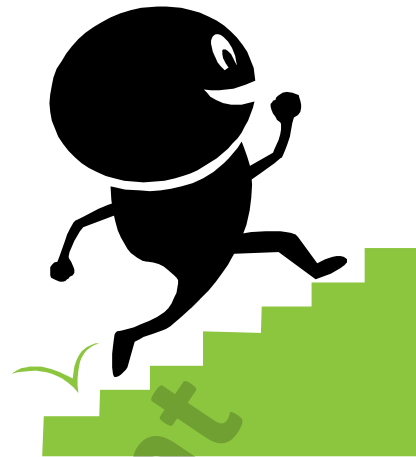


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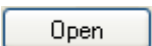

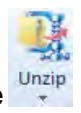


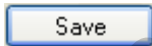
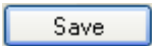
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8	Click on Open Folder which will display My Documents folder. Right click on the zipped exercise file and select Extract All. Click on Extract. A folder will be created containing the exercise files. You will need to double click on this folder to use the exercise files in this book.

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Introduction

It is important that you read the Introduction notes before commencing this book.

MYOB Versions

This book has been written to use with MYOB AccountRight Standard 2011.1. It is possible to use this book with other versions, eg version 19.5 but the appearance will be different and the location of some reports, eg Audit Trail etc. The MYOB web site at www.myob.co.nz contains information on the differences.

MYOB Test Drive or Student version

A free trial copy of MYOB AccountRight Standard 2011.1 is available from the MYOB web site at the following link:

<http://myob.co.nz/products/small-business/accounting-finance/accountright-standard-1257828259406>

Each company file can be used with the trial version for 30 days. As you proceed through this book all options will be available to you but you will not be able to change the end of year date in Section 6. You can, however, simply use the last day of the month for this section (dates on reports will be different) to practise those exercises.

Supplied Files

The following zipped folders are supplied with this book. The Download instructions at the beginning of the book will extract folders containing the relevant MYOB files to the My Documents folder or a folder specified by you. You will need to refer to Copying a File into the MYOB Library on page ix of this Introduction for instructions on how to copy these files.

Folder name	Where used	Purpose
OD-endSection3	Beginning of Section 4	Inventory and Accounts Payable
Stock.txt	Used in Section 4	Inventory items to import
OD-midSection4	Section 4, page 163	For entering transactions and doing reports
OD-endSection4	Beginning of Section 5	Accounts Receivable
OD-midSection5	Middle of Section 5	Prior to Back Orders
OD-endSection5	Beginning of Section 6	End of month, End of year
Home & Garden Supplies Ltd	Section 7, Additional Exercise 1	For entering transactions and doing reports
Training Plus Ltd	Section 7, Additional Exercise 2	For entering transactions and doing reports

Note

If you are learning from this book and do not wish to set up a company file from scratch, create some card files and add basic inventory you have the option of moving from the end of Section 2 to the beginning of Section 4 and opening the MYOB file called **Office Design Ltd** from the **OD-endSection3** folder. You can then enter customer and supplier details and inventory from the beginning of Section 4.

If you wish to use the company file *including* customer, supplier details and inventory you can move to Section 4, page 163 and open the MYOB file called **Office Design Ltd** from the **OD-midSection4** folder.

Similarly, in Section 7 the file called **Training Plus Ltd** can be used from the **Training Plus Ltd** folder.

Refer to page ix, Copying a File into the MYOB Library for specific instructions.

Layout of this book


This book is divided into eight sections as described below.

- Section 1** Basic accounting theory and reports and how MYOB is organised.
- Section 2** Looking at a sample company. Basic transactions and printing of reports.
In Section 3 a company is set up from scratch. If learners do not wish to do this they can move to Section 4 and use the MYOB file called Office Design Ltd from the OD-endSection3 folder.
- Section 3** Setting up an office furniture company called Office Design Ltd from scratch.
Altering Chart of Accounts.
Adding Customers and Suppliers to Card File.
- Section 4** Recording assets, adding inventory.
If you only wish to do transactions and reports from page 163 onwards, ie without setting up the company and entering all the relevant data, you can use the MYOB Office Design Ltd file from the OD-midSection4 folder.
Purchases and supplier payments.
- Section 5** Invoicing, processing back orders, restocking inventory, credit transactions and deposits.
- Section 6** End of month: Printing statements, reports, reconciling a bank statement.
End of year: Balance day adjustments, accruals, prepayments, bad and doubtful debts, and depreciation.
If you only wish to do transactions and reports from page 274 onwards in the Section 7 Additional Exercise 2 you can use the Training Plus Ltd file from the Training Plus Ltd folder.
- Section 7** Contains two additional exercises, ie an MYOB company file called Home & Garden Supplies Ltd is used for doing transactions and reports. In the second exercise you can *either* set up a new company from scratch *or* use the supplied MYOB file called Training Plus Ltd for doing transactions and reports.
- Section 8** Making changes in MYOB, Frequently Asked Questions, Glossary

Note The same company, Office Design Ltd is used in Sections 3-6. It is important to check every detail on every screen. Be patient at each stage as MYOB may take time to refresh/update.

Session Date

The following **must** be done at the beginning of Sections 2-6, part way through Section 5 and for the additional exercises in Section 7. You must do this **before** entering MYOB. If you forget, you will need to exit, change the date and then re-enter.

- 1 Move the mouse pointer to the time shown at the bottom right of your screen (The current time and date will be displayed).
- 2 Click on this icon then click on [Change date and time settings...](#)
- 3 Click on  [Change date and time..](#)
- 4 Change the day, month and year as indicated.
- 5 Click on OK twice.

Back Up

Backup files are stored in a location specified by you when you back up your first file.

You are requested to back up at the end of Sections 2-6 and part way through Section 5.

However, we strongly advise you to back up your files at more regular intervals so you can revert back to that point in the book if you make an error. When writing/editing this book we backed up using this system with naming the backup files as follows:

Section 4 – Page 101

A back up file is stored in a backup folder as shown below:

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The actual MYOB file, eg Office Design Ltd is stored in that folder as shown below:

Name	Type	Compressed size	Password ...	Size	Ratio
 Office Design Ltd	MYOX File	276 KB	No	3,604 KB	93%

Location of MYOB Files

On a standard installation of MYOB the MYOB files are stored in an MYOB library. The location of these files on a stand-alone computer is as follows:

C:\Users\Public\Public Documents\MYOB\My AccountRight Files



If you are on a network write the location of your MYOB AccountRight files in the space below.

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Note If you need to copy/restore the sample company, Clearwater Ltd this file is located in the My AccountRight Files\Samples\NZ\2011.1 folder.

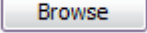
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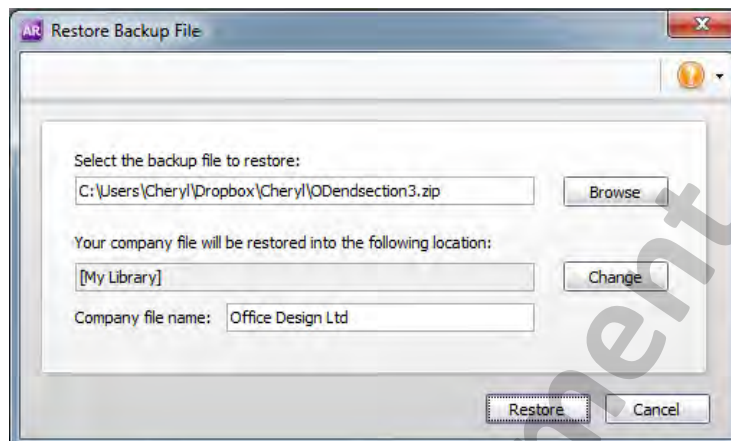
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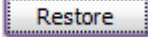
- 1 Go to the folder where the company files and mid/end section files supplied with this book (or your backup files) are located, usually My Documents.
- 2 Double click on the folder required, eg  Home & Garden Supplies Ltd which will display the MYOB file, eg  Home & Garden Supplies Ltd .
- 3 Right click on the MYOB file and select Copy.
- 4 Go to the MYOB Library location described above under the heading Location of MYOB Files.
- 5 (If you are using a mid/end section or backup file delete the MYOB file that is displayed with the same file name.)
- 6 Right click and select Paste to paste the MYOB file you are copying, into the MYOB library.
- 7 This will be the file that is now displayed in the Welcome to AccountRight Standard when you first enter MYOB. Simply click on it to open it OR click on Open and select the file.

Restoring a Backup File

The Restore option on the File menu or Restore a backup file in the Welcome to AccountRight Standard window can be used to restore a file that has been backed up. You must delete your current MYOB file, eg  Office Design Ltd from the MYOB Library first.

You would click on the  button and select the relevant zipped folder. The dialog box will then be displayed as shown below.



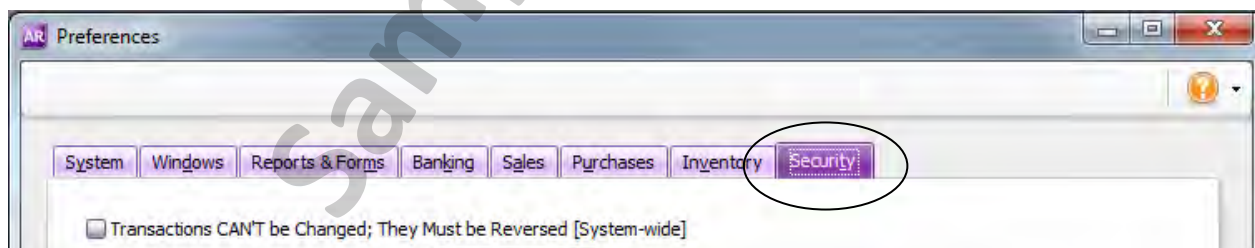
When you click on  the file will be restored to the MYOB Library location described on the previous page. MYOB will not replace an existing MYOB file with the same file name.

Transactions Changeable/Unchangeable



In MYOB you can specify whether you want transactions to be changeable or unchangeable. Although this is not good accounting practice, we recommend that you uncheck this option when learning MYOB. (This feature can be turned on/off at any time).

To do this ,click on Set Up on the menu bar, click on Preferences then click on the Security tab.

Remove the tick in the Transactions CAN'T be Changed; They Must be Reversed [System-wide] box as shown below.



Arrows next to transactions in MYOB (eg sales, purchases, payments etc) indicate if they are changeable or unchangeable as shown below:

-  Indicates that the transaction is changeable
-  Indicates that the transaction is unchangeable (and must be reversed if a change is needed).

Information on making changes in MYOB is included in Section 8 - please refer to this section if you make errors. You can also use the MYOB Help function.

Frequently asked questions (FAQs) and terminology are included in Section 8.

Sample Document

Learning Outcomes

At the end of this section you should be able to -

- ☐ Understand basic accounting concepts
- ☐ State some advantages of a computerised accounting system
- ☐ Identify the different MYOB Command Centres
- ☐ Define the purpose of a Chart of Accounts
- ☐ Identify when a journal entry is created
- ☐ Understand the different features in the MYOB Command Panel
- ☐ Recognise the main accounting reports
- ☐ State basic system requirements for a computerised accounting system
- ☐ Understand the need for training in MYOB and how MYOB handles data integrity and security

Accounting Concepts

Objectives

- To record and account for all transactions.
- To summarise transactions typically under the following headings.

Assets

Liabilities

Equity

Income

Expenses

Sales

Other Income

Cost of Sales

Other Expenses

Expenses (Overhead)

- To calculate the financial performance of a company over a specific period of time (called the Profit & Loss).
- To calculate the net worth of a business on a specific date (called the Balance Sheet).

Assets and Liabilities

An asset is an item of value to a business, eg cash, accounts receivable (ie money owing to the business), land, buildings etc.

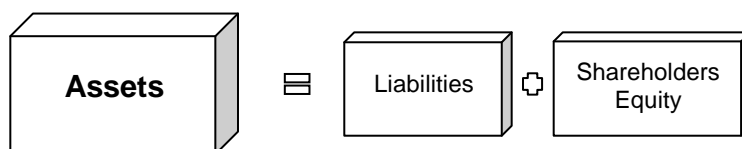
A liability is something that is owed by the business, eg accounts payable (ie money owing for purchases), bank loans, overdrafts etc.

Debits and Credits

In the double entry accounting system assets and costs (ie expenses) are entered as debits. Liabilities, gains and equity are entered as credits. The principles of double entry bookkeeping mean that -

every Debit has a corresponding Credit

The Accounting Equation can be represented as follows.



The Trial Balance shows all the debit and credit balances that have been posted to the General Ledger.

Computerised Accounting

There are many computerised accounting programs on the market today, varying considerably in price and functionality. MYOB has become a popular choice of accounting package for small to medium-sized businesses.

The Advantages of a Computerised Accounting Program

- When data is entered (eg invoice, purchase order, etc) the computer posts the transaction to the General Ledger (which is self-balancing) and updates it automatically. This creates efficiency in both time and accuracy.
- Inventory (ie stock) is updated automatically when sales and purchases are made.
- Sales and purchases transactions (ie debtors and creditors) can be analysed.
- Customer and supplier details can be recorded and updated.
- The following important accounting reports (and numerous others) can be displayed and printed at any time, making available up-to-the minute information with which to manage an organisation.
 - Aged Receivables and Aged Payables
 - General Ledger
 - Inventory Lists
 - Audit Trail (ie Journal Security Audit) and Session Report (ie Session Security Audit)
 - Trial Balance (which shows a list of debit and credit balances)
 - Profit & Loss Statement (which shows the performance of the company)
 - Balance Sheet (which is a statement of the financial position of the company).

These reports can be used for tax planning, and general analysis of an organisation's performance. In addition, they can be exported into a spreadsheet program (such as Excel), where they can be used to create cash flow forecasts and statements.

MYOB consists of seven "Command Centres" for the different areas of accounting, ie Accounts (General Ledger), Sales, Purchases, Inventory, Card File and Banking which are shown on the following pages.

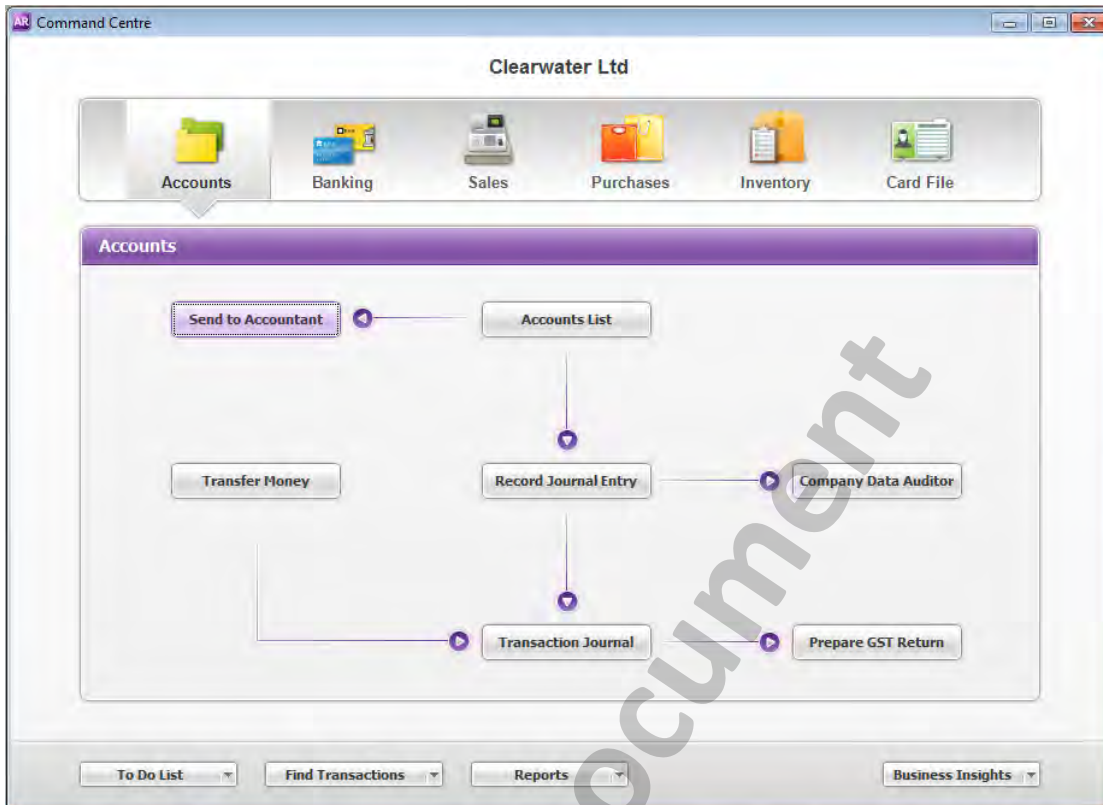
The "Accounts" (General Ledger) is the hub of the whole system and the following illustration shows the flow of transactions between the Command Centres.



MYOB Command Centres

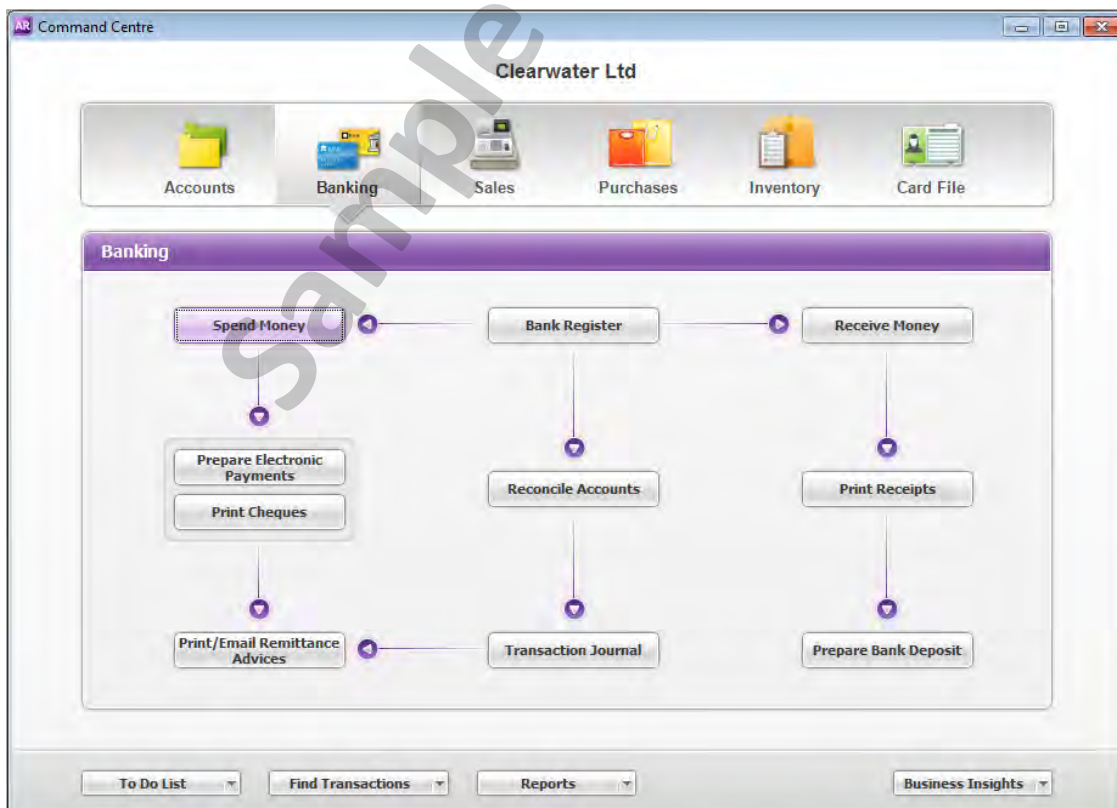
Accounts

(Account information processed - reports generated)



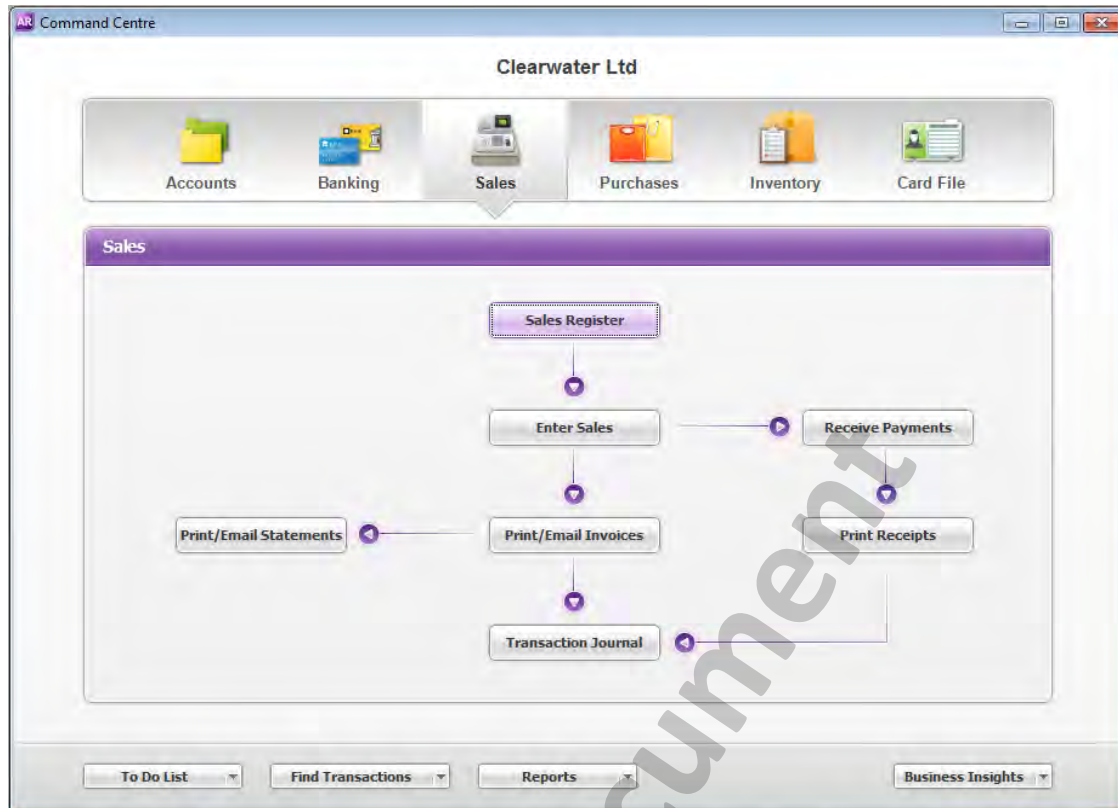
Banking

(Payments made and received)



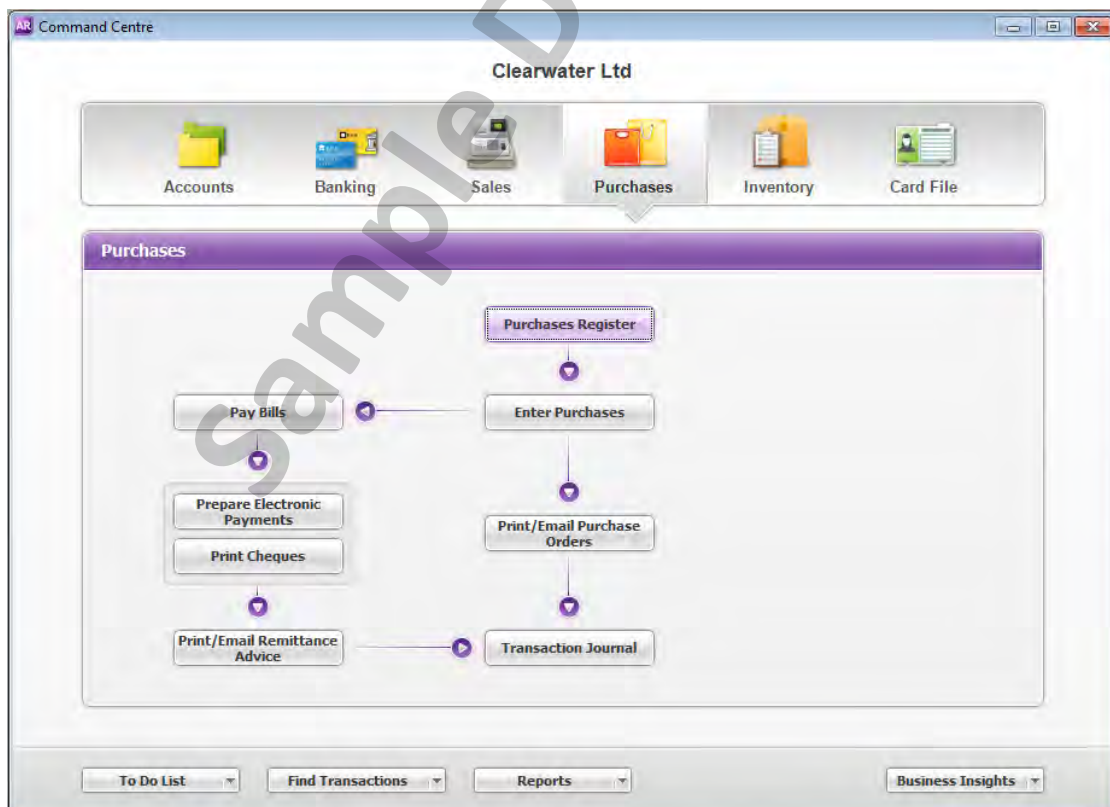
Sales

(Sales made to customers, ie invoices)



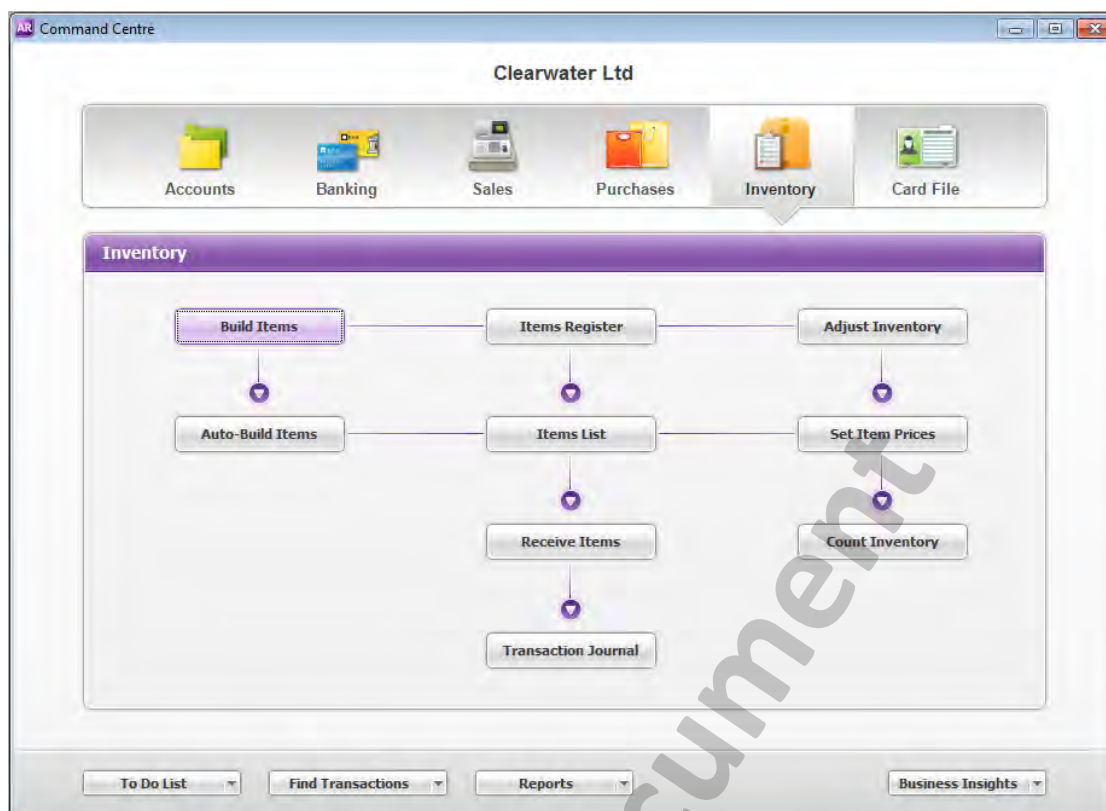
Purchases

(Purchases made from suppliers, ie purchase orders)



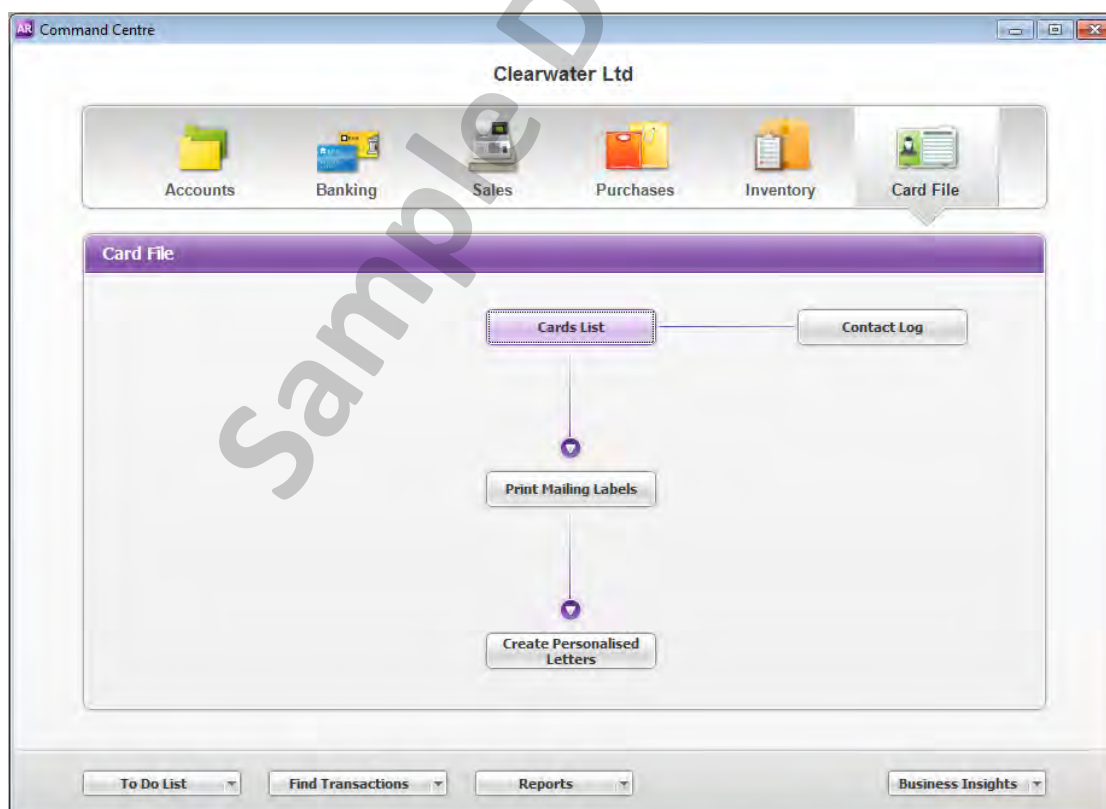
Inventory

(Sales and purchases transactions update stock)



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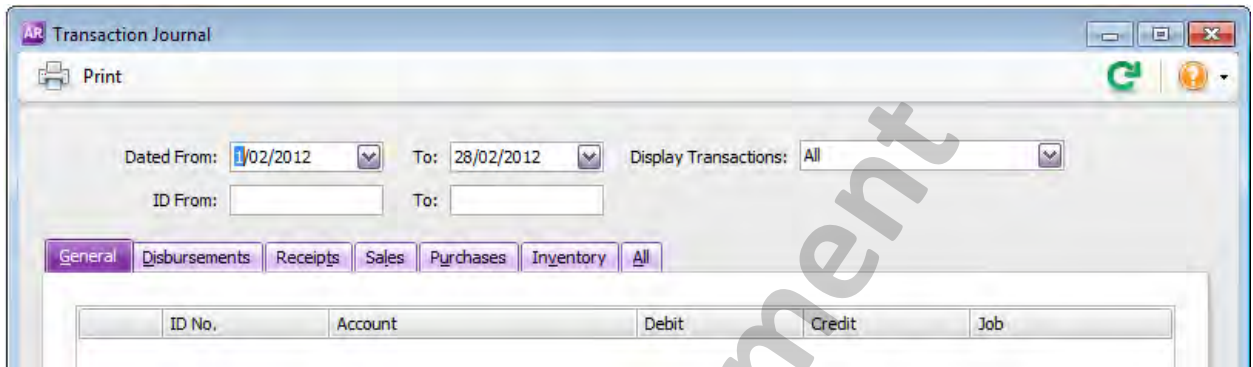
(Customer and supplier details)



The MYOB Process

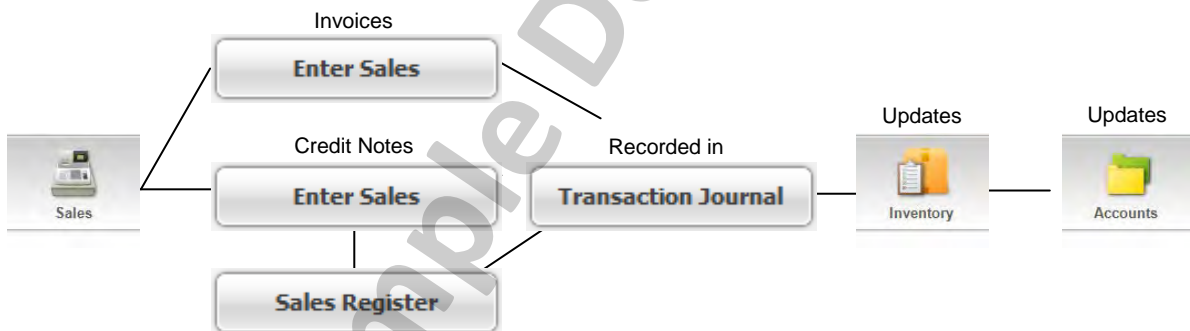
Transaction Journal

Sales, Purchases and Banking transactions are processed through the Transaction Journal. This is divided into sections which are displayed in the various Command Centres by way of the Transaction Journal buttons. When you click on the Transaction Journal button in any Command Centre the tabs at the top of the window will display the various journal sections. The All button displays all entries in MYOB.



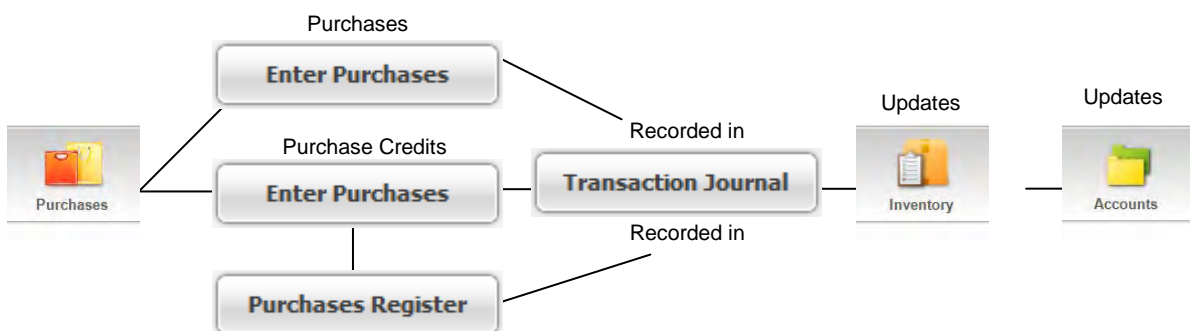
Sales (Accounts Receivable)

Sales transactions are processed as shown below.



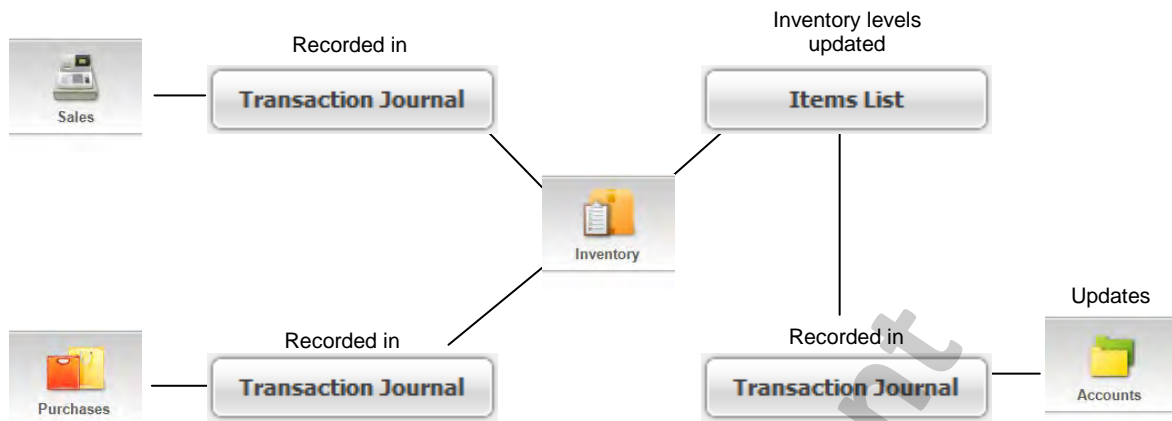
Purchases (Accounts Payable)

Purchase transactions are processed as shown below.



Inventory

When sales are made or goods purchased inventory (ie stock) is updated as shown below.



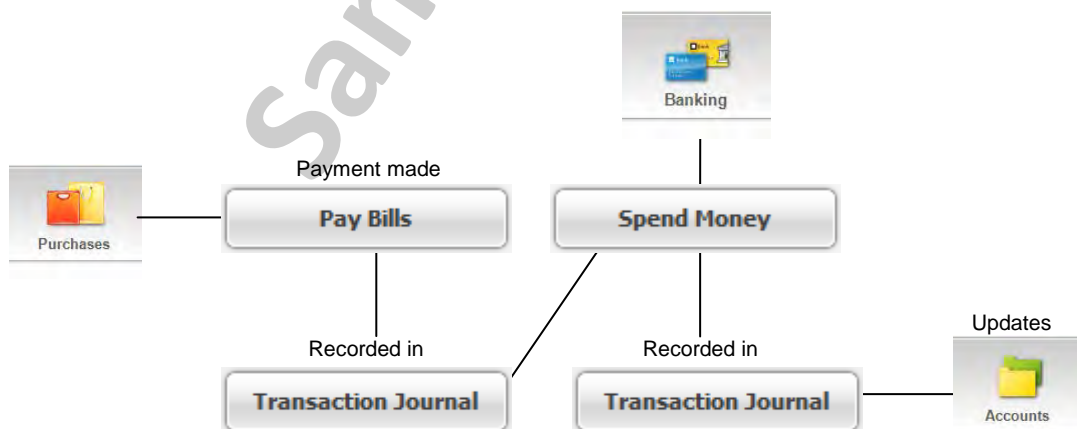
Customer Payments

Payments received for goods sold on invoice are processed as shown below.



Supplier Payments

Payments made by us for goods purchased on purchase order are processed as shown below.



GST

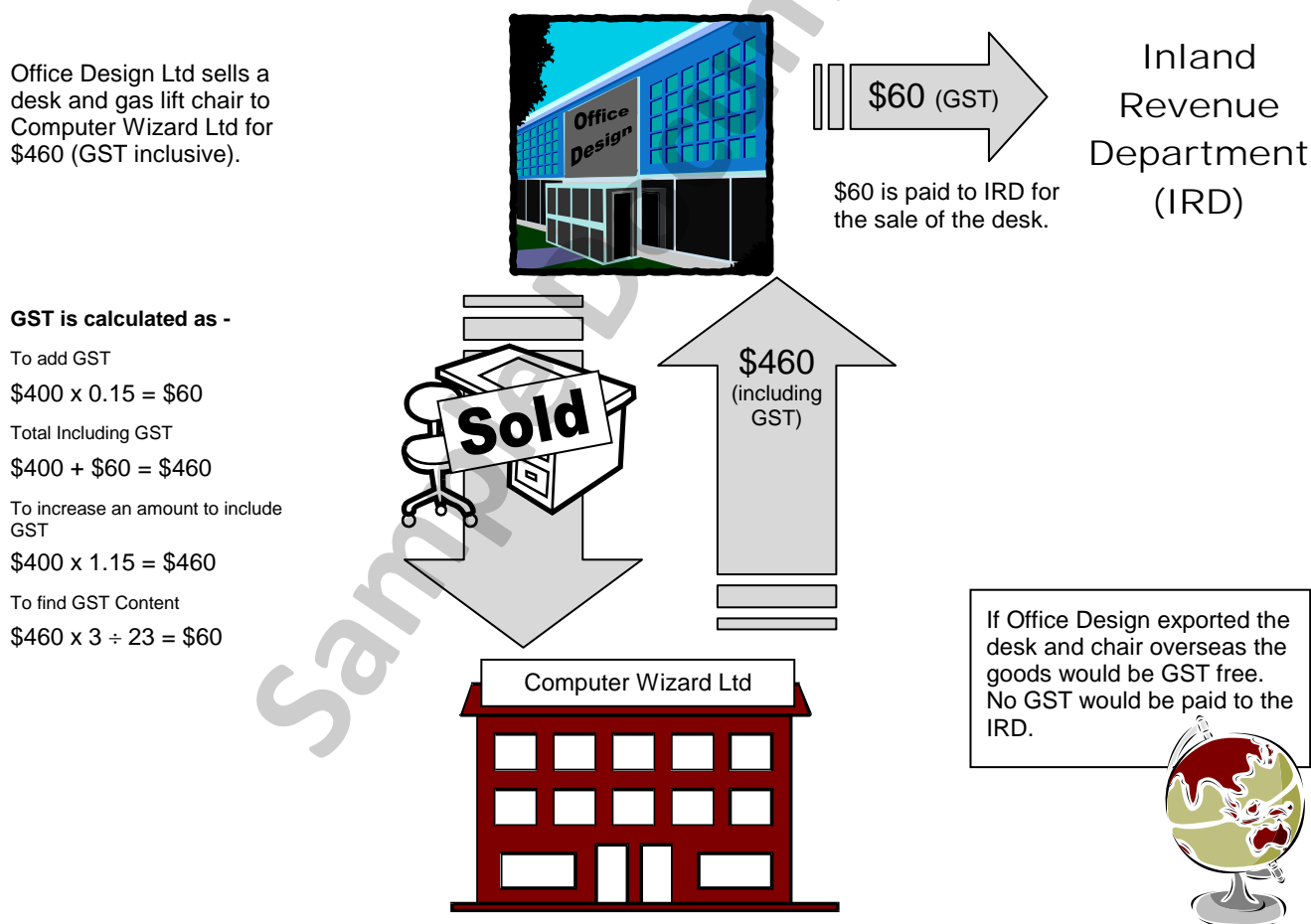
GST means *Goods and Services Tax*. GST of 15% is applied to specific goods and services in New Zealand.

Not all goods and services are subject to GST. Some of the goods and services that are GST free are listed below:

- Letting property as a private dwelling
- Exports
- Financial Services
- Interest Received
- The sale of donated goods and services by a non-profit body

For more details visit the Inland Revenue Department web site shown at the bottom of this page.

The following illustrates how GST works.



GST reports are filed one-monthly, two-monthly or six-monthly depending on the option chosen by the company.

To find out more on GST visit the Inland Revenue Department web site at <http://www.ird.govt.nz>

Chart of Accounts

A Chart of Accounts is a plan showing the names and identifying numbers of all the ledger accounts in a business General Ledger system. Accounting transactions are assigned to these accounts.

The way in which a chart of accounts is set up and numbered will depend on the categories the business requires. MYOB has a wide range of existing charts of accounts that are set up for a variety of businesses. These can be amended as desired. The chart of accounts headings include:

Category	Examples	
Assets (Things you own, eg land and buildings or what people owe you.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bank (not overdraft) • Debtors (those who owe you money) • Goods/inventory • Vehicles • Land and buildings 	Balance Sheet The balances of these accounts are transferred to the Balance Sheet which lists a company's assets, liabilities and equity.
Liabilities (What you owe to others, eg GST, bank loans, accounts payable for goods purchased.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creditors (those who you owe money) • Loans • Bank (overdraft) • GST 	
Equity (The owner's investment in the business. Includes capital, retained profits and shareholders' loans to the business. It is the company's net worth, ie assets minus liabilities.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Capital • Drawings 	
Income (Money that comes in to the business)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All sales to customers • Freight collected 	Profit & Loss Statement The balances of these accounts are transferred to the Profit & Loss Statement. This lists the company's income and deducts the cost of sales expenses to produce a gross profit. Operating expenses are deducted from the gross profit to produce an operating profit. Other income is added and other expenses are deducted to produce a net profit.
Cost of sales (Direct costs involved in sales or service)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All purchases for the business • Discounts given • Freight paid 	
Expenses (Overheads of the business)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advertising • Power • Stationery • Telephone • Insurance 	
Other income (Income that is not part of the everyday running of the business)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interest 	
Other expenses (Expenses that are not part of the everyday running of the business)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Water damage costs 	

Remember, in accounting a double entry system is used where every debit must have a credit.

A simple way to remember debits and credits is to use the words ACE and LIE as follows:

Debit

Assets

Cost of sales

Expenses

Credit

Liabilities

Income

Equity

The following table contains a sample list of items showing how they're categorised and whether they are a debit or credit.

Item	Category	Debit	Credit
Bank account	Asset	✓	
Office equipment	Asset	✓	
Stationery	Expense	✓	
Advertising	Expense	✓	
Bank loan	Liability		✓
Power	Expense	✓	
Computer and printer	Asset	✓	
Photocopy paper	Expense	✓	
Purchase of coffee	Expense	✓	
Purchase of petrol	Expense	✓	
Inventory	Asset	✓	
Drawings	Equity		✓
Bank overdraft	Liability		✓
Freight paid	Cost of sales	✓	
Telephone	Expense	✓	
Purchase of delivery van	Asset	✓	
Debtors	Asset	✓	
Creditors	Liability		✓
Cash sale	Income		✓
Interest from bank account	Other income		✓
Products purchased for onselling to customers.	Cost of sales	✓	
Interest for bank loan	Other expense	✓	

A very basic Chart of Accounts is shown on the next page.

Most organisations would have more categories than this, but you can see that there is a definite pattern to the way in which accounts are designated and numbered.

When transactions are made in the various Command Centres in MYOB the chart of accounts numbers are recorded next to the entries.

The way in which the accounts are numbered allows for additions to be made to each category.

You will note in the following Chart of Accounts that account 1-1310 Trade Debtors (ie Accounts Receivable – money owed to the company) is displayed as an Asset and account 2-2150 Trade Creditors (ie Accounts Payable – money owed by the company) is displayed as a Liability.

Chart of Accounts	
1-0000 Assets	4-0000 Income
1-1000 Current Assets	4-1400 Furniture Sales
1-1100 Bank Accounts	4-1800 Freight Collected
1-1110 Business Bank Account #1	
1-1300 Other Current Assets	5-0000 Cost of Sales
1-1310 Trade Debtors	5-1000 Cost of Goods Sold
1-1320 Inventory	5-5000 Discounts Received
1-2000 Non-Current Assets	6-0000 Expenses
1-2100 Furniture	6-1000 General & Admin Expenses
1-2200 Office Equipment	6-1050 Audit Fees
1-2210 Office Equipment At Cost	6-1100 Accounting/Bookkeeping Fees
2-0000 Liabilities	6-5000 Depreciation Expenses
2-1000 Current Liabilities	6-5500 Low Value Pool Depreciation
2-1300 GST Liabilities	8-0000 Other Income
2-1210 GST Collected	8-1000 Interest Income
2-1230 GST Paid	
2-1500 Other Current Liabilities	9-0000 Other Expenses
2-1510 Trade Creditors	9-1000 Interest Expense
2-2000 Long Term Liabilities	9-2000 Other Expense
2-2100 Business Loan #1	
3-0000 Equity	
3-1000 Owner's/Shareholder's Capital	
3-1130 Directors Loans and Advances	
3-9000 Current Year Earnings	

There are other subcategories within these account headings, eg assets can be either fixed or current. The categories will be numbered in sequence and each category will have its own 'block' of numbers. At this stage, it is important only to recognise the basic headings to enable the overall picture to be understood.

“Linked accounts” are used in MYOB to record transactions in the correct general ledger accounts. This removes the need to manually allocate debits and credits to specific accounts. Click on Setup on the menu bar then click on Linked Accounts to look at the account type, eg General Ledger Accounts, Receivable Accounts, Payable Accounts. An example of the use of linked accounts is a customer payment, which is automatically assigned to the cheque account as shown below.

