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CHAPTER 2

# Dual Effect of Transactions and Types of Accounts

Transaction Logic | Account Classification | Debit-Credit Rules | Board  
Practice

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Learn the Concept. Understand the Logic. Write Better Answers.

# Why Chapter 2 Is the Turning Point in Accounts

Chapter 1 taught the vocabulary. Chapter 2 teaches the logic behind recording. From this chapter onward, every transaction must be analysed from two sides.

The biggest mistake students make is memorising 'debit this, credit that' without first understanding what actually changed in the business. These notes reverse that approach: first understand the transaction, then identify accounts, then apply the rule.

## DEEP RESEARCH - CONCEPT ENRICHMENT

The GSEB chapter uses the traditional Personal-Real-Nominal classification. ICAI material teaches the same traditional rules and also links double entry to the dual aspect concept: every transaction has a two-sided effect. These notes keep GSEB wording for exams and use modern concepts only as enrichment.

# Chapter Roadmap

| Part | What You Learn                                          |
|------|---------------------------------------------------------|
| A    | Meaning and classification of business transactions     |
| B    | How to identify cash and credit transactions            |
| C    | Voucher and source documents                            |
| D    | Dual effect of every business transaction               |
| E    | Types of accounts: Personal, Real, Nominal              |
| F    | Special account classification examples                 |
| G    | Golden rules of debit and credit                        |
| H    | Step-by-step debit-credit analysis                      |
| I    | Board questions, cases, transaction drills and revision |

## EXAM IMPORTANT

Master this chapter and Journal Entries become much easier.

# 1. Meaning of Business Transaction

Simple Meaning: A business transaction is an economic activity connected with the business that can be measured in money and has a financial effect.

## **KEY TERM - BUSINESS TRANSACTION**

An exchange or economic event involving the business that can be expressed in money and affects the business financially.

- It relates to the business.
- It has economic/monetary value.
- It may be cash or credit.
- It may involve an outside party or occur within the business.
- It creates one or more financial effects.

# Transaction Test - Ask These 5 Questions

- 1 Did something actually happen, rather than merely being planned?
- 2 Is it connected with the business?
- 3 Can the effect be measured in money?
- 4 Does it create a financial change?
- 5 Can the change be identified in one or more accounts?

## SMIT SIR'S NOTE

A plan to buy a machine next month is not yet recorded. The actual purchase is a transaction.

## 2. Classification of Business Transactions

The textbook classifies transactions from different viewpoints. One transaction can belong to more than one classification at the same time.

| Viewpoint          | Classification          |
|--------------------|-------------------------|
| Economic value     | Economic / Non-economic |
| Cash-credit nature | Cash / Credit / Other   |
| Relationship       | Internal / External     |

## 2.1 Economic Transaction

An economic transaction has a measurable money value and affects the business accounts.

Examples: Buying an asset, selling goods, paying wages, receiving cash from a debtor, purchasing goods on credit.

### **EXAM IMPORTANT**

Only economic/business transactions are normally recorded in the books of accounts.

## 2.2 Non-Economic Transaction

A non-economic transaction or event cannot be measured in money or does not create an accounting effect.

Examples from the chapter logic: receiving an order to supply goods later, deciding to expand sales, planning to buy an asset.

### COMMON MISTAKE

Do not record a mere intention, plan or order unless it creates a measurable financial effect.

# Economic vs Non-Economic - Quick Decision

| Situation                     | Economic?                  | Reason                                  |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| Asset purchased for Rs.10,000 | Yes                        | Money paid and asset acquired           |
| Asset purchased on credit     | Yes                        | Asset increases and creditor arises     |
| Asset sold for cash           | Yes                        | Cash received and asset leaves          |
| Wages paid                    | Yes                        | Service expense and cash outflow        |
| Liability settled             | Yes                        | Cash decreases and liability decreases  |
| Customer order received       | No in this chapter framing | No present measurable accounting effect |
| Plan to increase sales        | No                         | Planning only                           |
| Plan to buy machine           | No                         | No actual transaction yet               |

### 3. Cash / Credit / Other Transactions

| Type               | Easy Meaning                                 | Core Signal                           |
|--------------------|----------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Cash Transaction   | Cash or bank immediately increases/decreases | Cash/bank movement now                |
| Credit Transaction | Amount is payable/receivable later           | Debtor/creditor relation arises       |
| Other Transaction  | Neither normal cash nor credit category      | Special adjustment/non-routine effect |

## 3.1 Cash Transaction

A transaction is treated as cash when cash/bank is received or paid immediately.

- Asset: Furniture bought for cash.
- Goods: Goods sold for cash.
- Service: Salary paid in cash.
- Bank transaction: Cheque paid/received affects bank and is treated as cash transaction in the source.

### REMEMBER THIS

If cash or bank balance changes immediately, think cash transaction.

## 3.2 Credit Transaction

A credit transaction takes place without immediate cash settlement and creates a receivable or payable.

- Goods bought from a named supplier on credit -> creditor arises.
- Goods sold to a named customer on credit -> debtor arises.
- Asset bought from a named supplier with payment due later -> creditor/payable arises.
- Service received on credit may create an outstanding payable.

### REMEMBER THIS

Credit transaction = no immediate cash + future amount receivable/payable + person/party relationship.

## 3.3 Other Transactions

Some accounting events are neither normal cash nor normal credit transactions.

Examples: Goods destroyed by accident/fire, depreciation, certain adjustments.

### SMIT SIR'S NOTE

These transactions can still have financial effect even though no cash is paid and no debtor/creditor is created.

# How to Identify Cash vs Credit from the Wording

| Clue                                                         | Likely Treatment         |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Word 'cash' is used                                          | Cash transaction         |
| No person's name and immediate payment/receipt is implied    | Usually cash transaction |
| Cheque / bank is mentioned                                   | Cash/bank transaction    |
| Specific person's name appears and no cash/bank is mentioned | Often credit transaction |
| Amount payable/receivable later                              | Credit transaction       |

## EXAM IMPORTANT

This is an identification shortcut, not a substitute for understanding the transaction.

# Cash or Credit? - 15 Worked Examples

| Transaction                                           | Type               | Why                                      |
|-------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|------------------------------------------|
| Goods sold for cash Rs.500                            | Cash               | Cash increases                           |
| Goods purchased for Rs.800                            | Cash               | No party named; source treats as cash    |
| Goods worth Rs.900 sold to Mina                       | Credit             | Named person, no cash mentioned          |
| Goods worth Rs.2,000 sold to Nutan for cash           | Cash               | Cash explicitly mentioned                |
| Salary paid Rs.5,000                                  | Cash               | Cash paid for service                    |
| Insurance premium paid Rs.8,000                       | Cash               | Cash paid                                |
| Goods worth Rs.200 received as free sample            | Other / non-normal | No cash, no debtor/creditor              |
| Furniture purchased from Shreeji Furniture Rs.3,000   | Credit             | Named supplier; payable arises           |
| Commission received Rs.3,200                          | Cash               | Cash received                            |
| Goods purchased for Rs.5,000; paid by cheque          | Cash               | Bank decreases                           |
| Goods worth Rs.6,000 sold; payment received by cheque | Cash               | Bank increases                           |
| Rent received by cheque Rs.500                        | Cash               | Bank increases                           |
| Telephone bill paid by cheque                         | Cash               | Bank decreases                           |
| Cheque issued to Laxmiben for dues                    | Cash               | Bank decreases and liability settles     |
| Machine purchased from Ramesh Bros on credit          | Credit             | Asset comes in; supplier becomes payable |

## 4. Internal and External Transactions

Internal Transaction: Occurs within the business and may not involve an outside party.

External Transaction: Takes place between the business and another person/entity.

| Type     | Example                                                                        |
|----------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Internal | Depreciation on asset; loss due to calamity; internal adjustment               |
| External | Purchase from supplier; sale to customer; payment to bank; receipt from debtor |

## 5. Voucher - The Starting Evidence

The textbook calls voucher the pillar of accounting. A voucher is written documentary evidence supporting a business transaction.

### **KEY TERM - VOUCHER**

Source document or written proof used as the basis for recording a transaction.

Before recording, the accountant uses the voucher to identify the nature, amount, date and parties of the transaction.

# Common Vouchers / Source Documents

| Document           | Purpose                                        |
|--------------------|------------------------------------------------|
| Sales Bill         | Evidence of sale of goods                      |
| Purchase Bill      | Evidence of purchase of goods                  |
| Debit Note         | Used in purchase-return/claim-type situations  |
| Credit Note        | Used in sales-return/allowance-type situations |
| Cheque Counterfoil | Evidence of cheque issued / bank payment       |
| Pay-in Slip        | Evidence of cash/cheque deposited in bank      |
| Receipt Issued     | Written proof of amount received               |
| Receipt Received   | Written proof of amount paid                   |
| Expense Bill       | Evidence of expense paid/incurred              |

# Components of a Voucher

- 1 Name and address of voucher issuer.
- 2 Name and address of voucher receiver.
- 3 Date.
- 4 Serial number.
- 5 Amount in figures and words.
- 6 Signature of bill preparer / authorised person.
- 7 Signature of receiver where necessary.
- 8 Type / purpose of voucher.

## SMIT SIR'S NOTE

Good documentation improves reliability and makes later verification easier.

## 6. Dual Effect of Transaction

Under double-entry accounting, every business transaction has two financial effects. The two effects may involve two different accounts or two sides of the accounting equation.

### KEY TERM - DUAL EFFECT

Every transaction affects at least two accounting elements/accounts in a balanced manner.

### DEEP RESEARCH - CONCEPT ENRICHMENT

ICAI material describes double entry as a system that recognises both aspects of a transaction. Under the accounting-equation approach, the two-sided effect preserves the balance between assets and claims on assets.

# Think in Effects Before Debit-Credit

Do not begin with 'Which account is debit?' Begin with these questions:

- 1 What came into the business?
- 2 What went out of the business?
- 3 Who received benefit?
- 4 Who gave benefit?
- 5 Was an expense/loss incurred?
- 6 Was income/gain earned?

## REMEMBER THIS

First identify effect. Then identify account. Then apply debit-credit rule.

# Dual Effect - Worked Examples

| Transaction                              | First Effect                 | Second Effect                 |
|------------------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Business started with cash Rs.20,000     | Cash increases               | Capital increases             |
| Cash deposited into bank                 | Bank balance increases       | Cash in hand decreases        |
| Goods purchased from Bhavnaben on credit | Goods/purchases increase     | Bhavnaben payable increases   |
| Goods sold to Vipul on credit            | Vipul receivable increases   | Sales/revenue increases       |
| Goods sold for cash                      | Cash increases               | Goods/sales effect occurs     |
| Furniture purchased for cash             | Furniture increases          | Cash decreases                |
| Commission paid                          | Expense increases            | Cash decreases                |
| Goods returned by customer               | Sales return/goods come back | Customer receivable decreases |
| Goods returned to supplier               | Supplier payable decreases   | Purchase return/goods go out  |
| Cheque issued to supplier                | Payable decreases            | Bank decreases                |
| Customer gives cheque                    | Bank increases               | Customer receivable decreases |

## 7. Types of Accounts - The Big Classification

The textbook divides accounts into Personal Accounts and Impersonal Accounts. Impersonal Accounts are further divided into Real and Nominal accounts.

| Main Group | Sub-Type                              | What It Represents                  |
|------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Personal   | Natural / Artificial / Representative | Persons and person-related claims   |
| Impersonal | Real                                  | Assets / goods / property           |
| Impersonal | Nominal                               | Expenses, losses, incomes and gains |

## 7.1 Personal Account

Personal accounts relate to persons with whom the business deals or to accounts representing persons.

The textbook includes both natural persons and legal/artificial persons. It also treats several outstanding/advance items as personal because they represent a person to whom amount is payable or from whom it is receivable.

# Natural, Artificial and Representative Personal Accounts

| Type                      | Meaning                             | Examples                                                                    |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Natural Person            | Actual human being                  | Ram, Shilpa, Nilamben                                                       |
| Artificial / Legal Person | Entity recognised by law            | Company, bank, school, university, government, club                         |
| Representative Personal   | Account representing a person/claim | Outstanding salary, rent payable, wages payable, income received in advance |

## EXAM IMPORTANT

Outstanding expenses are often tricky: the expense itself is nominal, but the outstanding liability account is personal/representative personal.

# Personal Account - Golden Rule

Debit the Receiver

Credit the Giver

Logic: If a person receives benefit from the business, debit that person's account. If a person gives benefit/value to the business, credit that person's account.

## REMEMBER THIS

PERSONAL: Receiver = Debit | Giver = Credit.

# Personal Accounts - Worked Logic

| Transaction                             | Person's Role                     | Treatment       |
|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|
| Goods sold on credit to Jayshree        | Jayshree receives goods           | Debit Jayshree  |
| Rs.10,000 deposited with Bank of Baroda | Bank receives cash                | Debit Bank      |
| Rs.3,000 paid to Bhumika                | Bhumika receives cash             | Debit Bhumika   |
| Rent receivable from Shilpa             | Shilpa is benefit receiver/debtor | Debit Shilpa    |
| Goods purchased from Jayshree           | Jayshree gives goods              | Credit Jayshree |
| Cash withdrawn from bank                | Bank gives cash                   | Credit Bank     |
| Cash received from Bhumika              | Bhumika gives cash                | Credit Bhumika  |

## 7.2 Real Account

Real accounts relate to assets, property and goods. They include tangible and intangible assets.

- Goods Accounts: Purchases, Sales, Purchase Return, Sales Return, Stock and related goods accounts in the textbook classification.
- Asset Accounts: Cash, machinery, furniture, land, patent, copyright, goodwill, investments and similar asset accounts.

# Real Account - Golden Rule

Debit What Comes In  
Credit What Goes Out

Logic: When an asset/goods comes into business, debit the relevant real account. When an asset/goods leaves business, credit the relevant real account.

## REMEMBER THIS

REAL: Comes In = Debit | Goes Out = Credit.

# Real Accounts - Worked Logic

| Transaction                     | Asset/Goods Movement | Treatment                       |
|---------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------|
| Goods purchased for cash        | Goods come in        | Debit Purchases / goods account |
| Furniture purchased for cash    | Furniture comes in   | Debit Furniture                 |
| Machine purchased from supplier | Machine comes in     | Debit Machine                   |
| Goods sold for cash             | Goods go out         | Credit Sales / goods account    |
| Old furniture sold              | Furniture goes out   | Credit Furniture                |
| Machine sold                    | Machine goes out     | Credit Machine                  |

## 7.3 Nominal Account

Nominal accounts record expenses, losses, incomes and gains of an accounting period.

These accounts help determine the profit or loss of the business.

# Nominal Account - Golden Rule

Debit All Expenses and Losses

Credit All Incomes and Gains

## REMEMBER THIS

NOMINAL: Expense/Loss = Debit | Income/Gain = Credit.

# Nominal Accounts - Worked Logic

| Transaction         | Nature  | Treatment               |
|---------------------|---------|-------------------------|
| Salary paid         | Expense | Debit Salary            |
| Rent paid           | Expense | Debit Rent              |
| Telephone bill      | Expense | Debit Telephone Expense |
| Bad debt            | Loss    | Debit Bad Debts         |
| Brokerage received  | Income  | Credit Brokerage        |
| Commission received | Income  | Credit Commission       |
| Dividend received   | Income  | Credit Dividend         |
| Interest received   | Income  | Credit Interest         |

# Golden Rules - Master Table

| Account Type | Debit Rule                | Credit Rule              |
|--------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| Personal     | Debit the receiver        | Credit the giver         |
| Real         | Debit what comes in       | Credit what goes out     |
| Nominal      | Debit expenses and losses | Credit incomes and gains |

## EXAM IMPORTANT

This table must become automatic. But always identify the account type first.

# How to Classify Any Account - 3-Step Method

- 1 Does the account represent a person, organisation, bank, creditor/debtor or person-related claim? -> Personal.
- 2 If not, does it represent goods, cash, property, asset, investment, patent, goodwill etc.? -> Real.
- 3 If not, is it an expense, loss, income or gain? -> Nominal.

# Tricky Account Classification - Textbook Pattern

| Account                        | Type     | Why                                                           |
|--------------------------------|----------|---------------------------------------------------------------|
| Drawings A/c                   | Personal | Relates to owner                                              |
| Capital A/c                    | Personal | Owner's claim                                                 |
| Bills Receivable A/c           | Personal | Receivable from person                                        |
| Bills Payable A/c              | Personal | Payable to person                                             |
| Bank A/c                       | Personal | Bank is legal/artificial person in traditional classification |
| Bank Overdraft A/c             | Personal | Liability to bank                                             |
| Outstanding Salary A/c         | Personal | Amount payable to workers                                     |
| Rent Payable A/c               | Personal | Amount payable to person                                      |
| Income Received in Advance A/c | Personal | Liability to customer/person                                  |
| Closing Stock A/c              | Real     | Goods/asset                                                   |
| Purchase A/c                   | Real     | Goods account in textbook traditional approach                |
| Sales A/c                      | Real     | Goods account in textbook traditional approach                |
| Purchase Return A/c            | Real     | Goods account                                                 |
| Sales Return A/c               | Real     | Goods account                                                 |
| Patent A/c                     | Real     | Intangible asset                                              |
| Share Investment A/c           | Real     | Asset/investment                                              |
| Debenture Investment A/c       | Real     | Asset/investment                                              |
| Interest on Capital A/c        | Nominal  | Expense                                                       |
| Interest on Drawings A/c       | Nominal  | Income                                                        |
| Discount Allowed A/c           | Nominal  | Expense                                                       |
| Discount Received A/c          | Nominal  | Income                                                        |
| Goods Destroyed by Fire A/c    | Nominal  | Loss                                                          |
| Donation A/c                   | Nominal  | Expense in source example                                     |
| Depreciation A/c               | Nominal  | Expense                                                       |

# Deep Research Note - Traditional vs Modern Account Classification

The Personal-Real-Nominal system is a traditional and very useful method for learning debit-credit rules.

## DEEP RESEARCH - CONCEPT ENRICHMENT

Modern accounting courses also classify accounts by the accounting equation: Assets, Liabilities, Equity/Capital, Income and Expenses. Both approaches describe the same transactions from different learning frameworks. For your GSEB Chapter 2 examination, use Personal, Real and Nominal exactly as the textbook does.

# Outstanding and Advance Items - The Most Confusing Part

| Transaction                    | Main Expense/Income A/c          | Related Personal A/c                                        |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| Salary outstanding             | Salary A/c = Nominal expense     | Outstanding Salary A/c = Personal liability                 |
| Rent outstanding               | Rent A/c = Nominal expense       | Rent Payable A/c = Personal liability                       |
| Commission outstanding         | Commission A/c = Nominal expense | Commission Outstanding A/c = Personal liability             |
| Salary paid in advance         | Salary A/c relates to expense    | Advance/prepaid amount represents receivable/future benefit |
| Commission received in advance | Commission A/c relates to income | Advance receipt creates personal liability                  |
| Rent received in advance       | Rent A/c relates to income       | Advance receipt creates liability                           |

## COMMON MISTAKE

Do not classify 'Salary A/c' and 'Outstanding Salary A/c' as the same type. One is an expense; the other represents an amount payable to people.

## 8. Steps of Debiting and Crediting Accounts

The textbook gives a practical sequence. Use this for every transaction:

- 1 Decide whether the transaction is an economic transaction to be recorded.
- 2 Identify the two accounts/effects involved.
- 3 Determine which account receives first/debit effect.
- 4 Determine which account gives second/credit effect.
- 5 Classify each account as Personal, Real or Nominal.
- 6 Apply the relevant debit-credit rule.
- 7 Check that the two effects balance.

# Universal 6-Question Transaction Method

| Question                       | Why Ask It?                |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1. What happened?              | Understand the transaction |
| 2. Which two accounts changed? | Find dual effect           |
| 3. What type is Account 1?     | Choose correct rule        |
| 4. What type is Account 2?     | Choose correct rule        |
| 5. Which side is debit?        | Apply debit rule           |
| 6. Which side is credit?       | Apply credit rule          |

## SMIT SIR'S NOTE

Never jump directly to debit/credit without answering Question 1 and 2.

# 16 Fully Explained Debit-Credit Examples

| Transaction                                           | Debit Effect                                     | Credit Effect                                       |
|-------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| Started business with cash Rs.40,000                  | Cash A/c (Real) - comes in -> Debit              | Capital A/c (Personal) - owner gives -> Credit      |
| Loan obtained from Ramnik Rs.60,000                   | Cash A/c (Real) - comes in -> Debit              | Ramnik A/c (Personal) - giver -> Credit             |
| Cash deposited into bank Rs.20,000                    | Bank A/c (Personal) - receiver -> Debit          | Cash A/c (Real) - goes out -> Credit                |
| Brokerage received Rs.4,000                           | Cash A/c (Real) - comes in -> Debit              | Brokerage A/c (Nominal) - income -> Credit          |
| Goods purchased on credit from Bachubhai              | Purchases A/c (Real) - goods come in -> Debit    | Bachubhai A/c (Personal) - giver -> Credit          |
| Goods sold on credit to Laxmi                         | Laxmi A/c (Personal) - receiver -> Debit         | Sales A/c (Real) - goods go out -> Credit           |
| Shop rent paid                                        | Rent A/c (Nominal) - expense -> Debit            | Cash A/c (Real) - goes out -> Credit                |
| Interest becomes receivable from Kundan               | Kundan A/c (Personal) - receiver/debtor -> Debit | Interest A/c (Nominal) - income -> Credit           |
| Salary paid to Dinesh                                 | Salary A/c (Nominal) - expense -> Debit          | Cash A/c (Real) - goes out -> Credit                |
| Commission received                                   | Cash A/c (Real) - comes in -> Debit              | Commission A/c (Nominal) - income -> Credit         |
| Furniture purchased on credit from Raj Furniture Mart | Furniture A/c (Real) - comes in -> Debit         | Raj Furniture Mart A/c (Personal) - giver -> Credit |
| Goods returned by Laxmi                               | Sales Return A/c / goods return effect -> Debit  | Laxmi A/c - her receivable decreases -> Credit      |
| Goods returned to Bachubhai                           | Bachubhai A/c - liability decreases -> Debit     | Purchase Return A/c / goods go out -> Credit        |
| Cash withdrawn from bank                              | Cash A/c - comes in -> Debit                     | Bank A/c - giver -> Credit                          |
| Postage paid                                          | Postage A/c - expense -> Debit                   | Cash A/c - goes out -> Credit                       |
| Goods given for advertisement                         | Advertisement A/c - expense -> Debit             | Goods/Purchases effect -> Credit                    |

# 30 Transaction Classification Drills

| Transaction                           | Account Types            | Likely Treatment                            |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| Cash purchase of goods                | Real + Real              | Purchases Dr / Cash Cr                      |
| Credit purchase from Ramesh           | Real + Personal          | Purchases Dr / Ramesh Cr                    |
| Cash sale of goods                    | Real + Real              | Cash Dr / Sales Cr                          |
| Credit sale to Mina                   | Personal + Real          | Mina Dr / Sales Cr                          |
| Salary paid                           | Nominal + Real           | Salary Dr / Cash Cr                         |
| Rent received                         | Real + Nominal           | Cash Dr / Rent Income Cr                    |
| Machinery bought for cash             | Real + Real              | Machinery Dr / Cash Cr                      |
| Machinery bought from Ketan on credit | Real + Personal          | Machinery Dr / Ketan Cr                     |
| Furniture sold for cash               | Real + Real              | Cash Dr / Furniture Cr                      |
| Commission received                   | Real + Nominal           | Cash Dr / Commission Cr                     |
| Brokerage paid                        | Nominal + Real           | Brokerage Dr / Cash Cr                      |
| Goods returned to supplier            | Personal + Real          | Supplier Dr / Purchase Return Cr            |
| Goods returned by customer            | Real/return + Personal   | Sales Return Dr / Customer Cr               |
| Bank loan received                    | Real + Personal          | Cash/Bank Dr / Bank/Loan Cr                 |
| Loan repaid                           | Personal + Real          | Loan/Bank Dr / Cash/Bank Cr                 |
| Interest paid                         | Nominal + Real           | Interest Dr / Cash Cr                       |
| Interest received                     | Real + Nominal           | Cash Dr / Interest Cr                       |
| Discount allowed                      | Nominal + Personal/Real  | Discount Allowed Dr / Debtor-Cash effect    |
| Discount received                     | Personal/Real + Nominal  | Creditor-Cash effect / Discount Received Cr |
| Goods destroyed by fire               | Nominal + Real           | Loss by Fire Dr / Goods Cr                  |
| Depreciation charged                  | Nominal + Real           | Depreciation Dr / Asset effect Cr           |
| Cash withdrawn for personal use       | Personal + Real          | Drawings Dr / Cash Cr                       |
| Goods withdrawn for personal use      | Personal + Real          | Drawings Dr / Purchases/Goods Cr            |
| Owner brings additional cash          | Real + Personal          | Cash Dr / Capital Cr                        |
| Owner brings furniture                | Real + Personal          | Furniture Dr / Capital Cr                   |
| Wages outstanding                     | Nominal + Personal       | Wages Dr / Outstanding Wages Cr             |
| Rent paid in advance                  | Personal/asset + Real    | Prepaid Rent Dr / Cash Cr                   |
| Income received in advance            | Real + Personal          | Cash Dr / Income Received in Advance Cr     |
| Customer pays by cheque               | Bank/Personal + Personal | Bank Dr / Customer Cr                       |
| Cheque paid to creditor               | Personal + Bank/Personal | Creditor Dr / Bank Cr                       |

# How to Write Major Answers in the Exam

## **Q1. Explain classification of business transactions.**

Best structure: Economic/Non-economic -> Cash/Credit/Other -> Internal/External -> one example each.

## **Q2. What is a voucher? Explain its components.**

Best structure: Meaning -> importance -> common vouchers -> 8 components.

## **Q3. Explain dual effect of transactions.**

Best structure: Meaning -> two effects -> 3-4 worked examples.

## **Q4. Explain types of accounts.**

Best structure: Personal -> Real -> Nominal -> subtypes/examples.

## **Q5. Explain rules of debit and credit.**

Best structure: Write the three golden rules in a clean table and explain one example under each.

## **Q6. Explain steps for determining debit and credit.**

Best structure: Economic? -> identify accounts -> classify -> apply rule -> verify dual effect.

# Common Mistakes Students Make

## COMMON MISTAKE

Wrong idea: Every transaction involving a person's name is credit.

Correct idea: A named person often signals credit, but cash/cheque or other context can change treatment.

## COMMON MISTAKE

Wrong idea: Bank is always a real account because it holds cash.

Correct idea: In the textbook's traditional classification, Bank A/c is treated as a personal/legal/artificial person account.

## COMMON MISTAKE

Wrong idea: Outstanding salary is nominal because salary is expense.

Correct idea: Salary A/c is nominal; Outstanding Salary A/c represents a payable person and is personal/representative.

## COMMON MISTAKE

Wrong idea: Purchase A/c means any item purchased.

Correct idea: Purchase A/c in this chapter relates to goods bought for resale.

## COMMON MISTAKE

Wrong idea: Debit always means cash comes in.

Correct idea: Debit depends on account type. Expenses are debited even when cash goes out.

## COMMON MISTAKE

Wrong idea: Credit always means cash goes out.

Correct idea: Income is credited even when cash comes in.

**COMMON MISTAKE**

Wrong idea: A free sample received is a normal credit purchase.

Correct idea: No creditor arises merely because goods are received free.

**COMMON MISTAKE**

Wrong idea: Goods destroyed by fire create a creditor.

Correct idea: It is an internal loss/adjustment, not a creditor.

**COMMON MISTAKE**

Wrong idea: A plan to purchase an asset is a transaction.

Correct idea: A plan alone has no present accounting effect.

**COMMON MISTAKE**

Wrong idea: Cheque transactions are credit transactions.

Correct idea: Cheque changes bank balance now; textbook treats them as cash/bank transactions.

# Cash vs Credit Transaction

| Basis            | Cash Transaction    | Credit Transaction               |
|------------------|---------------------|----------------------------------|
| Settlement       | Immediate           | Future                           |
| Cash/Bank Effect | Occurs now          | Usually no immediate cash effect |
| Debtor/Creditor  | Usually not created | Usually created                  |
| Signal           | Cash/cheque/bank    | Named party + amount due later   |

# Personal vs Real vs Nominal Accounts

| Basis      | Personal              | Real                    | Nominal                    |
|------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| Represents | Person/entity/claim   | Asset/goods/property    | Expense/loss/income/gain   |
| Debit      | Receiver              | What comes in           | Expense/loss               |
| Credit     | Giver                 | What goes out           | Income/gain                |
| Example    | Ramesh, Bank, Capital | Cash, Machinery, Patent | Salary, Interest, Discount |

# Practice Set A - 20 MCQs

1. Which transaction is non-economic in the chapter's sense?

- A. Plan to buy a machine
- B. Salary paid
- C. Credit sale
- D. Cash purchase

2. A transaction with immediate cash movement is:

- A. Cash transaction
- B. Credit transaction
- C. Non-economic
- D. External only

3. Goods sold to a named person without cash mention is generally:

- A. Credit transaction
- B. Cash transaction
- C. Non-economic
- D. Internal

4. Depreciation is usually:

- A. Internal transaction
- B. Credit sale
- C. Cash sale
- D. Non-economic

5. Voucher is:

- A. Documentary evidence
- B. Profit
- C. Capital
- D. Stock

6. Under dual effect, every transaction has:

- A. at least two effects
- B. one effect only
- C. no monetary effect
- D. only cash effect

7. Ramesh A/c is generally:

- A. Personal

- B. Real
- C. Nominal
- D. None

8. Machinery A/c is:

- A. Real
- B. Personal
- C. Nominal
- D. Capital

9. Salary A/c is:

- A. Nominal
- B. Real
- C. Personal
- D. Asset

10. Golden rule for personal account:

- A. Debit receiver, credit giver
- B. Debit what comes in
- C. Debit expenses
- D. Credit receiver

11. Golden rule for real account:

- A. Debit what comes in, credit what goes out
- B. Debit receiver
- C. Credit expenses
- D. Debit income

12. Golden rule for nominal account:

- A. Debit expenses/losses, credit incomes/gains
- B. Debit giver
- C. Credit assets
- D. Debit capital

13. Outstanding Salary A/c is treated as:

- A. Personal
- B. Nominal only
- C. Real
- D. Revenue

14. Patent A/c is:

- A. Real
- B. Personal
- C. Nominal
- D. Liability

15. Discount received is:

- A. Nominal income
- B. Real asset
- C. Personal liability
- D. Drawings

16. Goods destroyed by fire is:

- A. Nominal loss
- B. Personal account
- C. Asset
- D. Income

17. Bank A/c under traditional textbook classification is:

- A. Personal
- B. Nominal
- C. Real only
- D. Expense

18. When goods are purchased for cash:

- A. Goods come in and cash goes out
- B. cash and goods both come in
- C. both go out
- D. no dual effect

19. When commission is received:

- A. cash comes in and income arises
- B. expense arises
- C. creditor arises
- D. no accounting effect

20. First practical step before debit-credit is:

- A. understand and identify accounts
- B. memorize answer
- C. write credit first
- D. ignore transaction nature

## Practice Set B - 20 Application MCQs

21. Goods worth Rs.5,000 sold to Raj. Cash is not mentioned. This is:

- A. Credit sale
- B. Cash sale
- C. Non-economic
- D. Internal

22. Rs.5,000 deposited in bank. Debit account is:

- A. Bank
- B. Cash
- C. Capital
- D. Sales

23. Goods purchased from Mira on credit. Credit account is:

- A. Mira
- B. Purchases
- C. Cash
- D. Salary

24. Furniture purchased for cash. Debit account is:

- A. Furniture
- B. Cash
- C. Capital
- D. Sales

25. Salary paid. Debit account is:

- A. Salary
- B. Cash
- C. Capital
- D. Bank loan

26. Interest received. Credit account is:

- A. Interest
- B. Cash
- C. Debtor
- D. Furniture

27. Customer returns goods. Which person account decreases?

- A. Customer

- B. Supplier
- C. Bank
- D. Owner

28. Goods returned to supplier. Which person account is debited?

- A. Supplier
- B. Customer
- C. Cash
- D. Sales

29. Business starts with cash. Which account is credited?

- A. Capital
- B. Cash
- C. Salary
- D. Purchase

30. Cash withdrawn for personal use. Which account is debited?

- A. Drawings
- B. Cash
- C. Sales
- D. Bank loan

31. Wages outstanding creates:

- A. expense + personal liability
- B. only cash effect
- C. income
- D. asset sale

32. Commission received in advance creates:

- A. cash + liability
- B. only income immediately
- C. purchase
- D. drawings

33. Which is an artificial personal account?

- A. Gujarat University
- B. Cash
- C. Salary
- D. Machinery

34. Which is a natural person account?

- A. Nilamben
- B. Bank
- C. Patent
- D. Rent

35. Which is a real intangible asset?

- A. Goodwill
- B. Salary
- C. Commission
- D. Creditors

36. Which document supports cash deposit into bank?

- A. Pay-in slip
- B. Credit note
- C. Sales bill only
- D. Ledger

37. Which document commonly supports a purchase return?

- A. Debit note
- B. Pay-in slip
- C. Salary slip only
- D. Trial balance

38. Which account type decides 'receiver/giver' rule?

- A. Personal
- B. Real
- C. Nominal
- D. Cash basis

39. Which account type decides 'comes in/goes out'?

- A. Real
- B. Personal
- C. Nominal
- D. Revenue

40. Which account type decides 'expense/income'?

- A. Nominal
- B. Real
- C. Personal
- D. Capital

# MCQ Answer Key

| Q  | Ans | Q  | Ans | Q  | Ans | Q  | Ans | Q  | Ans |
|----|-----|----|-----|----|-----|----|-----|----|-----|
| 1  | A   | 2  | A   | 3  | A   | 4  | A   | 5  | A   |
| 6  | A   | 7  | A   | 8  | A   | 9  | A   | 10 | A   |
| 11 | A   | 12 | A   | 13 | A   | 14 | A   | 15 | A   |
| 16 | A   | 17 | A   | 18 | A   | 19 | A   | 20 | A   |
| 21 | A   | 22 | A   | 23 | A   | 24 | A   | 25 | A   |
| 26 | A   | 27 | A   | 28 | A   | 29 | A   | 30 | A   |
| 31 | A   | 32 | A   | 33 | A   | 34 | A   | 35 | A   |
| 36 | A   | 37 | A   | 38 | A   | 39 | A   | 40 | A   |

## Board-Style One-Sentence Questions

- What is dual effect?
- What is a cash transaction?
- What is a credit transaction?
- Give one example of non-economic transaction.
- What is an internal transaction?
- What is a voucher?
- State any four components of a voucher.
- What is a personal account?
- What is a real account?
- What is a nominal account?
- State the rule of personal account.
- State the rule of real account.
- State the rule of nominal account.
- What is a natural person account?
- What is an artificial person account?
- Give one example of representative personal account.

## Board-Style Short Questions

- Distinguish cash and credit transactions.
- Distinguish economic and non-economic transactions.
- Explain internal and external transactions.
- Explain components of a voucher.
- Explain the meaning of dual effect with examples.
- Explain personal accounts with examples.
- Explain real accounts with examples.
- Explain nominal accounts with examples.
- Explain natural and artificial personal accounts.
- Explain how cash and credit transactions are identified.
- Explain the golden rules of debit and credit.
- Explain the steps for determining debit and credit.

## Board-Style Detailed Questions

- Explain classification of business transactions in detail.
- What is a voucher? Explain its types and components.
- Explain dual effect of transaction with suitable examples.
- Explain types of accounts and their classification.
- Explain rules of debit and credit with illustrations.
- Analyse a set of transactions and state which accounts are debited and credited with reasons.

# Case-Based Practice

## Case 1

A shop receives an order for goods worth Rs.30,000, but has not yet supplied anything.

Answer: Non-economic/no accounting transaction yet in chapter framing.

## Case 2

Goods worth Rs.20,000 are purchased from Riya on credit.

Answer: Economic external credit transaction. Purchases/ goods account is debited; Riya is credited.

## Case 3

A machine is purchased for cash Rs.50,000.

Answer: Economic cash transaction. Machine comes in -> debit; Cash goes out -> credit.

## Case 4

Goods worth Rs.5,000 are destroyed by fire.

Answer: Economic internal transaction. Loss by fire is debited; goods/purchases effect is credited.

## Case 5

Salary Rs.8,000 remains unpaid at year-end.

Answer: Salary expense is nominal and debited; outstanding salary represents a personal liability and is credited.

## Case 6

Commission Rs.2,000 is received in cash.

Answer: Cash comes in -> debit; commission income -> credit.

## Case 7

Owner withdraws Rs.3,000 cash for home expenses.

Answer: Drawings/owner account is debited; Cash is credited.

## Case 8

Customer Mina pays Rs.10,000 by cheque.

Answer: Bank receives value -> debit; Mina's receivable decreases -> credit.

## Case 9

The business pays supplier Raj by cheque.

Answer: Raj receives benefit / liability decreases -> debit; Bank gives value -> credit.

### Case 10

A patent is purchased for cash.

Answer: Patent is a real intangible asset; Patent debit, Cash credit.

## 5-Minute Chapter Revision

Economic: measurable financial effect. Non-economic: no present measurable effect.

Cash: cash/bank changes now. Credit: debtor/creditor relation arises.

Internal: within business. External: with outside party.

Voucher: documentary evidence / source document.

Dual effect: every transaction has two financial effects.

Personal: Receiver Dr, Giver Cr.

Real: Comes In Dr, Goes Out Cr.

Nominal: Expense/Loss Dr, Income/Gain Cr.

Method: Understand -> Identify accounts -> Classify -> Apply rule -> Check.

### EXAM IMPORTANT

Ultra-short memory: Person? Receiver/Giver. Asset? In/Out. Expense or Income? Debit/Credit by nature.

# One-Page Master Revision Sheet

| Topic                   | Must Remember                                         |
|-------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
| Business Transaction    | Economic + measurable + financial effect              |
| Economic / Non-economic | Record economic only                                  |
| Cash Transaction        | Cash/bank changes immediately                         |
| Credit Transaction      | Amount due later; debtor/creditor arises              |
| Internal / External     | Within business / with outside party                  |
| Voucher                 | Documentary evidence                                  |
| Dual Effect             | At least two effects                                  |
| Personal Rule           | Debit receiver, credit giver                          |
| Real Rule               | Debit what comes in, credit what goes out             |
| Nominal Rule            | Debit expense/loss, credit income/gain                |
| Outstanding Expense     | Expense nominal + liability personal                  |
| Debit-Credit Process    | Understand -> Identify -> Classify -> Apply -> Verify |

## Have You Mastered This Chapter?

- [ ] I can tell cash vs credit instantly.
- [ ] I can recognise non-economic situations.
- [ ] I understand voucher and source documents.
- [ ] I can explain dual effect without memorising.
- [ ] I can classify Personal, Real and Nominal accounts.
- [ ] I know all three golden rules.
- [ ] I can analyse outstanding/advance items.
- [ ] I can find debit and credit with reasons.

# CHAPTER 2 COMPLETE

Dual Effect of Transactions and Types of Accounts

## SMIT SIR'S FINAL MESSAGE

Do not ask 'Which account is debit?' first. Ask 'What actually happened?' Find the two effects, identify the accounts, classify them, and only then apply the rule. That one habit will make Journal Entries far easier.

Concept Enrichment Sources Consulted:

GSEB Std. 11 Elements of Accounts Chapter 2 (primary exam source)

ICAI Basic Accounting Procedures - Double Entry / Journal Entries

NCERT Financial Accounting-I (supporting concept reference)

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