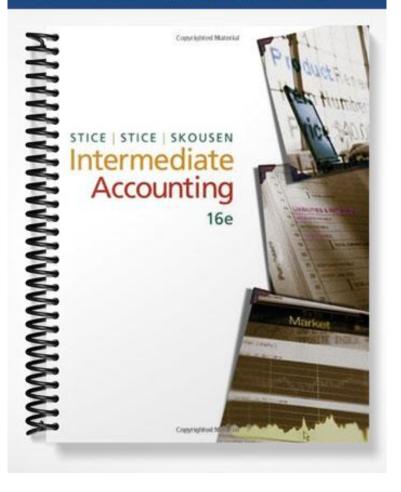
SOLUTIONS MANUAL



CHAPTER 2

QUESTIONS

- The accounting system generates a variety of reports for use by various decision makers. Among the most common are generalpurpose financial statements, management reports, tax returns, and other reports prepared for government agencies such as the SEC.
- 2. A manual and an automated accounting system are similar in that both are designed to serve the same information-gathering and processing functions. Both systems also use the same underlying accounting concepts and principles. The differences between a manual and an automated accounting system involve some mechanical aspects, time requirements, and the appearance of records and reports. Due to advanced technology and reduced prices, today almost all successful businesses of any size use computers to assist in the various accounting functions.
- 3. The accounting process involves certain procedures used by businesses to produce financial statement data. The *recording phase* of the accounting process consists of those procedures used in the continuing activity of analyzing, recording, and classifying business transactions in the various books of record (journals and ledgers) during the fiscal period. The *reporting phase* of the accounting process consists of those procedures used at the end of the fiscal period to update and summarize data collected during the recording phase. Financial statements are prepared from the updated and summarized data.
- 4. The accounting process includes the following steps:
 - (1) Business documents are analyzed. Business documents provide detailed information concerning each transaction and establish support for the data recorded in the books of original entry.
 - (2) Transactions are recorded in chronological order in books of original entry—the journals. Transactions are analyzed in terms of their effects on the various asset, liability, owners' equity, revenue,

- and expense accounts of the business unit.
- (3) Transactions are posted to the appropriate accounts in the general and subsidiary ledgers. The ledger accounts classify and summarize the full effect of all transactions recorded in the journals and can be used in the preparation of financial statements.
- (4) A trial balance may be prepared showing the account balances in the general ledger and reconciling subsidiary ledger balances with respective control account balances. The trial balance provides a summary of the information as classified and summarized in the ledgers as well as a verification of the accuracy of recording and posting.
- (5) Adjustments are made to bring the accounts up to date. Adjustments are necessary to record all accounting information that has not yet been recorded and to properly recognize all revenues and expenses on an accrual basis. If a work sheet is used (an optional step in the cycle), adjustments may be journalized and posted any time prior to closing. If statements are prepared directly from ledger balances, however, adjustments must be recorded at this point.
- (6) Financial statements are prepared. Financial statements report the results of operations and cash flows for a period of time and show the financial condition of the business unit as of a certain date.
- (7) Closing entries are journalized and posted. Balances in nominal accounts are closed into Retained Earnings. Operating results as determined in the summary accounts are finally transferred to Retained Earnings.
- (8) A post-closing trial balance may be prepared as an optional step in the cycle. A post-closing trial balance is prepared to check the equality of the debits and credits after posting the adjusting and closing entries.

The steps in the accounting process are necessary to transform transaction data into useful information as summarized in the financial statements and other accounting reports. Some steps are optional, such as preparing a trial balance and preparing a post-closing trial balance. These steps help verify or facilitate the accounting process but are not essential.

- 5. Under double-entry accounting, assets, expenses, and dividends are increased by debits and decreased by credits. Liabilities, owners' equity accounts, and revenues are increased by credits and decreased by debits
- 6. a. Real accounts are balance sheet accounts not closed to a zero balance in the closing process. Nominal accounts are income statement or temporary owners' equity accounts closed out in the process of arriving at the net increase or decrease in owners' equity for a period.
 - b. A general journal is the most flexible book of original entry. It may be used to record all business transactions or simply those that cannot be recorded in one of the special journals. Special journals are designed to facilitate the recording of some particular type of frequently occurring transaction, such as sales, purchases, cash receipts, and cash disbursements.
 - c. The general ledger carries summaries of all accounts appearing on the financial statements. Subsidiary ledgers afford additional detail in support of certain general ledger balances. Thus, accounts payable appear in total in the general ledger, but individual accounts with each creditor are provided in the accounts payable subsidiary ledger.
- 7. a. Adjusting entries are made at the end of an accounting period to update balance sheet accounts and to record accrued expenses and accrued revenues. Frequently, adjusting entries are first made on a work sheet and then are recorded in the general journal from which they are posted to the ledger accounts.

- **b.** Closing entries are made after the adjusting entries have been posted. They transfer all nominal account balances to Retained Earnings.
- 8. The company accountant is disregarding the periodic summary process and jeopardizing the company's audit trail by not entering the adjusting entries in the general journal. Adjusting entries are made at the end of the period to bring accounts up to date. These entries must be entered first in the general journal and then posted directly to the general ledger. If the adjusting entries are not entered first in the general journal, the journals will be incomplete and will not provide the support necessary for an adequate accounting system.
- 9. Examples of contra accounts include Allowance for Bad Debts, Accumulated Depreciation, Discount on Notes Receivable, Discount on Notes Payable, and Discount on Bonds Payable. Contra accounts are subtracted from related accounts. Hence, they are sometimes referred to as offset accounts. Contra accounts are used to adjust accounts when the original balance needs to be preserved. For example, adequate disclosure in financial reports requires disclosure of both the original cost and the depreciated cost of assets. A contra account, Accumulated Depreciation, is used for this purpose.
- 10. Both methods, if properly applied, result in the same account balances. The entries that would be required on December 31 for (a) and (b), assuming that \$400 was paid for insurance for one year beginning April 1, are as follows:

a.	Original entry: Insurance Expense Cash	400	400
	Adjusting entry: Prepaid Insurance Insurance Expense	100	100
b.	Original entry: Prepaid Insurance Cash	400	400
	Adjusting entry: Insurance Expense Prepaid Insurance	300	300

- 11. A work sheet is a multicolumn form designed to facilitate the summarization and organization of accounting data needed to prepare the financial statements. The number of columns and the headings used may vary, depending on the needs of a particular business. While the work sheet is an optional step in the accounting process, it is a valuable aid in completing the trial balance and adjustment procedures.
- 12. When a work sheet is used as a basis for statement preparation, the adjustments can be formally recorded in the journals and posted to the ledger accounts at any time prior to closing the books. However, if a work sheet is not used, financial statements must be prepared directly from the accounts; thus, the adjustments must be recorded and posted prior to statement preparation.
- 13. Only the following accounts would be closed, generally with the following debit/credit entries:

Rent Expense	Credit
Depreciation Expense	Credit
Sales	Debit
Interest Revenue	Debit
Advertising Expense	Credit
Dividends	Credit

- 14. Accrual accounting recognizes revenues and expenses when they are earned and incurred, not necessarily when cash is received or paid. Cash-basis accounting recognizes revenues and expenses as cash is received or disbursed, regardless of the earnings process or the matching concept. Generally accepted accounting principles require the use of accrual accounting.
- **15.** The use of double-entry accrual accounting is more accurate than a cash-basis accounting system primarily because
 - (a) The likelihood of errors and omissions is greatly increased in the absence of double-entry analysis and a trial

- balance to test the accuracy of the analysis and recording process.
- (b) Recording events under an accrual system as they occur more accurately reflects the effects and timing of an event than does a system that records the events when cash is received or paid, regardless of the earnings process and the matching concept.
- **16.** The major advantages offered by computers as compared with manual processing of accounting data are as follows:
 - (a) Computers process large amounts of accounting data at great speeds, thus providing information for decision making on a more timely basis than a manual system would.
 - (b) Computers process information accurately with less chance of human error than a manual processing system.
 - (c) Computers require computer-oriented business papers and accounting records that promote clerical organization and efficiency.
 - (d) Computers usually require a general centralization of all accounting activities and thus increase the efficiency and cost-effectiveness of the accounting system.
 - (e) Computers can process accounting data and transmit such data in direct correspondence with customers and creditors in the form of billings, invoices, checks, and so on.
- 17. The function of the computer is limited to arithmetical and clerical functions. It can follow instructions that are provided on a programmed step-by-step basis, but unlike a human, it cannot think for itself. While it can serve effectively in recording activities, it cannot replace the accountant, who must still determine what principles are applicable in arriving at financial statements that present fairly the company's financial position and results of operations.

PRACTICE EXERCISES

PRACTICE 2–1 JOU	JRNALIZING
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PRACTICE 2-1	JOURNALIZING		
Accounts Receive	/able	3,000 9,000	12,000
	old	7,500	7,500
PRACTICE 2-2	JOURNALIZING		
Cash Short-Term N	lotes Payableotes Payable	100,000	10,000 20,000 70,000
PRACTICE 2-3	JOURNALIZING		
Equipment Gain on Sale	of Land	40,000 75,000	65,000 50,000
PRACTICE 2-4	JOURNALIZING		
	etained Earnings)	12,000	12,000
PRACTICE 2-5	JOURNALIZING		
		30,000	30,000
PRACTICE 2-6	POSTING		

PRACTICE 2–6 POSTING

Cash

Beg. Bal. a. d.	10,000 2,775 3,450	1,500 6,200	b. c.
End. Bal.	8,525		

PRACTICE 2-7 POSTING

Accou	nts	Pava	able
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b. c.	6,500 200	8,000 2,700 2,550	Beg. Bal.	a. d.
		6,550	End. Bal.	

PRACTICE 2-8 TRIAL BALANCE

	<u>Debit</u>	<u>Credit</u>
Cash	\$ 400	
Inventory	4,000	
Accounts Payable		\$ 1,100
Paid-In Capital		2,000
Retained Earnings (beginning)		1,000
Dividends	700	
Sales		10,000
Cost of Goods Sold	9,000	
Total	<u>\$14,100</u>	<u>\$14,100</u>

PRACTICE 2-9 TRIAL BALANCE

	<u>Debit</u>	<u>Credit</u>
Cash	\$ 800	
Prepaid Rent Expense	3,000	
Unearned Service Revenue		\$ 4,700
Paid-In Capital		2,000
Retained Earnings (beginning)		1,500
Service Revenue		20,000
Salary Expense	18,000	
Rent Expense	6,400	
Total	\$28,200	\$28,200

PRACTICE 2-10 INCOME STATEMENT

From Practice 2–8:	
Sales	\$10,000
Cost of Goods Sold	9,000
Net Income	<u>\$ 1,000</u>

PRACTICE 2–10 (Concluded)		
From Practice 2–9: Service Revenue Salary Expense Rent Expense Net Loss	\$18,000 <u>6,400</u>	\$20,000 <u>24,400</u> <u>\$(4,400)</u>
PRACTICE 2-11 BALANCE SHEET		
From Practice 2–8: Assets		
Inventory Total Assets	\$ 400 <u>4,000</u> <u>\$4,400</u>	
Liabilities		
Accounts Payable	<u>\$1,100</u>	
Stockholders' Equity Paid-In Capital Retained Earnings (ending) Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity Computation of ending Retained Earnings: \$1,000 + (\$10,000 - \$9,000) - \$700 = \$1,300	\$2,000 <u>1,300</u> <u>\$4,400</u>	
From Practice 2–9: Assets		
Cash Prepaid Rent Expense Total Assets	\$ 800 <u>3,000</u> <u>\$3,800</u>	
Liabilities		
Unearned Service Revenue	<u>\$4,700</u>	
Stockholders' Equity		
Paid-In Capital Retained Earnings (ending) Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity	\$2,000 <u>(2,900)</u> <u>\$3,800</u>	
Computation of ending Retained Earnings: \$1,500 + (\$20,000 – \$18,000 – \$6,400) = \$(2,900)		

PRACTICE 2-12	ADJUSTING ENTRIES		
	Expenseed Depreciation	5,500	5,500
PRACTICE 2–13	ADJUSTING ENTRIES		
	ensefor Bad Debts	1,200	1,200
PRACTICE 2–14	ADJUSTING ENTRIES		
Interest Pa	yable	693	693
\$8,000 × 0.13 >	< 8/12 = \$693		
PRACTICE 2-15	ADJUSTING ENTRIES		
	nt	1,500	1,500
\$3,600/12 = \$3	00 per month; amount used = $$300 \times 5$ mont	hs = \$1,500	
PRACTICE 2–16	ADJUSTING ENTRIES		
	vice Revenuevenue	4,400	4,400
\$4,800/12 = \$4	00 per month; amount earned = $$400 \times 11 \text{ m}$	onths = \$4,400	
PRACTICE 2-17	CLOSING ENTRIES		
	arnings	10,000	10,000
Retained Earn Cost of Go	ingsods Sold	9,000	9,000
	ings	700	700

PRACTICE 2–18 CLOSING ENTRIES

Service Revenue Retained Earnings	20,000	20,000
Retained EarningsSalary ExpenseRent Expense	24,400	18,000 6,400

Balance sheet accounts are not closed.

EXERCISES

2-19. 1. and 2.

	Ca	ash		Ad	counts	Recei	vable		Inve	ntory	
Bal.	150,000	(15)	22,000	Bal.	21,540	(7)	12,000	Bal.	32,680	(1)	6,850
(7)	11,760	(18)	8,600	(1)	12,000			(5)	10,250		
		(27)	125,000	Bal.	21,540			Bal.	36,080		
Bal.	6,160										

Land	Building	Machinery
Bal. 15,400	Bal. 14,000	(18) 8,600
(27) 116,667*	(27) 233,333*	Bal. 8,600
Bal. 132,067	Bal. 247,333	

Accounts Payable	Dividends Payable	Mortgage Payable
Bal. 9,190	(22) 20,25	0 Bal. 23,700
(5) 10,250	Bal. 20,25	0 (27) 225,000
Bal. 19,440		Bal. 248,700

Common Stoc	ck	Retained Earnings			Cost of Goods Sold		
Bal.	140,000		Bal.	60,730	(1)	6,850	
					Bal.	6,850	

 Sales			Sales Discounts			Wages Expense		
(1)	12,000	(7)	240		(15)	22,000		
 Bal	. 12,000	Bal.	240		Bal.	22,000		

Dividends							
20,250*							
20,250							
	20,250*						

*(\$0.45 × 45,000)

2-19. (Concluded)

2-20.

3. Georgia Supply Corporation Trial Balance October 31, 2008

	October 31, 2	2008		
		Debit	Credit	-
		\$ 6,160		
	nts Receivable	21,540		
	ry	36,080		
		132,067		
	g	247,333		
	ery	8,600	.	
	its Payable		\$ 19,440	
	ids Payable		20,250	
	ge Payable		248,700	
	ıds	20,250	40.000	
			12,000	
	Discounts	240		
	Goods Sold	6,850		
	Expense	22,000	4.40.000	
	on Stock		140,000	
	ed Earnings	AFO4 400	60,730	
lota	ils	<u>\$501,120</u>	<u>\$501,120</u>	
1. Adju	usting Entries			
(a)	Insurance Expense Prepaid Insurance		1,200	1,200
(b)	Rent Revenue Unearned Rent Revenue (\$5,750 ÷ 5 mo. = \$1,150 ×		1,150	1,150
(c)	Advertising Materials Advertising Expense		475	475
(d)	Prepaid Rent		1,800	1,800
(e)	Office Supplies Miscellaneous Office Expen		250	250
(f)	Interest ExpenseInterest Payable		428	428

(Concluded) 2-20.

2. Sources of Information

- (a) The insurance register; the insurance policy
- (b) The journal entry or other original data from which the posting was made to the rental revenue account; the rental contract
- (c) The physical count of advertising materials on hand
- (d) The cash disbursements journal or vouchers payable record; the rental contract

- (e) The physical count of supplies on hand
- The notes payable register; the note itself

2-21. Adjusting and Correcting Entries on December 31, 2008

(a)	Allowance for Bad DebtsAccounts Receivable—Hatch Realty	640	640
(b)	Loss on Damages from Breach of Contract Lawsuit Payable—E. F. Bowcutt Co	3,500	3,500
(c)	Receivable from Insurance Company Accumulated Depreciation—Furniture	7,000	
	and Fixtures	4,100	
	Loss from Fire	1,200	
	Furniture and Fixtures	·	12,300
(d)	Advances to Salespersons	950	
` '	Sales Salaries Expense		950
(e)	Repairs Expense	760	
(-)	Machinery		760
	Depreciation Expense—Machinery	1,735*	
	Accumulated Depreciation—Machinery	•	1,735*
	*Depreciation: $(\$19,960 - \$4,460) \times 0.10 = \$1,550$ $(\$4,460 - \$760) \times 0.05 = \frac{185}{\$1,735}$		

2–22.

	1.	Insurance Expense	1,700	1,700
	2.	Depreciation Expense	9,400	9,400
	3.	Unearned Rent	5,000	5,000
	4.	Salaries Payable	8,100	8,100
2–23.	1.	Adjusting Entries		
		Prepaid Operating ExpensesGeneral Operating Expenses	4,000	4,000
		Sales Commissions Payable	5,900	5,900
		Investment Revenue Receivable Investment Revenue	1,000	1,000
		General Operating Expenses Accumulated Depreciation—Buildings	4,500	4,500
		General Operating Expenses Accumulated Depreciation—Machinery	5,000	5,000
		Income Tax ExpenseIncome Taxes Payable	18,100	18,100
		Closing Entries		
		SalesInvestment RevenueRetained Earnings	590,000 6,000	596,000
		Retained Earnings General Operating Expenses Sales Commissions Cost of Goods Sold Income Tax Expense	560,500	106,500 205,900 230,000 18,100

2-23. (Concluded)

2. Pioneer Heating Corporation Post-Closing Trial Balance

	Debit	Credit
Cash	\$ 39,000	
Investments	50,000	
Investment Revenue Receivable	1,000	
Inventory	50,000	
Prepaid Operating Expenses	4,000	
Land	70,000	
Buildings	180,000	
Accumulated Depreciation—Buildings	·	\$ 4,500
Machinery	100,000	•
Accumulated Depreciation—Machinery	·	5,000
Accounts Payable		65,000
Income Taxes Payable		18,100
Sales Commissions Payable		5,900
Common Stock		320,000
Additional Paid-In Capital		40,000
Retained Earnings		35,500
Totals	\$494,000	<u>\$494,000</u>

2-24.

1. Adjusting Entries

(a)	No a	diustmen	t necessary.
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(b)	Selling, General, and Administrative Expenses Prepaid Expenses	4,000	4,000
(c)	Unearned Revenue Rent Revenue	31,500	31,500
(d)	Selling, General, and Administrative Expenses Plant and Equipment	15,000	15,000
(e)	Selling, General, and Administrative Expenses Other Assets	2,800	2,800
(f)	Other Assets Selling, General, and Administrative Expenses .	13,000	13,000
(g)	Accounts PayableInventory	7,500	7,500

2-24. (Concluded)

2. Closing Entries

Sales	2,762,000	
Interest Revenue	29,000	
Rent Revenue	31,500	
Retained Earnings		2,822,500
Retained Earnings	2,475,800	
Cost of Goods Sold		1,565,000
Selling, General, and		
Administrative Expenses		623,800
Interest Expense		82,000
Income Tax Expense*		205,000
Retained Earnings	211,000	
Dividends		211,000

^{*}Assume that the adjustments do not affect Income Tax Expense.

3. Boudreaux Company Post-Closing Trial Balance December 31, 20XX

	Debit	Credit
Cash	\$ 72,000	
Accounts Receivable	365,000	
Inventory	44,500	
Prepaid Expenses	32,000	
Land	70,000	
Plant and Equipment	1,239,000	
Other Assets	1,285,200	
Accounts Payable		\$ 146,500
Wages, Interest, and Taxes Payable		218,000
Unearned Revenue		10,500
Long-Term Debt		1,190,000
Other Liabilities		297,000
Common Stock		195,000
Retained Earnings		1,050,700
Totals	\$3,107,700	\$3,107,700

2-25.

- 1. Received \$300 cash as payment on customer accounts.
- 2. Recorded return of inventory purchased on account for \$400 using the perpetual method.

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- 3. Borrowed \$5,000 cash.
- 4. Sold inventory costing \$550 for \$200 cash and \$700 on account.
- 5. Paid \$200 cash for prepaid insurance policy.
- 6. Declared dividends of \$250.
- 7. Closed Dividends to Retained Earnings at the end of the period. Dividends for the period totaled \$1,000.
- 8. Used up \$50 worth of the prepaid insurance policy.
- 9. Purchased inventory for \$150 cash and \$450 on account.
- 10. Wrote off a bad debt of \$46.
- 11. Recorded accrued interest payable of \$125.
- 12. Paid wages of \$205—\$75 related to wages for the current period and \$130 was for wages for the prior period.
- 13. Paid account totaling \$500. Because the payment was made within the discount period, a \$10 purchase discount was taken.

2-26.

Adjusting Entries

(a)	Depreciation Expense	5,000	5,000
(b)	Prepaid Selling Expense Selling Expense	2,500	2,500
(c)	Interest ReceivableInterest Revenue	750	750
(d)	Advertising Expense Selling Expense	620	620

2–27.

Adjusting Entries

(a)	Insurance Expense Prepaid Insurance	1,350*	1,350
	*A, \$3,600 × 21/24		\$ 3,150 600 9,000 \$12,750 14,100 \$(1,350)
(b)	Subscription Revenue Unearned Subscription Revenue	3,900 [†]	3,900
	†July, \$27,000 × 3/12 October, \$22,200 × 6/12 January, \$28,800 × 9/12 April, \$20,700 × 12/12 Unearned amount Account balance Adjustment		\$ 6,750 11,100 21,600 20,700 \$60,150 56,250 \$ 3,900
(c)	Interest Payable	450	450
(d)	Supplies Expense	780	780
(e)	Salaries Payable	5,250	5,250

2–28.

1. Adjusting Entries

Rent Expense Prepaid Rent	15,700	15,700
	0.000	13,700
Salaries and Wages Expense Salaries and Wages Payable	2,600	2,600
Unearned Consulting Fees	122,400	400 400
Consulting Fees Revenue		122,400
Interest Receivable	1,300	
Interest Revenue		1,300

2. Rent Expense = \$5,100 + \$14,000 - \$3,400 = \$15,700
Salaries and Wages Expense = \$40,000 - \$2,100 + \$4,700 = \$42,600
Consulting Fees Revenue = \$18,200 + \$112,000 - \$7,800 = \$122,400
Interest Revenue = \$3,200 - \$800 + \$2,100 = \$4,500

2–29. 1.

<u>.e</u>	Account	Balance Carried Forward	Balance Closed by <u>Debiting</u>	Balance Closed by <u>Crediting</u>
		X	V	
` '	ends		X	X
	tory	X		V
	g Expensesal Stock	X		X
(g) Wage	s Expense	V		X
	ends Payableof Goods Sold	X		X
(j) Acco	unts Payable	X		
()	unts Receivable	X		
11.	nid Insuranceest Receivable	X X		
` '	Discounts	^		X
` '	est Revenue		X	~
	lies	X		
` .,	ned Earnings	X		
` '	mulated Depreciation	X		
(s) Depre	eciation Expense			X

2-29. (Concluded)

2. Closing Entrie	25
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Sales	75,000	
Interest Revenue	6,500	
Retained Earnings	•	81,500
Retained Earnings	54,800	
Selling Expenses		7,900
Wages Expense		14,400
Cost of Goods Sold		26,500
Sales Discounts		4,200
Depreciation Expense		1,800
Retained Earnings	3,500	
Dividends	•	3,500

3. \$26,700 net income (\$81,500 - \$54,800 = \$26,700)

2–30.

Closing Entries

Revenues Retained Earnings	196,400	196,400
Retained Earnings Expenses	80,200	80,200
Retained Earnings Dividends	32,500	32,500

2–31.

Changes in Account Balances	Debit	Credit
Cash	\$ 18,000	
Accounts receivable		\$ 5,000
Inventory	14,000	
Equipment	58,000	
Accounts payable		2,000
Loans payable		40,000
Interest payable		2,000
Contributed capital (\$32,000 + \$15,000)		47,000
Retained earnings (or Dividends)	20,000	
,	\$110,000	\$ 96,000
Increase in net assets or net income		14,000
	<u>\$110,000</u>	<u>\$110,000</u>

2–32.

Impact of error correction on net income

	<u> 2006</u>	<u> 2007</u>	<u>2008</u>
Accrued salaries:			
2006 error	\$(25,000)	\$ 25,000	
2007 error		(19,000)	\$ 19,000
2008 error			(32,000)
Interest receivable:			
2006 error	10,500	(10,500)	
2007 error		8,500	(8,500)
2008 error			13,200
Net income increase (decrease)	\$(14,500)	\$ 4,000	\$ (8,300)

PROBLEMS

2-33.

1.	Мау	1	Cash Capital Stock	40,000	40,000
		3	InventoryAccounts Payable	8,000	8,000
		4	Office Supplies	500	500
		4	No entry.		
		5	Accounts Receivable	14,000	14,000
			Cost of Goods Sold Inventory	7,500	7,500
		8	Wages Expense Cash Employee Income Taxes Payable	2,450	2,000 450
		9	No entry.		
		9	Advertising Expense	1,500	1,500
	,	10	Cash Sales Discounts Accounts Receivable	13,580 420	14,000
	•	12	Machinery	6,400	6,400
	•	15	Dividends Dividends Payable	25,000	25,000
	•	18	Accounts Receivable Cash	21,000 3,000	24,000
			Cost of Goods Sold Inventory	13,000	13,000
	,	19	Accounts Payable Cash	8,000	8,000
	2	22	No entry.		
	2	23	No entry.		
	2	25	Building Cash Mortgage Payable	150,000	15,000 135,000
	2	29	Dividends Payable Cash	25,000	25,000

2-33. (Concluded)

2. The single most important event was the free, favorable publicity in the national newsmagazine on May 22, which undoubtedly led to the large increase in market value the following day. However, since no transaction occurred (i.e., there was no exchange of goods or services), no journal entry was made. Because the accounting records include only transactions, some economically relevant events are not recorded.

2-34.

	(1) B/S	(2)	(3) Real	(4)	(5) Debit (Dr.)
	I/S	A, L, OE,	or	or	or
Account Title	N	R, E, O	Nominal	Open	Credit (Cr.)
(a) Unearned Rent Revenue	B/S	L	Real	Open	Cr.
(b) Accounts Receivable	B/S	Α	Real	Open	Dr.
(c) Inventory	B/S	Α	Real	Open	Dr.
(d) Accounts Payable	B/S	L	Real	Open	Cr.
(e) Prepaid Rent	B/S	Α	Real	Open	Dr.
(f) Mortgage Payable	B/S	L	Real	Open	Cr.
(g) Sales	I/S	R	Nominal	Closed	d Cr.
(h) Cost of Goods Sold	I/S	Ε	Nominal	Closed	d Dr.
(i) Dividends	N	0	Nominal	Closed	d Dr.
(j) Dividends Payable	B/S	L	Real	Open	Cr.
(k) Interest Receivable	B/S	Α	Real	Open	Dr.
(I) Wages Expense	I/S	Ε	Nominal	Closed	d Dr.
(m) Interest Revenue	I/S	R	Nominal	Closed	d Cr.
(n) Supplies	B/S	Α	Real	Open	Dr.
(o) Accumulated Depreciation	B/S	A *	Real	Open	Cr.
(p) Retained Earnings	B/S	OE	Real	Open	Cr.
(q) Discount on Bonds Payable	B/S	L*	Real	Open	Dr.
(r) Goodwill	B/S	Α	Real	Open	Dr.
(s) Additional Paid-In Capital	B/S	OE	Real	Open	Cr.

^{*}Contra.

2-35.

	1.	Adjusting Entries on 12/31/08:		
		(a) Accounts PayableCash		3,100
		(b) Depreciation Expense	•	5,000
		(c) Bad Debt Expense		2,350
		(d) Interest Receivable	,	3,000
		(e) Sales Revenue	,	10,000
		(f) Discount on Notes Payable		250
	2.	Net Change in Income:		
		Add: Interest revenue not recorded Overstatement of interest expense	\$ 3,000 250	\$ 3,250
		Deduct: Depreciation expense Bad debt expense Overstatement of sales revenue	2,350	<u>(17,350</u>)
		Net reduction in reported net income		<u>\$(14,100</u>)
2–36.				
	(a)	a) 2008 Oct. 1 Rent Expense Cash(\$1,800 ÷ 9/12 = \$2,400 annual expense		2,400
	(b	o) June 1 Advertising Expense Cash(\$1,700 ÷ 5/12 = \$4,080 annual expense		4,080
	(c)	Rent Revenue(\$900 ÷ 2/12 = \$5,400 annual revenue)		5,400

2–36	(Concluded)	
	(d) July 1 Office Supplies Expense	2,000
	(e) Aug. 1 Insurance Expense	1,800
2–37.		
	(a) Bad Debt Expense	2,920
	(b) Interest Receivable	600
	(c) Discount on Notes Payable	700
	(d) No adjustment required.	
	(e) Salaries and Wages Expense	1,500
	(f) Discount on Notes Receivable	800
	(g) Unearned Rent Revenue	3,300
	COMPUTATIONS:	
	(a) Estimated uncollectibles: $0.04 \times \$148,000 = \$5,920$ Required increase in allowance account balance: $\$5,920 - \$3,000 = \$2,920$	
	(b) Required increase in accrued interest on investments balance:	

- (b) Required increase in accrued interest on investments balance: \$2,900 \$2,300 = \$600
- (c) Required increase in discount on notes payable balance: \$1,100 \$400 = \$700
- (e) Required increase in accrued salaries and wages balance: \$6,700 \$5,200 = \$1,500
- (f) Required reduction in discount on notes receivable balance: \$2,600 \$1,800 = \$800
- (g) Required reduction in unearned rent revenue balance: \$3,300 0 = \$3,300

2–38. 1.

(a) Accounts Receivable Bad Debt Expense Sales Allowance for Bad Debts	28,000 3,000	28,000 3,000
(b) Salaries ExpenseSalaries Payable	11,000	11,000
(c) Prepaid RentRent Expense	9,000	9,000
(d) Utilities ExpenseAccrued Liabilities (or Utilities Payable)	2,700	2,700
(e) Depreciation Expense	6,000	6,000
(f) Commission Expense	3,750	3,750
(g) Prepaid Insurance	3,000	3,000
(h) Interest Expense	1,000	1,000
(i) Income Tax Expense	26,300	26,300

2-38. (Concluded)

2. Gee Enterprises Income Statement—Accrual Basis For the Year Ended December 31, 2008

Sales		\$280,000
Selling and administrative expenses:		, ,
Salaries expense	\$89,000	
Rent expense	36,000	
Utilities expense	31,700	
Depreciation expense	6,000	
Commission expense	41,550	
Insurance expense	3,000	
Interest expense	4,000	
Bad debt expense	3,000	214,250
Income before income taxes	·	\$ 65,750
Income taxes (0.40)		26,300
Net income		\$ 39,450

2–39. 1. Although not required, a work sheet is provided as an answer to (1) and as support for other parts of this problem.

Builders' Supply Corporation Work Sheet December 31, 2008

	Trial Balance Adjustments		Income Statement		Balance Sheet			
Account Title	Debit	Credit	Debit	Credit	Debit	Credit	Debit	Credit
Cash	24,000						24,000	
Accounts Receivable	72,000						72,000	
Allowance for Bad Debts		1,380		(a) 1,620				3,000
Inventory	87,570						87,570	•
Long-Term Investments	15,400						15,400	
Land	69,600						69,600	
Buildings	72,000						72,000	
Accumulated Depreciation—Buildings		19,800		(b) 3,600				23,400
Accounts Payable		35,000						35,000
Mortgage Payable		68,800						68,800
Capital Stock, \$10 par		180,000						180,000
Retained Earnings, December 31, 2007		14,840						14,840
Dividends	13,400						13,400	
Sales		246,000				246,000		
Sales Returns	4,360				4,360			
Sales Discounts	5,400				5,400			
Cost of Goods Sold	114,370				114,370			
Selling Expenses	49,440		(c) 3,840		53,280			
Office Expenses	21,680				21,680			
Insurance Expense	1,440			(e) 720	720			
Supplies Expense	5,200			(d) 780	4,420			
Taxes—Real Estate and Payroll	7,980		(g) 900		8,880			
Interest Revenue		660	(9)	(f) 240		900		
Interest Expense	2,640		(h) 480	(.) =	3.120			
Bad Debt Expense	_,0.0		(a) 1,620		1,620			
Depreciation Expense—Buildings (5% of \$72,000)			(b) 3,600		3,600			
Selling Expenses Payable				(c) 3,840				3,840
Supplies			(d) 780				780	
Prepaid Insurance			(e) 720				720	
Interest Receivable			(f) 240				240	
Real Estate and Payroll Taxes Payable			(.)	(g) 900				900
Interest Payable				(h) 480				480
Income Tax Expense			(i) 5,090	()	5.090			
Income Taxes Payable (20% of \$25,450)		•••••	,	(i) 5,090	-,			5,090
11001110 Taxes I ayabic (20/0 of \$20,700)	566.480	566.480	17,270	17,270			•••••	5,090
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	11,210	11,210	226,540	246,900	355,710	335,350
Net Income					20,340	•	,	20,360
Not income		•••••	•••••		246.900	246.900	355.710	355.710
					<u> 240,300</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u>333,7 10</u>

2-39. (Continued)

2.	Adi	iusting	Entries
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Insurance Expense		(d)	• •		780
Interest Revenue		(e)	<u>.</u>		720
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Interest Payable		(g)			900
Sales		(h)	•		480
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2-39. (Concluded)

4. Builders' Supply Corporation Post-Closing Trial Balance December 31, 2008

	Debit	Credit
Cash	\$ 24,000	
Accounts Receivable	72,000	
Allowance for Bad Debts		\$ 3,000
Interest Receivable	240	
Inventory	87,570	
Supplies	780	
Prepaid Insurance	720	
Long-Term Investments	15,400	
Land	69,600	
Buildings	72,000	
Accumulated Depreciation—Buildings		23,400
Accounts Payable		35,000
Interest Payable		480
Selling Expenses Payable		3,840
Income Taxes Payable		5,090
Real Estate and Payroll Taxes Payable		900
Mortgage Payable		68,800
Capital Stock, \$10 par		180,000
Retained Earnings		21,800
Totals	\$342,310	\$342,310

2–40.

1.	Adj	usting Entries		
	(a)	No adjustment needed.		
	(b)	Bad Debt Expense Allowance for Bad Debts	500	500
	(c)	Depreciation Expense—Equipment Accumulated Depreciation—Equipment	32,000	32,000
	(d)	Inventory Cost of Goods Sold	5,600	5,600
		Sales Revenue	8,200	8,200
	(e)	Interest ExpenseInterest Payable	7,000	7,000
	(f)	Prepaid Insurance Insurance Expense	2,250	2,250
	(g)	Dividends Dividends Payable	7,800	7,800
2.	Clo	sing Entries		
	Inte	es Revenuerest RevenueRetained Earnings	301,800 12,000	313,800
		ained Earnings	306,300	199,650 45,000 10,200 6,000 32,000 750 5,000 7,200 500

Retained Earnings.....

Dividends.....

7,800

7,800

2-40. (Concluded)

3. Taipei International Corporation Post-Closing Trial Balance December 31, 2008

	Debit	Credit
Cash	\$ 31,500	
Accounts Receivable	16,800	
Allowance for Bad Debts		\$ 750
Inventory	47,300	
Prepaid Insurance	2,250	
Equipment	190,000	
Accumulated Depreciation—Equipment	·	83,000
Accounts Payable		31,000
Notes Payable		70,000
Interest Payable		7,000
Wages Payable		8,000
Income Taxes Payable		6,500
Dividends Payable		7,800
Common Stock		40,000
Retained Earnings		33,800
Totals	\$287,850	\$287,850

4. Dividends are not restricted to the amount of net income in any given year. Therefore, it is possible for dividends to be paid in a year in which there is a net loss. However, contracts with lenders will sometimes restrict the payment of dividends in years when net income is below a certain amount.

Also, it is possible for a company to owe income taxes in a year in which it reports a loss on its income statement. Recall that financial accounting net income (to be reported to the shareholders) and taxable income (to be reported to the IRS) are computed according to two different sets of rules and will almost never be the same.

2-41.

Royal Distributing Co. Work Sheet December 31, 2008

	Trial	Balance	Adjustments		Income Statement		Balance Sheet	
Account	Debit	Credit	<u>Adjus</u> Debit	Credit	Debit	Credit	Debit	Credit
Account	Denit	Credit	Denit	Credit	Denit	Credit	Debit	Credit
Cash	35,000						35,000	
Accounts Receivable	91,000						91,000	
Allowance for Bad Debts		1,800		(a) 2,000				3,800
Inventory	92,000						92,000	
Long-Term Investments	27,500						27,500	
Land	53,400						53,400	
Buildings	112,500						112,500	
Accumulated Depreciation—Bldg.		26,780		(b) 10,500				37,280
Accounts Payable								47,300
Mortgage Payable		99,500						99,500
Capital Stock, \$5 par		175,000						175,000
Retained Earnings, Dec. 31, 2007.								14,840
Dividends	9,670						9,670	
Sales		359.000				359,000		
Sales Returns	12,890				12,890	•		
Sales Discounts	7,540				7,540			
Cost of Goods Sold	150,520				150,520			
Selling Expenses	62,350		(c) 8.600		70,950			
Office Expenses	38,900				38,900			
Insurance Expense	14,000				10,000			
Supplies Expense	4,800				3,550			
Taxes—Real Estate and Payroll	9,500				11,840			
Interest Revenue						1,400		
Interest Expense	3,200				4,980	1,400		
interest Expense	3,200	•••••	• •		-		•••••	
Pad Daht Eynanaa					2.000		•••••	•••••
Bad Debt Expense Depreciation Expense—Buildings			· ,		,		•••••	•••••
			(b) 10,500		10,500			
Selling Expenses Payable			(4) 4 250	• •			4.050	8,600
Supplies	•••••		. ,				1,250	
Prepaid Insurance	•••••						4,000	•••••
Interest Receivable			(1) 850				850	
Real Estate and Payroll								
Taxes Payable				(3)				2,340
Interest Payable								1,780
Income Taxes Payable								14,692
Income Tax Expense			(i) 14,692					
	<u>724,770</u>	<u>724,770</u>	<u>46,012</u>		338,362	•	427,170	
Net Income			•••••		22,038		<u></u>	22,038
					<u>360,400</u>	<u>360,400</u>	<u>427,170</u>	<u>427,170</u>

2–42. 1.

Whitni Corporation Work Sheet December 31, 2008

	Trial Balance		Adjustments		Income Statement		Balance Sheet	
Account Title	Debit	Credit	Debit	Credit	Debit	Credit	Debit	Credit
Cash	40,250						40,250	
Notes Receivable	16,500						16,500	
Accounts Receivable	63,000						63,000	
Allowance for Bad Debts		650		(c) 1,850				2,500
Inventory, December 31, 2008	94,700						94,700	
Land	80,000						80,000	
Buildings	247,600						247,600	
Accumulated Depreciation—Buildings		18,000		(a2) 6,904				24,904
Furniture and Fixtures	15,000						15,000	
Accumulated Depreciation—Furniture and Fixtures		9,000		(a1) 1,500				10,500
Notes Payable		18,000						18,000
Accounts Payable		72,700						72,700
Common Stock, \$100 par		240,000						240,000
Retained Earnings		129,125	(g1) 3,600					125,525
Sales		760,000				760,000		
Sales Returns and Allowances	17,000				17,000			
Cost of Goods Sold	465,800				465,800			
Utilities Expense	16,700				16,700			
Property Tax Expense	10,200		(d3) 6,000		16,200			
Salaries and Wages Expense	89,000				89,000			
Sales Commissions Expense	73,925		(d1) 700		74,625			
Insurance Expense	18,000			(e) 3,200	14.800			
Interest Revenue		2,600		(f) 750		3,350		
Interest Expense	2,400	_,	(d2) 45	(,,	2,445			
Depreciation Expense—Buildings	_,		(a2) 6,904		6,904			
Depreciation Expense—Furniture and Fixtures			(a1) 1,500		1,500			
Bad Debt Expense			(c) 1,850		1.850			
Sales Commissions Payable				(d1) 700				700
Interest Payable				(d2) 45				45
Property Taxes Payable				(d3) 6,000				6,000
Prepaid Insurance			(e) 3,200				3,200	
Interest Receivable			(f) 750				750	
Dividends Payable				(g1) 3,600				3,600
Income Tax Expense			(g2) 15,000	(91) 0,000	15.000			
Income Taxes Payable			(92) 13,000	(g2) 15,000		<u></u>		15,000
	1.250.075	1.250.075	39.549	39.549	721,824	763,350	561,000	519,474
Net Income	1150010				41,526	•	,	41,526
1401 111001110			•••••		763.350	763.350	561.000	561.000

2-42. (Continued)

2. Adjusting Entries

(a1)	Depreciation Expense—Furniture and Fixtures	1,500	1,500
(a2)	Depreciation Expense—Buildings	6,904 7	6,904
(c)	Bad Debt Expense	1,850	1,850
(d1)	Sales Commissions Expense Sales Commissions Payable	700	700
(d2)	Interest ExpenseInterest Payable	45	45
(d3)	Property Tax Expense Property Taxes Payable	6,000	6,000
(e)	Prepaid Insurance Insurance Expense	3,200	3,200
(f)	Interest ReceivableInterest Revenue	750	750
(g1)	Retained Earnings	3,600	3,600
(g2)	Income Tax ExpenseIncome Taxes Payable	15,000	15,000

2-42. (Concluded)

Closing Entries

Sales	760,000	
Interest Revenue	3,350	
Sales Returns and Allowances		17,000
Retained Earnings		746,350
Retained Earnings	704,824	
Cost of Goods Sold		465,800
Utilities Expense		16,700
Property Tax Expense		16,200
Salaries and Wages Expense		89,000
Sales Commissions Expense		74,625
Insurance Expense		14,800
Interest Expense		2,445
Depreciation Expense—Buildings		6,904
Depreciation Expense—Furniture and Fixtures		1,500
Bad Debt Expense		1,850
Income Tax Expense		15,000

CASES

Discussion Case 2-43

First of all, many businesses do not survive, and poor bookkeeping is a contributor to the demise of many of them. Poor bookkeeping leads to a host of problems: trouble collecting accounts, difficulties with suppliers over late payments, problems getting bank loans because of the inability to prove profitability, inability to assemble reliable cost and revenue data in order to make pricing decisions, and general inefficient use of time. In addition, poor bookkeeping is often a symptom of a more fundamental laxness that adversely affects all aspects of the business.

Secondly, some businesses do well in spite of their bookkeeping inefficiencies because their fundamental business is doing so well that the inefficiencies stemming from bad recordkeeping only reduce profits instead of eliminating them altogether. This often occurs when a business occupies a specialized market niche that competitors have not yet entered.

Discussion Case 2-44

Recall that journal entries are made to record transactions and that *transactions* are defined as events that involve the transfer or exchange of goods or services between two or more entities. Each of the events listed in this case has potential economic significance. However, none of them involve an exchange of goods or services between the business and an outside entity. Accordingly, no journal entries are required.

Discussion Case 2-45

This case provides an opportunity to discuss with students the impact computers are increasingly having on accounting activities. Accounting systems are undergoing significant changes as new technology makes it possible to produce a variety of reports in a timely and comprehensive manner not previously practical. In many companies, several information systems exist side by side, each producing information for a narrow use. The use of more generalized databases that can be queried by different users to meet their needs is a concept that will be increasingly considered. Accountants must be willing to work with such systems if they are going to introduce the controls necessary to ensure the integrity of the data. Jim's worry is a real one; however, avoidance of the issue will not make the problem go away. If accountants do not play an active role in streamlining the system, other professionals with expertise in computer technology will and accountants will be forced to use what they are given.

Discussion Case 2-46

The cash basis and the accrual basis yield quite different pictures of a firm's operating performance when levels of assets or liabilities change dramatically from beginning of period to end of period. This would be the case, for example, in a growing company. In such a company, cash needs would exceed net income because of the need to increase working capital and the fixed assets of the company.

The cash basis and the accrual basis show similar pictures when the levels of assets and liabilities do not change from beginning of period to end of period. For example, in a firm that has been in existence for quite some time and that has reached a steady state, the levels of receivables, inventory, and payables are often constant. Capital expenditures to replace fixed assets in any given year approximate depreciation expense for the year. In such a circumstance, cash flow and net income are approximately the same.

Discussion Case 2-47

The possibilities include the following:

- 1. The annual reports may still be disseminated by mail, but investors might receive a computer disk instead of a paper document. This would allow the inclusion of much more information and allow investors to analyze the information more easily. It has been suggested that the importance of accounting method choice would diminish because users would be able to generate reports based on any set of accounting assumptions. Lenders, for example, might choose a more conservative set of assumptions than a potential corporate raider. Dissemination of more detailed data would allow all users to generate tailor-made financial statements.
- 2. Alternatively, the annual report might be disseminated electronically. The SEC's EDGAR program is currently operational for firms making electronic filings; electronic dissemination of EDGAR filings is also possible.
 - Both of these developments make sense, because financial statement analysis will increasingly be done using computers. It makes sense to eliminate the paper intermediary when the firm's computer can prepare the financial data in a form your computer can read.
 - Ultimately, it might someday be possible for an outsider to track the performance of a firm on an ongoing basis by tapping directly into the firm's accounting computer system. There would be no need for an annual report; users could generate financial statements for any interval they choose. Accounting software firms would arise with competing software to best analyze and summarize the raw data available from company accounting records.

Discussion Case 2-48

Companies are usually very sensitive to requests of their stockholders. This concern should be expressed in replying to Julie's request. The company policy in distributing quarterly reports could be conveyed in the reply, along with the latest report. The chief accountant could assure Julie that the quarterly reports are prepared using the same generally accepted accounting principles as the annual reports and that the company auditors do review the quarterlies for consistency and overall reasonableness.

The idea of direct access to company records is one that has been suggested by several futurists. Certainly, the technology is available to do some of this. However, companies must also be concerned about premature disclosure of information that might be detrimental to the long-term interest of the company as an entity. As chief accountant, you might consider establishing a hotline response system that would be updated weekly and that would provide data to interested stockholders such as Julie. The use of computers to access previously unavailable information is certainly going to occur. Those companies in the forefront will be perceived as forward looking and will likely be popular with stockholders.

Case 2-49

The Walt Disney Company Adjusted Trial Balance September 30, 2004 (dollars in millions)

(dollars in millions)		
	<u>Debit</u>	Credit
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 2,042	
Receivables	4,558	
Inventories	775	
Television Costs—Current	484	
Deferred Income Taxes	772	
Other Assets—Current	738	
Film and Television Costs—Long-Term	5,938	
Investments	1,292	
Attractions, Buildings, and Equipment	25,168	
Accumulated Depreciation		\$11,665
Projects in Progress	1,852	
Land	1,127	
Intangible Assets, Net	2,815	
Goodwill	16,966	
Other Assets—Long-Term	1,040	
Accounts Payable and Other Accrued Liabilities		5,623
Current Portion of Borrowings		4,093
Unearned Royalties and Other Advances		1,343
Borrowings		9,395
Deferred Income Taxes		2,950
Other Long-Term Liabilities		3,619
Minority Interests		798
Common Stock		12,447
Retained Earnings		13,817
Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income	236	
Treasury Stock	1,862	
Dividends	430	
Revenues		30,752
Costs and Expenses	26,704	,
Net Interest Expense and Other	617	
Equity in the Income of Investees		372
Restructuring and Impairment Charges	64	
Income Taxes	1,197	
Minority Interests	197	
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Totals	<u>\$96,874</u>	<u>\$96,874</u>

Remember that the retained earnings balance on the September 30, 2004, balance sheet reflects the fact that all nominal accounts have been closed. To prepare a trial balance that includes nominal accounts, net income for the period must be subtracted and dividends must be added (obtained from the statement of stockholders' equity) from the end-of-year balance to arrive at the beginning-of-year balance.

Case 2-50

Students should consider the following points in their assignment:

- An understanding of how information from a transaction is entered into the accounting system, processed by the system, and accumulated into a report will aid accountants and others as they use the information.
- If an error occurs in the accounting system, an understanding of how the system works will facilitate the correction of the error.
- 3. An understanding of the mechanics enables individuals to better understand the concepts. For example, the journal entries associated with a perpetual inventory system assist one in understanding how goods flow through a business.
- 4. Journal entries force individuals to be concise and precise in their thinking. One cannot be sloppy when it comes to journal entries. Thus, another benefit of journal entries and T-accounts is that they assist the individual in becoming a better thinker.

Case 2-51

- A transaction involves the exchange of something of value between two independent entities.
- 2. "Cash consequences" indicates that a transaction may result in an asset that will eventually convert to cash. Perhaps the best example is a sale on account. An accounts receivable will eventually be converted into cash. Thus, a sale on account has cash consequences.
- 3. An accrual involves expected future cash receipts and payments. A deferral involves past cash receipts and payments. In a deferral situation, the cash has already been exchanged. In an accrual situation, the cash is expected to be exchanged in the future.

Case 2-52

It should be apparent to students that the adjusting process requires significant judgment on the part of an accountant. Few guidelines exist to dictate the appropriateness of estimates. However, users of financial information require unbiased information with which to make quality decisions. If accounting information is biased so as to not reflect the economic realities of a business, poor resource allocation decisions can be made.

The accountant must exercise caution in ensuring that estimates are reasonable. While incentives may exist that cause the accountant to consider using overly optimistic estimates, incentives also exist to ensure that the accountant remains unbiased. For example, if an investor or creditor suffers a loss as a result of relying on information contained in the financial statements of a company, accountants may find themselves in a court of law trying to justify their estimates.

Accounting is one part science and one part art. While the mechanics of accounting may seem relatively straightforward, such is not the case. Bookkeeping is straightforward and requires little judgment; accounting requires significant judgment.

Case 2-53

Solutions to this problem can be found on the Instructor's Resource CD-ROM or downloaded from the Web at http://stice.swlearning.com.