# Great Adventures, Inc. 

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#### Abstract

This case provides an overview of the accounting cycle from recording journal entries, posting to ledger accounting, recording adjusting entries, and preparing trial balance, income statement, balance sheet, and statement of cash flows. This case can be used as a term project in an introductory financial accounting course at the undergraduate or graduate levels. This case can also be used to collect data on student learning assessment for accreditation or program assessment purposes. A unique feature of this case is the direct method for operating cash flows in the statement of cash flows. Typical textbook cases on the accounting cycle use the indirect method for the operating cash flows. While the indirect method is more commonly used than the direct method in reporting operating cash flows, the direct method provides more information to external users. Since the introductory financial accounting course is intended for all business students, this case highlights the steps in estimating direct operating cash flows, which are critical skills for all business professionals. The steps for the indirect method are also provided so the instructor can choose one or both methods for students. Excel spreadsheet can also be required as an aid to complete the above tasks. Teaching notes for the solutions, including journal entries, T -accounts, and financial statements in Excel files, are available from the authors.


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## INTRODUCTION

Great Adventures Company, Inc. specializes in supplies, gears, and equipment for sports and outdoor adventures. Its products range from tennis balls, gloves, skiing gear, and off-road motorcycles. The company purchases its products from manufacturers worldwide and sells them to an extensive network of independent retail shops and dealers in North America. Business is booming as the population becomes more healthconscious and more people participate in sports and outdoor adventures. In addition to its primary business, the company plans to diversify into running ski resorts and outdoor parks.

The company's stock is actively traded on the New York Stock Exchange. At the end of the first quarter of the year 2022, the company's CFO is in the process of preparing financial statements for filing with the SEC and reporting to shareholders at the coming stockholder's conference in late April. The CFO has obtained summarized information on the company's business activities from the controller's office. The CFO asks for your assistance in analyzing the information and developing a draft of the quarterly financial statement with a brief analysis.

## Summary of Business Activities in the First Quarter 2022

All dollar amounts are in thousands ( 000 ) except the per-share values.

1. The company signed an agreement with a national bank in December 2021 to finance business expansion by obtaining a $\$ 30,000$ three-year loan. The interest on the loan is due semiannually and carries a $12 \%$ annual interest rate. The amount was deposited into the company's bank account on January 1, 2022.
2. On January 20, Great Adventures agreed to purchase a large plot of land in a mountainous area in Vermont as the site for the future ski resort. In this share-based transaction, the company agreed to issue 500,000 shares of its common stock as a way of payment. The common stock has a $\$ 1$ par value per share. The transaction was closed on March 1 when stocks traded at $\$ 23$ per share.
3. On February 1, the company issued five million shares of its common stock through an investment banker on Wall Street and received \$95,760 in cash proceeds.
4. On January 31 , the company received $\$ 45,000$ in cash from customers who bought merchandise last year. The remaining $\$ 30,000$ was received on February 28.
5. On January 28, the company paid its suppliers $\$ 29,630$ in cash through its bank for last year's purchases.
6. On February 1, the company signed an agreement with a national TV station to run the company's infomercial between 11:00 am - 12:00 pm each day for three months and paid a total cost of $\$ 1,660$.
7. On February 15, the company closed a deal to purchase a new warehouse building in a suburban area outside Boston for $\$ 8,800$ in cash. The warehouse was placed in use immediately.
8. On February 28, the company closed a deal to sell an office building for $\$ 4,580$ in cash at a significant gain of $\$ 2,115$. The building was temporarily rented to another company before it was sold. The building was purchased in 1980 for a total cost of \$5,675.
9. On February 28, the company paid its suppliers for last year's unpaid purchases.
10. On March 1, the company paid the employer's portion of the health insurance premium to the insurance provider. The total amount paid was $\$ 12,435$, which would cover a period of 12 months. The employees paid the remainder of the premium through salary withholding, according to the employment contract.
11. On March 15, the company purchased 300,000 shares of its own common stock at $\$ 24$ per share. These shares were needed to issue to top executives for their employee stock option plan.
12. On March 30, the company declared and paid a quarterly cash dividend of $\$ 0.20$ for shares outstanding on March 28. The stock closed at $\$ 25$ per share on this last trading day of the quarter.
13. The company's total sales for the quarter are listed below. All sales were credit sales. Total Net Sales

|  | Revenue |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
|  | January | $\$ 148,000$ |
| February | 168,000 |  |
| March | 199,000 |  |
| Total | $\$ 515,000$ |  |

The amount was net of sales return and sales discount.
14. The collection for sales was as follows: January sales were received in full by the end of March. The total amount received for February and March sales was \$138,000 and $\$ 106,000$, respectively.
15. The company's total salary and other operating expenses each month were as follows:
Salary \& Payroll Other Operating

Tax Expenses Expenses
January
\$ 26,410
February
28,230
\$ 5,630
6,430
March (First 3 weeks)
21,620
4,460
Total
\$ 76,260
\$ 16,520

Salaries were paid in the form of direct deposits to employees' bank accounts biweekly. The employees' portion of health insurance premiums was withheld from salaries and paid to the insurance provider simultaneously when salaries were paid. The estimated personal income taxes were withheld and paid to the government agencies before the end of each month. Employer's payroll taxes, including
unemployment and social security taxes, were immediately remitted to government agencies as they were recorded. Other operating expenses, including utility, property taxes, freight-out, and other miscellaneous expenses, were all paid in cash via online banking.
16. The company's merchandise purchases were as follows:

## Total Merchandise

Purchase Costs

| January | $\$ 106,000$ |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| February |  | 108,000 |
| March | 121,000 |  |
| Total | $\$ 335,000$ |  |

The company's purchase agreement specifies that the suppliers ship merchandizes and send invoices. The company inspects merchandise after receiving them and pays the invoices after inspection. The listed purchase amount included price, tax, tariff, shipping, insurance, net of purchase returns, and discounts.
17. Payment for purchases was as follows: January purchases were fully paid by the end of March. The amount paid for February and March purchases was $\$ 99,000$ and $\$ 87,000$, respectively. The remaining unpaid purchases would be paid in the coming months in April and May.
18. The company paid in cash for the interest on the 2-year commercial note for the current quarter and the amount owed from last year. The note is not due until June 30, 2023.
19. The CFO also identified the following areas that need to be adjusted:
A. Employee salary for the $4^{\text {th }}$ week in March totaled $\$ 6,500$ and would be paid on April 5 through direct deposit.
B. Goods ordered by customers in the past year but not delivered were all delivered on time in January. However, deliveries to some customers in the northeast region of the U.S. for sales made in March were delayed because of an unexpected snowstorm. As a result, sales totaling $\$ 57,000$ were not delivered, and the merchandise remained in the company's warehouse.
C. The depreciation for equipment and buildings totaled $\$ 6,800$ for the quarter.
D. The cost for the three-month infomercial paid on February 1 requires a proper adjustment.
E. Health insurance premium for January and February totaled $\$ 2,300$ and was prepaid last year. The health insurance premium paid on March 1 covers a period of 12 months. Proper adjustments are required.
F. Interest expense on the new 3-year 12\% loan borrowed in January must be recognized although not yet paid.
G. The company's inventory system shows the total costs of inventory on hand at the end of the quarter, based on LIFO, totaling $\$ 145,000$. The number has been confirmed by a companywide inventory count completed at the end of March.
H. The company's income tax rate is $28 \%$.

Balance Sheet for Great Adventures at 12/31/2021
Great Adventures, Inc.
Balance Sheet
(In USD 1,000 )
December 31, 2021

| Assets |  | Liabilities |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Current assets: |  | Current liabilities: |  |
| Cash | \$138,800 | Accounts payable | \$39,630 |
| Accounts Receivable - Net | \$75,000 | Interest payable | \$1,750 |
| Merchandise Inventory | \$111,836 | Unearned Revenues | \$38,846 |
| Prepayments | \$2,300 | Income tax payable | \$48,680 |
| Total current assets | \$327,936 | Total current liabilities | \$128,906 |
|  |  | Notes payable (2-year, 9\%) | \$25,000 |
| Long-term assets: |  | Total Long-term Liabilities | \$25,000 |
| Land | \$34,290 | Stockholders' Equity |  |
| Buildings | \$85,000 | Common stock (\$1 Par) | \$20,000 |
| Equipment | \$56,650 | Additional Paid-in Capital | \$157,965 |
| Accumulated Depreciation | $(\$ 25,225)$ | Retained earnings | \$146,780 |
| Total Long-term asset | \$150,715 | Total stockholders' equity | \$ 324,745 |
| Total assets | \$478,651 | Liabilities \& stockholders' equity | \$478,651 |

## REQUIRED

With the CFO's help, you developed the following work plan for the project:

1. Set up T-accounts with proper account titles and beginning balances.
2. Analyze each of the transitions $1-18$, determine the proper journal entries, and record the journal entries in the general journal.
3. Post journal entries to T-accounts.
4. Prepare an unadjusted trial balance. Correct mistakes before continuing to the next step if your accounts are out of balance.
5. Analyze adjustments in item 19 and determine proper adjusting entries. Record the adjusting entries in the general journal.
6. Post adjusting entries to T-accounts and prepare an adjusted trial balance. Correct mistakes before continuing to the next step if your accounts are out of balance.
7. Prepare classified Income Statement and then classified Balance Sheet. Prepare the Statement of Stockholder's Equity. Pay attention to proper titles, dates, and formats.
8. Prepare Statement of Cash Flows using direct and indirect methods. Significant non-cash transactions must be disclosed in the footnote.
9. Prepare and post the closing entries to T-accounts.
10. Compute EPS, ROA, ROE, Average Collection Period, Inventory Turnover, PE ratio, and Free-Cash Flow. Give comments on these ratios.
11. Submit a report with your name and UID. Please include the following in your reports:
a. Balance Sheet, Income Statement, Statement of Owner's Equity, and Statement of Cash Flows.
b. Financial ratios you computed in requirement 10 with your analysis.
c. General Journal with all journal entries, including the adjusting entries.
d. Adjusted and unadjusted trial balances.

Hints:

1. Do not keep decimals. Round all numbers to the thousand.
2. Record salary, payroll taxes, insurance, infomercial, and other expense as Operating Expenses. Keep Depreciation Expenses and Interest Expenses in separate accounts. This helps to reduce the number of T-accounts.
3. Assume the tax rate is also $28 \%$ for the gains on the sale of long-term assets.

Great Adventures, Inc.
General Journal
March 31, 2022

| \# | Date | Description | Debit | Credit |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 |  | Description - Example |  |  |
|  |  | Cash | 30,000 |  |
|  |  | Note Payable |  | 30,000 |
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| Great Adventures, Inc. <br> Unadjusted / Adjusted Trial Balance <br> March 31, 2022 |  |  |
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Teaching notes

## Great Adventures, Inc. <br> General Journal <br> (In thousands of dollars)

| \# | Date | Accounts | Dr. | Cr. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 1/1/2022 | Borrow money from bank |  |  |
|  |  | Cash | \$30,000 |  |
|  |  | Note Payable |  | \$30,000 |
| 2 | 3/1/2022 | Purchase land with 500,000 shares common stock |  |  |
|  |  | Land | \$11,500 |  |
|  |  | Common Stock |  | \$500 |
|  |  | Paid In Capital |  | \$11,000 |
| 3 | 2/1/2022 | Issue 5million shares of common stock for cash |  |  |
|  |  | Cash | \$95,760 |  |
|  |  | Common Stock |  | \$5,000 |
|  |  | Paid In Capital |  | \$90,760 |
| 4A | 1/31/2022 | Receive cash from sales made last year |  |  |
|  |  | Cash | \$45,000 |  |
|  |  | Accounts Receivable |  | \$45,000 |
| $4 B$ | 2/28/2022 | Receive cash from sales made last year |  |  |
|  |  | Cash | \$30,000 |  |
|  |  | Accounts Receivable |  | \$30,000 |
| 5 | 1/28/2022 | Pay suppliers for purchases made last year |  |  |
|  |  | Account Payable | \$29,630 |  |
|  |  | Cash |  | \$29,630 |
| 6 | 2/1/2022 | Purchase informercial from TV station |  |  |
|  |  | Operating Expense | \$1,660 |  |
|  |  | Cash |  | \$1,660 |
| 7 | 2/15/2022 | Purchase a warehouse building with cash |  |  |
|  |  | Building | \$8,800 |  |
|  |  | Cash |  | \$8,800 |
| 8 | 2/28/2022 | Sold a vacant office building for cash |  |  |
|  |  | Cash | \$4,580 |  |
|  |  | Accumulate Depreciation | \$3,210 |  |
|  |  | Building |  | \$5,675 |
|  |  | Gain |  | \$2,115 |
| 9 | 2/28/2022 | Paid suppliers for purchases made last year |  |  |
|  |  | Account Payable | \$10,000 |  |
|  |  | Cash |  | \$10,000 |
| 10 | 3/1/2022 | Paid 1-year insurance premium |  |  |
|  |  | Prepayment | \$12,435 |  |




Note
2:

## Income tax computation

| Sales Revenue | $\$ 496,846$ |
| :--- | ---: |
| - Cost of Goods Sold | $-\$ 301,836$ |
| Gross Margin | $\$ 195,010$ |
| - Other Operating Expenses | $-\$ 103,723$ |
| - Depreciation Expenses | $-\$ 6,800$ |
| Operating Income | $\$ 84,487$ |
| + Gain on Sales of L/T Assets | $\$ 2,115$ |
| - Interest Expenses | $-\$ 1,462$ |
| Net Income Before Tax | $\$ 85,140$ |
| - Income Tax Expenses $(28 \%)$ | $-\$ 23,839$ |
| Net Income | $\$ 61,301$ |

## Great Advantures, Inc.

## Income Statement

For First Quarter 2022
(In USA 000)
Net Sales Revenue ..... \$496,846

- Cost of Goods Sold ..... \$301,836
Gross Profits ..... \$195,010
- Operation Expenses (other than depr. \& amortization) ..... \$103,723
Net Opt. Income Bef. Interest, Tax, Depr. \& Amort. (EBITDA) ..... \$91,287
- Depreciation \& Amortization Expenses ..... \$6,800
Net Operating Income Bef. Interest and Tax (EBIT) ..... \$84,487
+/- Gain / Loss on Disposal of Long-term Assets ..... \$2,115
- Interest Expenses ..... \$1,462
Net Income Before Tax (NIBT) ..... \$85,140
- Income Tax (28\%) ..... \$23,839
Net Income ..... \$61,301
+ Beginning Balance of Retained Earnings ..... \$146,780
- Dividends ..... \$5,040
Ending Balance of Retained Earnings ..... \$203,041


## Great Adventures, Inc.

## Balance Sheet

| (In USD 1,000) |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 3/30/2022 | 12/31/2021 | Change |
| Assets |  |  |  |
| Current Assets: |  |  |  |
| Cash | \$274,283 | \$138,800 | \$135,483 |
| Accounts Receivable - Net | \$123,000 | \$75,000 | \$48,000 |
| Merchandise Inventory | \$145,000 | \$111,836 | \$33,164 |
| Prepayments | \$11,952 | \$2,300 | \$9,652 |
| Total Current Assets | \$554,235 | \$327,936 | \$226,299 |
| Long-term Assets: |  |  |  |
| Land | \$45,790 | \$34,290 | \$11,500 |
| Buildings | \$88,125 | \$85,000 | \$3,125 |
| Equipment | \$56,650 | \$56,650 | \$0 |
| Accumulated Depreciation | $(\$ 28,815)$ | $(\$ 25,225)$ | (\$3,590) |
| Total Long-term Asset | \$161,750 | \$150,715 | \$11,035 |
| Total Assets | \$715,985 | \$478,651 | \$237,334 |
| Liabilities |  |  |  |
| Current Liabilities: |  |  |  |
| Accounts Payable | \$43,000 | \$39,630 | \$3,370 |
| Interest Payable | \$900 | \$1,750 | (\$850) |
| Unearned Revenues | \$57,000 | \$38,846 | \$18,154 |
| Income Tax Payable | \$72,519 | \$48,680 | \$23,839 |
| Salary Payable | \$6,500 | \$0 | \$6,500 |
| Total Current Liabilities | \$179,919 | \$128,906 | \$51,013 |
| Long-term Liabilities |  |  |  |
| Notes Payable | \$55,000 | \$25,000 | \$30,000 |
| Total Long-term Liabilities | \$55,000 | \$25,000 | \$30,000 |
| Total Liabilities | \$234,919 | \$153,906 | \$81,013 |
| Stockholders' Equity |  |  |  |
| Common Stock (\$1 Par) | \$25,500 | \$20,000 | \$5,500 |
| Additional Paid-in Capital | \$259,725 | \$157,965 | \$101,760 |
| Retained Earnings | \$203,041 | \$146,780 | \$56,261 |
| - Treasuary Stock | $(\$ 7,200)$ | \$0 | $(\$ 7,200)$ |
| Total Stockholders' Equity | \$481,066 | \$324,745 | \$156,321 |
| Liabilities \& Stockholders' |  |  |  |
| Equity | \$715,985 | \$478,651 | \$237,334 |

## Great Advantures, Inc.

## Statement of Cash Flows

For First Quarter 2022
(In USA 000)
Operating Cash Flows

+ Cash Recv'd from Customers( = Rev. - $\Delta \mathrm{AR}+\Delta$ UnearnedRev ) $\quad \$ 467,000$
- Cash Paid to Suppliers ( $=$ CGS $+\Delta$ Inventory $-\Delta \mathrm{AP}) \quad(\$ 331,630)$
- Cash Paid Opt. Exp ( $=$ OptExp $+\Delta$ Prep $-\Delta$ Related Payable $) \quad(\$ 106,875)$
- Cash Paid for Interest ( = InterestExpense - $\Delta$ InterestPayable)
$(\$ 2,312)$
- Cash Paid Income Tax ( = IncTaxExp - $\Delta$ IncTaxPayable)

Net Operating Cash Flow
\$26,183

Investing Cash Flow

+ Proceed from Selling Unused Building (JE \#8)
\$4,580
- Purchase Warehouse (JE \#7)

Net Investing Cash Flow
$(\$ 8,800)$

Financing Cash Flow

+ Issuing Common Stock (JE \#3)
\$95,760
+ Borrow Money from Bank (JE \#4B)
\$30,000
- Purchase of Treasuary Stock (JE \#11)
- Pay Dividend (JE \#12)

Net Finance Cash Flow
\$113,520
Net Cash Flow
\$135,483

+ Beginning Balance of Cash \$138,800
Ending Balance of Cash \$274,283
$\begin{array}{lr}\text { Operating Cash Flow - Indirect Method } & \\ \text { Net Income } & \$ 61,301 \\ + \text { None Cash Expenses (Depreciation) } & \$ 6,800 \\ \text { - / + Gain / Loss on Disposal of Long-term Assets } & (\$ 2,115) \\ \text { - } \Delta \text { Current Assets Other Than Cash } & (\$ 90,816) \\ +\Delta \text { Current Liabilities } & \$ 51,013 \\ \text { Net Operating Cash Flow } & \$ 26,183\end{array}$

