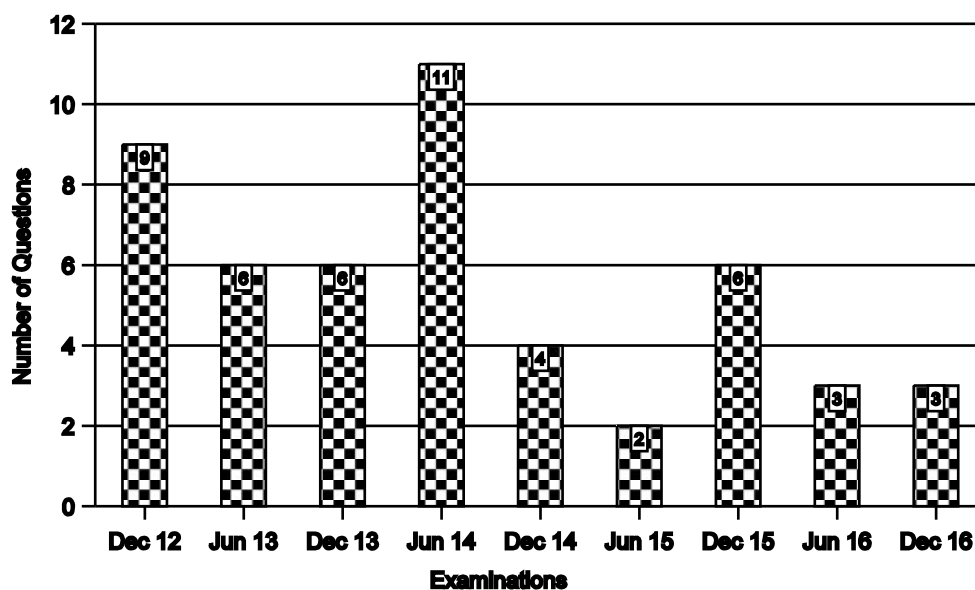


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Theoretical Framework

This Chapter Includes : Meaning and Scope of Accounting, Accounting Concepts, Accounting Principles, Conventions and Standards - Concepts, Objectives, Benefits, Accounting Policies, Accounting as a Measurement Discipline - Valuation Principles, Accounting Estimates.



- ⇒ A description of proper Accounts is also found in “Arthashastra” written by Kautilya.
- ⇒ Modern day accounting concept was originated by “Luco Pacoli” in Italy.
- ⇒ Accounting is the process of collecting, recording, summarizing and communicating financial information.
- ⇒ This financial information is communicated to the users i.e. proprietor, creditors, investors, government etc.
- ⇒ As per the definition of American Institute of Certified Public Accountants -
Accounting is “the art of recording, classifying and summarizing in a significant manner and in terms of money, transactions and events which are in part at least, of a financial character and interpreting the results thereof”.

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⇒ **Characteristics (attributes) of accounting:**

- (i) Accounting records transactions and events which are of financial nature.
- (ii) Accounting is an art.

A subject is an art, if it helps us in attainment of a given objective. The main aim of accounting is to ascertain financial result and hence it is an art.

- (iii) It involves the following activities : recording, classifying and summarizing

Recording : Writing down the transactions and events in the book systematically and chronologically.

Classifying : Process of grouping transactions of similar nature.

Summarizing : Preparation of reports or results from the classified data.

- (iv) Accounting helps in determining the financial position of an enterprise by analysing and interpreting the summarized records and communicating them to users.
- (v) Accounting information can be manipulated and thus cannot be considered as the true test of performance.
- (vi) It records transactions in terms of money.

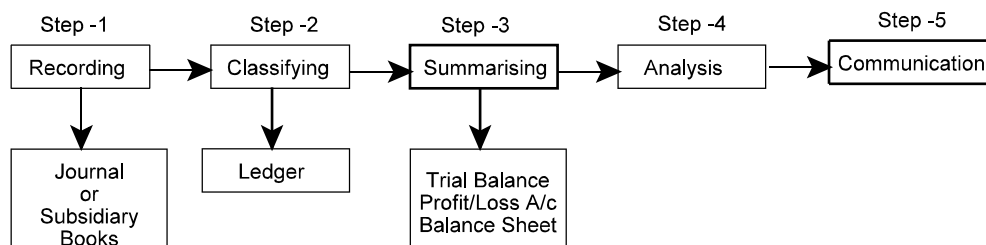
⇒ **Objectives of accounting :**

- (i) Maintaining accounting records
- (ii) Ascertaining profit/loss of the enterprise
- (iii) Ascertaining the financial position of the enterprise
- (iv) Providing accounting information to the users.

⇒ **Functions of Accounting :**

- (i) Maintaining systematic records
- (ii) Protecting and controlling business properties
- (iii) Ascertaining the operational profit/loss
- (iv) Ascertaining financial position
- (v) Facilitating rational decision making.

⇒ **Process of Accounting/Stages of Accounting :**



⇒ **Branches or sub fields of accounting :**

- (i) **Financial Accounting :** It is concerned with recording of financial data and ascertaining results thereof. It is directed towards preparation of trial balance, P/L A/c and Balance Sheet.
- (ii) **Cost Accounting :** Accounting for the cost of the product is known as cost accounting. It helps in cost ascertainment and cost control.
- (iii) **Management Accounting :** It helps the management in decision making, increasing efficiency and maximizing profit.

⇒ **Advantages of Accounting :**

- (i) Provides financial information about the business to interested parties
- (ii) Helps in comparison of financial results
 - Comparison of its own results of different years
 - Comparison of financial results with other firms in the industry
- (iii) Helps in decision making
- (iv) Accounting information can be used as an evidence in legal & Taxation matter
- (v) Helps in valuation of the business
- (vi) Provide information to interested parties
- (vii) Maintenance of Business Record
- (viii) Preparation of financial statements

⇒ **Disadvantages (Limitations) of Accounting :**

- (i) Accounting ignores non monetary transactions
- (ii) Accounting information is sometimes based on estimates which may be unrealistic
- (iii) Window Dressing may lead to faulty results.

Note : Window Dressing

The term window dressing means manipulation of accounts in such a way so as to conceal the important facts and show a rosy picture of the financial statements. It is mainly done to attract investors.

- (iv) Accounting ignores the effect of price level changes as the recordings are done at historical costs. Fixed assets recorded at historical cost.
- (v) Accounting information can be manipulated and thus can not be considered as the true test of performance. i.e. it. may be biased. Money as measurement unit changes in value.
- (vi) Accounting Information may be biased. Accounting Information is not without personal influence or bias of accountant.

Book Keeping :

⇒ Book keeping is a branch of knowledge that educates us how the financial

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records are maintained. Due to clerical in nature it is done by junior employees.

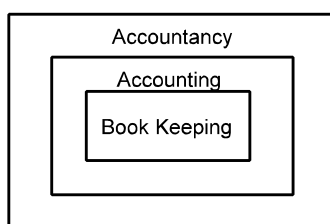
- ⇒ It is concerned with recording financial data of the business in a significant and orderly manner.
- ⇒ It is meant to show the effect of all the transactions made during the accounting period on the financial position of the business.
- ⇒ Book keeping is a clerical work which covers procedural aspects of accounting work and includes record keeping function. It is science and art both.
- ⇒ Book keeping is mechanical and repetitive.
- ⇒ **Book Keeping and Accounting :**
 - (i) Book keeping and accounting are often used interchangeably but they are different from each other
 - (ii) Book keeping is a part of accounting. Accounting requires more skill, experience and imagination.
 - (iii) Book keeping involves only recording of financial data whereas accounting also involves analysing, interpreting and communicating financial information to users.
 - (iv) We can say, book keeping is the first stage of accounting or in simple words “Accounting begins where book keeping ends”.

Basis	Book Keeping	Accounting
1. Scope	Book keeping is concerned with identifying financial transactions, measuring them in money terms, recording and classifying them.	Accounting is concerned with summarising the recorded transactions, interpreting them and communicating the results.
2. Stage	It is a primary stage constitutes the base for accounting.	It is the secondary stage. It begins where book keeping ends.
3. Performance	Junior staff performs this function.	Senior staff performs this function.
4. Nature of Job	This job is clerical and routine in nature.	This job is analytical and dynamic in nature.

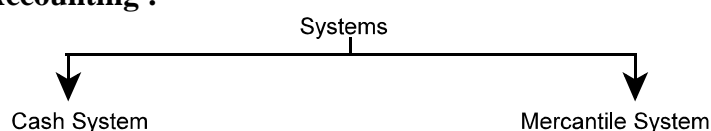
5. Objective	The objective of Book keeping is to maintain systematic records of financial transactions.	The objective of accounting is to ascertain net results of operations and financial position and to communicate information to the interested parties.
6. Structure	Done in accordance with basic accounting concepts and conventions.	Method and procedure for analysis and interpretations may vary from firm to firm.

Accountancy :

- ⇒ Accounting include design of accounting system which book-keepers use.
- ⇒ This work requires more skill, experience and imagination.
- ⇒ Accountancy refers to the systematic knowledge of accounting.
- ⇒ Accountancy is an area of knowledge whereas accounting is a process of recording data.
- ⇒ The application part of accountancy is known as accounting.
- ⇒ Relationship between book keeping, accounting and accountancy.



Systems of Accounting :



1. Cash System :

- ⇒ Accounting is done not when the transaction takes place but when cash is paid or received.
- ⇒ No entry made when a payment or receipt is due.

Example :

If the transaction took place in the previous year but the cash is received in the current year, the recording will be done in the current year. For e.g. In case of professionals i.e. doctor, CA, CS etc. In such the financial statements prepared by them for determination of their income is termed as receipt and expenses A/c.

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⇒ **Merits of Cash System :**

- (i) This method is less complex as the recording is to be done when cash is received or paid. (concepts of accrued or due not used)
- (ii) It is most suited where credit transactions are almost negligible and collections are uncertain and where the organisation is small.

⇒ **Demerits of Cash System :**

- (i) Cash system of accounting violates the matching principle which states that expenses should be matched with their revenues and should be shown in the same year.
- (ii) Financial statements prepared under cash system do not show a true and fair view of books of account.

2. **Accrual or Mercantile System of Accounting :**

- ⇒ Under this system, transactions are recorded when they occur and not when cash is realised.
- ⇒ Accrual system of accounting complies with the matching principle which means it relates the revenue earned to the cost incurred during a given period.
- ⇒ Mercantile system of accounting is widely used and recognized by the business enterprises.
- ⇒ Costs which are not charged to Income are Carried forward and are kept under continuous review.

Accounting Information :

- ⇒ Accounting helps in communicating financial information of the business to the users, hence accounting is known as **the language of business**.
- ⇒ Accounting information collects the reports and interprets financial information about the activities of the organisation.
- ⇒ **E.g.** Organisations have to submit its financial details to the banks for applying for loans or to the government while paying taxes.
- ⇒ Therefore, accounting is concerned with communicating results of an organisation to its various users. Many law requires financial information like income tax, sales tax, department company board etc.
- ⇒ **Characteristic of accounting information :**

(i) **Relevant**

The accounting information should be relevant enough to help the users to evaluate the events while taking economic decisions. The relevance of information depends upon the materiality and nature.

(ii) **Reliable**

An information is said to be reliable if it is faithful complete, prudent,

free from material errors and non-biased. Thus, the accounting information should be reliable. The key aspects of reliability are

- ⇒ faithful representation
- ⇒ substance over form
- ⇒ neutrality
- ⇒ prudence
- ⇒ completeness

(iii) Comparability

Accounting information should be capable in facilitating comparison of results of different periods of the same enterprise or comparing the results of different enterprises at same time.

(iv) Understandability

The information should be readily understandable to the users

(v) Timeliness

The accounting information should be communicated to its user within an appropriate time period to facilitate quick decision making.

(vi) Cost Benefit

The benefits of using the accounting information should be more than the cost of preparing it and preparation of that information. It must not be costly and time consuming.

(vii) Verifiability

The information should be capable of being verified by a person other than the accountant himself.

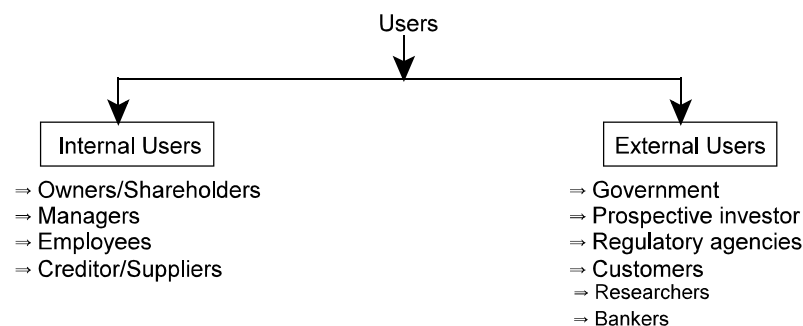
(viii) Neutrality

The accounting information should be free from any bias and should not support any particular person or group.

(ix) Completeness

The information should be complete and contain all necessary information which is required by the users to take their decisions.

⇒ **Users of accounting information:**



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Accountant :

⇒ Accounting is a clerical work and the person involved in this work is known as an accountant.

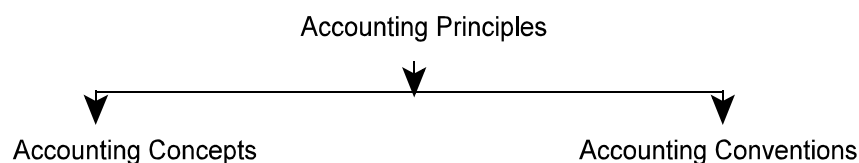
⇒ **Role of Accountant :**

An accountant performs the following functions -

- (i) Maintenance of books of accounts
- (ii) Performing audits (conducted by Chartered Accountant)
 - ⇒ Statutory Audit
 - ⇒ Internal Audit
- (iii) Performs budgeting

Budgeting means planning of business activities and after the completion of activities comparing the actual results with the planned results to know the variations.

- (iv) Handling taxation matters
- (v) Carry out investigations
- (vi) Giving advices to the management
- (vii) Any other business work.



Accounting Principles, Accounting Concepts and Accounting Conventions:

Accounting Principles	Accounting Concepts	Accounting Conventions
Scientifically laid down guidelines to establish standard for sound accounting practices and procedure. Accounting principles are a body of doctrines commonly associated with the theory and procedures of accounting, serving as an explanation of current practices and as a guide for selection of conventions or procedures where	Accounting concepts define the assumption on the basis of which financial statements of an entity are prepared.	Accounting conventions emerge out of accounting principles which are adopted by the enterprises over a period of time. These are derived by usage and practice. ⇒ Profit loss and Balance Sheet are prepared according to it.

| alternative exists. | | |

Accounting Concepts :

1. Going Concern Concept :

- ⇒ It is on this concept that a clear distinction made between assets and expenditure.
- ⇒ This concept assumes that business shall continue for an indefinite period.
- ⇒ The proprietor has no intention to close it in the near future and would be able to meet its obligations according to plan.
- ⇒ Due to this concept :
 - (i) Assets are valued at cost and then depreciated every year.
 - (ii) Expenses and incomes are classified into capital and revenue.

2. Business Entity Concept :

- ⇒ According to this concept, business and its owners are separate entities.
- ⇒ The owner is treated as the creditor of the company to the extent of capital contributed by him.
- ⇒ All transactions of the business are recorded in the books of business from the point of view of business.
- ⇒ This concept keeps the personal affairs of the owner away from the business affairs.
- ⇒ Income or profit is the property of the business unless distributed among the owners.

3. Money Measurement Concept :

- ⇒ As per this concept, only those transactions which can be expressed in terms of money can be recorded.
- ⇒ Transactions and events which cannot be expressed in terms of money, even if they affect the business, are not recorded in the books.
- ⇒ Income or profit is the property of the business unless distributed among the owners.

Example : Death of the director, disputes within the organisation, strikes, etc may affect the working and profits of the business, but are not recorded in books of accounts.

- ⇒ Measuring unit for money is the currency of the ruling country.

Note :

Entity and money measurement are considered as the basic concepts on which other procedural concepts depend.

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4. Cost concept :

- ⇒ According to this concept, the value at which the various assets shall be recorded in the books shall be the historical cost or acquisition cost.
- ⇒ This concept says that the assets shall be recorded at cost at the time of its purchase and its value shall be reduced systematically by charging depreciation.
- ⇒ This concept helps to keep the statements free from personal bias or judgements.
- ⇒ This concept is not beneficial for new investors as they are more interested in knowing the present worth of the business rather than its historical cost.

5. Dual Aspect Concept :

- ⇒ According to this concept, every transaction has two aspects a debit aspect and a credit aspect.
- ⇒ Due to these two aspects, the total amount debited is always equal to the total amount credited (i.e. total assets are equal to total liabilities)

Note : Concept of Accounting Equation :

Accounting equation is based on the dual aspect concept.

Assets : These are the resources owned by the business.

Liabilities : These are the claims against the assets.

Liability to owners — capital

Liability to outsiders — liabilities.

As per the dual aspect concept, at any point of time total assets of a business are equal to total liabilities.

Hence, based on above, the following equation can be framed :

$$\mathbf{Assets = Liabilities + Capital}$$

OR

$$\mathbf{Capital = Asset - Liabilities}$$

Example -1: Owner contributed ₹ 1,00,000 as cash into the business. The two aspects will be :

- (i) Bringing cash in business → increase in asset.
 - (ii) Owner is treated as a creditor → increase in liability
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|----------|---|---------------------|
| Asset | = | Capital + Liability |
| 1,00,000 | = | 1,00,000 |
| (Cash) | = | (Owner) |

Example - 2: Purchased furniture on credit from Mr. X for ₹ 30,000.

- (i) Purchase of furniture → increase in asset
 - (ii) Mr. X will become creditor → increase in liability
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| Assets | = | Capital+ Liabilities |
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30,000 = -+ 30,000
(furniture) (Mr. X Creditor)

From, the above it is clear, that every transaction has two aspects and due to this accounting equation always balances.

6. Realisation concept :

- ⇒ According to this concept, revenue is recognized only when sale is made.
- ⇒ This concepts says that any change in the value of an asset is to be recorded only when business realises it.
- ⇒ This concept prevents business firms from inflating their profits by showing expected incomes. (which have not yet materialised)
- ⇒ E.g. An increase in the value of asset cannot be considered as a profit until and unless the asset is sold and profit is realised.

Note : Going concern + Cost Concept + Realization Concept = Valuation criteria

7. Accrual concept :

- ⇒ It is fundamental to the usefulness of financial accounting information.
- ⇒ According to this concept, a transaction should be recorded at the time when it takes place and not when the cash is realised.
- ⇒ Every transaction and event effects, one or more or all the three aspects, assets, liabilities and capital.
- ⇒ They have their impact on both the profit & loss A/c and Balance Sheet.
- ⇒ This concept implies that income should be measured as a difference between revenue and expenditure.

Example : Mr. A purchases furniture on 1st January, 2012 of ₹ 1,00,000. The amount is agreed to be paid on 15th April, 2012. Here, although the payment is made in financial year 2012-13 but entry will be done in 2011-12 (i.e. the date of transaction)

8. Accounting Period Concept :

- ⇒ This is also known as the concept of periodicity.
- ⇒ According to this principle, the life of an enterprise is broken into smaller periods (generally one year) know as accounting period.
- ⇒ The main objective of this concept is to know the performance of the enterprise at regular intervals.
- ⇒ Accounting period is an interval of time at the end of which the income or revenue statement and balance sheet are prepared in order to show the

results of the operations.

9. Matching concept/ Revenue match concept

- ⇒ Based on accounting period concept
- ⇒ As per this concept, expenses of a period should be matched with the revenues of that period.
- ⇒ It says, the cost incurred to earn the revenue should be recognized as expenses in the period when revenue is recognized.
- ⇒ Matching principle requires that all revenues earned during an accounting year, whether received or not and all cost incurred, whether paid or not, have to be taken into account while preparing Profit/Loss Account. In the same manner all amounts received or paid during the current year but pertaining to the previous year or the next year should be excluded from current year's revenue and cost.
- ⇒ The term matching means appropriate association of related revenues and expenses.

Accounting Conventions :

1. Consistency :

- ⇒ According to this convention, accounting practices once selected and adopted should be applied consistently year after year.
- ⇒ This convention helps in comparison of financial statements.
- ⇒ Consistency does not mean that accounting principles once adopted can never be changed. They can be changed, if the change is desirable.

Example : If a company follows written down value method of depreciation, it shall continue to follow it year after year.

2. Disclosure :

- ⇒ This is also known as the "Full disclosure" principle.
- ⇒ According to this convention, all significant information should be fully and fairly disclosed in the financial statements.
- ⇒ Ensuring this convention increases the relevance and reliability of financial statements. The companies act make ample provision for disclosure of essential information.

3. Conservatism :

- ⇒ The concept of conservatism states that we should not anticipate a profit but should provide for all possible losses while preparing financial statements.
- ⇒ It enables the financial statements to show a realistic picture of the state of affairs of the enterprise.

- ⇒ This convention understates the assets and overestimates the liabilities.
- ⇒ Financial statement are usually drawn up on a conservative basis.
- ⇒ Choice between two method of valuing an asset the accountant should choose a method which leads to lesser value.

Example : Valuing stock at lower of cost or market value, making provision for doubtful debts in anticipation of debts becoming bad, are done to comply with the convention of conservatism.

4. Materiality :

- ⇒ According to the convention of materiality, accountant should record only those items which are material and ignore all insignificant items.
- ⇒ An item is said to be material if it is likely to influence the decision of the users. (like investors etc.)
- ⇒ Judgement of materiality depends from organisation to organisation and on the basis of professional experience and judgement.

Example : an item of expense of ₹ 1,00,000 may be material for a small organisation but immaterial for a large firm.

Accounting Standards :

- ⇒ Accounting standards are the written policy documents guiding the measurement, treatment and disclosure of financial transactions.
- ⇒ Accounting standards are issued by the regulatory body known as the “Institute of Chartered Accountants of India”.
- ⇒ The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India constituted Accounting Standard Board (ASB) on 21st April, 1977 for making these standards.
- ⇒ The main objective of setting standards is to bring uniformity and harmony in the financial statements and enabling consistency and comparability in the data established by the enterprise.
- ⇒ Presently, there are 32 accounting standards issued and 29 accounting standard interpretations so far.

Accounting Policies :

- ⇒ Accounting policies refers to specific accounting principles and the methods of applying those principles.
- ⇒ Accounting policies are based on accounting concepts, principles and conventions.
- ⇒ Choice of accounting policy is an important decision and hence, the following basis should be considered while choosing accounting policies:
 - (i) Prudence
 - (ii) Substance over form

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(iii) Materiality.

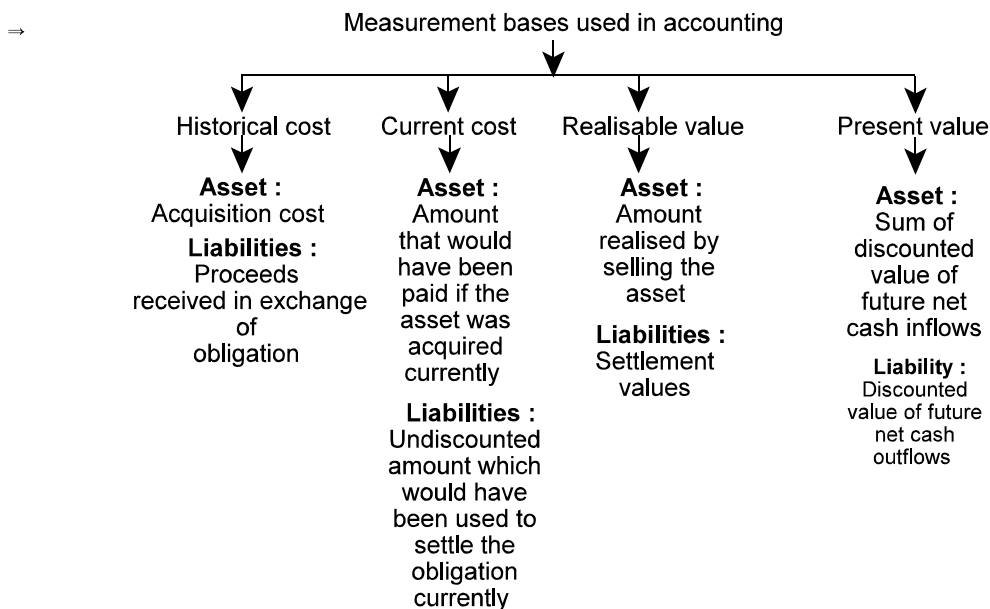
Accounting Concept	Accounting Conventions
1. Theoretical idea forming a set of practices	Method or procedure accepted by general agreement
2. Not based on accounting conventions	Based on Accounting concept
3. Non internally consistent	Internally inconsistent
4. Personal judge has no role in adoption	Personal judgement may play crucial role
5. Established by law	Established by common accounting practices
6. Uniform application in all firm	Not so in conventions

Note : Areas where different accounting policies are used :-

- (i) Methods of depreciation/depletion/amortization.
- (ii) Valuation of inventories
- (iii) Treatment of goodwill
- (iv) Valuation of investments
- (v) Valuation of fixed assets, etc.

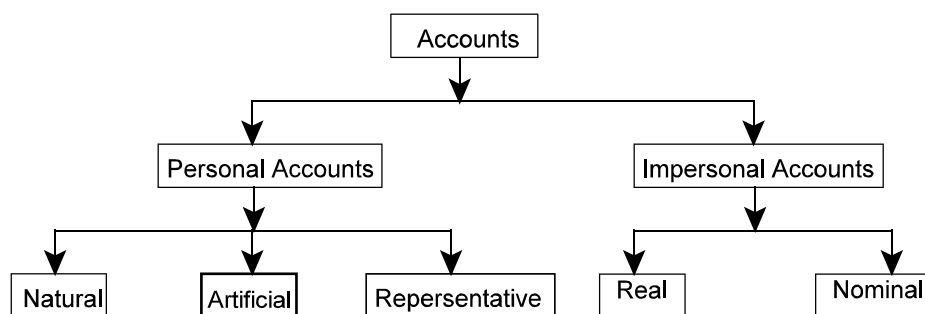
Accounting as a Measurement of Discipline :

- ⇒ Measurement means assigning numerical values to specific attributes. In accounting, we take money as a measurement tool.
- ⇒ There are three elements of measurement :
 - (i) Identification of objects and events
 - (ii) Selection of standards or scale
 - (iii) Evaluation of dimensions of measurement standard or scale.
- ⇒ Measurement and valuation do not mean the same thing. Valuation is a part of measurement.
- ⇒ Measurement is a broader concept than valuation.
- ⇒ Valuation is an Economic Concept.
- ⇒ In Accounting, monetary unit is used to value an object.



Accounts: An account is an individual records of a person, firm, thing an item of an income or expense.

Classification of Accounts :



Personal Accounts :

- (i) **Natural personal account :** It relates to transactions of human beings like Ram, Shyam etc.
- (ii) **Artificial (legal) personal account :** Business entities have a separate identity from that of its owners. These business entities are said to be artificial legal person. For e.g. : companies, clubs, co-operative societies.
- (iii) **Representative personal accounts :** These accounts are not in the name of any person but are represented as personal accounts. For e.g:

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outstanding liability, prepaid account, capital account, drawings account etc.

Impersonal accounts :

- (i) **Real Account :** Accounts which relate to the assets of the firm are known as real accounts e.g - Cash A/c, Building A/c, Investment A/c etc.
- (ii) **Nominal Accounts :** Accounts which relate to expenses, losses, gains, revenue etc. are nominal accounts e.g - salary account, interest paid account, dividend-received account etc.

Notes :

- ⇒ Real Accounts can be divided into tangible real accounts and intangible real accounts.
Tangible Real Accounts - Land, building etc.
Intangible Real Accounts - Goodwill, patent, copyright etc.
- ⇒ Bank balance is an asset but bank account is not a real account but a personal account because it is an account of some banking company which is an artificial person.
- ⇒ According to Kohler Dictionary for Accounts, an account has been defined as a formal record of a particular type of transaction expressed in money.

Systems of Record Keeping :

- ⇒ There are two system of record keeping :
 - (i) Single Entry System
 - (ii) Double Entry System
- ⇒ **Single Entry System :**
 - (i) Under this system some entries are recorded partially and some are entirely eliminated.
 - (ii) It is also known as accounting from incomplete records.
 - (iii) This system is economical and time saving but is unscientific and not reliable.
- ⇒ **Double Entry System :**
 - (i) Under this system, every transaction has two aspects - debit and credit and at the time of recording a transaction, it is written once on the debit side and again on the credit side of another account.
 - (ii) This is a system which recognizes and records both aspects of a transaction.
 - (iii) **Features of Double Entry System :**

- ⇒ Complete record of transactions
- ⇒ Recognizes dual aspect of every transaction.
- ⇒ Under this, one aspect is debited and other is credited.
- ⇒ The accounts will always balance.

(iv) Merits of Double entry System :

- ⇒ Keeps complete record of transactions.
- ⇒ Keeps a check on arithmetical accuracy of accounts.
- ⇒ Helps in the preparation of final accounts.
- ⇒ Chances of frauds and errors are less.

Rules of accounting :

- ⇒ Rules of accounting are also known as the rules of debit or credit or Golden Rules of Accounting.
- ⇒ **Rules of debit and credit can be explained under :**
 - (i) Traditional classification of accounts.
 - (ii) Modern classification of accounts.

Based on Traditional Classification of Accounts			Based on Modern Classification of Accounts		
Types of Account	Debit	Credit	Types of Account	Debit	Credit
1. Personal A/c	The Receiver	The giver	1. Assets A/c	Increase	Decrease
2. Real A/c	What comes in	What goes out	2. Liabilities A/c	Decrease	Increase
3. Nominal A/c	Expenses and losses	Incomes and gains	3. Capital A/c	Decrease	Increase
			4. Revenue A/c	Decrease	Increase
			5. Expense A/c	Increase	Decrease

Example :

S. N.	Transaction	Entry	Type of A/c	Reason
1.	Cash deposited for opening an account	Bank A/c Dr. To Cash A/c	Personal Real	Debit the receiver, credit what goes out.
2.	Cash withdrawn	Cash A/c Dr. To Bank A/c	Real Personal	Debit what comes in, credit the giver
3.	Payment of Expenses (Say Rent)	Rent A/c Dr. To Bank A/c	Nominal Personal	Debit all expenses and losses, credit the giver
4.	Interest allowed by the bank	Bank A/c. Dr. To Interest Received A/c	Personal Nominal	Debit the receiver, credit all incomes and gains

Debit and credit relating to various accounts :

Personal Accounts :

- ⇒ **Debit** : The person has become a debtor of company
- ⇒ **Credit** : The person has become a creditor of company

Real Accounts :

- ⇒ **Debit** : Increase in asset, Decrease in liability
- ⇒ **Credit** : Increase in liability, Decrease in asset

Nominal Accounts :

- ⇒ **Debit** : Expenses or losses
- ⇒ **Credit** : Incomes or gains

Multiple Choice Questions

1. Double Entry Principle means :
 - (a) Having debit for every credit and similarly, credit for each debit
 - (b) Writing all the entries twice in the book
 - (c) Maintaining the double account for all business transactions
 - (d) Writing two times the same entry.

Answer:
2. Which of the following is not a function of accounting
 - (a) Keeping systematic record
 - (b) Protecting properties of business
 - (c) Maximising the results
 - (d) Meeting legal requirements

Answer:
3. The system of recording transactions based on dual concept is called
 - (a) Double account system
 - (b) Double entry system
 - (c) Single entry system
 - (d) Cash system.

Answer:
4. According to money measurement concept, the following will be recorded in the books of account.
 - (a) Health of the chairman of the company
 - (b) Quality control in the business
 - (c) Value of the building
 - (d) All of those.

Answer:

5. Which of the following is not dependent on accounting?

- (a) Management accounting
- (b) Cost accounting
- (c) Financial accounting
- (d) Book-keeping.

Answer:

6. Which is not function of accounting?

- (a) Decision making
- (b) Measurement
- (c) Forecasting
- (d) Ledger posting.

Answer:

7. The practice of appending note regarding contingent liabilities in the accounting statements is in pursuant to :

- (a) Convention of consistency
- (b) Money measurement concept
- (c) Convention of disclosure
- (d) None of these.

Answer:

8. The proprietor is treated as a creditor to the extent of his capital, accounting to:

- (a) Cost concept
- (b) Business entity concept
- (c) Going concern concept
- (d) All of these.

Answer:

9. The accounting equation is based on

- (a) Going concern concept
- (b) Dual aspect concept
- (c) Money measurement concept
- (d) All of these.

Answer:

10. Market value of investment is shown as a footnote according to —

- (a) Convention of disclosure
- (b) Convention of consistency
- (c) Convention of conservatism

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(d) All of these.

Answer:

11. Making the provision for doubtful debts in anticipation of actual bad debts is on the basis of —

- (a) Convention of disclosure
- (b) Convention of consistency
- (c) Convention of conservatism
- (d) None of these.

Answer:

12. Which of the following is accounting equation

- (a) Capital = Assets + Liabilities
- (b) Capital = Assets - Liabilities
- (c) Assets = Liabilities - Capital
- (d) Liabilities = Assets + capital.

Answer:

13. Recording of capital contributed by the owner as liability ensures the adherence of principle of —

- (a) Double entry
- (b) Going concern
- (c) Separate entity of business
- (d) Materiality.

Answer:

14. Contingent liability is shown in the balance sheet because of —

- (a) Convention of consistency
- (b) Convention of materiality
- (c) Convention of disclosure
- (d) All of these.

Answer:

15. Two primary qualitative characteristic of financial statements are —

- (a) Understandability and materiality
- (b) Relevance and reliability
- (c) Relevance and understandability
- (d) Materiality and reliability.

Answer:

16. A purchased a car for ₹ 10,00,000, making a down payment of ₹ 1,00,000 and signing a ₹ 9,00,000 bill payable due in 60 days. As a result of this transaction.

- (a) Total assets increased by ₹ 10,00,000

- (b) Total liabilities increased by ₹ 9,00,000
- (c) Total assets increased by ₹ 9,00,000
- (d) Total assets increased by ₹ 9,00,000 with corresponding increased in liabilities by ₹ 9,00,000.

Answer:

17. On sale of old furniture owner's equity would

- (a) Increase
- (b) Decrease
- (c) Remain unchanged
- (d) May or may not change.

Answer:

18. On 31st Dec, 2006 assets of the business are ₹ 3,00,000 and its capital is ₹ 1,00,000. Its liabilities on that date will be

- (a) ₹ 4,00,000
- (b) ₹ 2,00,000
- (c) ₹ 1,00,000
- (d) None of the above.

Answer:

19. Revenue is generally recognized at the point of sale. Which principle is applied.

- (a) Consistency
- (b) Matching
- (c) Revenue recognition
- (d) Cost principle.

Answer:

20. Economic life of an enterprise is split into the periodic interval as per.

- (a) Periodicity
- (b) Matching
- (c) Going concern
- (d) Accrual.

Answer:

21. A machinery is purchased on 1st April, 2005 for ₹ 10,00,000. Its installation charges were ₹ 1,00,000. But its market value as on 31st March, 2006 was ₹ 13,00,000. If the company shows the machinery at ₹ 13,00,000 in its B/S, which of the following concepts is not followed by the company?

- (a) Cost concept
- (b) Matching concept
- (c) Realisation concept

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(d) Periodicity concept

Answer:

22. A business man purchased goods for ₹ 30,00,000 and sold 20% of such goods during the accounting year ended 31st March, 2005. The market value of the remaining goods was ₹ 5,00,000. He has not valued the closing stock at market price, he has violated the concept of —

- (a) Money measurement
- (b) Conservatism
- (c) Cost
- (d) Periodicity.

Answer:

23. Which of the following is not a subfield of accounting?

- (a) Management accounting
- (b) Cost accounting
- (c) Financial accounting
- (d) Book-Keeping.

Answer:

24. Book- keeping is mainly concerned with

- (a) Recording of financial data
- (b) Designing the systems in recording, classifying and summarizing the recorded data.
- (c) Interpreting the data for internal and external users.
- (d) None of the above.

Answer:

25. Users of accounting information include

- (a) Creditors
- (b) Lenders
- (c) Customers
- (d) All of the above.

Answer:

26. Financial statements only consider.

- (a) Assets expressed in monetary terms.
- (b) Liabilities expressed in monetary terms.
- (c) Assets expressed in non-monetary terms.
- (d) Assets and liabilities expressed in monetary terms.

Answer:

27. _____ is a primary stage.

- (a) Accounting

- (b) Managing
- (c) Book keeping
- (d) Auditing.

Answer:

28. External users of accounting informations are :

- (a) Investors & Lenders
- (b) Management
- (c) Both (a) & (b)
- (d) Owners

Answer:

29 Which method of accounting is commonly adopted by business concerns :

- (a) Cash method of accounting
- (b) Mercantile method of a accounting
- (c) Special method of accounting
- (d) Systematic method accounting.

Answer:

30. The job of accounting is :

- (a) Routine in nature
- (b) Clerical in nature
- (c) Analytical in nature
- (d) All of the above.

Answer:

31. Accounting cycle starts with _____ ends with _____ :

- (a) Recording of transactions, preparation of final accounts
- (b) Recording of transactions, posting them in ledger.
- (c) Recoding & posting of transaction, preparation of final accounts
- (d) None of the above.

Answer:

32. According to Dual aspect concept, which of the following is incorrect :

- (a) Increase in one asset & decrease in other asset
- (b) Decrease in one liability & increase in other liability
- (c) Decrease in both liability & asset
- (d) None of the above.

Answer:

33. Which concept holds that a transactions is recorded at the time when it takes place & not when the settlement takes place :

- (a) Verifiable objective concept
- (b) Matching concept
- (c) Accrual concept

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(d) Revenue recognition concept.

Answer:

34. The basic concepts related to P & L Account are

- (a) Realization concept
- (b) Matching concept
- (c) Cost concept
- (d) Both (a) and (b) above.

Answer:

35. The underlying accounting principle (s) necessitating amortization of intangible asset (s) is/are

- (a) Cost concept
- (b) Realization concept
- (c) Matching concept
- (d) Both (a) and (c) above.

Answer:

36. The accounting measurement that is not consistent with the going concern concept is:

- (a) Historical cost
- (b) Realization
- (c) The transaction approach
- (d) Liquidation value.

Answer:

37. Omission of paise and showing the round figures in financial statements is based on:

- (a) Conservatism concept
- (b) Consistency concept
- (c) Materiality concept
- (d) Realization concept.

Answer:

38. Accounting does not record non-financial transactions because of:

- (a) Entity concept
- (b) Accrual concept
- (c) Cost concept
- (d) Money measurement concept.

Answer:

39. Mr. Rohit, owner of Rohit Furniture Ltd, owns a personal residence that cost ₹ 6,00,000, but has a market value of ₹ 9,00,000. During preparation of the financial statement for the business, the entire value of property was ignored and was not shown in the financial statements. The principle that was being

following was :

- (a) The concept of the business entity
- (b) The concept of the cost principle
- (c) The concept of going concern principle
- (d) The concept of realisation principle.

Answer:

40. The expenses and incomes pertaining to full trading period are taken to the profit and loss account of a business, irrespective of their payment of receipt. This is in recognition of :

- (a) Time period concept
- (b) Business entity concept
- (c) Going concern concept
- (d) Accrual concept

Answer:

41. What does 'AICPA' stands for:

- (a) American Institute of Certified Public Accountants
- (b) Anglo Institute of Certified Public Accountants
- (c) African Institute of Certified Public Accountants
- (d) American Institute of Certified Private Accountants

Answer:

42. Which organisation defined this statement:

“The art of recording, classifying and summarizing in a significant manner and in terms of money, transaction and events which are, in part atleast, of a financial character and interpreting the result thereof”

- (a) IASB
- (b) ISB
- (c) AICPA
- (d) None of the above

Answer:

43. “The system of book keeping by double entry is, perhaps the most beautiful one in the wide domain of literature or science. Were it less common, it would be the administration of the learned world” is spoken by:

- (a) Luco Pacoli
- (b) Edwin T. Freedly
- (c) Warren Buffet
- (d) Richard Notebaert

Answer:

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44. Who originated the double entry system of accounting:

- (a) Alfred Marshall
- (b) Edwin T. Freedly
- (c) Luco Pacoli
- (d) Warren Buffet

Answer:

45. _____ is the process of grouping transaction and entries of the same type at one place.

- (a) Analysing
- (b) Summarizing
- (c) Recording
- (d) Classifying

Answer:

46. _____ involves the preparation of reports and statements from the classified data (ledger) understandable and useful to management and other interested parties.

- (a) Analysing
- (b) Summarizing
- (c) Recording
- (d) Classifying

Answer:

47. _____ is the art of interpreting the results of operation to determine the financial position of the enterprise, the progress it has made and how well it is getting along.

- (a) Accounting
- (b) Costing
- (c) Presentation
- (d) None of the above

Answer:

48. _____ is done in manner which identifies the different classes and types of transaction.

- (a) Identification
- (b) Classification
- (c) Both (a) & (b)
- (d) Recording

Answer:

49. The statement prepared by the summarizing process is known as:

- (a) Fund Flow Statement
- (b) Financial Statement
- (c) Cash Flow Statement
- (d) None of the above

Answer:

50. Which of the following is not a branch of accounting?

- (a) Financial Accounting
- (b) Cost Accounting
- (c) Strategic Accounting
- (d) Management Accounting

Answer:

51. _____ is concerned with record-keeping directed towards the preparation of trial balance, profit and loss account and balance sheet.

- (a) Cost Accounting
- (b) Financial Accounting
- (c) Management Accounting
- (d) None of the above

Answer:

52. The main function of Cost Accounting are to:—

- (a) Ascertain cost
- (b) Help management in controlling cost
- (c) Help in reduction of cost
- (d) All of the above

Answer:

53. Which of the following is not the function of accounting?

- (a) Keeping systematic records
- (b) Protecting and controlling business properties
- (c) Protecting user interest
- (d) Facilitating rational decision making

Answer:

54. Which of the following is not the advantage of accounting:

- (a) Ascertaining financial position of a business
- (b) Comparison of results
- (c) Evidence in legal matters
- (d) Help in taxation matters

Answer:

55. Which of the following is not the limitation of accounting?

- (a) Accounts can be manipulated

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- (b) Provide information to interested parties
- (c) Money as a measurement unit changes in value
- (d) Fixed Assets are recorded at original cost

Answer:

56. _____ is incompatible with the matching principle of income determination.

- (a) Cash System of Accounting
- (b) Accrual System of Accounting
- (c) Both (a) & (b)
- (d) None of the above

Answer:

57. In which system of accounting “cost are matched against revenue on the basis of relevant time period to determine relevant income”

- (a) Mercantile System of Accounting
- (b) Accrual System of Accounting
- (c) Cash System of Accounting
- (d) Both (a) & (b)

Answer:

58. _____ work is clerical in nature.

- (a) Summarizing
- (b) Analysing
- (c) Both (a) & (b)
- (d) Book keeping

Answer:

59. _____ is the science and art of correctly recording in the books of accounts all those business transaction that result in the transfer of money or money's worth.

- (a) Accounting
- (b) Auditing
- (c) Book keeping
- (d) None of the above

Answer:

60. Which organisation uses cash system of Accounting?

- (a) Company
- (b) NPO's
- (c) Partnership Firms
- (d) None of the above

Answer:

61. Any cost that appears to have lost its utility or its power to generate future revenue is written off as a _____.

- (a) Expenditure
- (b) Deferred Expenditure
- (c) Loss
- (d) None of the above

Answer:

62. Primary aim of accounting is:

- (a) Providing necessary information to the owners related to their business
- (b) To earn profit
- (c) Both (a) & (b)
- (d) None of the above

Answer:

63. _____ ensures the truthfulness of the recorded transaction.

- (a) Neutrality
- (b) Verifiability
- (c) Cost-benefit
- (d) Timeliness

Answer:

64. What are the key aspects of reliability:

- (a) Neutrality
- (b) Prudence
- (c) Completeness
- (d) All of the above

Answer:

65. 'Free from Bias' is the feature of which characteristics of accounting.

- (a) Reliability
- (b) Relevance
- (c) Neutrality
- (d) Completeness

Answer:

66. What is the full form of GAAP:

- (a) Generally Accepted Accounting Parts
- (b) Generally Accepted Accounting Provisions
- (c) Generally Accepted Accounting Principals
- (d) Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

Answer:

67. _____ means the planning of business activities before they occur.

- (a) Budget

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- (b) Policy
- (c) Objectives
- (d) All of the above

Answer:

68. _____ have been defined as “the body of doctrines commonly associated with the theory and procedure of accounting, serving as an explanation of current practices and as a guide for the selection of conventions or procedure where alternative exist.

- (a) Accounting principles
- (b) Accounting concept
- (c) Accounting convention
- (d) None of the above

Answer:

69. Death, Dispute, Sentiments etc. are not recorded in the books in which accounting concept is followed. This is as—

- (a) Cost concept
- (b) Relevant match concept
- (c) Money measurement concept
- (d) Dual aspect concept

Answer:

70. _____ & _____ are independent variables.

- (a) Asset, Capital
- (b) Capital, Liabilities
- (c) Asset, Liabilities
- (d) None of the above

Answer:

71. _____ concept means that fixed assets are valued on the basis of cost less proper depreciation keeping in mind their expected useful life ignoring fluctuation in the prices of the asset.

- (a) Cost
- (b) Going concern
- (c) Dual aspect
- (d) Realisation

Answer:

72. _____ concept implies the income measured by the difference between cash received and disbursement:

- (a) Matching Revenue
- (b) Accrual

- (c) Cash
- (d) Accounting period

Answer:

73. _____ concept is based on Accounting Period Concept.

- (a) Accrual
- (b) Going concern
- (c) Realisation
- (d) Matching Revenue

Answer:

74. _____ denotes custom or tradition or practices based on general agreement between the accounting bodies which guides the accountant while preparing the financial statement.

- (a) Convention
- (b) Principle
- (c) Both (a) & (b)
- (d) None of the above

Answer:

75. Who defined this statement “An account has been defined as a formal record of a particular type of transaction expressed in money”

- (a) Luco Pacoli
- (b) Warren Buffet
- (c) Philip Kotler
- (d) Kohler

Answer:

76. Which of the following is NOT a characteristic of Accounting?

- (a) Accounting is an art
- (b) It records transactions only in monetary terms
- (c) It is concerned with interpretation of results
- (d) None of the above

Answer:

77. Which of the following is NOT a branch of Accounting?

- (a) Financial Accounting
- (b) Cost Accounting
- (c) Corporate Accounting
- (d) Management Accounting

Answer:

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Answer:

78. Which of the following is NOT an advantage of Accounting?

- (a) Decision making
- (b) Helps in taxation matters
- (c) Valuation of Business
- (d) Increasing the profits and sales

Answer:

79. "Book keeping starts where accounting ends":

- (a) True
- (b) Partly True
- (c) False
- (d) Partly False

Answer:

80. Accrual System of accounts is also called as:

- (a) Merchantile system
- (b) Hybrid system
- (c) Cash system
- (d) None of the above

Answer:

81. Which of the following is NOT an accounting concept ?

- (a) Business Entity Concept
- (b) Money Measurement Concept
- (c) Consistency Concept
- (d) Realisation Concept

Answer:

82. Which of the following is NOT an accounting convention?

- (a) Disclosure
- (b) Consistency
- (c) Going Concern
- (d) Conservatism

Answer:

83. If the transactions are recorded as per the current cost measurement, then the assets are recorded:

- (a) At the cost of acquisition
- (b) Amount that would be realised by selling the asset
- (c) The value of cash required to be paid to acquire the asset
- (d) None of the above

Answer:

84. If the transactions are recorded as per the historical cost measurement, then the assets are recorded at

- (a) The value at which they are acquired
- (b) The amount required to purchase the asset
- (c) The amount that would be realised by selling the asset
- (d) None of the above

Answer:

85. As per the realisation value measurement base, the liabilities are valued

- (a) At the value of amount received in exchange of obligation
- (b) At the present value
- (c) The amount required to settle the liability
- (d) None of the above

Answer:

86. As per the current cost measurement, the liabilities are valued at

- (a) Discounted value of cash required to settle the obligation currently
- (b) Undiscounted value of cash required to settle the obligation currently
- (c) At the amount received to settle the obligation
- (d) None of the above

Answer:

87. As per the present value measurement base, the liabilities are valued at

- (a) Sum of present discounted value of future cash outflows
- (b) Value of future net cash outflows
- (c) At the present settlement value
- (d) None of the above

Answer:

88. As per the present value measurement base, the assets are recorded or valued at

- (a) Sum of present discounted net cash inflows
- (b) Present value of the asset
- (c) Cost of acquisition of the asset
- (d) All of the above

Answer:

89. Adjustments of outstanding expenses, accrued income, unexpired income etc. is done to ensure compliance with:

- (a) Realisation concept
- (b) Cost concept
- (c) Revenue match concept

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(d) None of the above

Answer:

90. If the proprietor of a business takes goods for his personal use, then which of the following will not be affected:

- (a) Assets
- (b) Liabilities
- (c) Capital
- (d) None of the above

Answer:

91. Which of the following is not a form of personal account?

- (a) Natural Personal Account
- (b) Artificial Personal Account
- (c) Representative Personal Account
- (d) Nominal Personal Account

Answer:

92. As per the conservatism principle,

- (a) The accountant should not anticipate income but provide for all losses
- (b) The accountant should use a valuation method which leads to taking less value of an asset
- (c) Both (a) and (b)
- (d) Neither (a) nor (b)

Answer:

93. Goodwill, trade marks, patent, rights are examples of:

- (a) Personal Account
- (b) Real Account
- (c) Nominal Account
- (d) None of the above

Answer:

94. Profit & Loss Account is prepared because of:

- (a) Cost concept
- (b) Going concern concept
- (c) Dual aspect concept
- (d) Accounting period concept

Answer:

95. The assets are recorded as per their book value to ensure compliance with:

- (a) Historical cost
- (b) Current cost

- (c) Present value
- (d) None of the above

Answer:

96. In order to determine whether a transaction or item is material or not, the accountant should consider:

- (a) The nature of transaction
- (b) The amount of transaction
- (c) Both (a) and (b)
- (d) Neither (a) nor (b)

Answer:

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1	(a)	2	(c)	3	(b)	4	(c)	5	(d)	6	(d)
7	(c)	8	(b)	9	(b)	10	(c)	11	(c)	12	(b)
13	(c)	14	(c)	15	(b)	16	(d)	17	(d)	18	(b)
19	(c)	20	(a)	21	(a)	22	(b)	23	(d)	24	(a)
25	(d)	26	(d)	27	(c)	28	(a)	29	(b)	30	(c)
31	(a)	32	(d)	33	(c)	34	(d)	35	(c)	36	(d)
37	(c)	38	(d)	39	(a)	40	(d)	41	(a)	42	(c)
43	(b)	44	(c)	45	(d)	46	(b)	47	(a)	48	(d)
49	(b)	50	(c)	51	(b)	52	(d)	53	(c)	54	(a)
55	(b)	56	(a)	57	(d)	58	(d)	59	(c)	60	(b)
61	(c)	62	(a)	63	(b)	64	(d)	65	(c)	66	(d)
67	(a)	68	(a)	69	(c)	70	(c)	71	(b)	72	(a)
73	(d)	74	(a)	75	(d)	76	(d)	77	(c)	78	(d)
79	(c)	80	(a)	81	(c)	82	(c)	83	(c)	84	(a)
85	(c)	86	(b)	87	(a)	88	(a)	89	(c)	90	(b)
91	(d)	92	(c)	93	(b)	94	(d)	95	(a)	96	(c)

Questions of December 2012

1. Inclusion of personal expenses of using car in the business expenses would violate the concept of:
(a) Separate business entity (b) Consistency
(c) Going concern (d) Dual aspect
2. "Assets should be valued at the price paid to acquire them" is based on-
(a) Accrual concept (b) Cost concept
(c) Money Measurement concept (d) Matching concept
3. A businessman purchases goods worth ₹ 25,00,000 and sold 80% of such goods during the accounting year ending on 31st March, 2011. The market value of the remaining goods was ₹ 7,50,000. He valued the closing stock @ ₹ 5,00,000 and not at ₹ 7,50,000 due to-
(a) Money Measurement concept (b) C o n v e n t i o n o f conservatism
(c) Cost concept (d) Accounting period concept
4. Revenue from sale of products is generally accounted in the period in which:
(a) Cash is collected (b) Sales is made
(c) Products are manufactured (d) None of the above.
5. Which of the following is not the purpose of accounting?
(a) Providing information about the assets, liabilities and capital of business entity
(b) Maintaining record of business
(c) Providing information about the performance of business
(d) Providing details about the personal assets and liabilities of the owners of business entity.
6. Which accounting concept is applicable to record a transaction entered between owner and business?
(a) Productivity (b) Going concern
(c) Prudence (d) Business entity
7. Ashok a cloth merchant buys cloth for ₹ 50,000 paying cash ₹ 20,000. What is the amount of expense as per accrual concept?
(a) 50,000 (b) 20,000
(c) 30,000 (d) Nil
8. Which of the following is an accepted method of accounting?
(a) Cash Accounting
(b) Accrual or Mercantile Accounting
(c) Both Accrual Accounting and Cash Accounting
(d) None of the above

9. Accounting transactions are recorded in terms of:
- | | |
|---------------------|------------------------|
| (a) Money | (b) Purpose |
| (c) Characteristics | (d) None of the above. |

Solutions of December 2012

- 1 (a) In accounting for every type of business organization, be it sale tradership or partnership or joint stock company, business is treated as a separate accounting entity.
Thus, inclusion of personal expenses of using car in the business expenses would violate the concept of **Separate Business Entity**.
2. (b) **According to cost concept:** The various assets acquired by a concern or firm should be recorded on the basis of the actual amounts or the price paid to acquire them.
3. (b) Purchase ₹ 25,00,000; 80% of the goods have been sold. So, cost of goods sold is ₹ 20,00,000 stock remains at cost of ₹ 5,00,000. Since, market value of the stock left is ₹ 7,50,000 which is higher than the cost of stock. So, stock is valued at ₹ 5,00,000.
This is due to **conservatism concept** as this concept says that accountant should not anticipate income and should provide for all possible losses.
The rule of 'Lower of cost or market value' for inventory valuation is due to conservatism (Prudence) concept.
4. (b) According to accrual concept if any transaction are not settled in cash then it is proper to record the transaction or the event concerned into the books. So, due to Accrual Concept Revenue from the sale of products is recorded in the period in which **Sales is made**.
5. (d) The purpose of accounting are as follows :
- (i) Maintaining systematic records of business.
 - (ii) Providing all information about assets, liabilities etc.
 - (iii) Meeting legal requirements.
 - (iv) Providing and communicating financial result or performance.
 - (v) Facilitating rational decision making.
- On considering the purpose of accounting, it is found that '**Providing details about the personal assets and liabilities of the owner of business entity**' is not purpose of accounting.
6. (d) **Business entity concept** is applicable to record a transaction entered between owner and business.

Z. Personal Account

3. Debit all expenses, credit all gains

Correct option is:

- | | X | Y | Z |
|-----|---|---|----|
| (a) | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| (b) | 1 | 3 | 2 |
| (c) | 2 | 3 | 1 |
| (d) | 1 | 2 | 3. |

3. If capital at the end of the year is ₹ 7,000, capital introduced during the year is ₹ 5,000, drawings during the year are ₹ 8,000, loss incurred during the year is ₹ 10,000, then capital in the beginning would be equal to:
- | | |
|--------------|---------------|
| (a) ₹ 12,000 | (b) ₹ 16,000 |
| (c) ₹ 20,000 | (d) ₹ 30,000. |
4. Which one of the following statements is correct?
- (a) Capital of the firm is reduced by borrowing
 - (b) When there is no change in proprietor's capital, it is an indication of loss in business
 - (c) Nominal accounts refer to false transactions
 - (d) Real accounts relate to the assets of a business.
5. A concern proposes to discontinue its business from March 2013 and decides to dispose of all its assets within a period of 4 months. The Balance Sheet as on 31st March, 2013 should indicate the assets at their:
- (a) Historical cost
 - (b) Net realisable value
 - (c) Cost less depreciation
 - (d) Cost price or market value whichever is lower
6. The convention of conservatism is likely to lead to an _____ in the balance sheet.
- (a) Understatement of liabilities
 - (b) Overstatement of assets
 - (c) Overstatement of capital
 - (d) Understatement of assets.

Solutions of June 2013

1. (b) Purchases ₹ 25,00,000
 70% of the goods have been sold
 ∴ cost of goods sold is ₹ 17,50,000

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Stock remaining at cost ₹ 7,50,000

Since, market value of the stock left is ₹ 5,00,000 which is lower than the cost the stock is valued at ₹ 5,00,000.

This is due to **conservatism concept** as this concept says that accountant should not anticipate income and should provide for all possible losses.

The value of “lower of cost or market value” for inventory valuation is due to conservatism (Prudence) concept.

2. (c) The rules are as follows:
- (a) Real Account: Debit what comes in and credit what goes out
 - (b) Nominal Account: Debit all Expenses and losses credit all income & gains
 - (c) Personal Account: Debit the receiver credit the giver
- Therefore the correct matching is x : 2; y : 3 and z : 1
3. (c) Capital at end of year ₹ 7,000
Less: Capital introduced during the year 5,000
Add: Drawings made during the year 8,000
Add: Loss incurred during the year 10,000
Capital at beginning of the year 20,000
4. (d) The correct statement is Real accounts relate to the assets of a business both tangible and intangible e.g.: plant & machinery, furniture, goodwill, copyrights, etc.
5. (b) When a concern proposes to discontinue its business operations then balance sheet should indicate assets at their **Net Realizable value** rather than the Historical Cost.
This is so because the going concern of the organisation is lost.
6. (d) The convention of conservatism is likely to lead to an **understatement of assets** in the Balance Sheet.
The concept of conservatism states that an accountant should not anticipate income and should provide for all possible losses.
This will lead to understatement of income, wealth and assets.

Questions of December 2013

1. The rule 'every transaction affects two or more ledger accounts' is based on the concept of —
- (a) Going concern
 - (b) Double entry system of book-keeping
 - (c) Money measurement

- (d) Periodicity.
2. Which of the following is correct about 'Accounting Concept' —
- (a) Accounting concepts are based on accounting conventions
 - (b) Accounting concepts are established by common accounting practices
 - (c) Accounting concepts are methods or procedures accepted by general agreement
 - (d) Personal judgement has no role in the adoption of accounting concepts.
3. Which of the following accounting equation is correct —
- (a) Capital (₹ 15,000) = Fixed Assets (₹ 12,000) + Cash (₹ 4,000)
 - (b) Trade payables (₹ 3,000) + Capital (₹ 17,000) + Bills Payable (₹ 4,000) = Fixed Assets (₹ 20,000)
 - (c) Capital (₹ 15,000) = Cash (₹ 3,000) + Fixed Assets (₹ 9,000)
 - (d) Trade payables (₹ 8,000) + Capital (₹ 7,000) = Fixed Assets (₹ 8,000) + Cash at Bank (₹ 4,000) + Cash (₹ 3,000).
4. General reserve is created on the basis of convention of —
- (a) Conservatism
 - (b) Uniformity
 - (c) Materiality
 - (d) Full disclosure.
5. Revaluation account is a —
- (a) Nominal account
 - (b) Real account
 - (c) Personal account
 - (d) None of the above.
6. Atul purchased a car for ₹5,00,000, by making a down payment of ₹ 1,00,000 and signing a ₹ 4,00,000 bill payable due in 60 days. As a result of this transaction —
- (a) Total assets increased by ₹ 5,00,000
 - (b) Total liabilities increased by ₹4,00,000
 - (c) Total assets increased by ₹ 4,00,000
 - (d) Total assets increased by ₹ 4,00,000 with a corresponding increase in liabilities by ₹ 4,00,000.

Solutions of December 2013

1. (b) Double entry system is based on scientific principles therefore, it is used by most of the business houses. This system recognises the fact that

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every transaction has two aspects and records both aspects of each and every transaction.

Thus, we can say that the rule 'every transaction affects two or more ledger accounts' is based on the concept of **double entry system of book-keeping**.

2. (d) Accounting concepts are defined as basic assumptions on the basis of which financial statements of a business entity are prepared. Accounting concepts are used as a foundation for formulating various methods and procedures for recording and presenting the business transactions. In brief we can say that **personal judgement has no role in the adoption of accounting concepts**.
3. (d) According to accounting equation -
Capital + Trade Liabilities = Assets (or)
Capital + Trade Liabilities = Fixed Assets + Current Assets
There, we find that option (D) is right answer because in this equation
Capital (7,000)+ Trade Payable (8,000) = ₹ 15,000 is equal to Fixed Assets (8,000) + Cash at Bank (4,000) + Cash (3,000) = ₹ 15,000.
4. (a) According to conservatism convention, accountant should not anticipate income and should provide for all possible losses.
Examples:
(i) Making provisions for Bad Debts
(ii) Making **General Reserve**
(iii) Valuing the stock at lower of cost or market value
5. (a) Since Revaluation A/c shows the profit or loss on revaluation, so it is a **Nominal Account**.
6. (d) On purchase of a Car, total assets of balance sheet will be increased by ₹ 5,00,000 and on making of down payment of ₹ 1,00,000 total assets will decrease by ₹ 1,00,000. The result will be that total assets of B/S will increase by ₹ 4,00,000.
On other hand on signing a B/P of ₹ 4,00,000 liability side of Balance Sheet will be increased by ₹ 4,00,000.

Thus, **option (d)** is right.

Questions of June 2014

1. Number of accounting standards presently issued by ICAI and notified by CG -
(a) 29 (b) 32

Solutions of June 2014

1. (a) Presently these are 32 accounting standards issued by 'ICAI' out of which **29** are notified by Central Government.
2. (b) "**Accounting** is an art of recording, classifying, summarising transactions and events which are of financial character in terms of money and interpreting the result there of."
3. (c) As per Schedule III of Companies Act 2013, Contingent liabilities are shown as **footnote** in the Balance Sheet.
4. (b) Closing entry means **all assets and liabilities** are revalued and closed.
5. (a) **Cash book** is a book of prime entry which records cash and bank transactions. includes only cash purchases made.
6. (b) The entry which involves both cash and bank transactions is called contra entry. These entries are posted on both the sides of cash book one in **bank column** and the other in **cash column**.
7. (a) Accounting concepts are defined as basic assumptions on the basis of which financial statements of a business entity are prepared.
Since, **conservatism** is an accounting convention & not a concept, **option (a)** is correct.
8. (d) According to consistency concept, it is assumed that the accounting practices will be followed continuously over a period of time until & unless there requires a need for change
Hence, **option (d)** is correct.
9. (b) Independent variables are those variables which has no effect on each other.
The asset & liability are dependent variables while the **income & expenses** are independent variables.
Hence, **option (b)** is correct.
10. (a) According to money measurement concept each & every accounting transaction is to be recorded in books of accounts in terms of money.
Hence, **option (a)** is correct.
11. (b) Double entry is a principle in which there is a debit for every credit & similarly a credit for every debit.
Hence, **option (b)** is correct.

Questions of December 2014

1. Which one of the following statements is correct?
(a) Capital of the firm is reduced by borrowing

- (b) Nominal accounts refer to false transactions
 - (c) When there is no change in proprietors capital, it is an indication of loss in business
 - (d) Real accounts relate to the assets of a business.
2. Which of the following statement is correct?
- (a) Assets are equal to liabilities minus capital
 - (b) Capital is equal to assets minus liabilities
 - (c) Liabilities are equal to capital plus assets
 - (d) Capital is equal to assets plus liabilities.
3. The convention of conservatism is likely to lead to an _____ in the balance sheet.
- (a) Understatement of assets
 - (b) Overstatement of assets
 - (c) Overstatement of capital
 - (d) Understatement of liabilities
4. Mr. Ashish purchased a machinery costing ₹ 3,00,000 on 1st October, 2012. Transportation and installation charges were incurred amounting to ₹ 30,000 and ₹ 12,000 respectively. Dismantling charges of the old machine in place of which new machine was purchased amounted to ₹ 30,000. Market value of the machine was estimated at ₹ 3,60,000 on 31st March, 2013. While finalising the annual accounts Ashish values the machinery at ₹ 3,60,000 in his books. Which of the following concepts was violated by Ashish?
- (a) Cost Concept
 - (b) Matching Concept
 - (c) Realisation Concept
 - (d) Periodicity Concept

Solutions of December 2014

1. (d) Capital of the firm is not reduced by borrowing because both are the different heads of the liabilities side of the balance sheet.
Nominal accounts relates with the expenses and incomes, not with false transactions.
When there is no change, in proprietor's capital, it does not means that it shows a loss, it may be a profit situation in the business.
Thus, option (d) is the correct answer that **real account relate to the assets & liabilities of a business.**
2. (b) According to Accounting Equation.
Capital = Assets – Liabilities.

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So, option (b) is correct answer, i.e. **Capital is equal to assets minus liabilities.**

3. (a) The concept of conservatism states that we should not anticipate profit but should provide for all possible losses while preparing financial statements. This convention understates the assets and over estimates the liabilities.
4. (a) Mr. Ashish violated the **cost concept**. According to this concept, the value at which the various assets shall be recorded in the books shall be the historical cost or acquisition cost.
This concept says that the assets shall be recorded at cost at the time at its purchase and its value shall be reduced systematically by charging depreciation at book value.

Questions of June 2015

1. The provision for discount on debtors is often provided in keeping with the concept of:
 - (a) Conservatism
 - (b) Going Concern
 - (c) Materiality
 - (d) Consistency.
2. Which of the following statements describe objectives of accounting?
 - (i) providing details of the personal assets and liabilities of the owner,
 - (ii) providing information about the assets, liabilities and capital of business entity
 - (iii) maintaining records of business
 - (iv) providing information about the performance of business entity:
 - (a) (ii) and (iii)
 - (b) (ii), (iii) and (iv)
 - (c) (i), (iii) and (iv)
 - (d) (i), (ii) and (iv).

Solutions of June 2015

1. (a) **Conservation** convention states that all anticipated profits should be ignored but all losses anticipated should be accounted and method of valuing asset should be chosen which leads to lesser value. example: (1) Create provision for doubtful debts (2) Provisions for discount on debtors (3) Value stock at cost or

- market price which ever is less.
2. (b) Objectives of accounting:
1. Maintaining the accounting records
 2. Ascertaining profit & loss & financial position of business
 3. Providing accounting information to users.

Questions of December 2015

1. According to which concept, practices once selected and adopted should be applied consistently year after year:
 - (a) Cost concept
 - (b) Consistency convention
 - (c) Conservatism convention
 - (d) None of the above
2. The money taken by the proprietor for personal use:
 - (a) Capital
 - (b) Interest
 - (c) Prepaid Expenses
 - (d) Drawing
3. Money borrowed to start business:
 - (a) Venture capital
 - (b) Debt financing
 - (c) Dividend
 - (d) Shares
4. Bank A/c is which of the following:
 - (a) Personal A/c
 - (b) Real A/c
 - (c) Nominal A/c
 - (d) Representative Personal A/c
5. Opening capital ₹ 80,000, Drawing ₹ 2,000 per month in the middle of the month @ 5% p.a. Additional capital ₹ 10,000, profit ₹ 7,000 calculate closing capital:
 - (a) ₹ 96,400
 - (b) ₹ 10,000
 - (c) ₹ 80,000
 - (d) ₹ 12,094
6. Which one of the following are correct (i) Debit the giver, credit the receiver (ii) Debit the receiver credit the giver (iii) what comes in debit, what goes out credited:

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- (a) I & II
- (b) II & III
- (c) I, II & III
- (d) I & III

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1. (b) The **consistency convention** implies that the Accounting practices should remain the same from one year to another. The results of different years will be comparable only when accounting rules are continuously adhered to from year to year.
2. (d) The money taken by the proprietor for personal use is known as **Drawing**. This will reduce the capital of proprietor.
3. (d) The proportion of capital to which each member is entitled is called his share, the capital of the company is known as Share Capital. This money is borrowed from its members or shareholders.
4. (a) **Personal Accounts** are those accounts which shows the transaction with customer, suppliers, money lenders, the banks and the owners. Bank Account is the account of some banking company which is an artificial person.
5. (a) Opening Capital = 80,000
Drawings = 2,000 per month in middle of month
Additional Capital = 10,000
Profit = 7,000
Drawings = $2,000 \times 12$
 $= 24,000 \times \frac{6}{12} \times \frac{5}{100}$
 $= 600$
Closing Capital = Opening Capital - Drawings + Additional Capital + Profit
 $= 80,000 - 600 + 10,000 + 7,000$
 $= \text{₹ } 96,400$
6. (b)
 - Rule of Personal A/c - 'Debit the receiver, Credit the giver.'
 - Rule of Real A/c - 'Debit what comes in, Credit what goes out.'
 - Rule of Nominal A/c - 'Debit all expenses and Losses and Credit all Incomes.'Thus, only options (II) & (III) are correct.

Questions of June 2016

1. M/s. Son Exports purchased a computer worth ₹ 25,000. While preparing the final accounts the proprietor valued the computer at ₹ 20,000, which he can realize by selling the computer anytime which basis of measurement has been used by the proprietor?
 - (a) Historical cost
 - (b) Realisable value
 - (c) Present value
 - (d) Current cost.
2. Inventories should generally be valued at lower of cost price or _____.
 - (a) Fair market value
 - (b) Present value
 - (c) Replacement value
 - (d) Net realizable value
3. Revenue should be recognised on recorded when the goods are sold or service are rendered to customer, this concept is known as:
 - (a) Revenue recognition concept
 - (b) Matching concept
 - (c) Materiality concept
 - (d) Consistency concept.

Solutions of June 2016

1. (b) The basis of measurement used by the proprietor is **realisable value**. As per this valuation basis, assets are recorded at the amount of cash or cash equivalent that would be realised by selling the assets in a routine manner. Similarly, liabilities are recorded at their settlement values.
2. (d) As per the conservatism concept the golden rule of inventory valuation is lower of cost or net realisable value. Accordingly inventory should be value at cost or **net realisable value** whichever is lower.
3. (a) **Revenue Recognition concept** is based on accounting period concept. Adjustment should be made for all outstanding expenses, accrued incomes, unexpired expenses and unearned income.

Questions of December 2016

1. Revenue should be recognised/recorded when the goods are sold or services are rendered to the consumer, this concept is known as:
 - (a) Matching Concept
 - (b) Consistency Concept
 - (c) Materiality Concept
 - (d) Revenue Recognition Concept
2. If owner's equity of a business is ₹ 70,000 and liabilities are of ₹ 40,000, total assets of the business will be:
 - (a) ₹ 1,10,000
 - (b) ₹ 40,000
 - (c) ₹ 30,000
 - (d) ₹ 74,000
3. A business unit follows the straight line method of depreciation for depreciating its furniture every year which accounting convention is being followed in this case:
 - (a) Materiality
 - (b) Consistency
 - (c) Conservatism
 - (d) Disclosure

Solutions of December 2016

1. (d) According to Revenue Recognition Concept, Revenue is deemed to be realised or recorded when the goods are sold or services are rendered.
2. (a) Accounting equation states
$$\begin{aligned}\text{Total Assets} &= \text{Liabilities} + \text{Owners equity} \\ &= 40,000 + 70,000 \\ &= 1,10,000\end{aligned}$$
3. (b) The business unit follows same method of depreciation year after year because of **consistency** convention of accounting.

The consistency convention implies that the accounting practice should remain the same from one year to another in order to facilitate comparison between result of different years.

