function.

LO 1 Explain what accounting is.

Analyze and interpret for users

Who Uses Accounting Data



Who Uses Accounting Data

Common Questions Asked User 1. Can we afford to give our **Human Resources** employees a pay raise? 2. Did the company earn a Investors satisfactory income? 3. Should any product lines be Management eliminated? 4. Is cash sufficient to pay dividends **Finance** to shareholders? 5. What price for our product will **Marketing** maximize net income? 6. Will the company be able to pay **Creditors**

its debts?

The Building Blocks of Accounting

Ethics In Financial Reporting

Standards of conduct by which one's actions are judged as right or wrong, honest or dishonest, fair or not fair, are **ethics**.

- Recent financial scandals include: Enron (USA),
 Parmalat (ITA), Satyam Computer Services (IND), AIG (USA), and others.
- Effective financial reporting depends on sound ethical behavior.

Ethics in Financial Reporting

Question

Ethics are the standards of conduct by which one's actions are judged as:

- a. right or wrong.
- b. honest or dishonest.
- c. fair or not fair.
- d. all of these options.

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Accounting Standards



International Accounting Standards Board (IASB)

http://www.iasb.org/

International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS)



Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB)

http://www.fasb.org/

Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP)

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Measurement Principles

Cost Principle – or historical cost principle, dictates that companies record assets at their cost.

Fair Value Principle – states that assets and liabilities should be reported at fair value (the price received to sell an asset or settle a liability).

INTERNATIONAL INSIGHT





The Korean Discount

If you think that accounting standards don't matter, consider recent events in South Korea. For many years, international investors complained that the financial reports of South Korean companies were inadequate and inaccurate. Accounting practices there often resulted in huge differences between stated revenues and actual revenues. Because investors did not have faith in the accuracy of the numbers, they were unwilling to pay as much for the shares of these companies relative to shares of comparable companies in different countries. This difference in stock price was often referred to as the "Korean discount."

In response, Korean regulators decided that, beginning in 2011, companies will have to comply with international accounting standards. This change was motivated by a desire to "make the country's businesses more transparent" in order to build investor confidence and spur economic growth. Many other Asian countries, including China, India, Japan, and Hong Kong, have also decided either to adopt international standards or to create standards that are based on the international standards.

Source: Evan Ramstad, "End to 'Korea Discount'?" Wall Street Journal (March 16, 2007).



What is meant by the phrase "make the country's businesses more transparent"? Why would increasing transparency spur economic growth?

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Assumptions

Monetary Unit – include in the accounting records only transaction data that can be expressed in money terms.

Economic Entity – requires that activities of the entity be kept separate and distinct from the activities of its owner and all other economic entities.

- Proprietorship.
- Partnership.
- Corporation.

Forms of Business Ownership

LO 5 Explain the monetary unit assumption and the economic entity assumption.

Forms of Business Ownership

Proprietorship

- Generally owned by one person
- Often small service-type businesses
- Owner receives any profits, suffers any losses, and is personally liable for all debts

Partnership

- Owned by two or more persons
- Often retail and service-type businesses
- Generally unlimited personal liability
- Partnership agreement

Corporation

- Ownership divided into shares
- Separate legal entity organized under corporation law
- Limited liability

> **DO IT!**

Indicate whether each of the following statements presented below is **true** or **false**.

1. The three steps in the accounting process are identification, recording, and communication.



2. The two most common types of external users are investors and company officers.



3. Shareholders in a corporation enjoy limited legal liability as compared to partners in a partnership.



> **DO IT!**

Indicate whether each of the following statements presented below is **true** or **false**.

4. The primary accounting standard-setting body outside the United States is the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB).



5. The cost principle dictates that companies record assets at their cost. In later periods, however, the fair value of the asset must be used if fair value is higher than its cost.



The Building Blocks of Accounting

Question

Combining the activities of Kellogg and General Mills would violate the

- a. cost principle.
- b. economic entity assumption.
 - c. monetary unit assumption.
 - d. ethics principle.

Forms of Business Ownership

Question

A business organized as a separate legal entity under law having ownership divided into ordinary shares is a

- a. proprietorship.
- b. partnership.
- c. corporation.
 - d. sole proprietorship.

Assets = Liabilities + Equity

Provides the **underlying framework** for recording and summarizing economic events.

Applies to all economic entities regardless of size.

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Assets

- Resources a business owns.
- Provide future services or benefits.
- Cash, Inventory, Equipment, etc.

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Liabilities

- Claims against assets (debts and obligations).
- Creditors party to whom money is owed.
- Accounts payable, Notes payable, etc.

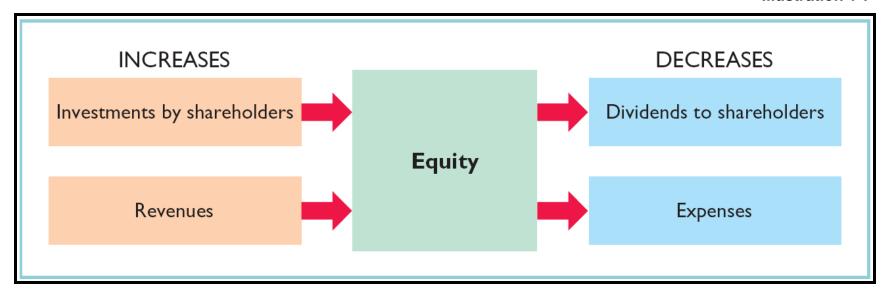
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Equity

- Ownership claim on total assets.
- Referred to as residual equity.
- Share capital-ordinary and retained earnings.

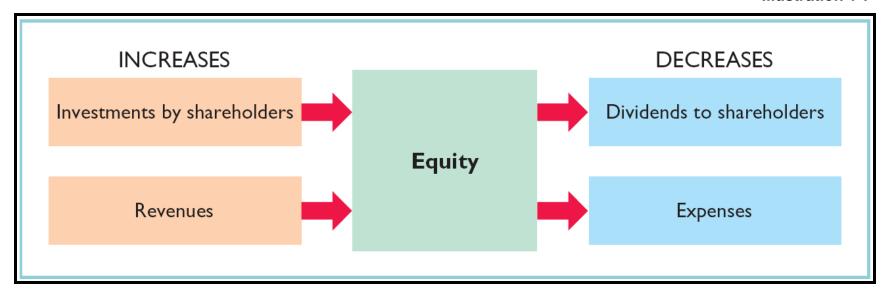
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Revenues result from business activities entered into for the purpose of earning income.

Generally results from selling merchandise, performing services, renting property, and lending money.

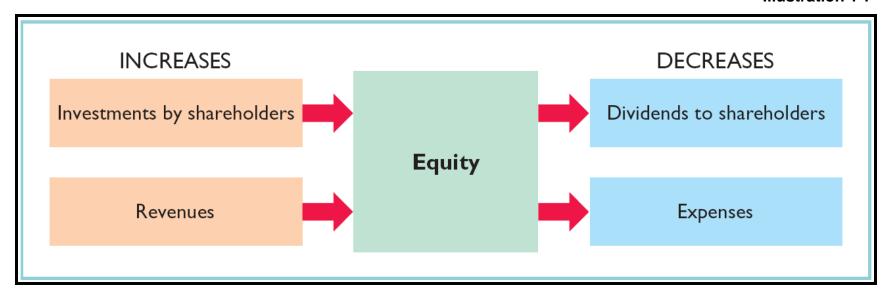
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Expenses are the cost of assets consumed or services used in the process of earning revenue.

Common expenses are salaries expense, rent expense, interest expense, property tax expense, etc.

Illustration 1-7



Dividends are the distribution of cash or other assets to shareholders.

- Reduce retained earnings
- Not an expense

> DO IT!

Classify the following items as issuance of shares, dividends, revenues, or expenses. Then indicate whether each item increases or decreases equity.

		Classification	Effect on Equity
1.	Rent expense		
2.	Service revenue		
3.	Dividends		
4.	Salaries expense		

Using the Accounting Equation

Transactions are a business's economic events recorded by accountants.

- May be external or internal.
- Not all activities represent transactions.
- Each transaction has a dual effect on the accounting equation.

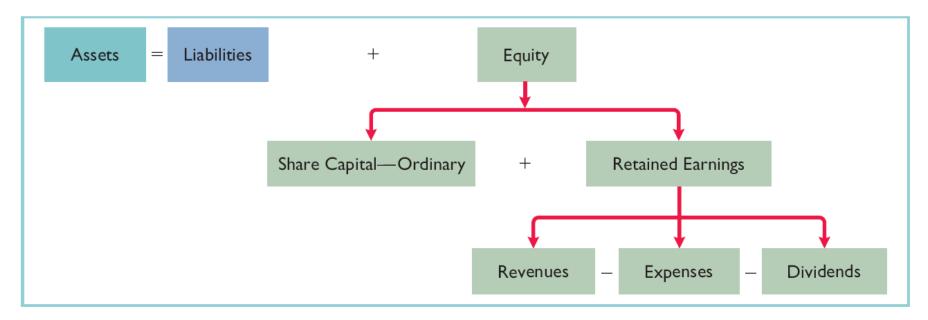
Using the Accounting Equation

Illustration: Are the following events recorded in the accounting records? Illustration 1-8 **Discuss** Purchase product Pay rent. **Event** design with computer. customer. Is the financial position (assets, liabilities, or equity) Criterion of the company changed? Don't Record Record Record/ record Don't Record

Using the Accounting Equation

Transaction Analysis

Illustration 1-9
Expanded accounting equation



Transaction (1). Investment by Shareholders. Ray and Barbara Neal decides to open a computer programming service which he names Softbyte. On September 1, 2014, they invest €15,000 cash in exchange for €15,000 of ordinary shares.

Illustration 1-10

		Assets	Liabilities +						
Trans-	Cash + Ac	counts eeivable + Supplies -	- Equipment =	Accounts	Share +	Retair	ned Earning	gs	
action	Rec	eivable Gappines		Payable	Capital	Rev. –	Exp. –	Div.	
(1)									
(2)									
(3)									
(4)									
(5)									
(6)									
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(10)									

Transaction (2). Purchase of Equipment for Cash. Softbyte purchases computer equipment for €7,000 cash.

Illustration 1-10

		Ass	sets	=	= Liabilities +		Eq	luity		
Trans-	Cash -	+ Accounts Receivable	+ Supplies +	Equipment =	= Accounts + Payable +	Share +	Re	tained Ear	nings	_
action		Receivable			Payable	Capital	Rev.	– <u>Exp.</u>	– <u>Div.</u>	_
(1)	+€15,000				+	€15,000				Issued Shares
(2)										
(3)										
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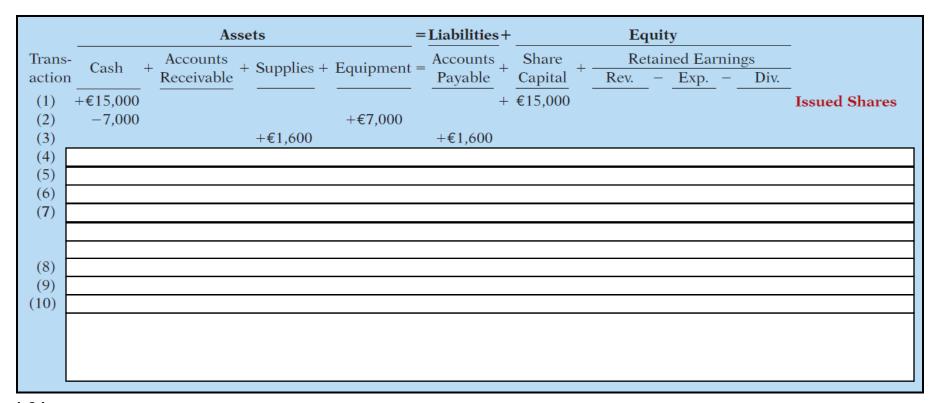
Transaction (3). Purchase of Supplies on Credit. Softbyte purchases for €1,600 from Acme Supply Company computer paper and other supplies expected to last several months. The purchase is on account.

Illustration 1-10

			Assets		= <u>Liabilities</u> +		Eq	uity		_
Trans-	Cash	+ Account	s le + Supplies +	Equipment	= Accounts + Payable +	Share +	Ret	tained Earn	ings	_
action			<u>le</u>				Kev.	- <u>Exp.</u> -	– <u>Div.</u>	- - 1.01
(1) (2)	+€15,000 -7,000			+€7,000	+	€15,000				Issued Shares
(3)	2,222			,						
(4)										
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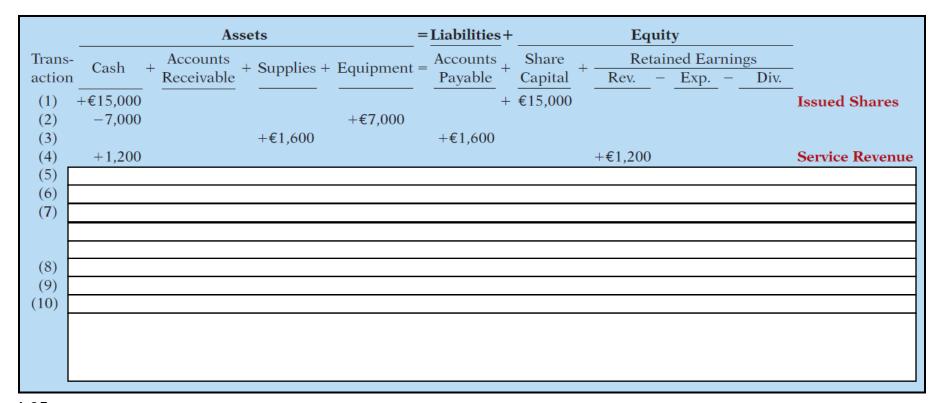
Transaction (4). Services Provided for Cash. Softbyte receives €1,200 cash from customers for programming services it has provided.

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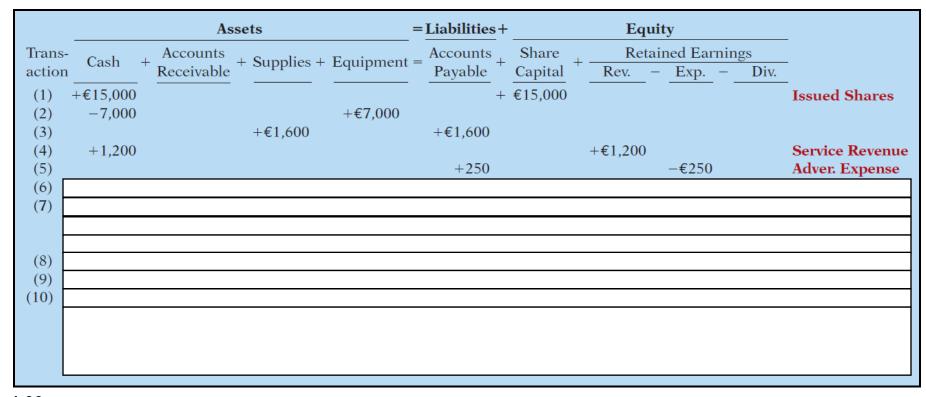
Transaction (5). Purchase of Advertising on Credit. Softbyte receives a bill for €250 from the Daily News for advertising but postpones payment until a later date.

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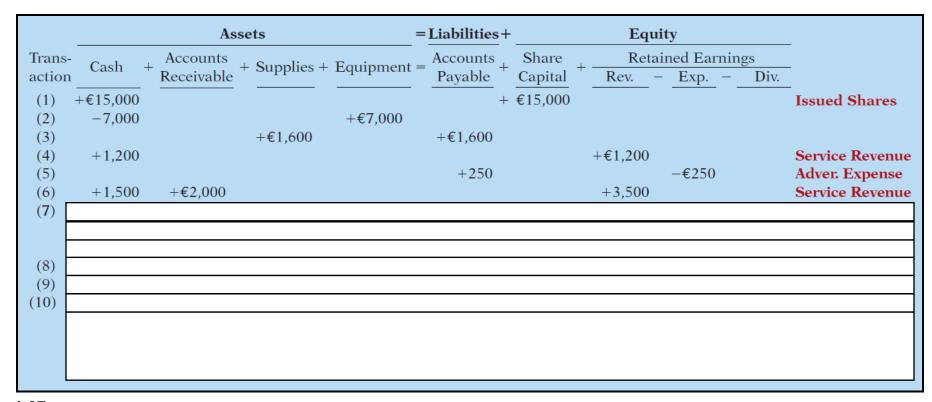
Transaction (6). Services Provided for Cash and Credit. Softbyte provides €3,500 of programming services for customers. The company receives cash of €1,500 from customers, and it bills the balance of €2,000 on account.

Illustration 1-10



Transaction (7). Payment of Expenses. Softbyte pays the following expenses in cash for September: store rent €600, salaries and wages of employees €900, and utilities €200.

Illustration 1-10



Transaction (8). Payment of Accounts Payable. Softbyte pays its €250 Daily News bill in cash.

Illustration 1-10

		As	sets	=	Liabilities +		Equit	ty	_
Trans- action	Cash	+ Accounts Receivable	+ Supplies +	Equipment =	Accounts +	Share + Capital +		ned Earnings Exp. – Div.	-
	+€15,000				+	€15,000			Issued Shares
(2) (3)	-7,000		+€1,600	+€7,000	+€1,600				
(4)	+1,200		+€1,000		+€1,000		+€1,200		Service Revenue
(5)	. 1 500	. 62 000			+250		. 2 500	-€250	Adver. Expense
(6) (7)	+1,500 $-1,700$						+3,500	-600	Service Revenue Rent Expense
	2,223							-900	Sal./Wages Exp.
(8)								-200	Utilities Expense
(9)									
(10)									

Transaction (9). Receipt of Cash on Account. Softbyte receives €600 in cash from customers who had been billed for services [in Transaction (6)].

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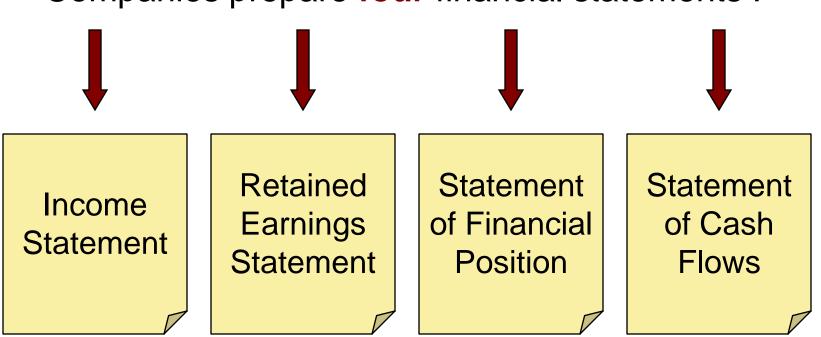
		As	sets		= <u>Liabilities</u> +		Equ	ity		
Trans-	t asn	+ Accounts	+ Supplies +	Equipment	$=\frac{\text{Accounts}}{\text{Position}} +$	Share		ined Earni		_
action		Receivable			Payable	Capital	Rev	Exp. –	Div.	_
(1)	+€15,000				+	€15,000				Issued Shares
(2)	-7,000			+€7,000						
(3)			+€1,600		+€1,600					
(4)	+1,200						+€1,200			Service Revenue
(5)					+250			-€250		Adver. Expense
(6)	+1,500	+€2,000					+3,500			Service Revenue
(7)	-1,700							-600		Rent Expense
								-900		Sal./Wages Exp.
								-200		Utilities Expense
(8)	-250				-250					
(9)										
(10)										

Transaction (10). Dividends. The corporation pays a dividend of €1,300 in cash.

Illustration 1-10

		As	sets		= <u>Liabilities</u> +		Equi	ity	_
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(2)	+€15,000 -7,000			+€7,000		€15,000			Issued Shares
(3) (4) (5)	+1,200		+€1,600		+€1,600 +250		+€1,200	-€2 50	Service Revenue Adver. Expense
(6) (7)	+1,500 -1,700	+€2,000					+3,500	-600	Service Revenue Rent Expense
(8)	-250				-250			-900 -200	Sal./Wages Exp. Utilities Expense
(9) (10)	+600	-600			230				

Companies prepare four financial statements:



Question

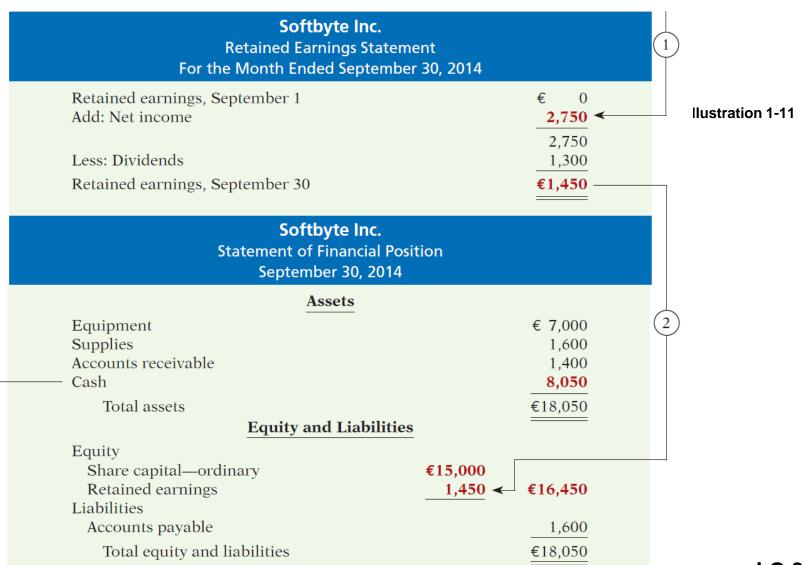
Net income will result during a time period when:

- a. assets exceed liabilities.
- b. assets exceed revenues.
- c. expenses exceed revenues.
- d.) revenues exceed expenses.

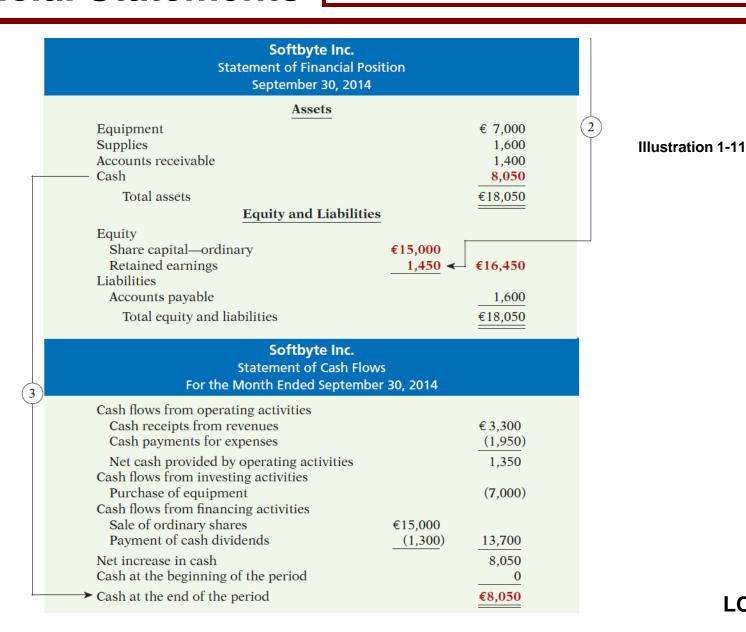
Net income is needed to determine the ending balance in retained earnings.

Softbyte Ir Income Stater For the Month Ended Sep	ment	
Revenues Service revenue Expenses Salaries and wages expense Rent expense Advertising expense Utilities expense Total expenses Net income	€900 600 250 200	
Softbyte Ir Retained Earnings S For the Month Ended Sep	Statement	
Retained earnings, September 1 Add: Net income Less: Dividends		€ 0 2,750 < 2,750 1,300
Retained earnings, September 30		<u>€1,450</u>

The ending balance in retained earnings is needed in preparing the balance sheet



The balance sheet and income statement are needed to prepare statement of cash flows.



Question

Which of the following financial statements is prepared as of a specific date?

- a. Statement of financial position.
 - b. Income statement.
 - c. Retained earnings statement.
 - d. Statement of cash flows.

APPENDIX 1A ACCOUNTING CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Public Accounting

Careers in auditing, taxation, and management consulting serving the general public.

Private Accounting

Careers in industry working in cost accounting, budgeting, accounting information systems, and taxation.

Government

Careers with the tax authorities, law enforcement agencies, and corporate regulators.

Forensic Accounting

Uses accounting, auditing, and investigative skills to conduct investigations into theft and fraud.

APPENDIX 1A ACCOUNTING CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

"Show Me the Money"

Salary estimates for jobs in public and corporate accounting

Illustration 1A-1

Employer	Jr. Level (0-3 yrs.)	Sr. Level (4–6 yrs.)
Public accounting (large firm)	\$48,750-\$69,250	\$66,750–\$86,000
Public accounting (small firm)	\$41,000-\$56,000	\$54,000-\$69,750
Corporate accounting (large company)	\$38,000-\$57,250	\$55,750-\$73,500
Corporate accounting (small company)	\$33,500–\$49,000	\$46,500–\$58,750

Upper-level management salaries in corporate accounting

Illustration 1A-2

Position	Large Company	Small to Medium Company
Chief financial officer	\$183,250-\$384,000	\$94,250-\$175,750
Corporate controller	\$122,000-\$180,000	\$80,500-\$134,750
Tax manager	\$ 92,250–\$130,250	\$74,250–\$100,250

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