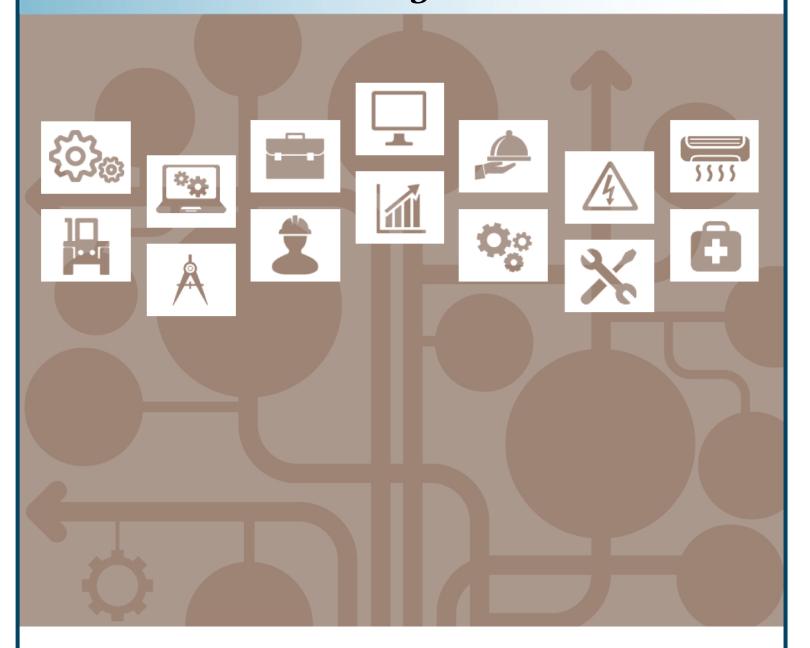


Entry Level Assessment Blueprint

Accounting - Basic



Test Code: 4100 / Version: 01

Specific Competencies and Skills Tested in this Assessment:

Journalizing

- Apply the accounting equation to journalize an opening entry
- Follow principles of double-entry bookkeeping in the journalizing process
- Analyze transactions involving owners' equity

Posting

- Post to general and subsidiary ledger accounts
- Demonstrate understanding of multicolumn ledgers
- Demonstrate familiarity with computerized posting methods
- Use appropriate posting references
- Reconcile subsidiary to general ledgers



Specific Competencies and Skills continued:

Payroll Preparation

- Calculate employee earnings, including salary, hourly, overtime, and commission
- Demonstrate familiarity with electronic payroll data entry
- Complete a payroll register
- Prepare a payroll check and check stub with appropriate information
- Record information found on W-4 forms in employee data section
- Calculate appropriate employee payroll taxes
- Calculate appropriate employer payroll tax liabilities
- Determine appropriate deposit dates and documentation, and prepare federal tax forms
- Journalize payroll entries at end of earnings period in general journal

Cash and Banking Procedures

- Complete check stubs and checks
- Enter appropriate data on a deposit slip
- Reconcile a bank statement
- Demonstrate familiarity with online and electronic banking procedures



- Exhibit understanding of credit cards and/or debit cards
- Manage multiple bank accounts and transactions
- Reconcile and replenish petty cash funds

Merchandise Inventory

- Demonstrate knowledge of a merchandise inventory account using perpetual and periodic methods
- Analyze effects on accounts by the purchase of goods
- Calculate the cost of goods sold
- Prepare adjusting entries based on physical inventory
- Calculate for obsolete or a shrinkage of inventory

Specific Competencies and Skills continued:

Completion of Accounting Cycle

- Complete 8 or 10 column worksheets
- Prepare the financial statements from a completed worksheet
- Verify the financial statements against the worksheet for accuracy
- Record and post adjusting and closing entries
- Locate and correct accounting errors
- Prepare post-closing trial balance from general ledger

Identification and Application of Source Data

- Identify and locate appropriate business forms used in bookkeeping and/or accounting
- Apply procedures for using electronic data for various bookkeeping and/or accounting purposes
- Interpret and identify information contained in source documents

Security

- Exhibit familiarity with the internal controls for sensitive source documents
- Exhibit familiarity with the internal controls for e-commerce
- Exhibit familiarity with internal controls for the protection of company assets and property
- Exhibit familiarity with confidentiality and ethics

Basic Accounting Knowledge and Skills

- Exhibit understanding of terminology relating to accounting
- Exhibit understanding of careers in accounting
- Exhibit understanding of regulatory bodies
- Demonstrate ability to use calculator, 10-key, and comupter
- Identify various business entities
- Determine classification of accounts and identify normal balances
- Generate and interpret spreadsheets, charts, and graphs

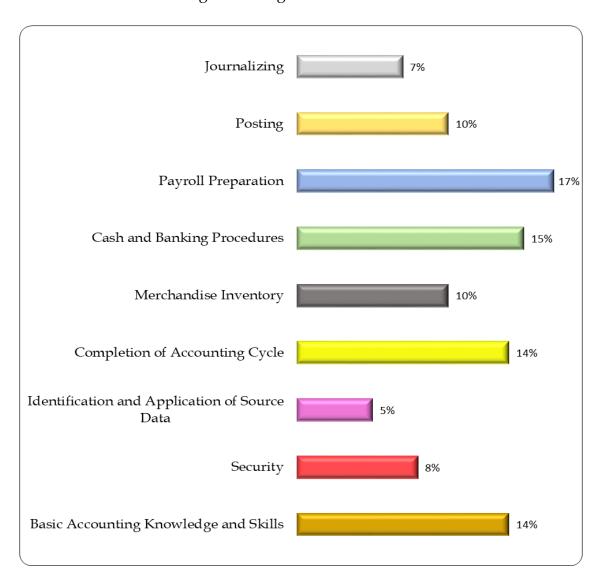


Written Assessment:

Administration Time: 3 hours **Number of Questions:** 190

Areas Covered:

- 7% Journalizing 10%
- Posting
- 17% Payroll Preparation
- Cash and Banking Procedures 15%
- Merchandise Inventory 10%
- Completion of Accounting Cycle 14%
- Identification and Application of Source Data 5%
- 8% Security
- Basic Accounting Knowledge and Skills 14%



Sample Questions:

When the owner takes merchandise for personal use, it will _____ account.

- A. decrease the Drawing
- B. decrease the Expense
- C. increase the Capital
- D. increase the Drawing

Use the Posting Reference (PR) column in the General Ledger to

- A. trace the entry to the book of final entry
- B. show the accountant that the transaction was posted in the General Ledger
- C. trace the transaction to the original book of entry
- D. show which employee posted the record to the General Ledger

Taxes that are the employer's sole responsibility are considered to be a/an

- A. expense of a business
- B. asset of a business
- C. deduction from capital
- D. addition to employee earnings

A signed statement ordering a bank to pay cash from funds already deposited in that bank is a

- A. check
- B. promissory note
- C. bill of lading
- D. transfer

An actual count of merchandise is called a _____ inventory.

- A. physical
- B. perpetual
- C. merchandise control
- D. supply

Performance Assessment:

Administration Time: 3 hours and 25 minutes

Number of Jobs: 7

Areas Covered:

7% Identification of Account Balances

Participant will have a list of accounts that need to have indicated the normal balance by placing a check mark in the appropriate debit or credit column.

31% **Journal Entries**

Participant will use the spreadsheet provided and record entries for each document in the general journal.

10% **Posting Verification**

Participant will accurately prepare a schedule of accounts receivable using the information provided.

9% Banking

Participant will accurately prepare a schedule of accounts receivable using the provided information.

18% Payroll

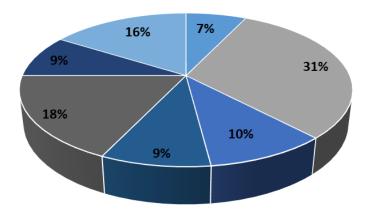
Participant will compute net pay for employees using correct formatting.

9% Complete Worksheet

Participant will legibly complete the adjusted trial balance columns, totaling the income statement and balance sheet columns.

16% Financial Statements

Participant will use the worksheet provided to prepare an income statement, statement of owner's equity, and balance sheet, including proper heading.



Sample Job: Posting Verification

Maximum Time: 15 minutes

Participant Activity: Schedule of Accounts Receivable, trial balance, legibility, and

time to complete the job.

