CHAPTER 2

ASSET AND LIABILITY VALUATION AND INCOME RECOGNITION

Solutions to Questions, Exercises, and Problems, and Teaching Notes to Cases

2.1 Relevance versus Representational Faithfulness. Relevance describes accounting information that is timely and has the capacity to affect a user's decisions based on the information; relevant asset valuations incorporate all available information, including the acquisition cost and subsequent developments. Relevant asset valuations may or may not be subjective; the existence of subjectivity in an asset valuation does not necessarily mean the valuation will not be reliable. Reliability is an attribute of accounting information that relates to the degree of verifiability of the reported amounts; representationally faithful asset valuations are supported by source documents, liquid market prices, or other credible evidence. There is limited room for subjectivity in these valuations. For example, reporting assets at acquisition cost provides management with fewer opportunities to bias the valuation compared to using current replacement costs or fair value inputs.

Examples:

Historical cost/relevant and representationally faithful: accounts receivable, fixed assets, and other assets with values that remain relatively stable

Historical cost/representationally faithful but less relevant: LIFO inventory layers, acquired research and development and other intangible assets, and real estate that has appreciated

Fair value/representationally faithful: Marketable equity securities, commodities, and financial assets traded in liquid markets

Fair value/relevant but less representationally faithful: Real estate valuations based on comparable analysis, internally generated intangible asset valuations, and pension plan assets invested in illiquid investments

2.2 Asset Valuation and Income Recognition. The important part of the question is that it focuses on *net* income (as opposed to *comprehensive* income). Changes in the valuation of assets generally result in an increase in shareholders' equity (to maintain the balance of the accounting equation), which is accomplished through associated effects captured as part of net income. For example, sales generate cash or receivables, which increase both assets and net income. Similarly, recognition of depreciation expense decreases both assets and net income. However, certain changes in asset valuations result in corresponding amounts being temporarily held as part of "accumulated other comprehensive income" on the balance sheet (in

shareholders' equity). Such changes would be part of Approach 2 as shown in Exhibit 2.3 and discussed in the text. In these situations, asset valuations do not have to relate to the recognition of net income (although such asset valuations relate to *comprehensive* income).

- 2.3 Trade-offs among Acceptable Accounting Alternatives. For the balance sheet, FIFO results in inventory that was purchased most recently before the fiscal year (or quarter) end remaining on the balance sheet. Relative to inventory purchases made earlier, those purchases are probably more closely aligned with prevailing prices at year end. As a consequence, relative to LIFO, FIFO more accurately captures the value of the inventory (close to replacement cost). For the income statement, the opposite inference is made. The income statement should pair the appropriate costs of revenues with the revenues recognized. Matching the current costs of inventory with the currently recognized revenues is accomplished with LIFO. Thus, depending on a user's perspective, either FIFO or LIFO can be the preferable accounting method.
- **2.4 Income Flows versus Cash Flows.** The analysis below demonstrates that the change in cash for the five years as a whole is \$117,000. Subtracting the \$100,000 cash contribution by the owners equals \$17,000, which equals the amount of net income for the five years and the balance in retained earnings at the end of five years. Note that the cash outflow to purchase the machine occurs at the beginning of the first year, whereas depreciation on the machine occurs throughout the five years, and the remaining book value of the machine of \$20,000 affects computation of the gain on sale at the end of five years. Thus, the statement about the equivalence of cash flows and earnings holds for this example and in general.

| | | | Common | Net |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|--------------|-------------------|------------------|
| Transaction or Event | Cash | Equipment | Stock | Income |
| Cash Contributed by Owners + | \$ 100,000 | | + \$ 100,000 | |
| Purchase of Machine for Cash – | 100,000 | + \$ 100,000 | | |
| Recognition of Rent Revenue + | 125,000 | | + | \$125,000 |
| Recognition of Operating | | | | |
| Expenses – | 30,000 | | _ | 30,000 |
| Recognition of Depreciation | | - 80,000 | _ | 80,000 |
| Sale of Machine + | 22,000 | - 20,000 | + | 2,000 |
| Totals | <u>\$ 117,000</u> | <u>\$</u> | <u>\$ 100,000</u> | <u>\$ 17,000</u> |

2.5 Measurement of Acquisition Cost. Acquisition cost is \$240,500 (\$250,000 invoice price – \$15,000 cash discount + \$4,000 for the title + \$1,500 to paint company's name on the truck). The license fee of \$800 and the insurance of \$2,500 are not costs to prepare the truck for its intended use, but costs to operate the truck during its first year. Therefore, these latter two costs are prepayments that become expenses of the first year.

2.6 Measurement of a Monetary Asset.

| Balance, January 1, 2016: \$10 million × 9.81815 (Part a) | \$ 98,181,500 |
|---|----------------------|
| Interest for 2016: 0.08 × \$98,181,500 | 7,854,520 |
| Less Cash Received | (10,000,000) |
| Balance, December 31, 2016 (Part b) | \$ 96,036,020 |
| Interest for 2017: 0.08 × \$96,036,020 | 7,682,882 |
| Less Cash Received | (10,000,000) |
| Balance, December 31, 2017 (Part c) | <u>\$ 93,718,902</u> |

2.7 Measurement of a Nonmonetary Asset. American Airlines amortizes the \$150 million over the five years of use. Accordingly, the acquisition cost of the landing rights is initially recognized at its historical cost of \$150 million, but then it is valued at adjusted historical cost with each annual amortization of \$30 million, which reduces the valuation ratably to a final adjusted historical cost of \$0.

2.8 Fair Value Measurements.

- a. The stocks are Level 1 assets, assuming they are for public companies for which the prices of each share are available via closing quotes from one of the major exchanges.
- b. Bonds are also likely Level 1 assets if they are publicly traded; however, if they are privately placed issues, they would be Level 2 assets because their values would be determined by reliable inputs such as market interest rates and yield curves.
- c. Real estate is more likely comprised of Level 2 assets, given ready availability of real estate valuation data.
- d. Timber investments are either Level 2 or Level 3 assets, depending on the availability of directly applicable current and future timber prices.
- e. Private equity funds are typically invested in young, privately held start-up companies, and due to the illiquidity of such investments and difficulty in obtaining directly comparable asset prices, these would likely be Level 3 assets.
- f. Illiquid asset-backed securities are, by definition, illiquid, and although various models exist for valuing manufactured securities (such as mortgage-backed securities), the inputs are generally well-placed guesses, making such assets Level 3.

2.9 Computation of Income Tax Expense.

| a. | Taxes Currently Payable | \$ 50,000 |
|----|--|--------------|
| | Plus Decrease in Deferred Tax Assets: \$42,900 – \$38,700 | 4,200 |
| | Plus Increase in Deferred Tax Liabilities: \$34,200 – \$28,600 | 5,600 |
| | Income Tax Expense | \$ 59,800 |

| b. | Taxes Currently Payable | \$ 50,000 |
|----|--|------------------|
| | Plus Decrease in Deferred Tax Assets: \$42,900 – \$38,700 | 4,200 |
| | Less Decrease in Deferred Tax Liability: \$58,600 – \$47,100 | <u>(11,500</u>) |
| | Income Tax Expense | <u>\$ 42,700</u> |

c. In both Part a and Part b, the value of the deferred tax asset decreased, which means that the company utilized deferred tax assets to decrease taxes owed relative to the amount expensed. However, the difference lies in the change in the deferred tax liability. In Part a, the deferred tax liability increased, which occurs when the firm has larger deductions (lower income) on its tax return relative to amounts expensed (amounts recognized in income). The advantageous treatment of these amounts leads to lower current cash outflows for taxes than amounts recognized as income tax expense. For Part b, the situation is reversed. In Part b, the decrease in the deferred tax liability means that previous timing differences likely reversed, leading to higher cash payments required for current income tax payments relative to amounts recognized as income tax expense.

2.10 Computation of Income Tax Expense.

| a. | Taxes Currently Payable | \$ | 35,000 |
|----|---|--------|---------|
| | Less Increase in Deferred Tax Assets: | | |
| | Beginning of Year: $$24,600 - $6,400 = $18,200$ | | |
| | End of Year: \$27,200 - \$7,200 = 20,000 | | (1,800) |
| | Less Decrease in Deferred Tax Liabilities: \$18,900 – \$16,300 | | (2,600) |
| | Income Tax Expense | \$ | 30,600 |
| | 1 | · | |
| | | | |
| b. | Taxes Currently Payable | \$ | 35,000 |
| b. | Taxes Currently Payable | \$ | 35,000 |
| b. | Less Increase in Deferred Tax Assets: | \$ | 35,000 |
| b. | Less Increase in Deferred Tax Assets: Beginning of Year: \$24,600 - \$6,400 = \$ 18,200 | \$ | Ź |
| b. | Less Increase in Deferred Tax Assets: Beginning of Year: \$24,600 - \$6,400 = \$18,200 End of Year: \$27,200 - \$4,800 = 22,400 | \$ | (4,200) |
| b. | Less Increase in Deferred Tax Assets: Beginning of Year: \$24,600 - \$6,400 = \$ 18,200 | \$ | Ź |

2.11 Costs to Be Included in Historical Cost Valuation.

The acquisition cost of the land is \$210,000 (\$200,000 + \$7,500 + \$2,500). The costs for building permits of \$1,200 would be included in the historical cost of the restaurant building to be built.

2.12 Effect of Valuation Method for Nonmonetary Asset on Balance Sheet and Income Statement.

a. Valuation of the land at acquisition until sale of land: Land would be valued at acquisition cost of \$100,000 initially, and would not change through 2018. In 2018, when the building is sold for \$180,000, Walmart would recognize a gain of \$80,000 on the income statement.

2016

| | | | | | Shareholders' Equity | | |
|------|-----------|---|-------------|---|-----------------------------|---|---------------------------|
| | Assets | = | Liabilities | + | Contributed Capital (CC) | Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (AOCI) | Retained Earnings (RE) |
| Cash | (100,000) | | | | | | |
| Land | 100,000 | | | | | | |

2018

| | | | | | | Shareholders' Equit | у |
|------|-----------|---|-------------|---|-----------------------------|---|-----------------------------|
| | Assets | = | Liabilities | + | Contributed Capital (CC) | Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (AOCI) | Retained Earnings (RE) |
| Cash | 180,000 | | | | | | Gain on Sale 80,000 of Land |
| Land | (100,000) | | | | | | |

2016

| Land | 100,000 | |
|------|---------|---------|
| Cash | | 100,000 |

2017

No Entry

2018

| Cash | 180,000 | |
|----------------------|---------|---------|
| Land | | 100,000 |
| Gain on Sale of Land | | 80,000 |

b. Valuation of the land at current market value and including market value changes each year in net income:

2016

| | | | | | Shareholders' Equity | | |
|------|-----------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|---|
| | Assets | = | Liabilities | + | Contributed Capital (CC) | Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (AOCI) | Retained Earnings (RE) |
| Cash | (100,000) | | | | | | |
| Land | 100,000 | | | | | | |
| Land | 50,000 | | | | | | Gain on Fair |
| | | | | | | | Market Value 50,000 of Land |
| | Land | Cash (100,000) Land 100,000 | Cash (100,000) Land 100,000 | Cash (100,000) Land 100,000 | Cash (100,000) Land 100,000 | Capital (CC) Land 100,000 | Assets = Liabilities + Contributed Capital (CC) Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (AOCI) Land 100,000 |

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2017

| | Assets = | | | | Shareholders' Equity | | | |
|--|---------------|--|--|--|-----------------------------|---|--|--|
| | | | | | Contributed Capital (CC) | Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (AOCI) | Retained Earnings (RE) | |
| | Land (30,000) | | | | | | Loss on Fair (30,000) Market Value of Land | |

2018

| | | | | | | Shareholders' Equit | y |
|--------|-----------|---------------|--|---|-----------------------------|---|-----------------------------|
| Assets | | = Liabilities | | + | Contributed Capital (CC) | Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (AOCI) | Retained Earnings (RE) |
| Cash | 180,000 | | | | | | Gain on Sale 60,000 of Land |
| Land | (120,000) | | | | | | |

2016

The land would initially be recognized at acquisition cost of \$100,000. At the end of 2016, Walmart would remeasure the land at fair value and increase the asset by \$50,000, which would be reflected on the income statement as "Gain on Fair Market Value of Land."

| Land | 100,000 | |
|-----------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Cash | | 100,000 |
| Land | 50,000 | |
| Gain on Fair Market Value of Land | | 50,000 |

2017

Part of the end-of-year 2016 upward adjustment would be reversed to reflect the \$30,000 decline in fair value of the land. Land would be decreased by \$30,000 to \$120,000, and Walmart would recognize a "Loss on Fair Market Value of Land" in the income statement.

| Loss on Fair Market Value of Land | 30,000 | |
|-----------------------------------|--------|--------|
| Land | | 30,000 |

2018

The firm would realize \$180,000 of cash, derecognize the land—now valued at the 2017 fair value of \$120,000, the difference being recognized as a \$60,000 "Gain on Sale of Land."

| Cash | 180,000 | |
|-----------------------|---------|---------|
| Land | | 120,000 |
| Gain on Sale of Land. | | 60,000 |

c. Valuation of the land at current market value but including unrealized gains and losses in accumulated other comprehensive income until sale of land:

2016

| | | | | | | Shareholders' Equity | Į. |
|--|--------|-----------|--|--|-----------------------------|---|------------------------|
| | Assets | | | | Contributed Capital (CC) | Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (AOCI) | Retained Earnings (RE) |
| | Cash | (100,000) | | | | | |
| | Land | 100,000 | | | | | |
| | Land | 50,000 | | | | Unrealized Holding | |
| | | | | | | Gain or Loss – | |
| | | | | | | OCI 50,000 | |

2017

| | | | | | | Shareholders' Equit | ty | |
|------|----------|---|-------------|--------------|-------------|---|------------------------|--|
| I | Assets | = | Liabilities | + | Contributed | Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income | Patained Farmings (DE) | |
| | | | | Capital (CC) | | (AOCI) | Retained Earnings (RE) | |
| Land | (30,000) | | | | | Unrealized Holding | | |
| | | | | | | Gain or Loss – | | |
| | | | | | | OCI (30,000) | | |
| | | | | | | | | |
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2018

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|--|------|-----------|---|-------------|---|--------------|----------------------|-----------------|----------|
| | | | | | | | Shareholders' Equit | y | |
| | | Assets | _ | Liabilities | + | Contributed | Accumulated Other | | |
| | | ASSCIS | _ | Liabilities | | Capital (CC) | Comprehensive Income | Retained Earnin | igs (RE) |
| | | | | | | Capital (CC) | (AOCI) | | |
| | Cash | 180,000 | | | | | Unrealized Holding | Gain on Sale | 80,000 |
| | | | | | | | Gain or Loss – | of Land | |
| | | (120.000) | | | | | OCI (20,000) | | |
| | Land | (120,000) | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | |
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2016

The land would initially be recognized at acquisition cost of \$100,000. At the end of 2016, Walmart would remeasure the land at fair value and increase the asset by \$50,000, which would also be reflected in AOCI as "Unrealized Holding Gain or Loss," reducing shareholders' equity.

| Land | 100,000 | |
|---------------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Cash | * | 100,000 |
| Land | 50,000 | |
| Unrealized Holding Gain or Loss – OCI | | 50,000 |

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2017

Part of the end-of-year 2016 upward adjustment would be reversed to reflect the \$30,000 decline in fair value of the land. Land would be decreased by \$30,000 to \$120,000, and the "Unrealized Holding Gain or Loss" sitting in AOCI in the equity section would also be reduced by \$30,000, from \$50,000 to \$20,000.

| Unrealized Holding Gain or Loss – OCI | 30,000 | |
|---------------------------------------|--------|--------|
| Land | | 30,000 |

2018

The fair value of the land at the end of 2018 is \$180,000 (as evidenced by the price received upon sale). We can consider this effect in two ways. First, we could view Walmart as remeasuring the land to \$180,000, which would mean that land is increased by \$60,000 and "Unrealized Holding Gain or Loss" in OCI is also increased by \$60,000, from \$20,000 to \$80,000. Then, the sale of the land would bring in \$180,000 as cash (asset) and trigger derecognition of the land (from \$180,000 to \$0), and finally, the "Unrealized Holding Gain or Loss" that resides in the holding tank of AOCI in the equity section becomes realized, so Walmart would reclassified from 'unrealized' to 'realized,' the net effect being that "Unrealized Holding Gain or Loss" in AOCI is reduced from \$80,000 to zero, and a "Gain on Sale of Land" would be recognized in the income statement. The second approach results in the same outcome, but views the changes in all four accounts simultaneously, with the journal entries as follows:

| Cash | 180,000 | |
|---------------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Unrealized Holding Gain or Loss – OCI | 20,000 | |
| Land | | 120,000 |
| Gain on Sale of Land | | 80,000 |

d. Net income over sufficiently long time periods equals cash inflows minus cash outflows, other than cash transactions with owners. Walmart acquired the land in 2016 for \$100,000 and sold it for \$180,000 in 2018. Thus, the total effect on net income through the realization of the increase in the value of the land bought and sold is \$80,000. The three different methods of asset valuation and income measurement recognize this \$80,000 in different patterns over time, but the total is the same.

2.13 Effect of Valuation Method for Monetary Asset on Balance Sheet and Income Statement.

a. Valuation of the note at the present value of future cash flows using the historical market interest rate of 8% (Approach 1):

2018

| Ī | | | | | | Shareholders' Equit | y |
|---|----------------------------|----|-------------|---|-----------------------------|---|-----------------------------|
| | Assets | II | Liabilities | + | Contributed Capital (CC) | Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (AOCI) | Retained Earnings (RE) |
| | Note 180,000 Receivable | | | | | | Gain on Sale 80,000 of Land |
| | Land (100,000) | | | | | | |

2019

| | | | | | | Shareholders' Equit | y | |
|--------------------|----------|--|--|-----------------------------|---|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Assets | | | | Contributed Capital (CC) | Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (AOCI) | Retained Ear | nings (RE) | |
| Cash | 100,939 | | | | | | Interest Revenue | 14,400 ^a |
| Note Receivable | (86,539) | | | | | | | |

2020

| | | | | | | Shareholders' Equity | y |
|-----------------------|---------|---|-------------|---|-----------------------------|---|--|
| Assets | | = | Liabilities | + | Contributed Capital (CC) | Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (AOCI) | Retained Earnings (RE) |
| Cash 1 | 00,939 | | | | | | Interest 7,478 ^b Revenue |
| Note (9 Receivable | 93,461) | | | | | | |

2018

Walmart would recognize an asset for the Note Receivable at its then present value of \$180,000 (the cash equivalent), derecognize the land which remains recorded at historical cost of \$100,000, and realize the difference of \$80,000 as "Gain on Sale of Land."

| Note Receivable | 180,000 | |
|----------------------|---------|---------|
| Land | | 100,000 |
| Gain on Sale of Land | | 80,000 |

2019

Walmart would receive the cash payment of \$100,939, recognize interest revenue of $$14,400 (0.08 \times $180,000)$, and the difference of \$86,539 would reduce the historical value of the Note Receivable.

| Cash | 100,939 | |
|------------------|---------|--------|
| Interest Revenue | , | 14,400 |
| Note Receivable | | 86.539 |

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2020

Walmart would receive the second cash payment of \$100,939, recognize interest revenue of \$7,478 $[0.08 \times (\$180,000 - \$86,539), + \$1$ for rounding], and the difference of \$93,461 would reduce the historical value of the Note Receivable to 0.

| Cash | 100,939 |
|------------------|---------|
| Interest Revenue | |
| Note Receivable | 93,461 |

b. Valuation of the note at the present value of future cash flows, adjusting the note to fair value upon changes in market interest rates and including unrealized gains and losses in net income (Approach 2):

2018

| | | | | Shareholders' Equity | | | | |
|----------------------------|----|-------------|---|-----------------------------|---|-----------------------------|--|--|
| Assets | II | Liabilities | + | Contributed Capital (CC) | Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (AOCI) | Retained Earnings (RE) | | |
| Note 180,000 Receivable | | | | | | Gain on Sale 80,000 of Land | | |
| Land (100,000) | | | | | | | | |

2019

| | | | | | Shareholders' Equity | | | | | |
|--------------------|----------|---|-------------|---|-----------------------------|---|-------------------------------|---------------------|--|--|
| Ass | ets | = | Liabilities | + | Contributed Capital (CC) | Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (AOCI) | Retained Ea | arnings (RE) | | |
| Cash | 100,939 | | | | | | Interest Revenue | 14,400 ^a | | |
| Note Receivable | (86,539) | | | | | | | | | |
| Note Receivable | (1,699) | | | | | | Loss on Note Receivable | (1,699) | | |

2020

| | | | | | Shareholders' Equity | y |
|-----------------------------|---|-------------|----------|-------------|-----------------------------|--|
| Assets | = | Liabilities | + | Contributed | Accumulated Other | |
| 7133013 | | | Blacking | | Comprehensive Income (AOCI) | Retained Earnings (RE) |
| Cash 100,939 | | | | | , | Interest 9,177 ^d Revenue |
| Note (91,762) Receivable | | | | | | |

2018

Walmart would recognize an asset for the Note Receivable at its then present value of \$180,000 (the cash equivalent), derecognize the land which remains recorded at historical cost of \$100,000, and realize the difference of \$80,000 as "Gain on Sale of Land."

| Note Receivable | 180,000 | |
|----------------------|---------|---------|
| Land | | 100,000 |
| Gain on Sale of Land | | 80,000 |

2019

Walmart would receive the cash payment of \$100,939, recognize interest revenue of \$14,400 (0.08 \times \$180,000), and the difference of \$86,539 would reduce the historical value of the Note Receivable. In addition, Walmart would recognize a loss on the receivable commensurate with the increase in interest rate. A "Loss on Note Receivable" of \$1,699 [\$91,762 – (\$180,000 – \$86,539)] would be recognized, and the value of the Note Receivable would be decreased by the same amount.

| Cash | 100,939 | |
|-------------------------|---------|--------|
| Interest Revenue | | 14,400 |
| Note Receivable | | 86,539 |
| Loss on Note Receivable | 1,699 | |
| Note Receivable | | 1,699 |

2020

Walmart would receive the second cash payment of \$100,939, recognize interest revenue of \$9,177 ($0.10 \times $91,762$, plus an additional \$1 due to rounding), and the difference of \$91,762 would reduce the 2012 fair value of the Note Receivable to 0.

| Cash | 100,939 | |
|------------------|---------|--------|
| Interest Revenue | | 9,177 |
| Note Receivable | | 91,762 |

c. Over sufficiently long time periods, net income equals cash inflows minus cash outflows, other than cash transactions with owners. Walmart receives \$101,878 net in cash from purchasing the land for \$100,000 and selling it for \$201,878 (\$100,939 × 2). Problem 2.12 indicates that net income across 2016 to 2018 includes the \$80,000 change in market value of the land as of the time of sale on December 31, 2018. The \$21,878 difference between the cash received of \$201,878 and the market value of the land on December 31, 2018, of \$180,000 is income for 2019 and 2020. The valuation method in Part a uses the 8% interest rate applicable to this note on December 31, 2018, both to value the note and to recognize interest revenue for both years (acquisition cost valuation

of the asset, Approach 1 for income recognition). The valuation method in Part b uses the market interest rate for this note each year (8% for 2019 and 10% for 2020) to value the note and to recognize interest revenue and holding gains and losses (fair value for the asset, Approach 2 for income recognition). These two methods report the same total income but in a different pattern over time.

2.14 Effect of Valuation Method for Nonmonetary Asset on Balance Sheet and Income Statement.

a. Assume for this part that SCCO accounts for the equipment using historical cost adjusted for depreciation and impairment losses.

| _(| 1) | ı | | 1 | | Cll14' Ei4- | |
|----|-------------------|---|-------------|---|-----------------------------|--|---------------------------|
| | Assets | = | Liabilities | + | Contributed Capital (CC) | Shareholders' Equity Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (AOCI) | Retained Earnings (RE) |
| | Equipment 100,000 | | | | | | |
| | Cash (100,000) | | | | | | |

| (| 2) | | | | | | |
|---|--------------------------------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------------------|---|------------------------|----------------------------------|
| | | | | | | Shareholders' Equi | ity |
| | Assets | = Liabilities + | Liabilities + | Contributed Capital (CC) | Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (AOCI) | Retained Earnings (RE) | |
| | Accumulated (25,000) Depreciation | | | | | | Depreciation (25,000) Expense |

| (| 3) | | | | | | |
|---|--------------------|---|---------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|---|-----------------------------|
| | | | | | | Shareholders' Equi | ity |
| | Assets | = | = Liabilities | = Liabilities + | Contributed Capital (CC) | Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (AOCI) | Retained Earnings (RE) |
| | Equipment (15,000) | | | | | | Impairment (15,000) Loss |

| (| 4) | | | | | | | | |
|---|--------------------------------------|---|-------------|---|-----------------------------|---|-------------------------|-----------|--|
| | | | | | | Shareholders' Equity | | | |
| | Assets | = | Liabilities | + | Contributed Capital (CC) | Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (AOCI) | Retained Earn | ings (RE) | |
| | Accumulated (20,000) Depreciation | | | | | | Depreciation Expense | (20,000) | |

| (5) | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|---|-------------|---|-----------------------------|---|----------------------------------|--|
| | | | | Shareholders' Equity | | | |
| Assets | = | Liabilities | + | Contributed Capital (CC) | Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (AOCI) | Retained Earnings (RE) | |
| Accumulated (20,000) Depreciation | | | | | | Depreciation (20,000) Expense | |

| \Box | 6) | | | | | Shareholders' Equity | | | | |
|--------|-------------------------------|-------|-------------|---|-----------------------------|---|--------------------------|--|--|--|
| | Assets | = | Liabilities | + | Contributed Capital (CC) | Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (AOCI) | Retained Earnings (RE) | | | |
| | Cash 26 | 5,000 | | | | | Gain on 6,000 Sale of | | | |
| | Equipment (85, | ,000) | | | | | Equipment | | | |
| | Accumulated 65,0 Depreciation | 000 | | | | | | | | |

(1) SCCO records the equipment at historical cost of \$100,000 (and reduces cash by the same amount).

| Equipment | 100,000 | |
|-----------|---------|---------|
| Cash | | 100,000 |

(2) SCCO records depreciation expense of \$25,000 [(\$100,000 - \$0)/4] and adjusts the historical cost of the equipment by recognizing a contra-asset, Accumulated Depreciation, for the same amount. The adjusted historical cost of the equipment is now \$75,000 (\$100,000 - \$25,000).

| Depreciation Expense | 25,000 | |
|--------------------------|--------|--------|
| Accumulated Depreciation | | 25,000 |

(3) The adjusted historical cost of the equipment is reduced by \$15,000 (\$60,000 - \$75,000), and an "Impairment Loss" of the same amount is recognized on the income statement.

| Impairment Loss | 15,000 | |
|-----------------|--------|--------|
| Equipment | | 15,000 |

(4) SCCO records depreciation expense of \$20,000 [(\$60,000 - \$0)/3] and adjusts the historical cost of the equipment by recognizing a contra-asset, Accumulated Depreciation, for the same amount. The adjusted historical cost of the equipment is now \$40,000 (\$100,000 - \$25,000 - \$15,000 - \$20,000).

| Depreciation Expense | 20,000 | |
|--------------------------|--------|--------|
| Accumulated Depreciation | | 20,000 |

(5) Same as (4). The adjusted historical cost of the equipment is now \$20,000 (in these formulas \$100,000 - \$25,000 - \$15,000 - \$20,000 - \$20,000).

(6) SCCO receives cash of \$26,000 (asset increase), derecognizes both the equipment (asset decrease of \$85,000) and accumulated depreciation (asset increase of \$65,000), and the difference of \$6,000 [\$26,000 - (\$85,000 - \$65,000)] is recognized on the income statement as "Gain on Sale of Equipment."

| Cash | 26,000 | |
|---------------------------|--------|--------|
| Accumulated Depreciation | 65,000 | |
| Equipment | | 85,000 |
| Gain on Sale of Equipment | | 6,000 |

b. Assume that SCCO accounts for the equipment using current market values adjusted for depreciation and impairment losses.

Assets = Liabilities + Contributed Capital (CC) | Shareholders' Equity | Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (AOCI) | Retained Earnings (RE)

| | | | | | Shareholders' Equity | | | |
|-----------------|--------|-----|-------------|---|-----------------------------|---|-------------------------|-----------|
| | Assets | = | Liabilities | + | Contributed Capital (CC) | Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (AOCI) | Retained Earn | ings (RE) |
| Accum Deprec | | 00) | | | | | Depreciation Expense | (25,000) |

| _(| 3) | | | | | | | | |
|----|--------------------|---|-------------|---|--------------|----------------------|------------------------|--|--|
| | | | | | | Shareholders' Equity | | | |
| | Assets | _ | Liabilities | + | Contributed | Accumulated Other | | | |
| | Assets | | Liaomtics | ' | Capital (CC) | Comprehensive | Retained Earnings (RE) | | |
| | | | | | Capital (CC) | Income (AOCI) | | | |
| | Equipment (15,000) | | | | | | Impairment (15,000) | | |
| | | | | | | | Loss | | |
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| | | | | | | Shareholders' Eq | nity |
|---------------------------------|-----|---|-------------|---|-----------------------------|--|---|
| Assets | | = | Liabilities | + | Contributed Capital (CC) | Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (AOCI) | Retained Earnings (R) |
| Accumulated (20,00 Depreciation | 00) | | | | | | Depreciation (20,0 Expense |
| 5) | | | | | | | |
| <i>)</i> | | | | | | Shareholders' Equ | ıity |
| Assets | = | | Liabilities | + | Contributed Capital (CC) | Accumulated Other Comprehensive Incom (AOCI) | e Retained Earnings (R |
| Equipment 8,000 | | | | | | | Gain on 8,0 Change in Equipment Fair Value |
|) | | | | | Γ | Shareholders' Eq | nity |
| Aggeta | | | Liabilities | | Ctiltd | Accumulated Other | |
| Assets | | = | Liabilities | + | Contributed Capital (CC) | Comprehensive Income (AOCI) | Retained Earnings (R |
| Accumulated Depreciation (24,00 | 10) | | | | | | Depreciation (24,0 Expense |
| <i>'</i>) | | | | | | | |
| | | | | - | | Shareholders' Equ | ıity |
| Assets | = | | Liabilities | + | Contributed Capital (CC) | Accumulated Other Comprehensive Incom (AOCI) | • |
| Equipment 2,000 | | | | | | | Gain on 2,0 Change in Equipment Fair Value |
| | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| 3) | | | | | | Shareholders' Equ | ity |
| Assets | | = | Liabilities | + | Contributed Capital (CC) | Accumulated Other Comprehensive | |
| | 00 | = | Liabilities | + | Contributed Capital (CC) | Accumulated Other | ity Retained Earnings (RE) |

Accumulated 69,000 Depreciation

| (1) SCCO records the equipment at historical cost of \$100,000 (and reduces cash by the same amount). |
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| Equipment 100,000 Cash 100,000 |
| (2) SCCO records depreciation expense of \$25,000 [($$100,000 - 0)/4] and adjusts the historical cost of the equipment by recognizing a contra-asset, Accumulated Depreciation, for the same amount. The adjusted historical cost of the equipment is now \$75,000 ($$100,000 - $25,000$). |
| Depreciation Expense |
| (3) The adjusted historical cost of the equipment is reduced by $$15,000 ($60,000 - $75,000)$, and an "Impairment Loss" of the same amount is recognized on the income statement. |
| Impairment Loss 15,000 Equipment 15,000 |
| (4) SCCO records depreciation expense of \$20,000 [(\$60,000 - \$0)/3] and adjusts the historical cost of the equipment by recognizing a contra-asset, Accumulated Depreciation, for the same amount. The adjusted historical cost of the equipment is now \$40,000 (\$100,000 - \$25,000 - \$15,000 - \$20,000), reflecting an equipment balance of \$85,000 (\$100,000 - \$15,000) and accumulated depreciation of \$45,000 (\$25,000 + 20,000). |
| Depreciation Expense |
| (5) SCCO adjusts the historical cost of the equipment upward by \$8,000 (\$48,000 - \$40,000). A "Gain on Change in Equipment Fair Value" is recognized on the income statement. |
| Equipment |
| Depreciation Expense |

(7) SCCO adjusts the historical cost of the equipment upward by \$2,000 (\$26,000 - \$24,000). A "Gain on Change in Equipment Fair Value" is recognized on the income statement. The value of the equipment rises to \$95,000 (\$93,000 + \$2,000).

| Equipment | 2,000 | |
|--|-------|-------|
| Gain on Change in Equipment Fair Value | | 2,000 |

(8) SCCO receives cash of \$26,000 (asset increase) and derecognizes both the equipment (asset decrease of \$95,000) and accumulated depreciation (asset increase of \$69,000). Because the equipment has been annually marked-to-market (i.e., fair value), there is no gain upon the sale.

| Cash. | 26,000 | |
|--------------------------|--------|--------|
| Accumulated Depreciation | 69,000 | |
| Equipment | ŕ | 95,000 |

c. Total expenses over sufficiently long time periods equal cash outflows, other than cash transactions with owners. The negative \$74,000 total net cash outflow for the equipment reflects the cash outflow to acquire the equipment of \$100,000 offset by the cash inflow to sell the equipment for \$26,000. When the depreciation expense, gain, and loss accounts under the retained earnings column are summed, the total also is negative \$74,000, which is the amount that reduced income related to the purchase, use, and disposition of the equipment.

2.15 Effect of Valuation Method for Monetary Asset on Balance Sheet and Income Statement.

a. Assume that Alfa Romeo accounts for this note throughout the three years using its initial present value.

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| | | | | | | Shareholders' Equity | |
| Assets | | = | Liabilities | | Contributed Capital (CC) | Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (AOCI) | Retained Earnings (RE) |
| Automobile Inventory | 30,000 | | | | | | |
| Cash | (30,000) | | | | | | |

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| | | | | | Shareholders' | Equity | |
|----------------------------------|---|---------------|--|-----------------------------|---|--------------------------|---------------|
| Assets | = | = Liabilities | | Contributed Capital (CC) | Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (AOCI) | Retained | Earnings (RE) |
| Cash 5,000 | | | | | | Sales | 45,000 |
| Notes 40,000 Receivable | | | | | | | |
| Automobile (30,000) Inventory | | | | | | Cost of Goods Sold | (30,000) |

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| Ì | , | | | | | Shareholders' | Equity |
|---|----------------------------|---|-------------|---|-----------------------------|---|---------------------------|
| | Assets | = | Liabilities | + | Contributed Capital (CC) | Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (AOCI) | Retained Earnings (RE) |
| | Cash 14,414 | | | | | | Interest 1,600 Revenue |
| | Notes 12,814 Receivable | | | | | | |

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| - / | | | | | Shareholders' | Equity |
|---------------------------|---|---------------|--|-----------------------------|---|---------------------------|
| Assets | | = Liabilities | | Contributed Capital (CC) | Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (AOCI) | Retained Earnings (RE) |
| Cash 14,4 | 4 | | | | | Interest 1,087 Revenue |
| Notes 13,32 Receivable | 7 | | | | | |

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| | | | | | | Shareholders' l | Equity | |
|---------------------|--------|---|-------------|---|-----------------------------|---|---------------------|-------------|
| Assets | | = | Liabilities | + | Contributed Capital (CC) | Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (AOCI) | Retained Ea | rnings (RE) |
| Cash | 14,414 | | | | | | Interest Revenue | 555 |
| Notes Receivable | 13,859 | | | | | | | |

| (1) The cash costs of the automobile increases inventory (and decreases cash) | (1) | The ca | ash costs | of the | automobile | increases | inventory | (and | decreases | cash) |
|---|-----|--------|-----------|--------|------------|-----------|-----------|------|-----------|-------|
|---|-----|--------|-----------|--------|------------|-----------|-----------|------|-----------|-------|

| Automobile Inventory | 30,000 | |
|----------------------|--------|--------|
| Cash | | 30,000 |

(2) The sale of the car triggers recognition of sales on the income statement of \$45,000 and recognition of two assets: cash of \$5,000 and a receivable of \$40,000. In addition, Automobile Inventory would be reduced for the cost of the automobile (\$30,000) and Cost of Goods Sold in the same amount would be recognized on the income statement.

| Cash | 5,000 | |
|----------------------|--------|--------|
| Note Receivable | 40,000 | |
| Sales | | 45,000 |
| Cost of Goods Sold | 30,000 | |
| Automobile Inventory | | 30,000 |

(3) Alfa Romeo receives the first annual payment of (\$14,414), increasing cash, and recognizes interest revenue of \$1,600 ($0.04 \times \$40,000$). The difference of \$12,814 (\$14,414 - \$1,600) adjusts downward the value of the Note Receivable.

| Cash | 14,414 | |
|------------------|--------|--------|
| Note Receivable | , | 12,814 |
| Interest Revenue | | 1,600 |

(4) Alfa Romeo receives the second annual payment of (\$14,414), increasing cash, and recognizes interest revenue of \$1,087 [$0.04 \times (\$40,000 - \$12,814)$]. The difference of \$13,327 (\$14,414 - \$1,087) adjusts downward the value of the Note Receivable.

| Cash | 14,414 | |
|------------------|--------|--------|
| Note Receivable | , | 13,327 |
| Interest Revenue | | 1,087 |

(5) Alfa Romeo receives the final annual payment of (\$14,414), increasing cash, and recognizes interest revenue of \$555 ($0.04 \times \$13,859$, plus an additional \$1 for rounding). The difference of \$13,859 (\$14,414 - \$555) adjusts downward the value of the Note Receivable to \$0.

| Cash | 14,414 | |
|------------------|--------|--------|
| Note Receivable | | 13,859 |
| Interest Revenue | | 555 |

b. Assume that Alfa Romeo values this note receivable at fair value each year.

| 1) | | | | | Shareholders' Equity | |
|--------------------------------|---|-------------|---|-----------------------------|---|---------------------------|
| Assets | = | Liabilities | + | Contributed Capital (CC) | Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (AOCI) | Retained Earnings (RE) |
| Automobile 30,000 Inventory | | | | | | |
| Cash (30,000) | | | | | | |

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| | | | | | Shareholders' | Equity | |
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| Assets | = | Liabilities | + | Contributed Capital (CC) | Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (AOCI) | Retained | Earnings (RE) |
| Cash 5,000 | | | | | | Sales | 45,000 |
| Notes 40,000 Receivable | | | | | | | |
| Automobile (30,000) Inventory | | | | | | Cost of Goods Sold | (30,000) |

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| <i>3)</i> | | | | | Shareholders' l | Equity |
|----------------------------|---------------|--|---|-----------------------------|---|---------------------------|
| Assets | = Liabilities | | + | Contributed Capital (CC) | Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (AOCI) | Retained Earnings (RE) |
| Cash 14,414 | | | | | | Interest 1,600 Revenue |
| Notes 12,814 Receivable | | | | | | |

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|---------------|--------------------------|---|-------------|---|-----------------------------|---|--|
| | Assets | | | | | Shareholders' | Equity |
| | | | Liabilities | + | Contributed Capital (CC) | Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (AOCI) | Retained Earnings (RE) |
| | Note (384) Receivable | | | | | | Loss on (384) Decline in Fair Value of Note Receivable |

(5)

| | | | | | | Shareholders' | Equity | |
|---------------------|--------|---|-------------|---|-----------------------------|---|---------------------|--------------|
| Assets | | = | Liabilities | + | Contributed Capital (CC) | Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (AOCI) | Retained E | arnings (RE) |
| Cash | 14,414 | | | | | | Interest Revenue | 1,340 |
| Notes Receivable | 13,074 | | | | | | | |

| _(| <u>6)</u> | | | I | | Shareholders' | Fauity | | | | |
|----|--------------------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|--|---------------|-----------------------------|---|------------------------|
| | Assets | = Liabilitie | Liabilities | Liabilities | Liabilities | = Liabilities | = Liabilities | Liabilities + | Contributed Capital (CC) | Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (AOCI) | Retained Earnings (RE) |
| | Note (382) Receivable | | | | | | Loss on (382) Decline in Fair Value of Note Receivable | | | | |

| | | | | Shareholders' | Equity | |
|----------------------------|--|--|---|----------------------|-------------------------|-----|
| Assets | = Liabilities + Contributed Capital (CC) | | Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (AOCI) | Retained Earnings (R | E) | |
| Cash 14,414 | | | | | Interest 1,0 Revenue |)68 |
| Notes 13,346 Receivable | | | | | | |

| (1) Same as (1) in Part a. Automobile Inventory | 30,000 | 30,000 |
|--|---------------------------|-----------------|
| (2) Same as (2) in Part a. | | |
| Cash Note Receivable Sales Cost of Goods Sold | 5,000 40,000 30,000 | 45,000 |
| Automobile Inventory | , | 30,000 |
| Cash | 14,414 | 12,814 1,600 |

(4) The rise in interest rates reduces the fair value of the Note Receivable by \$384 (\$26,802 - (\$40,000 - \$12,814)), and a "Loss on Decline in Fair Value of Note Receivable" is recognized on the income statement.

| Loss on Decline in Fair Value of Note Receivable | 384 | |
|--|-----|-----|
| Note Receivable | | 384 |

(5) Alfa Romeo receives the second annual payment of (\$14,414), increasing cash, and recognizes interest revenue of \$1,340 ($0.05 \times \$26,802$). The difference of \$13,074 (\$14,414 - \$1,340) adjusts downward the value of the Note Receivable.

| Cash | 14,414 | |
|------------------|--------|--------|
| Note Receivable | , | 13,074 |
| Interest Revenue | | 1.340 |

(6) The second rise in interest rates reduces the fair value of the Note Receivable by \$382 [\$13,346 - (\$26,802 - \$13,074)], and a second "Loss on Decline in Fair Value of Note Receivable" is recognized on the income statement.

| Loss on Decline in Fair Value of Note Receivable | 382 | |
|--|-----|-----|
| Note Receivable | | 382 |

(7) Alfa Romeo receives the final annual payment of (\$14,414), increasing cash, and recognizes interest revenue of \$1,068 ($0.08 \times \$13,346$). The difference of \$13,346 (\$14,414 - \$1,068) adjusts downward the value of the Note Receivable to \$0.

| Cash | 14,414 | |
|------------------|--------|--------|
| Note Receivable | | 13,346 |
| Interest Revenue | | 1.068 |

- c. Total expenses over sufficiently long time periods equal cash inflows minus cash outflows, other than cash transactions with owners. The \$18,242 balance in retained earnings equals the cash inflows of \$48,242 (\$5,000 + \$14,414 + \$14,414) minus cash outflows of \$30,000 for the cost of the automobile.
- d. In Part a, the balance sheet suffers at the end of 2017 and 2018 because the note receivable is overvalued. The overvaluation is due to the market interest rate that Alfa Romeo *ought* to be realizing on the note being higher than what the company is actually realizing. Thus, the note is worth less than its adjusted acquisition cost (that is, the initial present value minus payments). In Part b, however, the fair valuation of the note receivable on the balance sheet results in volatility of the "loss" and "interest revenue" line items, reflecting the fair value adjustments.

2.16 Deferred Tax Assets.

a. Biosante Pharmaceuticals discloses that the amount of the net operating loss carryforwards at the end of 2008 is \$62,542,000. This amount reflects the accumulated total of taxable losses (as opposed to taxable income) that Biosante has reported on its tax returns (possibly offset by taxable income, but this seems

unlikely). In future years, Biosante could offset up to \$62,542,000 of taxable income with the tax loss carryforwards, for which the company did not receive any tax benefit at the time they were reported. The amount of the deferred tax asset for these net operating loss carryforwards is \$23,609,594. This is the income tax "shield" available due to the \$62,542,000 tax loss carryforwards. The link between these two amounts is that the deferred tax asset represents the tax effect of the tax loss carryforwards. Generally, this text uses 35–40% as the tax effect of income and deductions. You can back into the rate that was assumed by Biosante. \$23,609,594/\$62,542,000 = 37.75%. Intuitively, for each dollar of taxable income the company might report in the future (up to \$62,542,000), it would be able to save \$0.3775 in tax because it would offset that dollar of taxable income with a dollar of its tax loss carryforwards.

- b. The company has recorded a valuation allowance for the deferred tax asset equal to the entire amount of the deferred tax asset. This means that the company believes that it is "more likely than not" going to use its deferred tax assets before they expire. This implies that management is not optimistic about the company's ability to generate future taxable income.
- c. The increase in the valuation allowance was achieved by the following entry:

| Income Tax Expense (28,946,363 – 21,818,084) | |
|--|-----------|
| Valuation Allowance | 7,128,279 |

The income tax expense entry decreased net income; the valuation allowance entry decreased the deferred tax asset. However, note that the change in the valuation allowance exactly equals the increase in the deferred tax assets. This increase in deferred tax assets would have been achieved via a cumulative adjustment to the financial statements for the individual deferred tax assets, symbolically represented as follows:

| Deferred Tax Asset (28,946,363 – 21,818,084)7,128,279 | |
|---|-----------|
| Income Tax Expense | 7,128,279 |

As a result of the buildup of the deferred tax assets but the full reserve for this buildup, there was no impact on net income for fiscal 2008. Indeed, the company's tax provision disclosed in the footnotes is as follows:

| Taxes at U.S. Federal Statutory Rate | \$(6,030,952) |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|
| State Taxes, Net of Federal Benefit | (568,133) |
| Research and Development Credits | (526,196) |
| Other, Net | (2,998) |
| Change in Valuation Allowance | 7,128,279 |
| Income Tax Expense | \$ 0 |

2.17 Interpreting Income Tax Disclosures.

- a. ABC's income before income taxes for financial reporting exceeded taxable income because the net deferred tax liability increased between the end of 2013 and the end of 2014. Also note that total income tax expense exceeds income taxes currently payable, so ABC deferred some tax payments to later years.
- b. Income before income taxes for financial reporting exceeded taxable income because the net deferred tax liability increased between the end of 2013 and the end of 2014. In addition, total income tax expense exceeded income taxes currently payable.
- c. The deferral of tax payments in 2013 and 2014 results in an addition to net income of \$208 million and \$94 million, respectively, when cash flow from operations is computed. ABC did not pay as much income taxes as the subtraction for income tax expense in the income statement would suggest.
- d. ABC recognizes insurance expense earlier for financial reporting than for tax reporting, giving rise to a deferred tax asset for the future savings in income taxes when actual losses materialize. The decline in the deferred tax asset for self-insured benefits between the end of 2012 and the end of 2013 indicates that ABC paid out more in actual claims during 2013 than it recognized as an expense. The increase in the deferred tax asset for self-insured benefits between the end of 2013 and the end of 2014 indicates that ABC recognized more expense than it paid in actual claims during 2014.
- e. ABC recognizes these costs as expenses earlier for financial reporting than for tax reporting, giving rise to a deferred tax asset for the future income taxes savings when it sells the inventory items. The decline in the deferred tax assets for inventory between the end of 2012 and the end of 2013 suggests that inventories declined during 2013, resulting in a larger expense for tax reporting than for financial reporting. The increase in the deferred tax assets for inventory between the end of 2013 and the end of 2014 suggests that inventories increased during 2014.
- f. The deferred tax asset related to the health care obligation indicates that ABC has recognized more expenses cumulatively for financial reporting than for payments made to the health care plan. The slight increase in the deferred tax assets for postretirement health care between the end of 2012 and the end of 2013 indicates that ABC grew the number of employees, improved health care benefits, or experienced increased health care costs during 2013. The decrease in the deferred tax assets for postretirement health care between the end of 2013 and the end of 2014 suggests a decline in the number of employees, lower health care benefits, or lower health care costs. The deferred tax liability related to pension indicates that ABC has contributed larger amounts cumulatively to its pension fund than it has recognized as expenses for financial reporting. The

- growing amounts over time suggest that ABC has consistently grown the number of its employees or their retirement benefits each year.
- g. The deferred tax asset related to uncollectible accounts indicates that ABC recognizes losses for uncollectibles earlier for financial reporting than for tax reporting. The deferred tax asset indicates the future savings in income taxes the firm will realize when it writes off actual uncollectible accounts. The increasing amount for this deferred tax asset is consistent with growth in sales.
- h. The deferred tax liability indicates that ABC recognizes depreciation earlier for tax reporting than for financial reporting. The increasing amounts for this deferred tax liability suggest that ABC increased its capital expenditures each year and therefore had more depreciable assets in the early years of their lives, when accelerated depreciation exceeds straight-line depreciation, than it has depreciable assets in the later years of their lives, when straight-line depreciation exceeds accelerated depreciation.

2.18 Interpreting Income Tax Disclosures.

- a. In 2008, the deferred income tax provision is positive, whereas in 2007, it is negative. This shows that income before taxes exceeded taxable income in 2008, but the reverse was true for 2007.
- b. During 2008, the deferred tax liability increased from \$110 million to \$495 million. Because this increase was associated with a deferred income tax provision of \$385 million but no associated tax payment for this amount was made, this increase will appear on the statement of cash flows as a positive adjustment to net income. In 2007, the opposite is true, although the 2006 balance sheet amount of deferred tax liabilities in the footnote disclosure is not available. However, it is not needed because the components of the provision are such that the deferred provision was negative, indicating that the company reported higher taxable income in 2007 than income before taxes.
- c. The premiums collected from customers go immediately into taxable income, but they do not get reported as financial income until ratably over the period in which customers have purchased legal insurance. Thus, PPD has paid taxes on these amounts although they have not been reported as financial reporting income. In the future, when PPD recognizes the revenue currently deferred, financial reporting income will increase for these amounts; however, there will be no associated taxable income for these amounts. As a consequence, the taxes already paid on the amounts deferred represent an asset of PPD, and they are categorized appropriately as deferred tax assets on the balance sheet.
- d. The explanation for why the deferred tax effect of deferred costs shows up as a liability is complementary to the explanation for deferred revenues in Part c above. When PPD pays costs for acquiring customers, they are able to deduct

these amounts. However, when these amounts are subsequently reported as expenses for financial reporting purposes, income before taxes are reduced, yet there is no associated deduction for tax reporting purposes; thus, taxable income will be higher than income before taxes. Accordingly, these amounts represent a future tax liability and are categorized as deferred tax liabilities.

- e. Accelerated depreciation deductions, all else equal, reduce current taxable income and taxes payable. However, because total tax depreciation and financial reporting depreciation will equal over the life of an asset, in future years when straight-line depreciation exceeds accelerated depreciation, PPD will show higher taxable income relative to financial reporting income. Accordingly, the excess depreciation deductions already reported are associated with a deferred tax liability.
- f. Although the limited income tax footnote disclosures can provide only limited insight into the overall reported growth and profitability (because there are many other aspects of reported profitability than are revealed in the footnote), certain items are suggestive. For example, a buildup in deferred tax liabilities for property and equipment suggests that a company is continuing to make investments in property and equipment, which generally occurs when managers are bullish on future prospects. Similarly, a buildup in the deferred tax asset for deferred revenues would indicate that the company is generating growth in sales. For PPD, the deferred tax liability for property and equipment grew, but the deferred tax asset for deferred revenue fell in 2008. Thus, these signals are mixed. The greatest difficulty posed by deducing growth and profitability from the income tax footnote for PPD is that a large component of the deferred tax effects on its balance sheet reflects the mix of cash versus accrual mix of the business. If PPD realizes an increase in the frequency of customers paying in advance with cash relative to paying ratably, this could accompany an increase, a decrease, or a flat pattern in sales. However, the income tax footnote is frequently useful for quickly identifying accrual accounting differences from cash flows. A quick glance at PPD's tax footnote reveals that it (i) defers costs of acquiring new customers and (ii) defers revenues. Given judgment often required in such deferrals, analysts can use the tax footnote as a quick way to identify possible accounting quality issues.

2.19 Interpreting Income Tax Disclosures.

- a. Nike's income before income taxes (also referred to as book income) exceeded taxable income for 2007 because total income tax expense exceeded income taxes currently payable (that is, \$708.4 million income tax expense versus \$674.1 currently payable).
- b. Opposite 2007, the taxable income for 2008 was higher than income before taxes, made clear by the fact that income tax expense is approximately \$300 million less than income taxes currently payable (\$619.5 million versus \$920.1

million). In addition, during 2008, Nike switched from a net deferred tax liability position to a net deferred tax asset position, consistent with the company paying a substantial sum for taxes relative to amounts currently expensed.

- c. The adjustment to net income to compute cash flow from operations will be a subtraction because the cash payment is larger than income tax expense.
- d. Nike recognizes an estimated expense or revenue reduction earlier for financial reporting than for tax reporting. The delayed reduction in taxable income gives rise to the payment of taxes in early years and a reduction in taxes in later years, resulting in a deferred tax asset in between. The increasing deferred tax assets for both sales returns and allowance for doubtful accounts indicate that Nike's sales grew each year (assuming a level mix of returns and allowances and doubtful accounts estimates).
- e. Nike recognizes deferred compensation expense earlier for financial reporting than for tax reporting, giving rise to a future tax benefit that the firm will realize when it actually pays out cash to employees in later years. The increase in the deferred tax asset for deferred compensation suggests that Nike increase the number of employees or the deferred compensation benefits.
- f. The amount of the deferred tax asset for foreign loss carryforwards increased significantly each year, suggesting that some foreign units continued to operate at a net loss. Normally, an increase in such deferred tax assets would be expected to trigger an increase in the valuation allowance as well. However, the valuation allowance decreased slightly from 2007 to 2008. This indicates Nike's greater confidence that there is a reduced probability of not being able to realize the benefits of these tax loss carryforwards, perhaps due to better prospects of future profits that can be offset by tax loss carryforwards for tax reporting purposes.
- g. Apparently, when Nike acquired Umbro, it was able to deduct a large number of these amounts currently, although for financial reporting, the company is required to recognize intangible assets. The result is that Nike faces a deferred tax liability for the amounts currently residing on the balance sheet as "expenses waiting to happen.
- h. Nike recognizes foreign-source income earlier for financial reporting than for tax reporting, thereby delaying the payment of taxes and creating a deferred tax liability in the meantime.
- i. Some of Nike's foreign units operate at a net loss, giving rise to a deferred tax asset, while other units operate at a net profit, giving rise to a deferred tax liability.

2.20 Analyzing Transactions.

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|---------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|---------|---|---------------------|---------------|---------------------|------------------|
| Asse | ts | = Liabilitie | es | + <u>cc</u> | Shareholde AOC | | RE | |
| Cash | +50,000 |) | | Common Stock and Paid-in- Capital | +50,000 | | | |
| | | | | | | 50,000 | 50,000 | |
| b. | | | | | | | | |
| Asse | ts | = Liabilitie | es + | + | Shareholder | | | |
| Building Cash | +35,000 | | +30,000 | cc | AOCI | | RE | |
| | Cas | sh | | | | 35,000 | 5,000 30,000 | |
| c. | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | Shareholde | ers' Equity | | |
| Inventory | +40,000 | Accounts Payable | +40,000 | + <u>cc</u> | AOC | | RE | |
| | | - | | | | 40,000 | 40,000 | |
| d. | | | | | | | | |
| Asse | ts | = Liabilitie | s + | + cc | Shareholder AOCI | s' Equity | RE | |
| Accounts Receivabl Inventory | e +65,000 (30,000) | | | | 7001 | Sales Cost | | +65,000 (30,000) |
| | | ınts Receivable | | | | 65,000 | 65,000 | |
| | | | | | | 30,000 | 30,000 | |
| e. | | | | | | | | |
| Asse | ts | = Liabilitie | es f | + | Shareholder | | | |
| Case | (15,000) | | | cc | AOCI | Com | pensation xpense | (15,000) |
| | - | - | | | | 15,000 | 15,000 | |

f.

| Assets | = Liabilities + — | Shareholders' Equity | | | | |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------|--|
| - | | CC | AOCI | | RE | |
| Case Accounts Receivable | +45,000 (45,000) | | | | | |
| | Cash | | | 45,000 | | |
| | Accounts Receivable | | | 45,000 | 45 000 | |
| | Accounts Receivable | | | | 45,000 | |
| g. | | | | | | |
| Assets | = Liabilities + — | | Shareholders | ' Equity | | |
| Case | (28,000) Accounts Payable (28,000) | СС | AOCI | | RE | |
| Case | (20,000) Accounts 1 ayable (20,000) | | | | | |
| | Accounts Payable | | | 28,000 | | |
| | Cash | | | _0,000 | 28,000 | |
| | Cusii | ••••• | ••••• | | 20,000 | |
| h. | | | | | | |
| Assets | = Liabilities + | | Shareholders' Eq | uity | | |
| rumulated | | CC | AOCI | Depreciation | RE | |
| | (7,000) | | | Expense | (7,000 | |
| | Depreciation Expense | | | 7,000 | | |
| | Accumulated Depreciation | | | ., | 7,000 | |
| i. | | | | | | |
| | | | Shareholders' Eq | uity | | |
| Assets | = Liabilities + | CC | AOCI | - | RE | |
| | Wages Payable +4,000 | | | Compensation Expense | on (4,000 | |
| | Huges Luyuble 1,,000 | | | Expense | (1,000 | |
| | Compensation Expense | | | 4,000 | | |
| | Wages Payable | | | 4,000 | 4,000 | |
| | | | | | 7,000 | |
| | wages rayable | | | | | |
| j. | wages I ayabic | | | | | |
| | | | Shareholders' Eq | uity | | |
| Assets | = Liabilities + —— | cc | | _ | RE | |
| Assets | | | Shareholders' Eq | uity Interest Exp | | |
| Assets | = Liabilities + —— | cc | Shareholders' Eq AOCI | _ | | |

k.

| Assets | _ | Liabilities | + | | Shareholders' Equity | | |
|--------|----------|------------------------|----------|----|----------------------|------------|--------|
| ASSELS | <u>-</u> | | | CC | AOCI | | RE |
| 1 | | Deferred Tax | 300 | | | Income Tax | |
| sh | (1,440) | Liability +1,2 | 200 | | | Expense | (2,64 |
| | Incom | e Tax Expense | | | 2, | 640 | |
| | Cas | h | | | | | 1,440 |
| | Def | erred Tax Liabi | lity | | | | 1,200 |
| | Sales | | | | | \$ | 65,000 |
| | Cost | of Goods Sold | | | | | 30,000 |
| | | | | | | | 15,000 |
| | • | • | | | | | 4,000 |
| | Depre | ciation <i>Expense</i> | 2 | | | | 7,000 |
| | - | - | | | | | 2,400 |
| | | | | | | | 6,600 |
| | | | | | | × | 40% |
| | | Income Tax Ex | kpense | | | <u>\$</u> | 2,640 |
| | Sales | | | | | \$ | 65,000 |
| | | | | | | | 30,000 |
| | Comp | ensation <i>Deduc</i> | tion | | | | 15,000 |
| | - | | | | | | 4,000 |
| | Depre | ciation <i>Deducti</i> | on | | | | 10,000 |
| | Intere | st Deduction | | | | | 2,400 |
| | | | | | | | 3,600 |
| | | | | | | × | 40% |
| | | Current Taxes | Payable. | | | <u>\$</u> | 1,440 |
| | \$1,20 | 0 = \$2,640 - \$1 | ,440 | | | | |

2.21 Analyzing Transactions.

(1) The answer to this part is based on rules in effect for financial statements for years beginning before December 15, 2017. After that date, the available-forsale category which requires OCI treatment will no longer exist, and gains and losses will appear on the income statement.

a.

| A | te = | Liabilities + | | Shareholders' Equity | |
|-------------------|------------|---------------------|----|----------------------|---------|
| Asset | | Liabilities + | CC | AOCI | RE |
| Marketable Equity | | | | | |
| Securities | +100,000 | | | | |
| Case | (100,000) | | | | |
| | | | | | |
| | Marketable | e Equity Securities | | 100,00 | 0 |
| | C1- | | | | 100,000 |

| Assets | = | Liabilities | + | | Shareholders' Equi | - | |
|---------------------------------|------------|----------------|-------------|--------|--|--|---------|
| | | Liabilities | ' | CC | AOCI | RE | |
| Marketable Equity Securities | (10,000) | | | | Unrealized Holding Gain or Loss–OCI | (10,000) | |
| | | | | | | | |
| | Unrealized | Holding Gair | or Loss– | -OCI | 10 | 0,000 | |
| | | ble Equity Se | | | | 10,000 | |
| | | | | | | | |
| c. | | | | | | | |
| Assets | = | Liabilities | + | | Shareholders' Equ | - | |
| | | | | СС | AOCI | RE | |
| Deferred Tax Asset | +4,000 | | | | Unrealized Holding Gain or Loss–OCI | +4,000 | |
| Deterred Tax Asset | 14,000 | | | | Gain of Loss-OCI | 14,000 | |
| | D 0 17 | | | | | | |
| | | ax Asset | | | | 1,000 | |
| | Unrealiz | zed Holding G | ain or Los | ss—OCI | | 4,000 | |
| | | | | | | | |
| d. | | | | | | | |
| Assets | = | Liabilities | + | | Shareholders' Equi | ity | |
| 7.00010 | | Liabilitioo | | CC | AOCI | RE | |
| Cash | +94,000 | | | | Unrealized Holding | Loss on Marketable 0,000 Equity Securities | (6,000) |
| Marketable Equity | 774,000 | | | | Guill of Loss Moel +1 | 0,000 Equity Securities | (0,000) |
| Securities | (90,000) | | | | | | |
| | Cash | | | | 94 | 1,000 | |
| | | arketable Equi | | | | 5,000 | |
| | | - | - | | | , | |
| | | zed Holding G | | | | 10,000 | |
| | Marketa | ible Equity Se | curities | | | 90,000 | |
| e. | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | Shareholders' Eq | uitv | |
| Assets | = | Liabilities | + | СС | AOCI | RE | |
| Cash | +2,400 | | | | Unrealized Holding | Income Tax | |
| Deferred Tax Asset | (4,000) | | | | Gain or Loss–AOCI + | -4,000 Expense | +2,400 |
| | Unrealized | Holding Gair | or Loss— | -AOCI | Δ | 000 | |
| | | _ | | | | 400 | |
| | | 1.T. A. | | | , | | |
| | | d Tax Asset | | | | 4,000 | |
| | Income | Tax Expense. | | | | 2,400 | |

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(2) a.

| Assets | = Liabilities + — | | + | | Shareholder | | | |
|---|-------------------|-----------------------|----------|---|---|-----------|----------------|-----------|
| | 1500.000 | | | СС | AOCI | 0.1 | RE | 1500.000 |
| Accounts Receivable | +500,000 | | | | | Sale | S | +500,000 |
| | A aggregate I | Receivable | | | | 500 000 | | |
| | | | | | | 500,000 | 500 000 | |
| | Sales | | | | | | 500,000 | |
| _ | | | | | | | | |
| b. | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | Shareholders | s' Equity | | |
| Assets | = | Liabilities | _ + | CC | AOCI | | RE | |
| Inventory | (400,000) | | | | | Cost | of Goods Sold | (400,000) |
| | | | | | | | | |
| | Cost of Go | ods Sold | | | | 400,000 | | |
| | Invento | ry | | | | | 400,000 | |
| | | - 5 | | | | | , | |
| c. | | | | | | | | |
| ι. | | | | | | | | |
| Assets | = | Liabilities | + | | Shareholders | Equity | | |
| | | | | СС | AOCI | | RE | |
| Allowance for Uncollectible Accounts | (10,000) | | | | | Rad F | Oebt Expense | (10,000) |
| Shedheddie Accounts | (10,000) | | | | | Dau | . Cot Expense | (10,000) |
| | Rad Daht I | Expense | | | | 10,000 | | |
| | | 1 | | | | 10,000 | 10.000 | |
| | Allowai | nce for Uncolle | ctible A | ccounts | | | 10,000 | |
| | | | | | | | | |
| d. | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | Shareholders' | Fauity | | |
| Assets | = | Liabilities | + | СС | AOCI | Lquity | RE | |
| | Wa | rranty Reserve +20,00 | 0 | | | Warra | inty Expense | (20,000) |
| | | | | | | | | |
| | Warranty I | Expense | | | | 20,000 | | |
| | - | ty Reserve | | | | , | 20,000 | |
| | vv arram | ty ICSCIVE | | • | • | | 20,000 | |
| • | | | | | | | | |
| e. | | | | | | | | |
| Assets | = | Liabilities | | | Shareholders' | Equity | | |
| | | Liabilities | _ ' | CC | AOCI | | RE | |
| Accounts Receivable | (3,000) | | | | | | | |
| Allowance for Uncollectible Accounts | +3 000 | | | | | | | |
| Onconcendic Accounts | 13,000 | | | | | | | |
| | A lloxyonaa | for Uncollectib | 10 1 000 | umta | | 3,000 | | |
| | | | | | | 3,000 | 2 000 | |
| | Accoun | ts Receivable | | | | | 3,000 | |
| | | | | | | | | |
| f. | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | Shareholders' | Fauity | | |
| Assets | = | Liabilities | + | СС | AOCI | =quity | RE | |
| Cash | (8,000) Wa | rranty Reserve (8,00 | 0) | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | |
| | Warranty I | Reserve | | | | 8,000 | | |
| | 2 | | | | | 2,000 | 8,000 | |
| | Casii | ••••• | | | | | 0,000 | |
| | | | | | | | | |

g.

| Assets | = | Liabilities | + | Shareholders' Equity | | | | |
|----------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------------|----------|--|--|
| | | Liabilities | cc | AOCI | RE | (20,000) | | |
| Cash Deferred Tax Asset | (35,600) +7,600 | | | | Income Tax Expense | (28,000) | | |
| | | | | | 28,000 | | | |
| | Deferred | l Tax Asset | | | 7,000 | | | |
| | Cash. | | | | 35,600 | | | |
| \$35,600 | $= 0.40 \times$ | (\$500,000 - \$400 | 0,000 - \$3,000 - \$8 | ,000) | | | | |
| \$7,600 = | $= 0.40 \times (9)$ | \$10,000 + \$20,00 | 00 - \$3,000 - \$8,000 | 0) | | | | |
| (3) |) | | | | | | | |
| a. | _ | Liabilitiaa | | Shareholders' Ed | uity | | | |
| Assets | = | Liabilities | Ť CC | AOCI | RE | | | |
| Bonds Investment Cash | +68,058 (68,058) | | | | | | | |
| | Bond Inv | vestment | | 6 | 58,058 | | | |
| | Cash. | | | | 68,058 | | | |
| b. | | | | | | | | |
| Assets | = | Liabilities | + | Shareholders' E | | | | |
| | +5,445 | | сс | AOCI | RE Interest Revenue | +5,445 | | |
| Sonds Investment | +5,445 | | | | interest Revenue | +5,44. | | |
| | Bond Inv | vestment | | | 5,445 | | | |
| | Cash. | | | | 5,445 | | | |
| \$5,445 = | = 0.08 × \$6 | 68,058 | | | | | | |
| c. | | | | | | | | |
| | _ | Liebilities | | Shareholders' Ed | uity | | | |
| A | = | Liabilities | + cc | AOCI | RE | | | |
| Assets | | | | | | | | |
| Assets | (2,178) | | | | Income Tax Expense | (2,178 | | |
| | (2,178) | Tax Expense | | | • | (2,178 | | |
| | (2,178) | | | | Income Tax Expense 2,178 2,178 | (2,178 | | |

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d.

| Assets | = | Liabilities | + Shareholders' Equity | | | | | |
|-------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|------|--|--|
| | . 5 000 | Liabilitio | СС | AOCI | | | | |
| sond Investment | +5,880 | | | | Interest Revenue | +5, | | |
| | Bond Inve | stment | | 5 | ,880 | | | |
| | | Revenue | | | 5,880 | | | |
| | micresi | Revenue | ••••• | | 3,880 | | | |
| \$5,880 = | = 0.08 × \$73 | 3,503 | | | | | | |
| e. | | | | | | | | |
| Assets | = | Liabilities | Shareholders' Equity | | | | | |
| | | Liabilities | CC | AOCI | RE | (2.2 | | |
| Cash | +2,352 | | | | Income Tax Expense | (2,3 | | |
| | Income To | y Evnanga | | 2 | 252 | | | |
| | | ıx Expense | | | ,352 | | | |
| | Cash | | | | 2,352 | | | |
| c | | | | | | | | |
| f. | | | | | | | | |
| Assets | = | Liabilities + | CC | Shareholders' Equity AOCI | RE | _ | | |
| ash | +83,683 | | | | Gain on Sale of Bonds +4,300 | - | | |
| eferred Tax Asset | (79,383) ^c | | | | | | | |
| | Cash | | | 8 | 3,683 | | | |
| | | nvestment | | | · · | | | |
| | | | | | 79,383 | | | |
| | Gain or | Sale of Bonds | | | 4,300 | | | |
| \$79,383 | = \$68,058 | + \$5,445 + \$5,88 | 0 | | | | | |
| g. | | | | | | | | |
| Assets | = | Liabilities + | | Shareholders' Equity | | _ | | |
| Assets | | Liabilities | CC | AOCI | RE (1.720) | _ | | |
| 1 | (1,720) | | | | Income Tax Expense (1,720) |) | | |
| ash | | | | | | | | |
| ash | | | | | | | | |
| ash | Income Ta | ax Expense | | 1 | ,720 | | | |

Integrative Case 2.1: Walmart

- a. Book income before income taxes was smaller than taxable income for fiscal 2015 because total income tax expense (\$6,558 million) was smaller than the current tax provision (\$7,584 million). Another way to respond is simply to note that deferred tax expense was less than zero (a tax benefit), indicating that the company had larger expenses on the books (smaller book income) than deductions on the tax return. The company deferred tax deductions to the future (causing a higher current taxable income).
- b. Walmart will report a subtraction from net income when computing cash flow from operations in fiscal 2015 because it paid a smaller amount of income taxes relative to the amount reported as income tax expense in the income statement. This is illustrated by the following journal entry (assume all current taxes have been paid in cash; amounts in millions):

Income tax expense 6,558 Deferred taxes 1,026

Cash 7,584

Net income is computed by subtracting \$6,558 million income tax expense from pretax income. If we did not subtract \$1,026 million in the statement of cash flows, we would be overstating net cash inflows from operations because more than \$6,558 million was paid out. (Side note: If some cash was not paid out, then income taxes payable would increase and would be added back to obtain cash flow from operations along with any other working capital liability that increased; e.g., accounts payable.)

- c. When Walmart collects cash from customers who purchase gift cards and pay the Sam's Club membership fee, the company must report these amounts as taxable income immediately. Revenue from gift cards is not recognized in financial reporting income until they are tendered at stores (or deemed to have been lost). Sam's Club fees are not recognized as revenue until time passes. The company pays taxes on these amounts up front, which results in a deferred tax asset. When Walmart actually recognizes the revenue in book income, there will be no corresponding taxable income recognized in that year's tax filings, so taxes owed will be less than tax expense on the income statement.
- d. The valuation allowance reduces deferred tax assets to their realizable amounts. Walmart has deferred tax assets (some of them probably from loss carryforwards and some not) in certain foreign jurisdictions. The valuation allowance generally exists due to the uncertainty of their realization. Presumably, there are restrictions on the use of such net operating losses to offset future taxes, so Walmart's management has determined that a portion of such deferred tax assets is "more likely than not" going to be utilized. When the valuation allowance goes down, income tax expense goes down and net income goes up.

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e. Depreciation recognized each year and cumulatively for tax reporting exceeded depreciation recognized for financial reporting. Walmart likely has more depreciable assets in the later years of their depreciable lives when accelerated depreciation exceeds straight-line depreciation than it has depreciable assets in the earlier years of their lives when straight-line depreciation exceeds accelerated depreciation. The decreasing amount of deferred tax liabilities related to depreciation-related temporary differences suggests that Walmart has decreased its capital expenditures during fiscal 2015 as compared to fiscal 2014. In fact, examining its statement of cash flows, CAPEX declined in each period.