CHEAT SHEET

FREE INTRODUCTORY CRASH
COURSE IN ACCOUNTING
(1 HOUR)



Five Main Accounts?

Assets – Future Benefit – DR

Liabilities – Future Obligation – CR

Shareholders' Equity - Ownership Stake - CR

Revenues - Income Earned - CR

Expenses – Costs Incurred, Consumed or

Used - DR

The Four Financial Statements?

Income Statement: Revenues – Expenses = Net Income

Statement of Changes in Equity:Changes in Common Shares and
Retained Earnings

Balance Sheet: Assets = Liabilities + Shareholders Equity

Statement of Cash Flows: Cash inflow and outflows in Operating, Investing and Financing Activities

The Accounting Cycle?

Step 1: Analyze the Transactions

Step 2: Journalize the Transactions

Step 3: Update the T-Accounts

Step 4: Prepare the Unadjusted Trial Balance

Step 5: Journalize the Adjusting Entries

Step 6: Prepare the Adjusted Trial Balance

Step 7: Prepare the Four Financial Statements

Step 8: Journalize the Closing Entries

Step 9: Prepare the Post-Closing Trial Balance

The Main Accounting Equation? Assets = Liabilities + Shareholders Equity DR = CR + CR

The T-Accounts?

Assets		Liabilities		Shareholders Equity	
DR	CR	DR	CR	DR	CR
Increases	Decreases	Decreases	Increases	Decreases	Increases

Reve	nues	Expenses		
DR	CR	DR	CR	
Decrease	Increases	Increases	Decreases	