

# Unit 04: Completing the accounting cycle

Content Area: **Business**  
Course(s): **Accounting 1**  
Time Period: **Semester 1**  
Length: **3 weeks**  
Status: **Published**

## Standards

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NJ 2009 CCCS: Standard 9 21<sup>st</sup> Life and Career: 9.4 CTE:F Finance Career Cluster Pathway Accounting

9.4.12.F.(1).1 Access and evaluate financial information to assist business decision-making.

Ethics and Legal Responsibilities: Legal responsibilities, professional ethics, and codes of conduct affect management practices, business performance, and regulatory compliance, as well as the confidence of customers, business partners, and investors.

9.4.12.F.(1).2 Describe laws and regulations affecting business operations and transactions in order to ensure compliance with industry requirements.

Employability and Career Development: Employability skills and career and entrepreneurship opportunities build the capacity for successful careers in a global economy.

9.4.12.F.(1).3 Apply career planning concepts, tools, and strategies to explore, plan, obtain, and develop a career in this pathway.

Technical Skills: Technical knowledge and skills play a role in all careers within the cluster and pathway.

9.4.12.F.(1).4 Use accounting tools, strategies, and systems to plan the use and management of financial resources.

## Enduring Understanding

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Financial statements are prepared at the end of the accounting cycle.

Financial statements are used to measure progress over time (P&L) and Financial Positions (balance sheet)

## Essential Questions

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How do I measure the success of my business?

What is my business worth?

Why does the balance sheet require ending capital to balance?

## **Knowledge and Skills**

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- Prepare financial statements including a classified balance sheet
- Understanding liquidity
- using a worksheet to prepare financial statements
- Explain the purpose of, journalizing and post closing entries
- Prepare the post closing trial balance
- Describe the accounting cycle
- Use current ratio to evaluate business performance
- Explain the purpose of and journalizing of reversing entries

## **Transfer Goals**

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Categorizing data allows you to make more meaningful observations.

Using data to back decisions allows for greater clarity and accuracy.

## **Resources**

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Horngren's Financial and Managerial Accounting

Albert.io

Accountingcoach.com