

SOLUTIONS

Learning Goal 22

Multiple Choice

1. c
 2. d. The words “debit” and “credit” refer *only* to location. “Debit” means “left” and “credit” means “right.” They have no other meaning. Whether or not “debit” and “credit” is an increase or decrease depends entirely on which account in the equation is affected. That is the reason why it is so important to first remember the basic rule:

Accounts on the left side of the equation are increased with left-side (debit) entries, and accounts on the right side of the equation are increased with right-side (credit) entries. Then record decreases on the opposite sides from increases.

Another common mistake with the words “debit” and “credit” is trying to give them meanings such as “favorable” or “unfavorable” or “give” and “take.”
 3. b
 4. a
 5. b. This is giving up one asset (Accounts Receivable) for another asset (Cash).
 6. c
 7. d
 8. d. Debits (left-side entry) decrease liabilities.
 9. a
 10. b
 11. d. Net income (or loss) is simply revenues – expenses: ($\$44,200 - \$37,100 = \$7,100$)
 12. c
 13. b, because Accounts Payable decreased and Cash decreased.
 14. a, because Cash decreased and Supplies increased.
 15. c, because Cash increased and Unearned Revenue increased.
 16. a, because Cash increased and Accounts Receivable decreased.
 17. d. Equipment increased and Notes Payable increased, so the company purchased equipment and signed a note payable.
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Reinforcement Problems

LG 22-1.

Account	Natural Positive Side	
	Dr.	Cr.
a. Supplies	✓	
b. Accounts Payable		✓
c. Service Revenue		✓
d. Cash	✓	
e. R. Penland, Drawing	✓	
f. R. Penland, Capital		✓
g. Accounts Receivable	✓	
h. Rent Expense	✓	
i. Prepaid Rent	✓	
j. Equipment	✓	
k. Unearned Revenue		✓
l. Notes Payable		✓

LG 22-2.

- ... when a debit is to item on the left side of the equation (assets).
- ... when a debit is to an item on the right side of the equation (liabilities and owner's equity).
(Note: expenses and withdrawals decrease owner's equity, so expenses and withdrawals are recorded with debits.)
- ... when a credit is to an item on the right side of the equation (liabilities and owner's equity).
- ... when a credit is to an item on the left side of the equation (assets).

LG 22-3.

	Assets	Liabilities	Owner's Capital	Revenue	Expense	Drawing
Debit	Increase	Decrease	Decrease	Decrease	Increase	Increase
Credit	Decrease	Increase	Increase	Increase	Decrease	Decrease
Natural Positive Balance?	Dr.	Cr.	Cr.	Cr.	Dr.	Dr.

* Note: Natural positive balances ("normal balances") are always on the increase side.

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LG 22-4.

- a. The word “debit” refers to location—specifically, left side—but not increase or decrease. “Debit” has nothing to do with knowing how to increase or decrease accounts. Knowing how to increase or decrease accounts is a completely separate rule. The word “debit” is only used *after* the rule is applied.
- b. The word “credit” refers to location—specifically, right side—but not increase or decrease. “Credit” has nothing to do with knowing how to increase or decrease accounts. Knowing how to increase or decrease accounts is a completely separate rule. The word “credit” is only used *after* the rule is applied.
- c. The **rule for increasing and decreasing accounts** is this: Any item on the left side of the accounting equation (assets) is increased with a left-side entry, and any item on the right side of the accounting equation (liabilities and owner’s equity) is increased with a right-side entry. To do decreases, just do the opposite of increases.

The result: An asset is on the left side, so it is increased with a left-side entry, which we call a “debit.” We know that an expense is part of owner’s equity, and owner’s equity is on the right side of the equation, so owner’s equity should be increased with a right-side entry (which we call a “credit”). However, an expense is a *decrease* to owner’s equity, so we just do the opposite of an increase. We make a left-side entry, called a “debit.” As expenses increase, owner’s equity decreases.

- d. Do not think about “debits” or “credits” first. **Apply the RULE FIRST!** The rule is: Any item on the left side of the accounting equation (assets) is increased with a left-side entry, and any item on the right side of the accounting equation (liabilities and owner’s equity) is increased with a right-side entry. To do decreases, just do the opposite of increases. After you apply the rule, you can use the words “debit” and “credit.”

LG 22-5.

- a. Essex Company receives \$1,000 from a customer before the services are provided.

Analysis:

The *asset Cash* increases by \$1,000. The *liability Unearned Revenue* increases by \$1,000.

Apply the rule:

Assets are increased with debits: debit Cash \$1,000.

Liabilities are increased with credits: credit Unearned Revenue \$1,000.

Record in T account:

	Cash	Unearned Revenue
	1,000	1,000

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- b. Montgomery Enterprises receives a \$200 electric bill. The bill is not paid immediately.

Analysis:

The *expense Utility Expense* increases by \$200. The *liability Accounts Payable* increases by \$200.

Apply the rule:

Expenses are increased with debits: debit Utility Expense \$200.

Liabilities are increased with credits: credit Accounts Payable \$200.

Record in T account:

	Utility Expense	Accounts Payable
	200	200

- c. Prince Georges Company finishes consulting services for a client and sends the client a bill for \$5,000.

Analysis:

The *asset Accounts Receivable* increases by \$5,000. The *revenue Fees Earned* (or similar name, such as Service Revenue, etc.) increases by \$5,000.

Apply the rule:

Assets are increased with debits: debit Accounts Receivable \$5,000.

Revenues are increased with credits: credit Fees Earned \$5,000.

Record in T account:

	Accounts Receivable	Fees Earned
	5,000	5,000

- d. Cecil Company prepays six months of fire insurance for \$2,500.

Analysis:

The *asset Prepaid Insurance* increases by \$2,500. The *asset Cash* decreases by \$2,500.

Apply the rule:

Assets are increased with debits: debit Prepaid Insurance \$2,500.

Assets are decreased with credits: credit Cash \$2,500.

Record in T account:

	Prepaid Insurance	Cash
	2,500	2,500

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- e. James Lafayette, owner of Anchorage Company, invests \$9,000 in his business.

Analysis:

The asset *Cash* increases by \$9,000. The owner's equity *James Lafayette, Capital* increases by \$9,000.

Apply the rule:

Assets are increased with debits: debit Cash \$9,000.

Owner's equity is increased with credits: credit James Lafayette, Capital \$9,000.

Record in T account:

	Cash	James Lafayette, Capital
	9,000	9,000

- f. Soldotna Company pays a \$1,000 account payable.

Analysis:

The asset *Cash* decreases by \$1,000. The liability *Accounts Payable* decreases by \$1,000.

Apply the rule:

Assets are decreased with credits: credit Cash \$1,000.

Liabilities are decreased with debits: debit Accounts Payable \$1,000.

Record in T account:

	Cash	Accounts Payable
	1,000	1,000

- g. Nome Commercial Company purchases \$10,000 of equipment, paying \$3,000 cash and signing a note payable for the balance.

Analysis:

The asset *Equipment* increases by \$10,000. The asset *Cash* decreases by \$3,000. The liability *Notes Payable* increases by \$7,000.

Apply the rule:

Assets are increased with debits: debit Equipment \$10,000.

Assets are decreased with credits: credit Cash \$3,000.

Liabilities are increased with credits: credit Notes Payable \$7,000.

Record in T account:

Equipment	Cash	Notes Payable
10,000	3,000	7,000

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LG 22-6.

Cash		Accounts Receivable		Supplies		Equipment	
(a) 12,000		(e) 2,000		(c) 200		(b) 5,500	
	(b) 5,500		(j) 750		(h) 150		
(d) 350							
(e) 500		<u>1,250</u>		<u>50</u>		<u>5,500</u>	
	(g) 200						
	(i) 800						
(j) 750							
	(k) 1,000						
(l) 250							
<u>6,350</u>							

Accounts Payable		Unearned Revenue		Jack Davis, Drawing		Jack Davis, Capital	
	(c) 200		(l) 250				(a) 12,000
	(f) 170	(m) 50		(k) 1,000			
(g) 200			<u>200</u>	<u>1,000</u>			<u>12,000</u>
	<u>170</u>						

Teaching Revenue		Utilities Expense		Telephone Expense		Supplies Expense		Rent Expense	
	(d) 350	(f) 100		(f) 70		(h) 150		(i) 800	
	(e) 2,500								
	(m) 50	<u>100</u>		<u>70</u>		<u>150</u>		<u>800</u>	
	<u>2,900</u>								

Note: Account balances are always entered on the positive sides of the accounts.

