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- The financial statements can be prepared from the adjusted trial balance.
- The income statement lists the revenue and expense.
- The statement of retained earnings shows the changes in retained earnings.
- The balance sheet reports assets, liabilities, and stockholders' equity.

## Closing the Books

- Prepares the accounts for next period
- Temporary accounts are set to zero and closed into Retained earnings
- Permanent accounts are not closed
- Because revenues and expenses relate to a limited period, they are called temporary accounts.
- Temporary
  - Closed
  - Revenues, expenses and dividends
- The permanent accounts are not closed at the end of the period because they carry over to the next period.
- Permanent
  - Not closed
  - Assets, liabilities and equity
- Closing entries transfer the revenue, expense, and dividends balances to Retained Earnings. Here are the steps to close the books of a company:

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- 1) Debit each revenue account for the amount of its credit balance. Credit Retained earnings for the sum of the revenues. Now the sum of the revenues is in Retained earnings.
  - 2) Credit each expense account for the amount of its debit balance. Debit Retained earnings for the sum of the expenses. The sum of the expenses is now in Retained earnings.
  - 3) Credit the Dividends account for the amount of its debit balance. Debit Retained earnings. This entry places the dividends amount in the debit side of Retained earnings.
- Current Ratio
    - It divides total current assets by total current liabilities, taken from the balance sheet.
    - The current ratio measures the company's ability to pay current liabilities with current assets.
    - Strong current ratio is 1.50
  - Debt Ratio
    - It is the ratio of total liabilities to total assets.
    - The debt ratio indicates the proportion of a company's assets that is financed with debt.
    - Low debt ratio is better than a high debt ratio