An Introduction to Financial Accounting

Summary of Common Transactions and Accounts

Examples of Common Transactions

- The following slides review the most commonly-used accounts and shows the transactions that generally affect these accounts
- Note that you will learn additional transactions for many of these accounts later on—these are just the basic transactions
- Also, there are additional accounts that we will learn later on—this is the basic set to get you started.

Typical Current Assets

Cash

Marketable Securities (short-term, liquid investments)

Accounts Receivable (amounts owed by customers on sales)

Notes Receivable (amounts owed by noncustomers on loans)

Interest Receivable (accrued revenue not yet received in cash)

Inventory (costs of goods available for sale)

Prepaid Expenses (rent, insurance, etc.—deferred expenses)

Accounts Receivable

Sell products to customers

Dr. Accounts Receivable (+A) 100

Cr. Sales (+R, +SE)

100

80

Collect cash from customers

Dr. Cash (+A)

80

Cr. Accounts Receivable (-A)

Accounts Receivable

Beg. Balance	1,000		
Sales (Revenue)	100	80	Collections (Cash)
End. Balance	1,020		

Notes Receivable

Lend money

Dr. Notes Receivable (+A) 100

Cr. Cash (-A) 100

Collect cash principal on loan

Dr. Cash (+A) 100

Cr. Notes Receivable (-A) 100

Notes Receivable

Beg. Balance	1,000		
Cash payment	100	100	Collect Cash Principal
End. Balance	1,000		

Interest Receivable (Accrued Revenue)

Recognize accrued interest receivable on a loan

Dr. Interest Receivable (+A) 100

Cr. Interest Revenue (+R, +SE) 100

Collect cash for interest

Dr. Cash (+A)

80

Cr. Interest Receivable (-A)

80

Interest Receivable

Beg. Balance	1,000		
Accrued Revenue	100	80	Collection in Cash
End. Balance	1,020		

Inventory

Purchase inventory

Dr. Inventory (+A)

100

Cr. Accounts Payable (+L) or Cash (-A) 100

Sell inventory

Dr. Cost of Goods Sold (+E, -SE) 80

Cr. Inventory (-A)

80

Inventory

Beg. Balance 1,000	
Purchases (Cash or AP) 100	80 Sales (COGS Expense)
End. Balance 1,020	

Prepaid Expenses

Pay for rent (or other expense) in advance of use

Dr. Prepaid Rent (+A)

100

Cr. Cash (-A)

100

Occupy space and recognize expense

Dr. Rent Expense (+E, -SE)

80

Cr. Prepaid Rent (-A)

80

Prepaid Rent

Beg. Balance	1,000		
Prepayment (Cash)	100	80	Recognize Expense
End. Balance	1,020		

Typical Long-Term Assets

Land (tangible asset, not depreciated)

Buildings, Equipment (tangible assets that are depreciated)

Accumulated Depreciation (contra asset—sum of past depreciation)

Investments (long-term investments)

Notes Receivable (could also be noncurrent)

Intangible assets (patents, goodwill, etc.)

Land

 Purchase Land 	
Dr. Land (+A)	100
Cr. Cash (-A) or Note	s payable (+L) 100
 Sell Land (assumes no ga 	ain or loss on sale)
Dr. Cash (+A)	100
Cr. Land (-A)	100
(note: no depreciation on	Land)
La	nd
Beg. Balance 1,000	
Purchase (Cash or NP) 100	100 Cash Sales (Not Revenue!)
End. Balance 1,000	

Buildings & Equipment

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    Purchase Buildings & Equipment

  Dr. Buildings & Equipment (+A)
                                         100
      Cr. Cash (-A) or Notes payable (+L)
                                                100

    Sell Bldgs & Equip (assumes no gain/loss on sale)

  Dr. Cash (+A)
                                            20
  Dr. Accumulated Depreciation (-XA, +A) 80
      Cr. Buildings & Equipment (-A)
                                                100
                  Buildings and Equipment
                    1,000
Beg. Balance
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100

1,000

100 Cash Sales (Not Revenue!)

Purchase (Cash)

End. Balance

Accumulated Depreciation (XA)

Recognize Depreciation Expense (period cost)

Dr. Depreciation Expense (+E, -SE) 10

Cr. Accumulated Depreciation (+XA, -A) 10

Sell Buildings & Equipment (no gain/loss)

Dr. Cash (+A)

20

Dr. Accumulated Depreciation (-XA, +A) 80

Cr. Buildings & Equipment (-A)

100

Accumulated Depreciation

		1,000	Beg. Balance
Sales of Bld & Equip	80	10	Depreciation Expense
		930	End. Balance

Intangible Assets

Purchase Patent

Dr. Patent (+A)

100

Cr. Cash (-A)

100

Recognize Amortization Expense (period cost)

Dr. Amortization Expense (+E, -SE) 10

Cr. Patent (-A)

10

Patents

Beg. Balance	0		
Purchase (Cash)	100	10	Amortization
End. Balance	90		

Typical Liabilities

Accounts Payable (amounts owed to suppliers on purchases)

Notes Payable (or mortgage payable—amounts owed to creditors [banks] on loans—could be current or noncurrent)

Accrued Payables (or Accrued Expenses) (wages, salaries, interest, dividends, taxes, warranties, etc.—accrued expenses not yet paid in cash)

Unearned Revenue (also advances from customers—deferred revenues)

Accounts Payable

Purchase inventory (or another asset) on account

Dr. Inventory (+A)

100

Cr. Accounts Payable (+L)

100

Pay cash to supplier

Dr. Accounts Payable (-L)

80

Cr. Cash (-A)

80

Accounts Payable

		1,000	Beg. Balance
Payments (Cash)	80	100 Purcha	ases (Receive Asset)
		1,020	End. Balance

Notes Payable

Borrow money on a loan from a bank/creditor

Dr. Cash (+A) 100

Cr. Notes Payable (+L) 100

Pay cash principal to creditor

Dr. Notes Payable (-L) 80

Cr. Cash (-A) 80

Notes Payable

		1,000	Beg. Balance
Repayments (Cash)	80	100	Receive Cash
		1,020	End. Balance

Accrued Payables – Settled in Cash

Recognized expense for unpaid wages (or other Exp.)

Dr. Wages Expense (+E, -SE) 100

Cr. Wages Payable (+L) 100

Pay cash to satisfy liability

Dr. Wages Payable (-L) 80

Cr. Cash (-A) 80

Wages Payable

		1,000	Beg. Balance
Payments (Cash)	80	100	Recognize Expense
		1,020	End. Balance

Accrued Payables – Settled with Goods

Recognized expense for warranties at time of sale

Dr. Warranties Expense (+E, -SE) 100

Cr. Warranties Payable (+L)

100

Delivery new inventory to satisfy liability

Dr. Warranties Payable (-L)

80

Cr. Inventory (-A)

80

Wages Payable

		1,000	Beg. Balance
Deliver inventory	80	100	Recognize Expense
		1,020	End. Balance

Unearned Revenues

Receive cash in advance of delivering goods/services

Dr. Cash (+A) 100

Cr. Unearned Revenue (+L) 100

Recognized revenue upon delivery

Dr. Unearned Revenue (-L) 80

Cr. Revenue (+R, +SE) 80

Unearned Revenue

		1,000	Beg. Balance
Delivery (Revenue)	80	100	Receive cash
		1,020	End. Balance

Typical Stockholders Equity

Common Stock (at Par) (Shares issued times par value)

Additional Paid-in-Capital (Shares issued times [market price – par value])

Retained Earnings (Equals prior retained earnings plus revenues minus expenses minus dividends)

Common Stock at Par

• Issue 100 shares of \$1 par value stock for \$10/share

Dr. Cash (+A)

1000

Cr. Common Stock (+SE)

100

Cr. Additional Paid-In-Capital (+SE)

900

Common Stock

1,000	Beg. Balance
100	Receive Cash
1,100	End. Balance

Additional Paid-in-Capital

• Issue 100 shares of \$1 par value stock for \$10/share

Dr. Cash (+A)

1000

Cr. Common Stock (+SE)

100

Cr. Additional Paid-In-Capital (+SE)

900

Additional Paid-in-Capital

1,000	Beg. Balance
900	Receive Cash
1,900	End. Balance

Retained Earnings

 Declare dividends Dr. Retained Earnings (-SE) Cr. Cash (-A) or Dividends Payable (+L) 				10		
 Close Revenue account Dr. Revenue Account Cr. Retained E 	100	100				
 Close Expense accounts Dr. Retained Earnings (-SE) Cr. Expense Accounts (-E, +SE) 			80	80		
Retained Earnings						
Declare dividends	10	1,000	Beg. Balance			
Close Expenses	80	100	Close Revenues			
1,0		1,010	End. Balance			