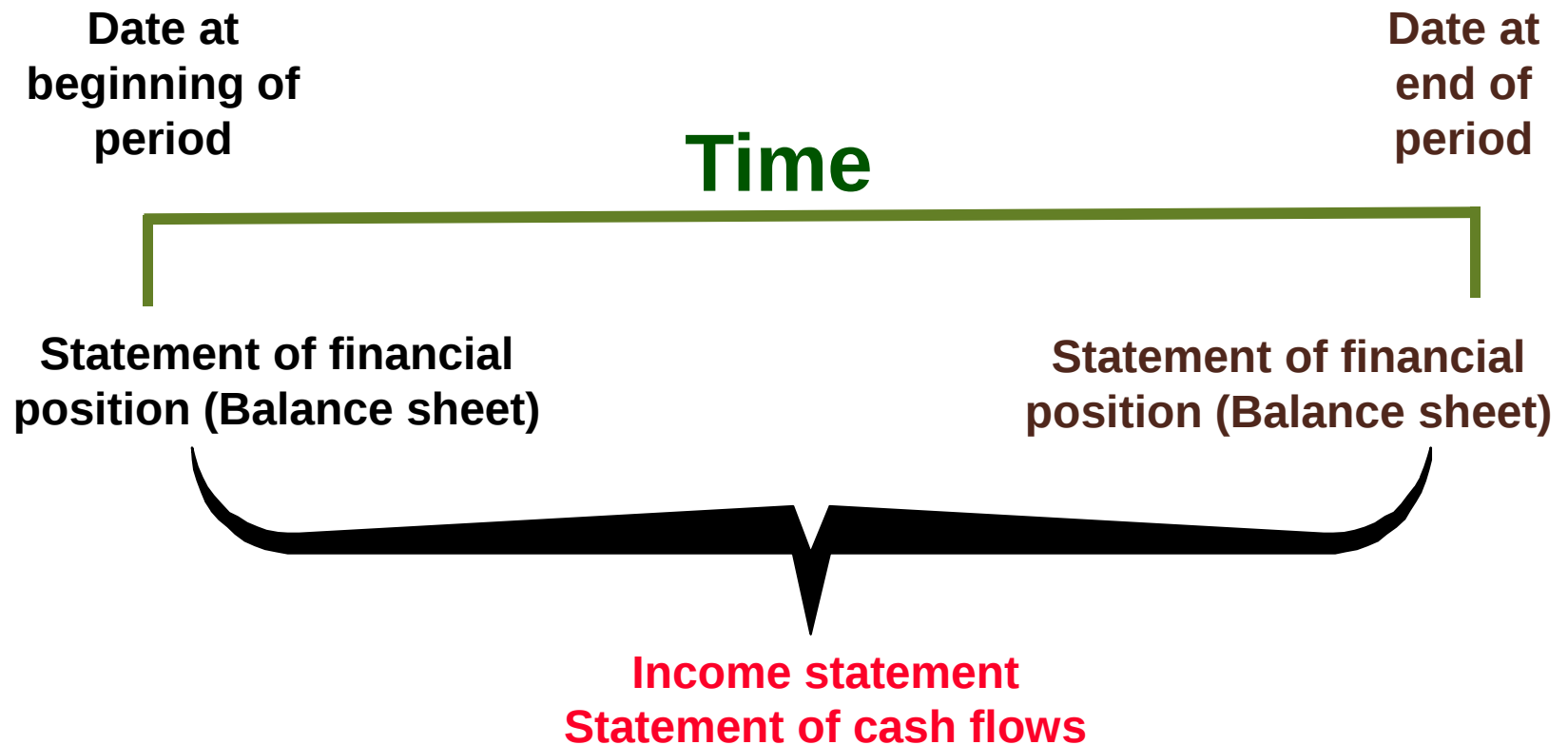


Relationships Among Financial Statements



Financial Statement Articulation

OVERNIGHT AUTO SERVICE STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 20-31, 2018		
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Cash received from revenue transactions	\$ 2,200	
Cash paid for expenses	(1,400)	
Net cash provided by operating activities		\$ 800
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Purchase of land	\$ (52,000)	
Purchase of building	(6,000)	
Purchase of tools	(6,800)	
Sale of tools	600	
Net cash used by investing activities		(64,200)
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Sale of Capital Stock		80,000
Increase in cash for the period	\$ 16,600	
Cash balance, January 20, 2018		-
Cash balance, January 31, 2018		\$ 16,600

OVERNIGHT AUTO SERVICE INCOME STATEMENT FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 20-31, 2018		
Sales Revenues		\$ 2,200
Operating Expenses:		
Wages	\$ 1,200	
Utilities	<u>200</u>	
		\$ 1,400
Net Income		\$ 800

OVERNIGHT AUTO SERVICE BALANCE SHEET JANUARY 31, 2018			
Assets		Liabilities	
Cash	\$ 16,600	Notes payable	\$ 30,000
Accounts receivable	1,200	Accounts payable	7,000
Tools & equipment	12,000	Owners' Equity	
Building	36,000	Capital stock	80,000
Land	52,000	Retained earnings	800
Total assets	<u>\$ 117,800</u>	Total liabilities & equity	<u>\$ 117,800</u>

Your Turn: You as a Creditor

Assume that you are a financial analyst for a potential supplier to Overnight Auto Service. Overnight wants to buy goods from your company on credit. What factors might you consider in deciding whether to extend credit to Overnight?

Forms of Business Organization

I. Sole Proprietorship

- a. An unincorporated business owned by one person.
- b. Often the owner also acts as the manager.
- c. Common for small retail stores, farms, service businesses, and professional practices in law, medicine, and accounting.
- d. Most common form of business organization in our economy.

Forms of Business: Partnership

2. Partnership

- a. An unincorporated business owned by two or more persons voluntarily acting as partners (co-owners).
- b. Widely used for small businesses as well as some large professional practices, including CPA firms and law firms.
- c. Owners of a partnership are personally responsible for all debts of the business.
- d. From an accounting standpoint, a partnership is viewed as a business entity separate from the personal affairs of its owners.

Forms of Business: Corporation

3. Corporations

- a. Recognized under the law as an entity separate from its owners.
- b. Owners of a corporation are *not* personally liable for the debts of the business.
- c. These owners can lose no more than the amounts they have invested in the business—a concept known as *limited liability*.

Corporations (cont.)

- d. Ownership of a corporation is divided into transferable shares of capital stock.
- e. Owners are called stockholders or shareholders.
- f. Stockholders are generally free to sell some or all of these shares to other investors at any time.
- g. Corporations are the dominant form of business organization in terms of the dollar volume of business activity.

Reporting Ownership Equity in the Statement of Financial Position

Sole Proprietorships

Owner's equity:

Michael McBryan, Capital	\$	80,800
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Partnerships

Partners' equity:

Michael McBryan, Capital	\$	40,400
Rebecca McBryan, Capital		<u>40,400</u>
Total partners' equity		\$80,800

Corporations

Owners' equity:

Capital Stock	\$80,000
Retained Earnings	<u>800</u>
Total stockholders' equity	\$80,800

Liquidity and Profitability

Liquidity is the ability of the business to pay its debts as they come due.

- Critical to the survival of the business.
- A business that is not liquid may be forced into bankruptcy by its creditors.

Profitability refers to a company's ability to generate net income from the business.

- Profitable operations increase owner's equity.

Short-Run vs. Long-Run

- In the short-run, liquidity and profitability may be independent of each other.
- Over the long term, liquidity and profitability go hand in hand.
- A key indicator of a company's short-term liquidity is the relationship between an entity's liquid assets and the liabilities requiring payment in the near future.

Adequate Disclosure

- Adequate disclosure means that users of financial statements are informed of all information necessary for the proper interpretation of the statements.
- Disclosures are made in the body of the financial statements and in the notes accompanying the statements.
- It is common for the notes to the financial statements to be longer than the statements themselves.

Adequate Disclosure (cont.)

Items that may require disclosure include but are not limited to:

- Significant accounting policies
- Subsequent events
- Contingencies
- Contractual commitments
- Assets pledged as collateral

Management's Interest in Financial Statements

- Creditors are more likely to extend credit if financial statements show a strong statement of financial position—that is, relatively little debt and large amounts of liquid assets.
- Window dressing occurs when management takes measures to make the company appear as strong as possible in its financial statements.

Learning Objective Summary LO2-I

LO2-I: Explain the nature and general purposes of financial statements. Financial statements are presentations of information in financial terms about an enterprise that are believed to be fair and accurate. They describe certain attributes of the enterprise that are important for decision makers, particularly investors (owners) and creditors.

Learning Objective Summary LO2-2

LO2-2: Explain certain accounting principles that are important for an understanding of financial statements and how professional judgment by accountants may affect the application of those principles.

Accountants prepare financial statements by applying a set of standards or rules referred to as generally accepted accounting principles. Consistent application of these standards permits comparisons between companies and between years of a single company. Generally accepted accounting principles allow for significant latitude in how certain transactions should be accounted for, meaning that professional judgment is particularly important.

Learning Objective Summary LO2-3

LO2-3: Demonstrate how certain business transactions affect the elements of the accounting equation: $\text{Assets} = \text{Liabilities} +$

Owners' Equity. Business transactions result in changes in the three elements of the basic accounting equation. A transaction that increases total assets must also increase total liabilities and owners' equity. Similarly, a transaction that decreases total assets must simultaneously decrease total liabilities and owners' equity. Some transactions increase one asset and reduce another. Regardless of the nature of the specific transaction, the accounting equation must stay in balance at all times.

Learning Objective Summary LO2-4

LO2-4: Explain how the statement of financial position, often referred to as the balance sheet, is an expansion of the basic accounting equation.

The statement of financial position, or balance sheet, presents in detail the elements of the basic accounting equation. Various types of assets are listed and totaled. The enterprise's liabilities are listed, totaled, and added to the owners' equity. The balancing feature of this financial statement is one of its dominant characteristics because the statement is simply an expansion of the basic accounting equation.

Learning Objective Summary LO2-5

LO2-5: Explain how the income statement reports an enterprise's financial performance for a period of time in terms of the relationship of revenues and expenses. Revenues are created as the enterprise provides goods and services for its customers. Many expenses are required to be able to provide those goods and services. The difference between the revenues and expenses is net income or net loss.

Learning Objective Summary LO2-6

LO2-6: Explain how the statement of cash flows presents the change in cash for a period of time in terms of the company's operating, investing, and financing activities. Cash is one of the most important assets, and the statement of cash flows shows in detail how the enterprise's cash balance changed between the beginning and end of the accounting period. Operating activities relate to ongoing revenue and expense transactions. Investing activities relate to the purchase and sale of various types of assets (for example, land, buildings, and equipment). Financing activities describe where the enterprise has received its debt and equity financing. The statement of cash flows combines information about all of these activities into a concise statement of changes in cash that reconciles the beginning and ending cash balances.

Learning Objective Summary LO2-7

LO2-7: Explain how the statement of financial position (balance sheet), income statement, and statement of cash flows relate to each other. The three primary financial statements are based on the same underlying transactions. They are not alternatives to each other, but rather represent three different ways of looking at the financial activities of the reporting enterprise. Because they are based on the same transactions, they “articulate” with each other.

Learning Objective Summary LO2-8

LO2-8: Explain common forms of business ownership—sole proprietorship, partnership, and corporation—and demonstrate how they differ in terms of their statements of financial position.

Owners' equity is one of three major elements in the basic accounting equation. Regardless of the form of organization, owners' equity represents the interest of the owners in the assets of the reporting enterprise. For a sole proprietorship, owner's equity consists of the interest of a single owner. For a partnership, the ownership interests of all partners are added together to determine the total owners' equity of the enterprise. For a corporation, which may have many owners, the total contribution to the enterprise represents its owners' equity. In all cases, the enterprise's net income is added to owners' equity.

Learning Objective Summary LO2-9

LO2-9: Discuss the importance of financial statements to a company and its investors and creditors and why management may take steps to improve the appearance of the company in its financial statements. Financial statements are particularly important for investors and creditors in their attempts to evaluate future cash flows from the enterprise to them. Management is interested in the enterprise looking as positive as possible in its financial statements and may take certain steps to improve the overall appearance of the enterprise. A fine line, however, exists between the steps management can take and the steps that are unethical, or even illegal.

End of Chapter 2