

4 Completing the Accounting Cycle

Learning Objectives

After studying this chapter, you should be able to:

- [1] Prepare a worksheet.
- [2] Explain the process of closing the books.
- [3] Describe the content and purpose of a post-closing trial balance.
- [4] State the required steps in the accounting cycle.
- [5] Explain the approaches to preparing correcting entries.
- [6] Identify the sections of a classified balance sheet.

Preview of Chapter 4

COMPLETING THE ACCOUNTING CYCLE Summary of the **Classified Balance Sheet Using a Worksheet Closing the Books Accounting Cycle** Reversing entries—An Preparing closing entries Steps in preparation Current assets optional step Preparing financial Posting closing entries Long-term investments · Correcting entries—An statements Preparing a post-closing · Property, plant, and avoidable step trial balance Preparing adjusting equipment entries Intangible assets Current liabilities Long-term liabilities Owner's equity

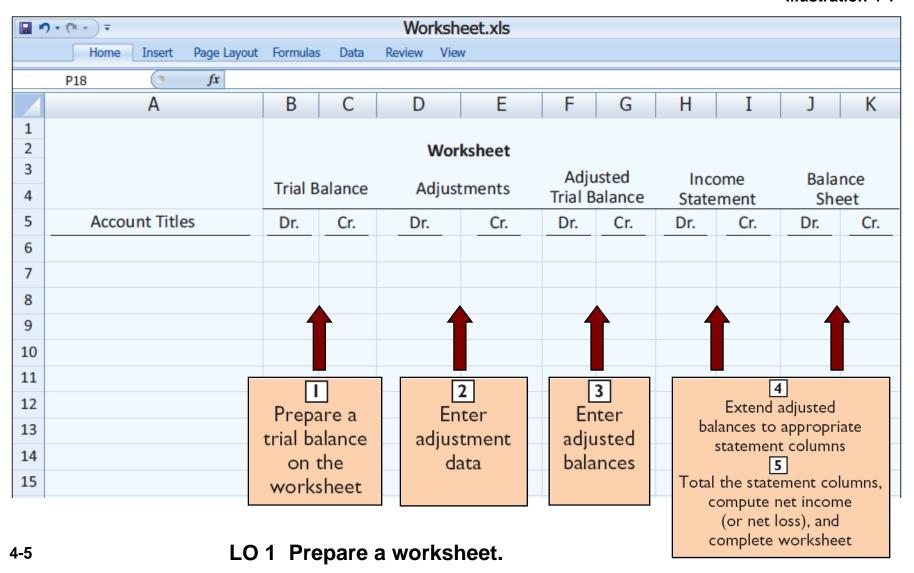
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Using a Worksheet

Steps in Preparing a Worksheet

- Multiple-column form used in preparing financial statements.
- Not a permanent accounting record.
- Five step process.
- Use of worksheet is optional.

Illustration 4-1



1. Prepare a Trial Balance on the Worksheet Illustration 4-2 Adjusted Income **Trial Balance Trial Balance** Statement **Balance Sheet** Adjustments **Account Titles** Dr. Cr. Dr. Cr. Dr. Cr. Dr. Cr. Dr. Cr. 15,200 Cash **Supplies** 2.500 **Prepaid Insurance** 600 Office Equipment 5,000 **Notes Payable** 5,000 **Accounts Payable** 2,500 **Unearned Revenue** 1,200 **Owner's Capital** 10,000 500 **Owner's Drawing** Service Revenue 10,000 Salaries Expense 4,000 Rent Expense 900 **Totals** 28,700 28,700 Trial balance amounts come directly from ledger accounts. Include all accounts

with balances.

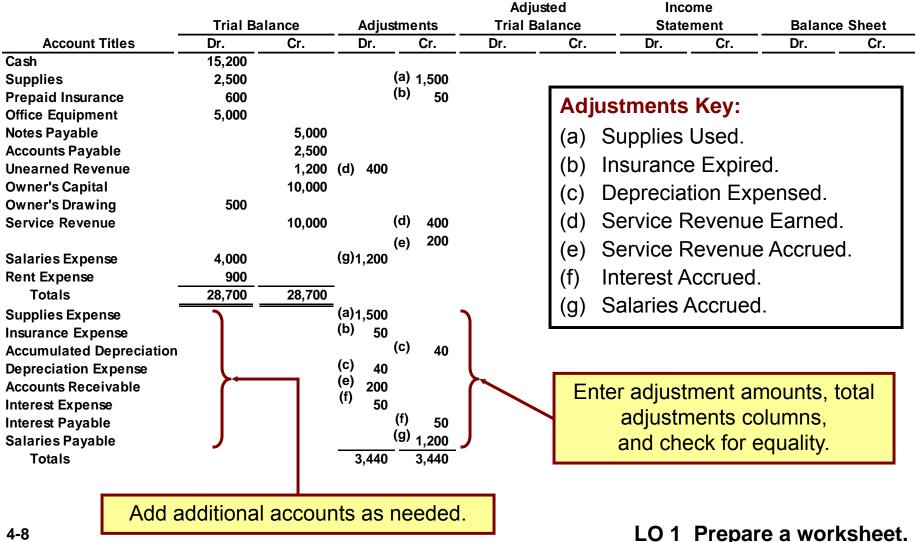
Illustration 3-23
General journal
showing adjusting
entries

Adjusting Journal Entries

(Chapter 3)

	General Journal			J2
Date	Account Titles and Explanation	Ref.	Debit	Credit
2014	Adjusting Entries			
Oct. 31	Supplies Expense Supplies (To record supplies used)	631 126	1,500	1,500
31	Insurance Expense Prepaid Insurance (To record insurance expired)	722 130	50	50
31	Depreciation Expense Accumulated Depreciation—Equipment (To record monthly depreciation)	711 158	40	40
31	Unearned Service Revenue Service Revenue (To record revenue for services performed)	209 400	400	400
31	Accounts Receivable Service Revenue (To record revenue for services performed)	112 400	200	200
31	Interest Expense Interest Payable (To record interest on notes payable)	905 230	50	50
31	Salaries and Wages Expense Salaries and Wages Payable (To record accrued salaries and wages)	726 212	1,200	1,200

2. Enter the Adjustments in the Adjustments Columns



3. Complete the Adjusted Trial Balance Columns

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<u> </u>	Trial Ba		- 	stme		Trial Ba			ment		e Sheet
Account Titles	Dr.	Cr.	Dr.		Cr.	Dr.	Cr.	Dr.	Cr.	Dr.	Cr.
Cash	15,200					15,200					
Supplies	2,500			(a) ⁻	1,500	1,000					
Prepaid Insurance	600			(b)	50	550					
Office Equipment	5,000					5,000					
Notes Payable		5,000					5,000				
Accounts Payable		2,500					2,500				
Unearned Revenue		1,200	(d) 400				800				
Owner's Capital		10,000					10,000				
Owner's Drawing	500					500					
Service Revenue		10,000		(d)	400		10,600				
				(e)	200						
Salaries Expense	4,000		(g)1,200			5,200					
Rent Expense	900		·			900					
Totals	28,700	28,700	_								
Supplies Expense			(a)1,500			1,500					
Insurance Expense			(b) 50			50					
Accumulated Depreciation				(c)	40		40				
Depreciation Expense			(c) 40			40					
Accounts Receivable			(e) 200 (f) 50			200					
Interest Expense			(f) 50			50					
Interest Payable				(f)	50		50				
Salaries Payable				(g) .	1,200		1,200				
Totals			3,440		3,440	30,190	30,190				

Total the adjusted trial balance columns and check for equality.

4. Extend Amounts to Financial Statement Columns

					Adjus	ted	Inco	me		
	Trial Ba	lance	Adju	stments	Trial Ba	lance	State	ment	Balance	e Sheet
Account Titles	Dr.	Cr.	Dr.	Cr.	Dr.	Cr.	Dr.	Cr.	Dr.	Cr.
Cash	15,200				15,200		,			
Supplies	2,500			(a) 1,500	1,000					
Prepaid Insurance	600			(b) ₅₀	550					
Office Equipment	5,000				5,000					
Notes Payable		5,000				5,000				
Accounts Payable		2,500				2,500				
Unearned Revenue		1,200	(d) 400			800				
Owner's Capital		10,000				10,000				
Owner's Drawing	500				500					
Service Revenue		10,000		(d) 400		10,600		10,600		
				(e) 200						
Salaries Expense	4,000		(g)1,200		5,200		5,200			
Rent Expense	900				900		900			
Totals	28,700	28,700	-							
Supplies Expense			(a)1,500		1,500		1,500			
Insurance Expense			(b) 50		50		50			
Accumulated Depreciation				(c) 40		40				
Depreciation Expense			(c) 40		40		40			
Accounts Receivable			(e) 200		200					
Interest Expense			(f) 50		50		50			
Interest Payable				(f) ₅₀		50				
Salaries Payable				(g) _{1,200}		1,200				
Totals			3,440		30,190	30,190	7,740	10,600		

Extend all revenue and expense account balances to the income statement columns.

5. Total Columns, Compute Net Income (Loss)

	Trial Ba	lance	Δdius	stments	Adjus Trial Ba		Inco Stater	_	Balance	Sheet
Account Titles	Dr.	Cr.	Dr.	Cr.	Dr.	Cr.	Dr.	Cr.	Dr.	Cr.
Cash	15,200		-		15,200				15,200	
Supplies	2,500			(a) 1,500	1,000				1,000	
Prepaid Insurance	600			(b) ₅₀	550				550	
Office Equipment	5,000				5,000				5,000	
Notes Payable		5,000				5,000				5,000
Accounts Payable		2,500				2,500				2,500
Unearned Revenue		1,200	(d) 400			800				800
Owner's Capital		10,000				10,000				10,000
Owner's Drawing	500				500				500	
Service Revenue		10,000		(d) 400		10,600		10,600		
				(e) 200						
Salaries Expense	4,000		(g)1,200	•	5,200		5,200			
Rent Expense	900				900		900			
Totals	28,700	28,700	_							
Supplies Expense			(a) _{1,500}		1,500		1,500			
Insurance Expense			(b) 50		[´] 50		50			
Accumulated Depreciation				(c) 40		40				40
Depreciation Expense			(c) 40		40		40			
Accounts Receivable			(e) 200 (f) 50		200				200	
Interest Expense			^(f) 50		50		50			
Interest Payable				(f) 50		50				50
Salaries Payable				(g) _{1,200}		1,200				1,200
Totals			3,440	3,440	30,190	30,190	7,740	10,600	22,450	19,590
Net Income			,	•			2,860			→ 2,860
Totals						. -	10,600	10,600	22,450	22,450
	Compi	ıta Nat	Incom	e or Net	Loss	⁻		 -		,

Compute Net Income or Net Loss

LO 1 Prepare a worksheet.

Review Question

Net income is shown on a worksheet in the:

- a. income statement debit column only.
- b. balance sheet debit column only.
- c. income statement credit column and balance sheet debit column.
- d. income statement debit column and balance sheet credit column.

Using a Worksheet

Preparing Statements from a Worksheet

- Income statement is prepared from the income statement columns.
- Balance sheet and owner's equity statement are prepared from the balance sheet columns.
- Companies journalize and post adjusting entries.

Preparing Statements from a Worksheet

Illustration 4-4

PIONEER ADVERTISE Income State For the Month Ended O	ment	
Revenues Service revenue		\$10,600
Expenses		, ,
Salaries and wages expense	\$5,200	
Supplies expense	1,500	
Rent expense	900	
Insurance expense	50	
Interest expense	50	
Depreciation expense	40	
Total expenses		7,740
Net income		\$ 2,860

Preparing Statements from a Worksheet

Illustration 4-4

	PIONEER ADVERTISING AGENCY Owner's Equity Statement For the Month Ended October 31, 2014				
Owner's cap Add: Invest Net in		\$10,000 	\$ -0- 12,860 12,860		
Less: Drawi Owner's cap	ings oital, October 31		\$12,360 \$12,360		

Preparing Statements from a Worksheet

PIONEER ADVERTISING AG Balance Sheet October 31, 2014	ENCY	Illustration 4-4
Assets		
Cash		\$15,200
Accounts receivable		200
Supplies		1,000
Prepaid insurance		550
Equipment	\$5,000	
Less: Accumulated depreciation—equipment	40	4,960
Total assets		\$21,910
Liabilities and Owner's Eq	luity	
Liabilities		
Notes payable	\$5,000	
Accounts payable	2,500	
Interest payable	50	
Unearned service revenue	800	
Salaries and wages payable	1,200	
Total liabilities		\$ 9,550
Owner's equity		
Owner's capital		12,360
Total liabilities and owner's equity		\$21,910

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Using a Worksheet

Preparing Adjusting Entries from a Worksheet

- Adjusting entries are prepared from the adjustments columns of the worksheet.
- Journalizing and posting of adjusting entries follows the preparation of financial statements when a worksheet is used.

DO IT!

Susan Elbe is preparing a worksheet. Explain to Susan how she should extend the following adjusted trial balance accounts to the financial statement columns of the worksheet.

Cash Balance sheet (debit column)

Accumulated Depreciation Balance Sheet (credit column)

Accounts Payable Balance Sheet (credit column)

Owner's Drawings Balance sheet (debit column)

Service Revenue Income statement (credit column)

Salaries and Wages Expense Income statement (debit column)

At the end of the accounting period, the company makes the accounts ready for the next period.

Illustration 4-5

TEMPORARY

These accounts are closed

All revenue accounts

All expense accounts

Owner's drawing account

PERMANENT

These accounts are not closed

All liability accounts

Owner's capital account

LO 2 Explain the process of closing the books.

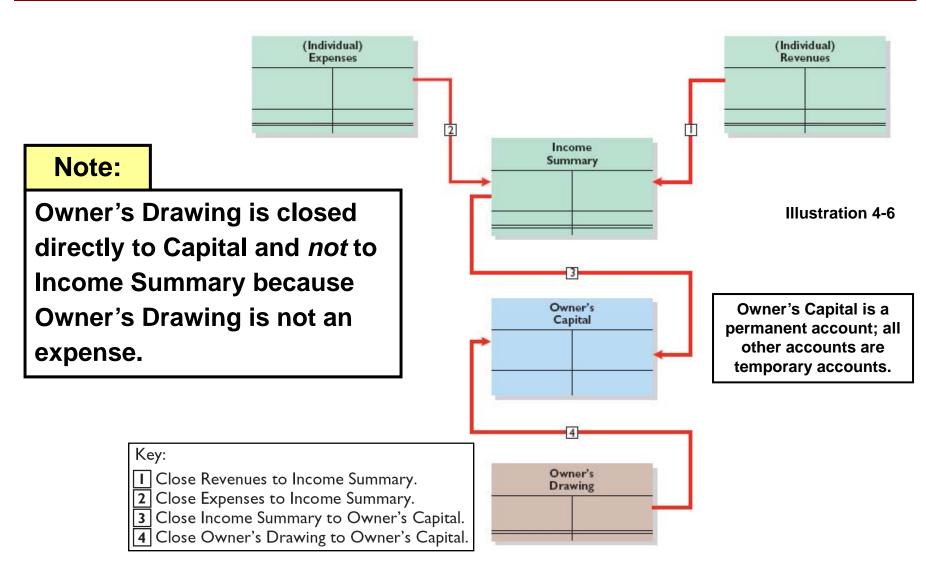
Preparing Closing Entries

Closing entries formally recognize, in the general ledger, the transfer of

- net income (or net loss) and
- owner's drawing

to owner's capital.

Closing entries are only made at the end of the annual accounting period.



LO 2 Explain the process of closing the books.

Closing Entries Illustrated

	GENERAL JOURNAL			J3
Date	Account Titles and Explanation	Ref.	Debit	Credit
	Closing Entries			
2014	(1)			
Oct. 31	Service Revenue	400	10,600	
	Income Summary	350		10,600
	(To close revenue account)			
	(2)			
31	Income Summary	350	7,740	
	Supplies Expense	631		1,500
	Depreciation Expense	711		40
	Insurance Expense	722		50
	Salaries and Wages Expense	726		5,200
	Rent Expense	729		900
	Interest Expense	905		50
	(To close expense accounts)			
	(3)			
31	Income Summary	350	2,860	
	Owner's Capital	301		2,860
	(To close net income to capital)			
	(4)			
31	Owner's Capital	301	500	
	Owner's Drawings	306		500
	(To close drawings to capital)			

Illustration 4-7 Closing entries journalized

Posting Closing Entries

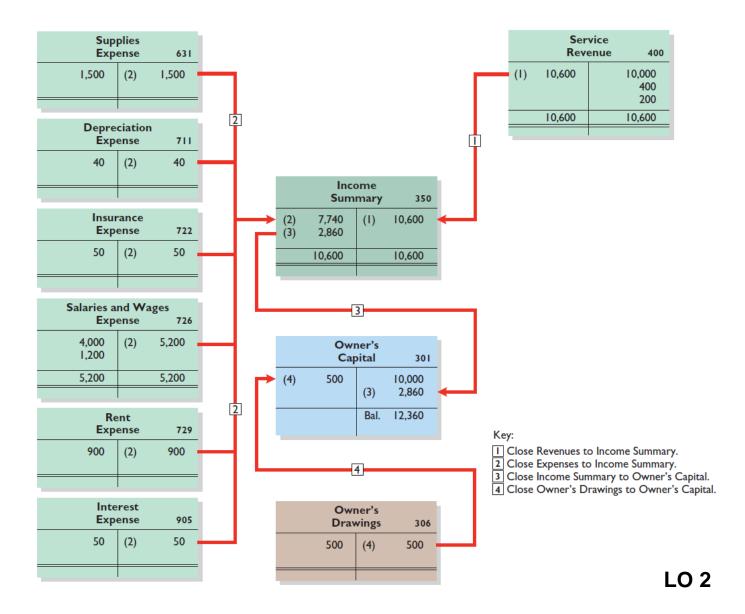


Illustration 4-8

ACCOUNTING ACROSS THE ORGANIZATION



Cisco Performs the Virtual Close

Technology has dramatically shortened the closing process. Recent surveys have reported that the average company now takes only six to seven days to close, rather than 20 days. But a few companies do much better. Cisco Systems can perform a "virtual close"—closing within 24 hours on any day in the quarter. The same is true at Lockheed Martin Corp., which improved its closing time by 85% in just the last few years. Not very long ago, it took 14 to 16 days. Managers at these companies emphasize that this increased speed has not reduced the accuracy and completeness of the data.

This is not just showing off. Knowing exactly where you are financially all of the time allows the company to respond faster than competitors. It also means that the hundreds of people who used to spend 10 to 20 days a quarter tracking transactions can now be more usefully employed on things such as mining data for business intelligence to find new business opportunities.

Source: "Reporting Practices: Few Do It All," Financial Executive (November 2003), p. 11.



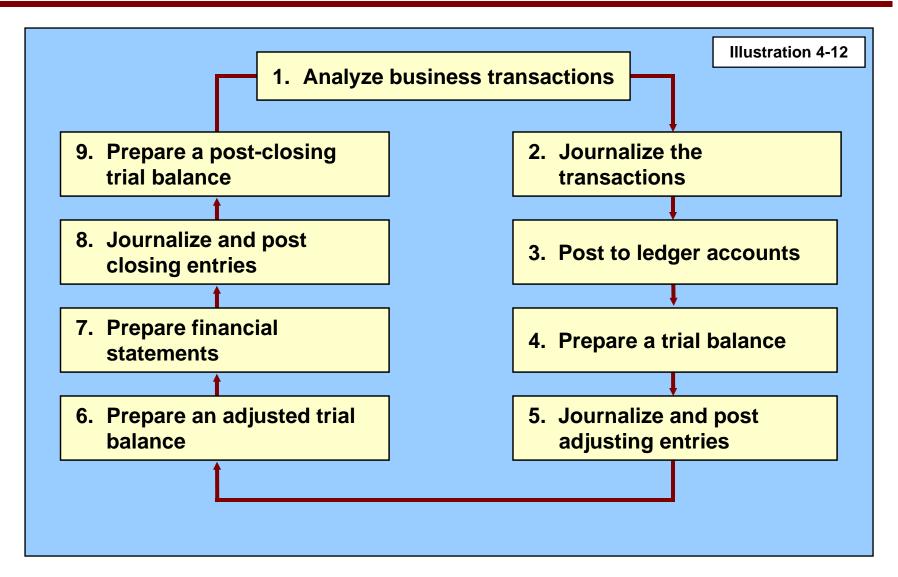
Who else benefits from a shorter closing process? (See page 211.)

Preparing a Post-Closing Trial Balance

Purpose is to prove the equality of the permanent account balances after journalizing and posting of closing entries.

PIONEER ADVERTISING A Post-Closing Trial Balar October 31, 2014	Illustration 4-9	
Cash Accounts Receivable Supplies Prepaid Insurance Equipment Accumulated Depreciation—Equipment Notes Payable Accounts Payable Unearned Service Revenue Salaries and Wages Payable Interest Payable Owner's Capital	Debit \$ 15,200 200 1,000 550 5,000	\$ 40 5,000 2,500 800 1,200 50 12,360 \$21,950

Summary of the Accounting Cycle



LO 4 State the required steps in the accounting cycle.

Summary of the Accounting Cycle

Correcting Entries—An Avoidable Step

- Unnecessary if the records are error-free.
- Made whenever an error is discovered.
- Must be posted before closing entries.

Instead of preparing a correcting entry, it is possible to reverse the incorrect entry and then prepare the correct entry.

Correcting Entries—An Avoidable Step

Illustration (Case 1): On May 10, Mercato Co. journalized and posted a \$50 cash collection on account from a customer as a debit to Cash \$50 and a credit to Service Revenue \$50. The company discovered the error on May 20, when the customer paid the remaining balance in full.

Incorrect	Cash	50	
entry	Service Revenue	•	50
Correct	Cash	50	
entry	Accounts Receivable		50
Correcting	Service Revenue	50	
entry	Accounts Receivable	,	50

LO 5 Explain the approaches to preparing correcting entries.

Correcting Entries—An Avoidable Step

Illustration (Case 2): On May 18, Mercato purchased on account equipment costing \$450. The transaction was journalized and posted as a debit to Equipment \$45 and a credit to Accounts Payable \$45. The error was discovered on June 3,

Incorrect	Equipment	45	
entry	Accounts Payable		45
Correct	Equipment	450	
entry	Accounts Payable		450
Correcting	Equipment	405	
entry	Accounts Payable		405

LO 5 Explain the approaches to preparing correcting entries.

ACCOUNTING ACROSS THE ORGANIZATION



Yale Express Loses Some Transportation Bills

Yale Express, a short-haul trucking firm, turned over much of its cargo to local truckers to complete deliveries. Yale collected the entire delivery charge. When billed by the local trucker, Yale sent payment for the final phase to the local trucker. Yale used a cutoff period of 20 days into the next accounting period in making its adjusting entries for accrued liabilities. That is, it waited 20 days to receive the local truckers' bills to determine the amount of the unpaid but incurred delivery charges as of the balance sheet date.

On the other hand, Republic Carloading, a nationwide, long-distance freight forwarder, frequently did not receive transportation bills from truckers to whom it passed on cargo until months after the year-end. In making its year-end adjusting entries, Republic waited for months in order to include all of these outstanding transportation bills.

When Yale Express merged with Republic Carloading, Yale's vice president employed the 20-day cutoff procedure for both firms. As a result, millions of dollars of Republic's accrued transportation bills went unrecorded. When the company detected the error and made correcting entries, these and other errors changed a reported profit of \$1.14 million into a loss of \$1.88 million!



What might Yale Express's vice president have done to produce more accurate financial statements without waiting months for Republic's outstanding transportation bills? (See page 211.)

- Presents a snapshot at a point in time.
- To improve understanding, companies group similar assets and similar liabilities together.

Standard Classifications

Illustration 4-17

Assets	Liabilities and Owner's Equity
Current assets	Current liabilities
Long-term investments	Long-term liabilities
Property, plant, and equipment	Owner's (Stockholders') equity
Intangible assets	

FRANKLIN COMPANY Balance Sheet October 31, 2014		Illust	ration 4-18		
Current assets Assets					
Cash		\$ 6,600			
Debt investments		2,000			
Accounts receivable		7,000			
Notes receivable		1,000			
Inventory		3,000			
Supplies		2,100			
Prepaid insurance		400			
Total current assets			\$22,100		
Long-term investments					
Stock investments		5,200			
Investment in real estate		2,000	7,200		
Property, plant, and equipment					
Land		10,000			
Equipment	\$24,000				
Less: Accumulated depreciation— equipment	5,000	19,000	29,000		
Intangible assets					
Patents			3,100		
Total assets			\$61,400		

FRANKLIN COMPANY Balance Sheet October 31, 2014	Illust	tration 4-18
Liabilities and Owner's Equity		
Current liabilities		
Notes payable	\$11,000	
Accounts payable	2,100	
Unearned service revenue	900	
Salaries and wages payable	1,600	
Interest payable	450	
Total current liabilities		\$16,050
Long-term liabilities		
Mortgage payable	10,000	
Notes payable	1,300	
Total long-term liabilities		11,300
Total liabilities		27,350
Total habilities		21,330
Owner's equity		
Owner's capital		34,050
Total liabilities and owner's equity		\$61,400

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Current Assets

- Assets that a company expects to convert to cash or use up within one year or the operating cycle, whichever is longer.
- Operating cycle is the average time it takes from the purchase of inventory to the collection of cash from customers.

Current Assets

Illustration 4-19

SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO. Balance Sheet (partial) (in millions)	
Current assets	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$1,390
Short-term investments	369
Accounts receivable	241
Inventories	181
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	420
Total current assets	\$2,601

Usually listed in the order they expect to convert them into cash.

Question

Cash, and other resources that are reasonably expected to be realized in cash or sold or consumed in the business within one year or the operating cycle, are called:

- a. Current assets.
- b. Intangible assets.
- c. Long-term investments.
- d. Property, plant, and equipment.

Long-Term Investments

- Investments in stocks and bonds of other companies.
- Investments in long-term assets such as land or buildings that a company is not currently using in its operating activities.

Illustration 4-20

YAHOO! INC.

Balance Sheet (partial)
(in thousands)

Long-term investments

Investments in securities

\$90,266

Property, Plant, and Equipment

- Long useful lives.
- Currently used in operations.
- Depreciation allocating the cost of assets to a number of years.
- Accumulated depreciation total amount of depreciation expensed thus far in the asset's life.

Alternative Terminology

Property, plant, and equipment is sometimes called *fixed assets* or *plant assets*.

Property, Plant, and Equipment

Illustration 4-21

COOPER TIRE & RUBBER COMPANY Balance Sheet (partial) (in thousands)			
Property, plant, and equipment Land and land improvements Buildings Machinery and equipment Molds, cores, and rings	\$ 41,553 298,706 1,636,091 268,158	\$2,244,508	
Less: Accumulated depreciation		1,252,692 \$ 991,816	

Intangible Assets

Assets that do not have physical substance.

TIME WARNER, INC.	Illustration 4-22	
Balance Sheet (partial) (in millions)		
Intangible assets		
Goodwill	\$40,953	
Film library	2,690	
Customer lists	2,540	
Cable television franchises	38,048	
Sports franchises	262	
Brands, trademarks, and other intangible assets	8,313	
	\$92,806	

Question

Patents and copyrights are

- a. Current assets.
- b. Intangible assets.
- c. Long-term investments.
- d. Property, plant, and equipment.

PEOPLE, PLANET, AND PROFIT INSIGHT



Regaining Goodwill

After falling to unforeseen lows amidst scandals, recalls, and economic crises, the American public's positive perception of the reputation of corporate America is on the rise. Overall corporate reputation is experiencing rehabilitation as the American public gives high marks overall to corporate America, specific industries, and the largest number of individual companies in a dozen years. This is according to the findings of the 2011 Harris Interactive RQ Study, which measures the reputations of the 60 most visible companies in the United States.

The survey focuses on six reputational dimensions that influence reputation and consumer behavior. Four of these dimensions, along with the five corporations that ranked highest within each, are as follows.

- Social Responsibility: (1) Whole Foods Market, (2) Johnson & Johnson, (3) Google, (4) The Walt Disney Company, (5) Procter & Gamble Co.
- Emotional Appeal: (1) Johnson & Johnson, (2) Amazon.com, (3) UPS, (4) General Mills,
 (5) Kraft Foods
- Financial Performance: (1) Google, (2) Berkshire Hathaway, (3) Apple, (4) Intel, (5) The Walt Disney Company
- Products and Services: (1) Intel Corporation, (2) 3M Company, (3) Johnson & Johnson,
 (4) Google, (5) Procter & Gamble Co.

Source: www.harrisinteractive.com.



Name two industries today which are probably rated low on the reputational characteristics of "being trusted" and "having high ethical standards." (See page 212.)

> DO IT!

Baxter Hoffman recently received the following information related to Hoffman Company's December 31, 2014, balance sheet.

Prepaid insurance	\$ 2,300	Inventory	\$3,400
Cash	800	Accumulated depreciation—	

Equipment 2,700 Equipment 10,700

Accounts receivable 1,100

Prepare the asset section of Hoffman Company's balance sheet.

Current assets Total current assets \$ 7,600 Property, plant, and equipment Total assets \$15,600

Current Liabilities

- Obligations company is to pay within the coming year or its operating cycle, whichever is longer.
- Usually list notes payable first, followed by accounts payable. Other items follow in order of magnitude.
- Liquidity ability to pay obligations expected to be due within the next year.

Current Liabilities

Illustration 4-23

MARCUS CORPORATION Balance Sheet (partial) (in thousands)			
Current liabilities			
Notes payable	\$ 239		
Accounts payable	24,242		
Current maturities of long-term debt	57,250		
Other current liabilities	27,477		
Income taxes payable	11,215		
Salaries and wages payable	6,720		
Total current liabilities	\$127,143		

ACCOUNTING ACROSS THE ORGANIZATION



Can a Company Be Too Liquid?

There actually is a point where a company can be too liquid—that is, it can have too much working capital (current assets less current liabilities). While it is important to be liquid enough to be able to pay short-term bills as they come due, a company does not want to tie up its cash in extra inventory or receivables that are not earning the company money.

By one estimate from the REL Consultancy Group, the thousand largest U.S. companies have on their books cumulative excess working capital of \$764 billion. Based on this figure, companies could have reduced debt by 36% or increased net income by 9%. Given that managers throughout a company are interested in improving profitability, it is clear that they should have an eye toward managing working capital. They need to aim for a "Goldilocks solution"—not too much, not too little, but just right.

Source: K. Richardson, "Companies Fall Behind in Cash Management," Wall Street Journal (June 19, 2007).



What can various company managers do to ensure that working capital is managed efficiently to maximize net income? (See page 212.)

Long-Term Liabilities

Total long-term liabilities

Obligations a company expects to pay after one year.

Illustration 4-24

\$40,537

Balance Sheet (partial) (in millions)			
Long-term liabilities			
Long-term debt	\$23,375		
Deferred income taxes	12,015		
Other noncurrent liabilities	5.147		

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Question

Which of the following is not a long-term liability?

- a. Bonds payable
- b. Current maturities of long-term obligations
- c. Long-term notes payable
- d. Mortgages payable

Owner's Equity

Proprietorship - one capital account.

Alternative Terminology

Common stock is sometimes called *capital stock*.

- Partnership capital account for each partner.
- Corporation Capital Stock and Retained Earnings.

NORDSTROM, INC. Balance Sheet (partial) (\$ in thousands)	Illustration 4-25
Stockholders' equity Common stock, 271,331 shares Retained earnings Total stockholders' equity	\$ 685,934 1,406,747 \$2,092,681

Reversing Entries

- It is often helpful to reverse some of the adjusting entries before recording the regular transactions of the next period.
- Companies make a reversing entry at the beginning of the next accounting period.
- Each reversing entry is the exact opposite of the adjusting entry made in the previous period.
- The use of reversing entries does not change the amounts reported in the financial statements.

Illustration: To illustrate the optional use of reversing entries for accrued expenses, we will use the salaries expense transactions for Pioneer Advertising Agency.

- 1. October 26 (initial salary entry): Pioneer pays \$4,000 of salaries earned between October 15 and October 26.
- October 31 (adjusting entry): Salaries earned between October
 and October 31 are \$1,200. The company will pay these in the November 9 payroll.
- 3. November 9 (subsequent salary entry): Salaries paid are \$4,000. Of this amount, \$1,200 applied to accrued wages payable and \$2,800 was earned between November 1 and November 9.

Illustration 4A-1

Without Reversing Entries (per chapter)	With Reversing Entries (per appendix)	
Oct. 26 Salaries and Wages Expense 4,000 4,000	Oct. 26 Initial Salary Entry Same entry	
Adjusting Entry Oct. 31 Salaries and Wages Expense 1,200	Oct. 31 Adjusting Entry Same entry	
Oct. 31 Income Summary 5,200 Salaries and Wages Expense 5,200	Oct. 31 Closing Entry Same entry	
Reversing Entry Nov. 1 No reversing entry is made.	Reversing Entry Nov. 1 Salaries and Wages Payable 1,200 Salaries and Wages Expense 1,200	
Nov. 9 Salaries and Wages Payable 1,200 Salaries and Wages Expense 2,800 4,000	Nov. 9 Salaries and Wages Expense 4,000 Cash 4,000	

Illustration 4A-2
Postings with
reversing
entries

_	Salaries and Wages Expense			
10/26	Paid	4,000	10/31 Closing	5,200
31	Adjusting	1,200		
		5,200		5,200
11/9	Paid	4,000	11/1 Reversing	1,200

	Salaries and Wages Payable			
11/1	Reversing	1,200	10/31 Adjusting	1,200



Key Points

- The procedures of the closing process are applicable to all companies, whether they are using IFRS or GAAP.
- ◆ IFRS recommends but does not require the use of the title "statement of financial position" rather than balance sheet.
- The format of statement of financial position information is often presented differently under IFRS. Although no specific format is required, most companies that follow IFRS present statement of financial position information in this order:
 - Noncurrent assets
- Equity

Current assets

- Noncurrent liabilities
- Current liabilities

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Key Points

- IFRS requires a classified statement of financial position except in very limited situations. IFRS follows the same guidelines as this textbook for distinguishing between current and noncurrent assets and liabilities.
- Under IFRS, current assets are usually listed in the reverse order of liquidity. For example, under GAAP cash is listed first, but under IFRS it is listed last.
- Some companies report the subtotal net assets, which equals total assets minus total liabilities.
- IFRS has many differences in terminology that you will notice in this textbook.



Key Points

- Both IFRS and GAAP require disclosures about (1) accounting policies followed, (2) judgments that management has made in the process of applying the entity's accounting policies, and (3) the key assumptions and estimation uncertainty that could result in a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year.
- Comparative prior-period information must be presented and financial statements must be prepared annually.
- Both GAAP and IFRS are increasing the use of fair value to report assets. However, at this point IFRS has adopted it more broadly. As examples, under IFRS companies can apply fair value to property, plant, and equipment; natural resources; and in some cases intangible assets.

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Looking to the Future

The IASB and the FASB are working on a project to converge their standards related to financial statement presentation. A key feature of the proposed framework is that each of the statements will be organized in the same format, to separate an entity's financing activities from its operating and investing activities and, further, to separate financing activities into transactions with owners and creditors. Thus, the same classifications used in the statement of financial position would also be used in the income statement and the statement of cash flows. The project has three phases. You can follow the joint financial presentation project at the following link:

http://www.fasb.org/project/financial_statement_presentation.shtml.



IFRS Self-Test Questions

Which of the following statements is false?

- a) Assets equals liabilities plus equity.
- b) Under IFRS, companies sometimes net liabilities against assets to report "net assets."
- c) The FASB and IASB are working on a joint conceptual framework project.
- d) Under IFRS, the statement of financial position is usually referred to as the statement of assets and equity.



IFRS Self-Test Questions

A company has purchased a tract of land and expects to build a production plant on the land in approximately 5 years. During the 5 years before construction, the land will be idle. Under IFRS, the land should be reported as:

- a) land expense.
- b) property, plant, and equipment.
- c) an intangible asset.
- d) a long-term investment.



IFRS Self-Test Questions

Current assets under IFRS are listed generally:

- a) by importance.
- b) in the reverse order of their expected conversion to cash.
- c) by longevity.
- d) alphabetically.

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