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This book is dedicated to our students, whose questions have so frequently caused us to reevaluate our method of presentation that they have, in fact, become major contributors to the development of this text.



# NOTE FROM THE AUTHORS

The changing business environment is calling for accounting education to be dynamic, responsive, and forward-thinking. By incorporating relevant content, embracing technological advancements, adopting innovative teaching approaches, and emphasizing critical thinking and ethical considerations, accounting educators can effectively prepare students for the evolving demands of the accounting profession. The specific impacts on this text are discussed next.

## CAREER READINESS

## **Data Visualizations**

While there is general agreement that introductory accounting students need exposure to data analytics, agreement regarding the level and type of exposure is evolving. Do students need to know how to use the software or will the ability to interpret the output of the software be sufficient? We offer opportunities for you to expose your students to either or both options.

- For those who prefer to focus their students on understanding outputs rather than learning software, we have included short exercises called Tableau Dashboard Activities (TDAs). We have created TDAs for each chapter in the text that require students to interpret the data displayed in the dashboard and answer questions that relate to concepts covered in each chapter. The TDAs are displayed directly within *Connect* and accompanied by auto-gradable questions that students must answer based on the visualizations.
- Each chapter contains TDAs focusing on analyzing real-world companies that are discussed in *The Curious Accountant* section. The TDAs start simple and build in complexity, allowing students to start analyzing real-world financials as early as Chapter 1. Also included in each chapter is a TDA that incorporates the content from the chapter into a data visualization. Each of these visualizations presents accounting information in a unique way, giving students insight into the usefulness of visualization in the accounting context.

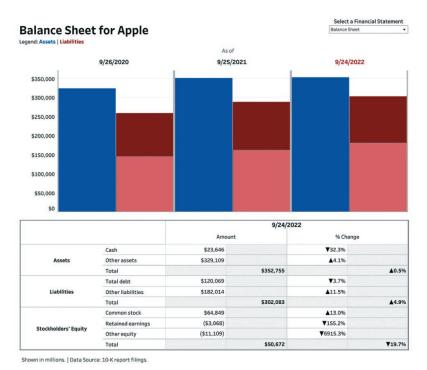


Tableau Software

For those looking to give their students a deeper dive into data analytics, we offer an in-depth project, *Applying Tableau*, where students get hands-on operational experience with the software to answer a variety of business-type questions. The answers to *Applying Tableau* are auto-gradable in *Connect*, saving you valuable time. *Applying Tableau* includes a tutorial video that walks students through the Tableau software and demonstrates the basic skills students need to get started using the software. A thorough description of this project is located in Appendix G at the end of the text.

#### **Integrated Excel**

We introduce students to Excel by incorporating a series of Integrated Excel problems tailored to the specific topics covered in each chapter. These problems are designed to help students gain proficiency in Excel's basic functionality while familiarizing them with a range of Excel functions commonly employed in the accounting profession. For each Integrated Excel problem, a step-by-step tutorial video, featuring a similar yet distinct problem, can be found in *Connect* to further support students' learning.

#### **Critical Thinking Problems**

Critical thinking problems are designed to give students an opportunity to work with real-world accounting information. These problems are often more in-depth than

traditional exercises and problems, often requiring students to search through published financial reports to answer a series of questions. The primary goal of this section is to encourage students to think critically about accounting concepts involving real-world companies. Most requirements in this section are auto-gradable but more in-depth writing assignments are also available.

## HIGHLIGHTING CAREER PROFILES

Career profiles are now available in Chapters 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, and 11. Each profile outlines a unique career that is possible with an accounting degree and spotlights careers in private equity, corporate accounting, Big 4 accounting, teaching, and even being an entrepreneur! Students will learn about the career paths and job requirements of these top accountants including educational background, salary range, work/life balance, travel opportunities, and even get some advice! We strongly encourage teachers to share these career experiences with their students to enhance their understanding of the diverse career opportunities available with an accounting degree.

## FOCUSING ON FINANCIAL STATEMENT IMPACTS

Technology has changed accounting practice. Gone are the days where accountants used pens, paper, and calculators to maintain records and prepare statements. Indeed, most companies use computer software that simplifies data entry, record keeping, and statement preparation. Today's accountants spend less time preparing financial information and more time consulting and advising clients. To remain relevant, accounting education must move beyond the traditional preparer approach.

The first step in learning how to advise clients is to understand how business professionals incorporate accounting in the decision-making process. Business professionals tend to think about bottom-line consequences. If I do this or that, how will it affect my company's net income, total assets, cash flow, and so on. To promote bottom-line thinking, we take the student one step beyond the recording process. Specifically, we employ a *financial statements model* to show them how the journal entries affect financial statements. The model arranges the balance sheet, income statement, and statement of cash flows horizontally across a single line of text as shown next.

Balance Sheet				Income Statement					Statement of Cash Flows	
Assets	=	Liab.	+	Stk. Equity	Rev.	-	Exp.	=	Net Inc.	

Typically, we show the statements model immediately after each journal entry. For example, the settlement of the liability for interest would be shown as follows.

Account Title	Debit	Credit
Interest payable	8,400	
Cash		8,400

Balance	Sheet	I	ncome Stateme	Statement of Cash Flows	
Assets = Liabilities -	- Stockholders' Equity	Revenue -	Expenses =	Net Income	
(8,400) (8,400)	NA	NA	NA	NA	(8,400) OA

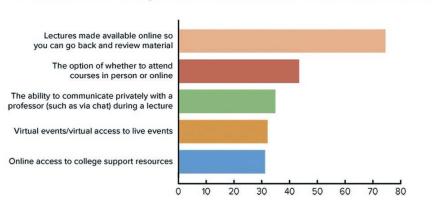
This approach provides a direct visual connection between journal entries and financial statements and enables students to see how **each individual accounting event affects decision making.** It shifts the focus from memorizing procedures to developing real-world thinking patterns. In today's world, computers prepare statements; humans evaluate consequences.

Most texts, including this one, still provide coverage of debits and credits, journal entries, trial balances, and statement preparation. It can be insightful to know what the computer is doing behind the scenes. Even so, accounting education must go beyond the procedure. An accountant who can prepare a journal entry but has no idea how that entry affects financial statements cannot provide the insight and counsel expected of today's practicing accountant.

## LESSONS LEARNED FROM THE PANDEMIC: THE IMPORTANCE OF VIDEO RESOURCES

In March 2020, the world was disrupted by a global pandemic. Businesses and educators alike had to quickly adapt to the changing environment. The resources within this text provide a pathway forward to meet future challenges faced by educators, giving them the ability to deliver courses in a variety of formats.

Perhaps the biggest challenge faced by educators during the pandemic was the need for video content. A survey conducted by Higher Education highlights the importance of video content even for courses that are not delivered online. In the survey, 79 percent of students indicated that they want lecture video content going forward, irrespective of how the class is delivered.



## Pandemic-Era Experiences Students Want Post-COVID

"The introductory financial accounting course needs a serious overhaul to convince prospective majors that accounting is an interesting area of study. Complete elimination of debits and credits may not be possible or effective; however, they should be de-emphasized, along with excessive procedural detail."

– MARK DAWKINS – ISSUES IN ACCOUNTING EDUCATION – 2023 This text includes **the most comprehensive set of instructional videos** on the market today. These instructional videos explain the content associated with every learning objective introduced throughout the text. Unlike many instructional videos included with other texts, **our videos have been developed by a member of the author team.** They have the touch and feel of a live lecture. This allows educators to deliver a similar level of quality in disseminating course content online as they would in a face-to-face environment. To ensure students are comprehending the material, **every lecture video in the text includes an assessment quiz (static or algorithmic) with feedback.** 

Our video library has hundreds of videos including short Lecture Videos covering every learning objective in the text, Self-Study Review Videos for every chapter, and Guided Exercise Videos to assist students with end-of-chapter exercises. Videos allow students to pause for contemplation and note-taking. They permit students to repeat difficult concepts or fast-forward through content they have mastered. In other words, videos enable self-paced learning. A recent study found that the availability of preclass lecture videos significantly improved student final exam performance (Robert O'Harver, *Advances in Accounting Education*, 2020). Many accounting educators have taught in professional exam prep courses that make extensive use of video lectures. Now you can bring that prep course learning approach to your everyday classroom. For comparison purposes, the following is a description of the key features of the lecture videos included in this text:

- Our videos have been developed by members of the author team. These videos have the feel of a live lecture. Delivering an effective lecture requires not only knowledge but also the proper tone, inflection, emphasis, attitude, and confidence. Scripted videos presented by a professional orator cannot compete with the spontaneous delivery of an experienced teacher.
- We have assessment quizzes that accompany each lecture video. After watching a video, a student is required to answer 5 to 10 multiple-choice questions. These questions are graded electronically, and students and instructors are able to obtain immediate feedback. Using this feedback, instructors can identify student weaknesses and focus class time on subjects where students are experiencing difficulty, thus more effectively helping students learn from their mistakes. The faster the feedback, the more effective the learning experience. Further, including assessment quiz scores as part of the course grade will motivate students to take video assignments seriously.
- Our videos facilitate learning for students with disabilities. Consistent with the Americans with Disabilities Act, all our videos are closed-captioned. This provides a learning tool for students who are visually and hearing impaired. Students with hearing impairment can see and read the video content, and those with visual impairment can listen to the lecture. Also, international students, who are less proficient in the English language, find videos with closed captions to be useful.
- We use analytics to assess and improve the quality of our videos. Based on this rationale, we have implemented a continuous quality improvement program for the videos that accompany our texts. Specifically, we analyze drop and finish rates to determine which videos are working and which ones are not. The report below shows that the video kept 96 percent of students tuned in at the halfway point and 85 percent of students completed the entire video. While there is always room for improvement, this video produced a high-quality result. We completed an extensive analysis of all videos and replaced select videos that had a finish rate of less than 80 percent. The results of this analysis led us to create new and/or improve our lecture video content.

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Tableau Software

#### Comprehensive set of technological teaching tools

Technology has provided many teaching tools that improve the quality of education while reducing the tasks associated with course management. Some examples include algorithmic test banks and homework management systems. Video content is one component of a comprehensive set of technological teaching tools. Some of the other tools that accompany our text include:

- Connect
- SmartBook
- Test banks (via Connect or TestGen)
- Guided exercises
- Integrated Excel simulations
- Data Analytics Problems
- Active Learning Worksheets

These tools can be used independently or in conjunction with one another. A detailed description of each tool is included in the following sections of the front matter.

We appreciate your interest in our text and welcome comments, questions, and suggestions.

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Dr. Edmonds has published four textbooks and has written numerous articles that have appeared in top-tier academic journals. He serves on several editorial boards and is highly respected in his field. Before entering academia, Dr. Edmonds worked as a software developer, creating solutions to put newspapers online. He obtained an MBA from UAB and a PhD in accounting from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. Dr. Edmonds's passion for helping students learn inspired him to create hundreds of short videos teaching the fundamental concepts of accounting, which led to the publication of the first interactive video textbook for introductory accounting.

With his extensive experience in accounting education and his innovative teaching methods, Dr. Edmonds continues to inspire and empower students to achieve their academic and professional goals.



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Dr. Edmonds is currently spearheading the effort within the Collat School of Business to integrate data analytics into the accounting curriculum. He has developed business analytics teaching tools at both the graduate and undergraduate level. Several contributions have been made to this text, revolving around the data analytics concepts Dr. Edmonds incorporates into his classes. He is the recipient of the Loudell Ellis Robinson excellence in teaching award.

Dr. Edmonds began his career providing assurance services for the internationally recognized accounting firm Ernst & Young. He utilizes this professional experience to bring a practical approach to the concepts covered in this text. At the conclusion of his professional service, he obtained his PhD from Southern Illinois University Carbondale. He serves as the education adviser on the board of the Institute of Internal Auditors Birmingham Chapter. Dr. Edmonds's research focuses on alternative learning strategies in accounting. He frequently publishes in prominent journals such as *Issues in Accounting Education* and *Journal of Accounting Education*.



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Dr. Edmonds is passionate about increasing engagement and creating a community for all students. She has spoken at numerous conferences, such as the AAA Annual Meeting, AAA Conference on Teaching and Learning in Accounting, AAA Teaching, Learning & Curriculum section, Teachers of Accounting at Two-Year Colleges, and Annual Accounting Educators' Symposium. She has received the UAB Loudell Ellis Robinson Classroom Teaching Award and Provost's Transformative Online Course Award as well as teaching grants from Deloitte, UAB, and Virginia Tech. She created teaching resources for incorporating International Financial Reporting Standards into intermediate accounting. The teaching resources were published online at the American Accounting Association.

Also active in the research community, Dr. Edmonds serves on the editorial board for Advances in Accounting and Journal of International Accounting, Auditing, and Taxation. She has published articles in prominent journals such as Journal of Accounting and Public Policy, Advances in Accounting, Research in Accounting Regulation, and The CPA Journal.

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# WHAT WE DID TO MAKE IT BETTER

#### Specific chapter changes:

#### **Chapter 1 An Introduction to Accounting**

- New Career Profile section highlights a possible career path in accounting
- Updated The Curious Accountant 1 & 2 content focusing on Apple
- Revised Reality Bytes feature focusing on Roblox
- Updated Focus on International Issues text box that includes IFRS coverage
- Updated Exhibit 1.1 to make concepts more clear to students
- Updated Exhibit 1.2 to make the exhibit more appealing to students
- Updated Exhibit 1.8 with new real-world data analyzing Tesla's financials
- New algorithmic self-study review problem with an author-created walkthrough video
- New Brief Exercises for every learning objective •
- New Career Readiness section focuses on Excel, Data Analytics, and Critical Thinking Problems using real-world data that are auto-gradable in Connect
- New Tableau Dashboard Activity focusing on analyzing Apple's real-world financials
- New Integrated Excel problems with an author-created walk-through video

#### Chapter 2 Accounting for Accruals and Deferrals

- Revised The Curious Accountant focusing on Airbnb
- Revised *Reality Bytes* feature focuses on **FTX** scandal
- New Learning Objective focuses on ESG reporting
- New Lecture Video focuses on ESG reporting
- New algorithmic self-study review problem with an author-created walkthrough video
- New Brief Exercises for every learning objective
- New Career Readiness section focuses on Excel, Data Analytics, and Critical Thinking Problems using real-world data that are auto-gradable in Connect
- New Tableau Dashboard Activity focusing on analyzing Airbnb's real-world financials
- New Integrated Excel problems with an author-created walk-through video

#### Chapter 3 The Double-Entry Accounting System

- New Career Profile section highlights a possible career path in accounting
- Updated The Curious Accountant focusing on retailers
- Updated Exhibit 3.10 with new real-world data
- Updated Exhibit 3.12 with new real-world data
- New algorithmic self-study review problem with an author-created walkthrough • video
- New Brief Exercises for every learning objective •

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- New Career Readiness section focuses on Excel, Data Analytics, and Critical Thinking Problems using real-world data that are auto-gradable in Connect
- New Tableau Dashboard Activity focusing on analyzing Airbnb's real-world • financials
- New Integrated Excel problems with an author-created walk-through video 0

#### **Chapter 4 Accounting for Merchandising Businesses**

- Updated The Curious Accountant focusing on Ford and AutoNation
- Updated Realty Bytes feature with new real-world data
- Updated Exhibit 4.1 with new real-world data
- Updated Exhibit 4.6 with new real-world data
- Updated Exhibit 4.10 with new real-world data
- New algorithmic self-study review problem with an author-created walk-through video
- New Brief Exercises for every learning objective
- New *Career Readiness* section focuses on Excel, Data Analytics, and Critical Thinking Problems using real-world data that are auto-gradable in *Connect*
- New Tableau Dashboard Activity focusing on analyzing Ford's real-world financials
- New Integrated Excel problems with an author-created walk-through video

#### **Chapter 5 Accounting for Inventories**

- New Career Profile section highlights a possible career path in accounting
- Updated *The Curious Accountant* section focusing on **Albertsons**
- Updated Reality Bytes feature with new real-world data
- Updated the Focus on International Issues feature
- Updated Exhibit 5.1 with new real-world data
- Updated Exhibit 5.6 with new real-world data
- New algorithmic self-study review problem with an author-created walk-through video
- New Brief Exercises for every learning objective
- New *Career Readiness* section focuses on Excel, Data Analytics, and Critical Thinking Problems using real-world data that are auto-gradable in *Connect*
- New Tableau Dashboard Activity focusing on analyzing Ford's real-world financials
- New Integrated Excel problems with an author-created walk-through video

### Chapter 6 Internal Control and Accounting for Cash

- Revised The Curious Accountant feature focusing on Luckin Coffee
- Updated Exhibit 6.1 with new real-world data
- Added Learning Objective 6-6: Identify the role of ethics in the accounting profession (moved from Chapter 2)
- New algorithmic self-study review problem with an author-created walk-through video
- New Brief Exercises for every learning objective
- New *Career Readiness* section focuses on Excel, Data Analytics, and Critical Thinking Problems using real-world data that are auto-gradable in *Connect*
- New Tableau Dashboard Activity focusing on analyzing Apple's real-world financials
- New Integrated Excel problems with an author-created walk-through video

#### **Chapter 7 Accounting for Receivables**

- New Career Profile section highlights a possible career path in accounting
- Updated The Curious Accountant focusing on General Dynamics
- Updated Reality Bytes focusing on Harley-Davidson
- Updated Exhibit 7.7 with new real-world data
- Updated Exhibit 7.8 with new real-world data
- New algorithmic self-study review problem with an author-created walk-through video
- New Brief Exercises for every learning objective
- New *Career Readiness* section focuses on Excel, Data Analytics, and Critical Thinking Problems using real-world data that are auto-gradable in *Connect*
- New Tableau Dashboard Activity focusing on analyzing Ford's real-world financials
- New Integrated Excel problems with an author-created walk-through video

#### Chapter 8 Accounting for Long-Term Operational Assets

- Updated The Curious Accountant focusing on Freeport-McMoRan
- Revised Reality Bytes focusing on Elon Musk's purchase of Twitter
- Updated Exhibit 8.2 with new real-world data
- Updated Exhibit 8.8 with new real-world data
- New algorithmic self-study review problem with an author-created walk-through video
- New Brief Exercises for every learning objective
- New *Career Readiness* section focuses on Excel, Data Analytics, and Critical Thinking Problems using real-world data that are auto-gradable in *Connect*
- New Tableau Dashboard Activity focusing on analyzing Freeport-McMoRan's real-world financials
- New Integrated Excel problems with an author-created walk-through video

#### Chapter 9 Accounting for Current Liabilities and Payroll

- New Career Profile section highlights a possible career path in accounting
- Updated The Curious Accountant focusing on Boeing
- Updated Social Security and Medicare tax rates in LO 9-5
- Updated Exhibit 9.6 with new real-world data
- New algorithmic self-study review problem with an author-created walk-through video
- New Brief Exercises for every learning objective
- New *Career Readiness* section focuses on Excel, Data Analytics, and Critical Thinking Problems using real-world data that are auto-gradable in *Connect*
- New Tableau Dashboard Activity focusing on analyzing Airbnb's real-world financials
- New Integrated Excel problems with an author-created walk-through video

#### Chapter 10 Accounting for Long-Term Debt

- Revised The Curious Accountant focusing on Twitter
- Updated *Reality Bytes* focusing on the COVID-19 pandemic and debt covenants
- Updated Exhibit 10.13 with new real-world data
- New algorithmic self-study review problem with an author-created walk-through video
- New Brief Exercises for every learning objective

- New *Career Readiness* section focuses on Excel, Data Analytics, and Critical Thinking Problems using real-world data that are auto-gradable in *Connect*
- New Tableau Dashboard Activity focusing on analyzing Ford's real-world financials
- New Integrated Excel problems with an author-created walk-through video

### Chapter 11 Proprietorships, Partnerships, and Corporations

- New Career Profile section highlights a possible career path in accounting
- Updated The Curious Accountant section
- Updated two Reality Bytes features with new real-world data
- Updated Focus on International Issues
- Updated Exhibit 11.3 with new real-world data
- Updated the new real-world data in The Financial Analyst
- New algorithmic self-study review problem with an author-created walk-through video
- New Brief Exercises for every learning objective
- New *Career Readiness* section focuses on Excel, Data Analytics, and Critical Thinking Problems using real-world data that are auto-gradable in *Connect*
- New Tableau Dashboard Activity focusing on analyzing Ford's real-world financials
- New Integrated Excel problems with an author-created walk-through video

### **Chapter 12 Statement of Cash Flows**

- Updated The Curious Accountant focusing on Peloton Interactive
- Updated Reality Bytes focusing on Amazon
- Updated Focus on International Issues
- Revised Exhibit 12.4 with new real-world data
- Revised Exhibit 12.6 with new real-world data
- Revised Exhibit 12.16 with new real-world data
- New algorithmic self-study review problem with an author-created walk-through video
- New Brief Exercises for every learning objective
- New *Career Readiness* section focuses on Excel, Data Analytics, and Critical Thinking Problems using real-world data that are auto-gradable in *Connect*
- New Tableau Dashboard Activity focusing on analyzing Airbnb's real-world financials
- New Integrated Excel problems with an author-created walk-through video

### **Chapter 13 Financial Statement Analysis**

- Revised The Curious Accountant focusing on Alberstons
- Updated all real-world ratio data
- New algorithmic self-study review problem with an author-created walk-through video
- New Brief Exercises for every learning objective
- New *Career Readiness* section focuses on Excel, Data Analytics, and Critical Thinking Problems using real-world data that are auto-gradable in *Connect*
- New Tableau Dashboard Activity focusing on analyzing Apple's real-world financials
- New Integrated Excel problems with an author-created walk-through video

"The beauty is in the details. The authors cover all the steps in buying goods, dealing with freight and discounts, and they cover the sales issues."

DON LUCY, INDIAN RIVER STATE COLLEGE CENTRAL

# HOW DOES THE BOOK

The Curious Accountant Characteristic and the second automobile friend, fiftany, that she was able to purchase the cu or \$1,000 less than the sicker purchase the cu Could have gotten a nuch lower price If your scoold have gotten a much lower price If your

margin on cars, why did so many of the car manufacturers get into financial trouble? Tiffany toid her that she was confusing the maker of the car with th dealer. Tiffany argued that although the manufacturers may not have high profit margins, the dealers do and told her again that she had paid too much.

Ford still had oth

FOCUS ON INTERNATIONAL ISSUES

LO 6-5

What are the three sources of assets? Which accounts are debited and credited when a business

Answer The three sources of assets are creditors, investors, and earnings. When a company acquires

an asset, the asset account is debited and the source account is credited. For example, if a company earns revenue on account, the Receivables account is debited and the Revenue account is credited.

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**CHECK YOURSELF 3.1** 

HOW DOES IFRS DIFFER FROM U.S. GAAP Chapter 1 discussed the progression toward a single

Exhibit 4.1 presents the income statements for **AutoNation**, Inc. and **Ford Motor Company**. Based on here statements, do you think either of these women is correct? For example, If you pay \$20,000 for a hereich form a dealexibit operated by AutoNation, the largest auto relative in the Interd States, how much did the car cost the company? Also, how much did the car cost the Ford Motor Company to manufacture?

## REAL-WORLD EXAMPLES

The text provides a variety of real-world examples of financial accounting as an essential part of the management process. There are descriptions of accounting practices from real organizations such as **Apple**, **Airbnb**, **Twitter**, **Peloton**, **Amazon**, **Ford**, and many more. These companies are highlighted in blue in the text.

## THE CURIOUS ACCOUNTANT

Each chapter opens with a short vignette. These pose a question about a real-world accounting issue related to the topic of the chapter. The answer to the question appears in a separate sidebar a few pages further into the chapter. Problems analyzing the financials of some of these companies are available in *Connect*.

## CAREER PROFILES

Data from AutoNation and Ford show

that the markups automakers charge

greatly depend on market conditions. Supply shortages, caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, created pent-up demand for

Looking at the AutoNation income statement, the new vehicles the company sold for \$12,081.7 million in 2021 cost the company \$10,880.1 to purchase, resulting in a gross margin of \$1,201.6, or 9.9 percent. In other words, if you bought an "aver-

age" car from AutoNation for \$20,000, the company's gross profit on it was \$1,980 (\$20,000 × .099), meaning it paid Ford \$18,020 (\$20,000 - \$1,980). The company still had other expenses to pay besides its cost of goods sold. In 2021, 5.3 percent

of each dollar of AutoNation's sales was net profit (\$1,373.0 ÷ \$25,844.0). Remember, the amount shown for sales on AutoNation's income statement is based on what customers actually paid for the cars the company sold, not the "sticker price."

\$1,640 [\$11,499 ÷ \$126,150 = 9.1%; (\$126,150 - \$114,651 = \$11,499)] [\$18,020 × .091 = \$1,640]. Like AutoNation,

Meanwhile, if Ford sold the car to AutoNation for \$18,020, it earned a 9.1 percent gross margin on the sale, or

expenses to pay besides the cost of goods sold. In 2021, Ford earned 13.2 percent of net profit on

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Each profile outlines a unique career that is possible with an accounting degree and spotlights careers in private equity, corporate accounting, Big 4 accounting, teaching, and even being an entrepreneur! Students will learn about the career paths and job requirements of these top accountants, including educational background, salary range, work/life balance, travel opportunities, and even get some advice!

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## THE FINANCIAL ANALYST

Financial statement analysis with real-world examples is highlighted in each chapter under this heading.

## CHECK YOURSELF

These short question/answer features occur at the end of each main topic and ask students to stop and think about the material just covered. The answer follows to provide immediate feedback before students go on to a new topic.

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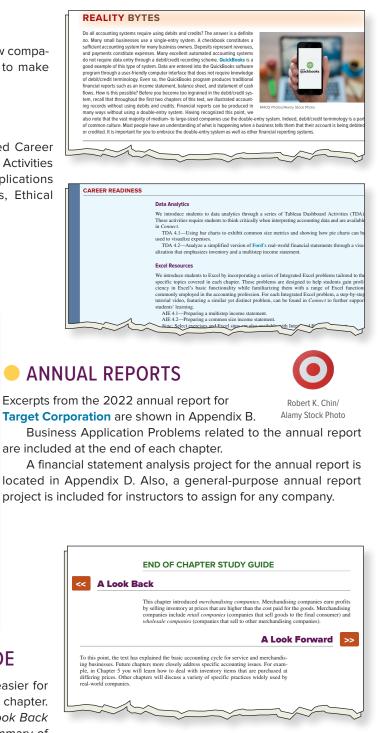
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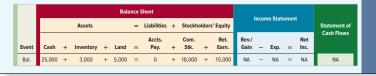
#### SELF-STUDY REVIEW PROBLEM

Academy Sales Company (ASC) started the Year 2 accounting period with the balances given in the financial statements model shown as follows. During Year 2, ASC experienced the following business events:

- 1. Purchased \$16,000 of merchandise inventory on account, terms 2/10, n/30.
- The goods that were purchased in Event 1 were delivered FOB shipping point. Freight costs of \$600 were paid in cash by the responsible party.
   Returned \$500 of goods purchased in Event 1.
- 4a. Recorded the cash discount on the goods purchased in Event 1.
- 4b. Paid the balance due on the account payable within the discount period. 5a. Recognized \$21,000 of cash revenue from the sale of merchandise.
- 5b. Recognized \$15,000 of cost of goods sold.
- The merchandise in Event 5a was sold to customers FOB destination. Freight costs of \$950 were paid in cash by the responsible party.
- 7. Paid cash of \$4,000 for selling and administrative expenses 8. Sold the land for \$5,600 cash

#### Required

a. Record the preceding transactions in a financial statements model like the following one



#### PROBLEMS—SERIES A Graw CONNECt All applicable Problems in Series A are available in Connect. LO 4-4 Problem 4-23A Identifying freight costs

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	For each of the following events, determine the amount of freight paid by The Box Company. Also indicate whether the freight cost would be classified as a product or period (selling and administrative) cost.
	a. Purchased merchandise with freight costs of \$650. The merchandise was shipped FOB shipping point.
	b. Shipped merchandise to customers, freight terms FOB shipping point. The freight costs were \$310.
	c. Purchased inventory with freight costs of \$1,500. The goods were shipped FOB destination.
	d. Sold merchandise to a customer. Freight costs were \$520. The goods were shipped FOB destination.
LO 4-1	Problem 4-24A Identifying product and period costs

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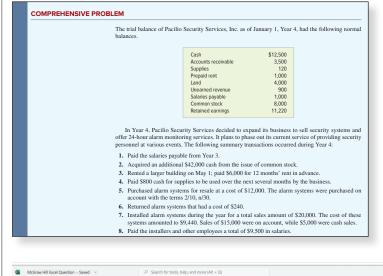
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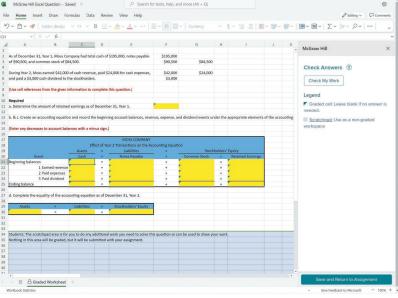
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