

# ACC250: Intro to Financial Accounting

## Ch2. The Balance Sheet

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Three different types of business activities:

① Financing - The raising and repayment of capital.

- ▶ Selling stocks to shareholders
- ▶ Borrowing money from banks
- ▶ Paying dividends to shareholders

② Investing - The purchase of assets that are not part of the core business.

- ▶ Buying equipment
- ▶ Buying land
- ▶ Buying a new building

③ Operating - The core activities of a business that generate revenue (incl. R & E).

- ▶ Selling products
- ▶ Buying supplies
- ▶ Paying employees' salaries
- ▶ Paying rent for office space

## Business Activities - Classification exercise

- **F I O:** Choose F (Financing), I (Investing), or O (Operating).
- **NI:** O if the activity affects Net Income (through Revenue or Expense), otherwise X.

Business Activities	F	I	O	NI
Two owners of the NoodleCake decided to contribute \$5,000 each.	F		X	
NoodleCake received \$20,000 cash in exchange for its promise to repay the loan in two years.	F		X	
NoodleCake purchased a logo by paying \$300 cash to a designer.	I		X	
NoodleCake bought \$9,600 of Equipment on credit.	I		X	
NoodleCake paid \$1,000 cash to employees for salaries.	O		(-)	
NoodleCake received \$2,000 cash from customers for products sold.	O		(+)	

## Transactions

Financial activities that involve the exchange of goods, services, or money.

- All transactions affect the basic accounting equation: A = L + SHE.
- Two types:
  - ▶ Operating activities: Affect NI (mainly covered in Ch3).
  - ▶ Financing and Investing activities: Do not affect NI (covered in Ch2).
- **Activities but not transactions:**
  - ▶ Promising to hire employees
  - ▶ Exchange of stocks between shareholders

## A chart of accounts

A company manages its own **chart of accounts** to record transactions.

Examples of common accounts:

Account	Class	Definition
Cash	A	Money available for immediate use, including currency, coins, and balances in checking and savings accounts.
Supplies	A	Items used in the course of business operations that are expected to be consumed within a short period.
Equipment	A	Long-term assets such as machinery, computers, or vehicles used in business operations.
Logo and Trademarks	A	Intangible assets representing the company's brand identity and legally protected symbols or names.
Software	A	Computer programs and applications owned or licensed by the company for business use.
Accounts Payable	L	Amounts the company owes to suppliers for goods or services purchased on credit.
Notes Payable	L	Written promises to pay a specific amount of money at a future date, often with interest.
Common Stock	SHE	The basic ownership shares issued to investors, representing ownership in the company.
Retained Earnings	SHE	Cumulative net income that has been kept in the company rather than distributed to shareholders as dividends.

Each transaction has at least two effects on the basic accounting equation:

- $A = L + SHE$

Analyze the effects of the following transactions:

Business Activities	A	L	SHE
1. Two owners of the NoodleCake decided to contribute \$5,000 each.	+		+
2. NoodleCake received \$20,000 cash in exchange for its promise to repay the loan in two years.	±	±	
3. NoodleCake purchased a logo by paying \$300 cash to a designer.	+/-		
4. NoodleCake bought \$9,600 of Equipment on credit.	±	±	
5. NoodleCake paid \$1,000 cash to employees for salaries.	-		-
6. NoodleCake received \$2,000 cash from customers for products sold.	±		±

## Debit/Credit Framework: 1. What are Debit and Credit?

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**Debit(DR): Left**

**Credit (CR): Right**

$$A = L + \mathbf{SHE}$$

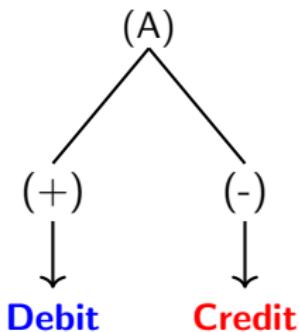


Those on  
the **left-hand** side:  
Debit Accounts

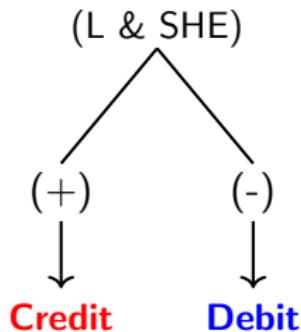


Those on  
the **right-hand** side:  
Credit Accounts

### Debit accounts



### Credit accounts



- When **Debit** accounts increase: **Debit**.
- When **Debit** accounts decrease: **Credit**.
- When **Credit** accounts increase: **Credit**.
- When **Credit** accounts decrease: **Debit**.

	A	L	SHE
<b>Debit / Credit account</b>	<u>Debit acc.</u>	<u>Credit acc.</u>	<u>Credit acc.</u>
<b>Increase</b>	<u>D (L)</u>	<u>C (R)</u>	<u>C (R)</u>
<b>Decrease</b>	<u>C (R)</u>	<u>D (L)</u>	<u>D (L)</u>

**EX.** Prepare journal entries for the following transactions under the debit/credit framework:

- ① Two owners of NoodleCake each contributed \$5,000.

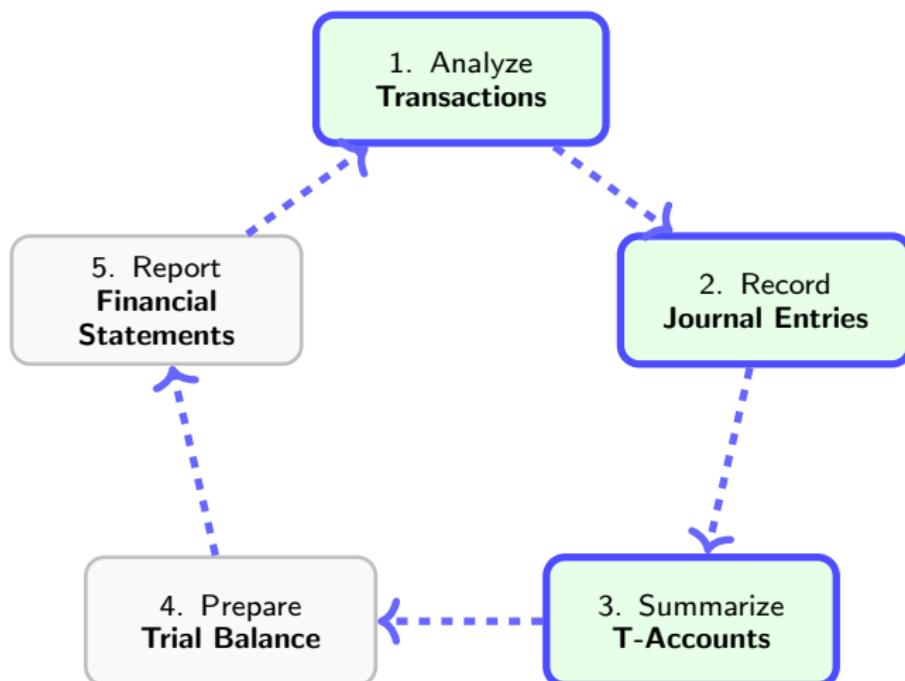
Cash (+A)	10,000
Common Stock (+SHE)	10,000

- ② Noodlecake pays \$300 cash to create the company's logo.

Logo and Trademarks (+A)	300
Cash (-A)	300

# Accounting Cycle

A systematic accounting process is used to capture and report the financial effects of a company's transactions.



*Note: Steps 1–3 are covered in this chapter.*

## Step 1. Analyze Transactions

### Questions for Every Transaction

- ① Is it a transaction?
- ② Which accounts are affected?
- ③ How are they affected? (increase or decrease)

**Example:** You bought \$500 worth of supplies and paid cash.

- Transaction? It affects the basic accounting equation, so it's a transaction.
- What accounts? Supplies (Asset) and Cash (Asset) are affected.
- How affected? Supplies increases, Cash decreases.

A	= L	+ SHE
<u>Supplies +500</u>		
<u>Cash -500</u>		

## Step 1. Analyze Transactions - Examples

- ① Two owners of the NoodleCake decided to contribute \$5,000 each.

A	= L	+ SHE
<u>Cash +10,000</u>		<u>Common Stock +10,000</u>

- ② NoodleCake received \$20,000 cash in exchange for its promise to repay the loan in two years.

A	= L	+ SHE
<u>Cash +20,000</u>		<u>Notes Payable +20,000</u>

- ③ NoodleCake bought \$9,600 of Equipment on credit.

A	= L	+ SHE
<u>Equipment +9,600</u>		<u>Accounts Payable +9,600</u>

## Step 2. Record Journal Entries

**EX.** Consider the following transactions. Prepare journal entries for each:

- ① Two owners of NoodleCake each contributed \$5,000.

Cash (+A)	10,000
Common Stock (+SHE)	10,000

- ② Noodlecake pays \$300 cash to create the company's logo.

Logo and Trademarks (+A)	300
Cash (-A)	300

- ③ NoodleCake received \$20,000 cash in exchange for a promise to repay the loan in 2 years.

Cash (+A)	20,000
Notes Payable (+L)	20,000

- ④ Noodlecake purchases and receives \$9,600 in equipment (e.g., computers), in exchange for its promise to pay \$9,600 at the end of the month.

Equipment (+A)	9,600
Accounts Payable (+L)	9,600

- 5 Noodlecake pays \$5,000 to the equipment supplier in (d).

Accounts Payable (-L)	5,000
Cash (-A)	5,000

- 6 Noodlecake signs a contract with a programmer for program code for the Enchanted World game app for \$9,000. No code has been received yet.

No journal entries required.

- 7 Noodlecake receives the \$9,000 of app game code ordered in (f), pays \$4,000 cash, and promises to pay the remaining \$5,000 next month.

Software (+A)	9,000
Cash (-A)	4,000
Accounts Payable (+L)	5,000

- 8 Noodlecake receives supplies costing \$600 on account.

Supplies (+A)	600
Accounts Payable (+L)	600

## Step 3. Summarize T-Accounts

### Ledger Accounts, T-Accounts, and General Ledger

- Transactions are posted to (i.e., summarized by) ([Ledger Accounts](#)).
- A complete list of Ledger Accounts is called [General Ledger](#).
- [T-account](#) is a visual representation of the (Ledger Accounts).
- We use T-accounts in this course.

Cash	
Beg. 0	
(a) <u>10,000</u>	<u>300</u> (b)
(c) <u>20,000</u>	<u>5,000</u> (e)
	<u>4,000</u> (g)
End. <u>20,700</u>	

## Step 3. Summarize T-Accounts

### Balances of T-accounts

- **Debit** accounts have normally **debit** balances.
- **Credit** accounts have normally **credit** balances.

### How to get transactions (in journal entries) posted to T-accounts?

- Get the **beginning balance** of the T-account from the previous period.
- For each account, go through transactions that affect the account.
  - ▶ For those with **debit** values, add the **debit** value to the T-account.
  - ▶ For those with **credit** values, add the **credit** value to the T-account.
- Get the **ending balance** of the T-account.

<u>Asset Accounts</u>		<u>Liab. Accounts</u>	<u>SHE. Accounts</u>	
Beg. Bal.			Beg. Bal.	
End. Bal.	=		+	End. Bal.

### Step 3. Summarize T-Accounts

ASSETS	
<b>Cash</b>	
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Beg. 0	
(a) 10,000	300 (b)
(c) 20,000	5,000 (e)
	4,000 (g)
<b>End. 20,700</b>	
<b>Supplies</b>	
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Beg. 0	
(h) 600	
<b>End. 600</b>	
<b>Equipment</b>	
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Beg. 0	
(d) 9,600	
<b>End. 9,600</b>	
<b>Logo &amp; Trademarks</b>	
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Beg. 0	
(b) 300	
<b>End. 300</b>	
<b>Software</b>	
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Beg. 0	
(g) 9,000	
<b>End. 9,000</b>	

LIABILITIES	
<b>Accounts Payable</b>	
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Beg. 0	
(e) 5,000	9,600 (d)
	5,000 (g)
	600 (h)
	<b>End. 10,200</b>
<b>Notes Payable</b>	
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Beg. 0	
	20,000 (c)
	<b>End. 20,000</b>
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	
<b>Common Stock</b>	
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Beg. 0	
	10,000 (a)
	<b>End. 10,000</b>

## Step 4. Prepare Trial Balance

- Take all the debits and credits from the T-Accounts
- Put them in the Trial Balance.
- Calculate the total debits and credits.
- Check if the **total debits** equal the **total credits**.
- **If it does not, there is an error in the journal entries.**

Account Title	Debit (\$)	Credit (\$)
Cash	<u>20,700</u>	
Supplies	<u>600</u>	
Equipment	<u>9,600</u>	
Logo & Trademarks	<u>300</u>	
Software	<u>9,000</u>	
Accounts Payable		<u>10,200</u>
Notes Payable		<u>20,000</u>
Common Stock		<u>10,000</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>40,200</u></b>	<b><u>40,200</u></b>

## Step 4. Prepare Trial Balance

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- If the total debits do not equal the total credits, there's an error in the journal entries.
- If the total debits equal the total credits, the journal entries are likely correct.
- Having the same balances does not guarantee the journal entries are correct.

- **Assets** are grouped into **current assets** and **non-current assets**.
  - ▶ **Current assets**: those expected to be converted to cash or used up within 1 year (e.g., Cash, Supplies).
  - ▶ **Non-current assets**: those expected to provide benefits for more than 1 year (e.g., Equipment, Logo & Trademarks, Software).
  
- **Liabilities** are grouped into **current liabilities** and **non-current liabilities**.
  - ▶ **Current liabilities**: those expected to be paid within 1 year (e.g., Accounts Payable, Notes Payable).
  - ▶ **Non-current liabilities**: those expected to be paid more than 1 year from now (e.g., Notes Payable).

# Classified Balance Sheet

NoodleCake Studio, Inc.  
Balance Sheet  
As of August 31, 20XX

<b>Assets</b>	
Current Assets	
Cash	\$20,700
Supplies	600
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>\$21,300</b>
Equipment	9,600
Logo & Trademarks	300
Software	9,000
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$40,200</b>
<b>Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity</b>	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	\$10,200
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>\$10,200</b>
Notes Payable	20,000
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>\$30,200</b>
Stockholders' Equity	
Common Stock	\$10,000
Retained Earnings	\$0
<b>Total Stockholders' Equity</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>
<b>Total Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity</b>	<b>\$40,200</b>

## Current Ratio

A measure of a company's ability to pay its short-term obligations.

Calculated as:  $\frac{\text{Current Assets}}{\text{Current Liabilities}}$

- Current Ratio > 1: the company is able to pay its current liabilities.
- Current Ratio < 1: the company is **not** able to pay its current liabilities.

**EX.** From the previous example:

- Current assets: \$21,300
- Current liabilities: \$10,200
- Current Ratio:  $\frac{\$21,300}{\$10,200} = 2.09$
- Implications: The company is able to pay its current liabilities (to suppliers, employees, etc.) using its current assets (e.g., Cash, Accounts Receivable).

### Cost Principle

Assets are initially recorded at their **acquisition cost**, which includes all costs necessary to acquire the asset and prepare it for its intended use.

- Asset values are initially determined by the **cost principle**.  
(i.e., how much the company paid to acquire the assets.)
- **Not** the current market value of the assets.
- Subsequently, the value is adjusted for depreciation and other factors.  
(will be covered later.)

**EX.** Think about this:

- The firm paid \$9,600 to acquire the equipment.
  - ▶ Historical acquisition cost: \$9,600 (following the **cost principle**).
- To buy the same one today, the firm would need to pay \$10,000.
  - ▶ Current market value: \$10,000.
- Historical acquisition cost is **not** the current market value of the asset.
- In B/S, the asset value is the **historical acquisition cost**.