Introduction to the income statement

What is an income statement?

An **income statement** is a financial **statement** that reports a company's financial performance over a specific accounting period. Financial performance is assessed by giving a summary of how the business incurs its revenues and expenses.

Equations to note

Net Revenue= Sales – sales return

Cost of sales= Purchases + carriage inwards + opening inventory – purchases return – closing inventory

Gross profit= Net revenue – Cost of sales

Profit/loss of the year= Gross Profit – Total expenses.

Steps to complete an income statement.

- 1. The narratives from the trial balance is transferred into the balance sheet or the income statement. For example Revenue, sales return, inventory, purchases, purchases return, carriage in and out, and many more. It is important to differentiate what does not go into the income statement for example, Trade payables or Non-current assets
 - . To draw an income statement, you must begin with a title. For example "The income statement of wyvern wholesalers for the year ended 31 December 2011"
- 3. Under the title, have two columns of the pounds sign on the right hand side of the page. Under this columns will include our working out and is where the total figure will be transferred.
- 4. Now on the trial balance, identify narratives that goes into the income statement.
- 5. How the income statement looks below:



6. Using the equations provided, work out the net revenue, cost of sales, gross profit in order to attain a profit for the year figure.

Sales	136,000	
Return inwards	12000	
Purchases	65000	
Closing inventory	15000	
Opening inventory	27000	
Return outwards	10000	
Discount received	5000	
Wages and salaries	6700	
Rent	7000	
General expenses	4000	

Produce an income statement for wyvern ltd for the year ending 2017

Incomes includes: Discounts received, commission received and etc.