

Audit and Assurance

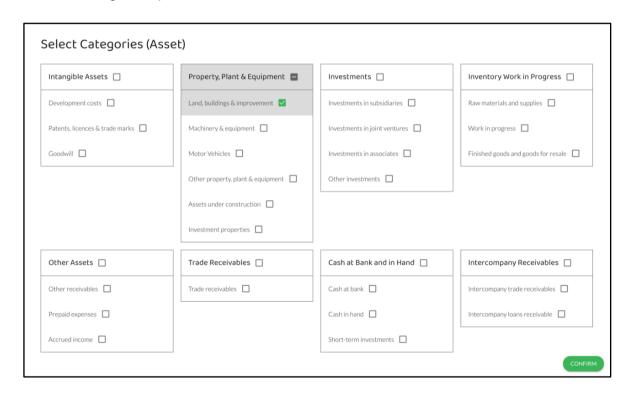
DATA ANALYTICS SOFTWARE 'ELEPHANT COMPANY' QUESTIONS

Note: we have produced this document to help students understand how to use the Data Analytics Software when answering Audit and Assurance questions based on Elephant Company in the Question Bank. The document should be read alongside the answer to the corresponding question.

This does not form part of the answer. The Data Analytics Software screens cannot be cut and pasted from the software into your answer in the Audit and Assurance exam.

Question 26 Elephant One

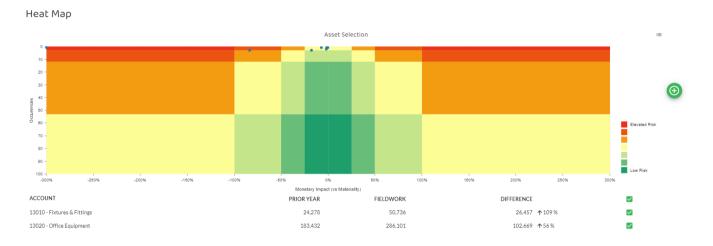
In the *Explore* module, select 'Account View' and then 'Asset'. Use the 'Land, buildings & improvement' and click 'CONFIRM'.



Account information indicates annual increase in excess of materiality.



Heat Map for Land, buildings and improvement indicates two types of higher risk entries.



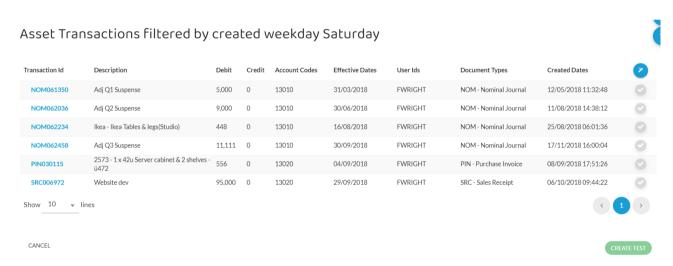
Transaction analysis of these (clicking the two transactions in the red zones so the blue dots turn green and then clicking the 'View Transactions' button) indicates the following transactions:



Stacked Bar Chart with Primary Variable set to 'Created Weekday' shows vast majority of increase posted on Saturdays by Frank Wright:



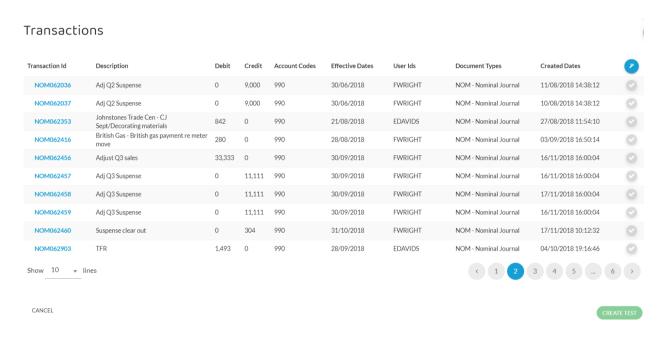
Click on FWRIGHT (yellow) bar for transaction analysis which includes four large entries:



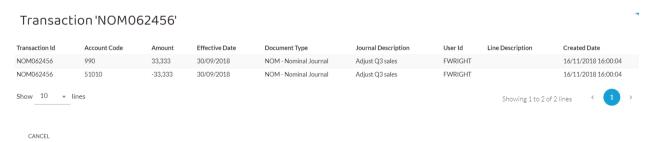
Double entry for Adj Q3 suspense – click on NOM062458 (same for the other two 'Adj' transactions):



Transactions shown in 990 Suspense account (found in *Explore* module, 'Account View', Other P&L category, page 2):



Analysis of double entry for transaction 'Adjust Q3 Sales':



Question 27 Elephant Two

Liquidity section of *Metrics* module.

Hover over the arrow to reveal prior year values

To view calculation of Metrics click on ¹



Gearing section of *Metrics* module:



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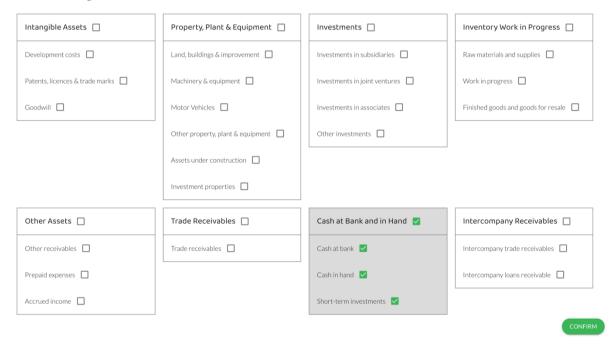
Calculation of solvency ratio:

Solvency Ratio (Liability Based) Current Year 1.1 Prior Year 0.4 Formula Net Assets / Total Liabilities Values (Original) 963,586.4 = 1.1 Lower Quartile 3.3 16.9 Median Upper Quartile 46.1 Benchmarked Against All Data

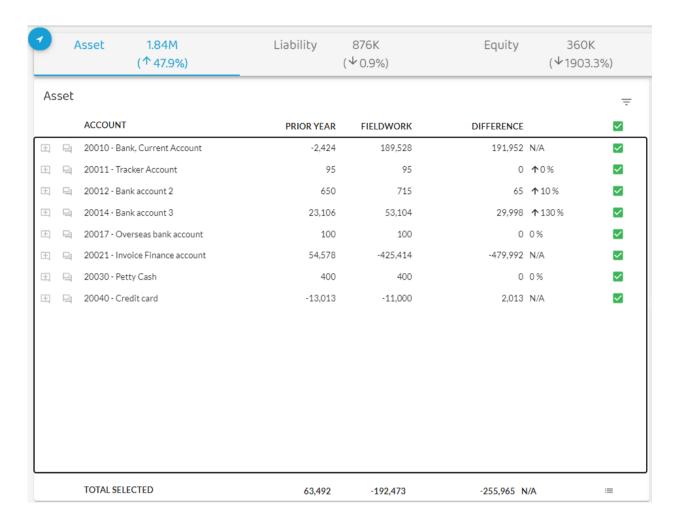
In the Explore module 'Account View' select 'Cash at Bank and in Hand' and click 'CONFIRM'.

Select Categories (Asset)

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The breakdown of accounts within cash enables the identification of the invoice finance account balance and calculation of the cash balance excluding this amount.



Question 28 Elephant Three

Note: requirement 1 does not require the use of data analytics software.

Requirement 2

Costs of sales account

In the Explore module, select 'Account View' and then 'Expense' and click 'CONFIRM'.

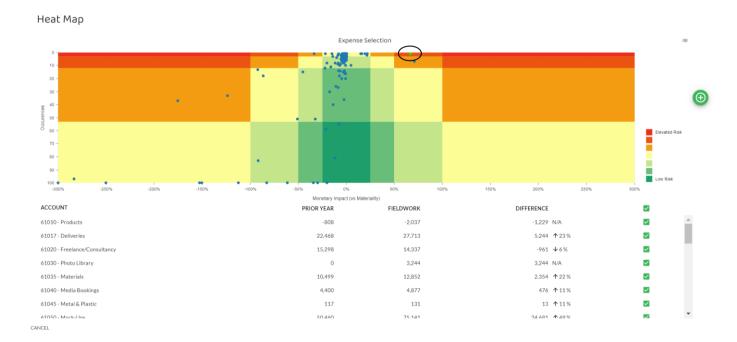
Use the icon to select only 'Cost of Sales'. This should then show the screen below (scroll down to see all the transactions). From this, the sub accounts can be reviewed for significant changes, each of which may suggest high risk.

| Expense | | | | | | | | | | |
|---------|--|--------------------------------|------------|-----------|------------|---------------|-----|--|--|--|
| | | ACCOUNT | PRIOR YEAR | FIELDWORK | DIFFERENCE | ✓ | | | | |
| 1 | | 61010 - Products | -808 | -2,037 | -1,229 | N/A | _ | | | |
| ± | | 61017 - Deliveries | 22,468 | 27,713 | 5,244 | ↑ 23% | - 1 | | | |
| 1 | | 61020 - Freelance/Consultancy | 15,298 | 14,337 | -961 | ↓ 6% | | | | |
| 1 | | 61030 - Photo Library | 0 | 3,244 | 3,244 | N/A | - 1 | | | |
| 1 | | 61035 - Materials | 10,499 | 12,852 | 2,354 | ↑ 22% | | | | |
| 1 | | 61040 - Media Bookings | 4,400 | 4,877 | 476 | ↑ 11% | - 1 | | | |
| + | | 61045 - Metal & Plastic | 117 | 131 | 13 | ↑ 11% | | | | |
| + | | 61050 - Mock-Ups | 50,460 | 75,141 | 24,681 | ↑ 49% | | | | |
| + | | 61055 - Other Direct Costs | 64,867 | 66,235 | 1,368 | ↑ 2% | | | | |
| + | | 61060 - Photography | 72,682 | 60,302 | -12,380 | ↓ 17 % | | | | |
| + | | 61065 - Packing & Wrapping | 995 | 1,143 | 148 | ↑ 15 % | | | | |
| + | | 61070 - Printing | 280,064 | 272,785 | -7,279 | ↓ 3% | | | | |
| + | | 61075 - Repro | 26,654 | 27,526 | 872 | ↑ 3% | | | | |
| + | | 61085 - Travel & Subs on jobs | 72,984 | 86,825 | 13,840 | ↑ 19% | | | | |
| 1 | | 61090 - Vehicle Hire / Mileage | 10,057 | 9,709 | -348 | ↓ 3% | | | | |
| + | | 61095 - Casual Labour | 49.850 | 52.515 | 2.664 | ↑ 5% | • | | | |
| | | TOTAL SELECTED | 809,659 | 881,464 | 71,805 | ↑9% := | | | | |

Heat map

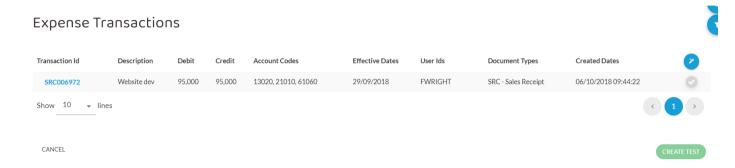
Still in the 'Account View':

- select 'Expense' (at the top of the screen)
- click on the ⁼ icon
- select Cost of Sales (ie remove all other green ticks)
- click on CONFIRM (bottom right corner)
- click on the 'Heat Map' (shown below)

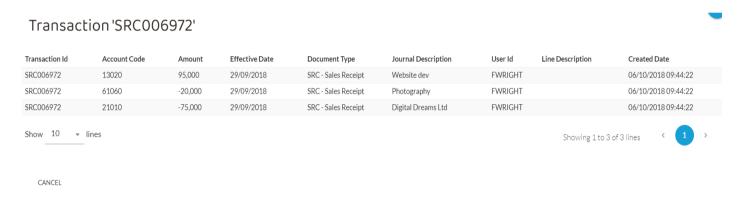


It can be seen that there is only one transaction (circled) in the dark orange/red areas (click on the second to highest Elevated Risk class chart on the right) so it goes green (as above). Alternatively, click on the dot itself to make it go green.

Click on the transactions icon \equiv , in the top right corner of the Heat Map above, to reveal the underlying transactions for the one high risk item (in green). This then shows the following:



Clicking on the blue Transaction Id in the above screen shows the double entry in the screen below.



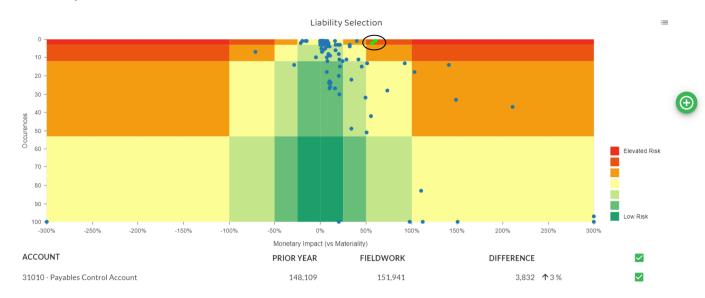
Trade Payables

For trade payables, go to 'Account View' then 'Liability' then 'Trade Payables' (using icon and similar steps as for Cost of Sales above). The selection can also be made using the 'Financial Statement View' by selecting 'Statement of Financial Position' and unticking the 'Asset', 'Liability' and 'Equity' categories and then ticking the 'Trade Payables' sub-category under the 'Liability' drop-down breakdown. In both cases then click on the Heat Map and repeat the above routine (as for Cost of Sales).

However now there are two transactions in the dark orange/red zone (identified by clicking on the second to highest Elevated Risk class bar chart on the right).

Click on each dot individually to make each one green in turn - so the transactions can be identified separately for each (circled below):

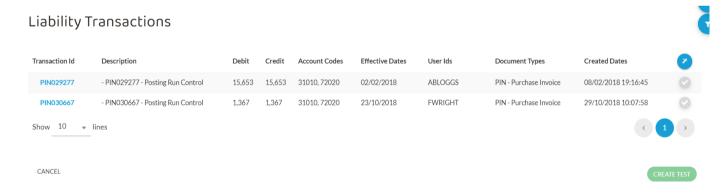
Heat Map



Now repeat the same routine for payables (ie, the same steps as for Cost of Sales above) to show the following:

Heat Map - trade payables - left-hand green dot

Clicking on the transactions icon for the left-hand green dot, produces the screen below:



Clicking on the first blue Tranaction Id in the above screen shows the double entry in the screen below.



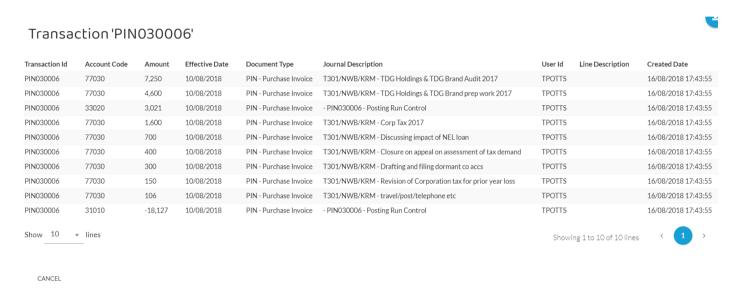
Heat Map - trade payables - right-hand green dot

Liability Transactions



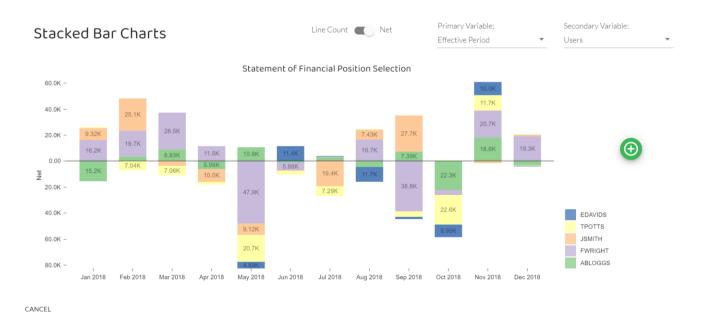


Clicking on the blue Transaction Id in the above screen shows the double entry in the screen below.



Stacked Bar Charts - trade payables

Keeping the same selection of 'Trade Payables' as above, clicking the Stacked Bar Charts reveals the following:



The Primary Variable and Secondary Variable (circled) can then be adjusted.

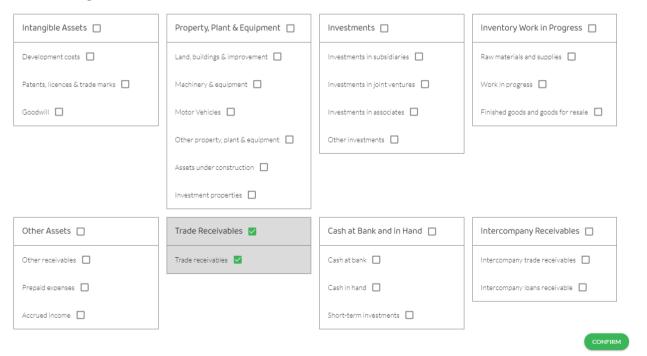


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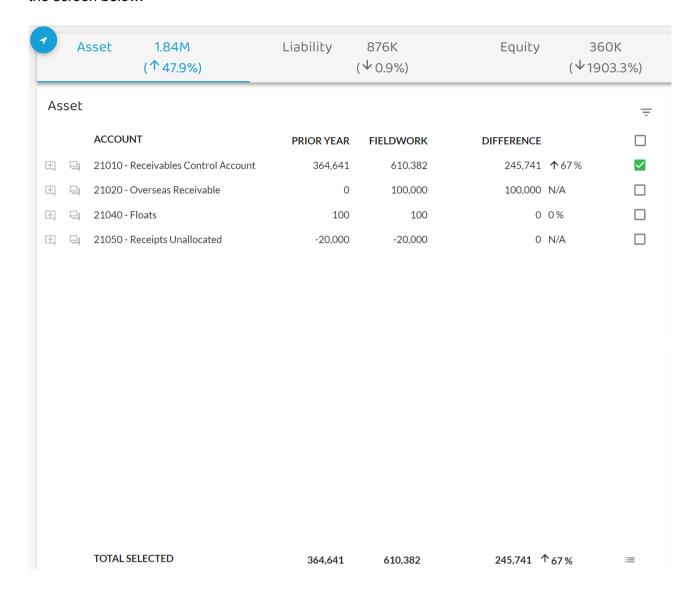
Requirement 1 (b)

In the *Explore* module, select 'Account View' and then 'Asset'. Use the icon to select only 'Trade Receivables' and click 'CONFIRM'.

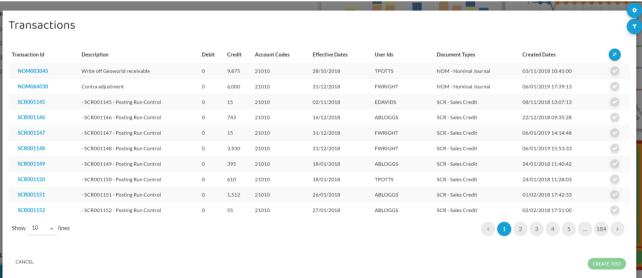
Select Categories (Asset)



Then use green ticks to select only '21010 - Receivables Control Account'. This should then show the screen below:



Select the icon in the bottom right corner to show relevant transactions:



In order to find the invoice that gave rise to the credit note in Alice's post year end sample, use the

filter icon in the top right corner to select:

'Dec 2018' - as the Effective Period

'SIN - Sales Invoice' - as the Document Type

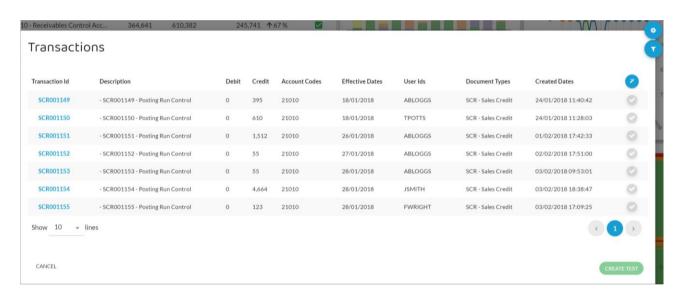
You know the effective date of the invoice is 31 December 2018 from the question, so search sales invoices on this date for the amounts and description in the sample transaction.

January 2018 credit notes

Use the same routine as above, but for the filter select:

'Jan 2018' – as the Effective Period
'SCR - Sales Credit' (credit notes) – as the Document Type

This gives the screen below:



Requirement 2 (a) Audit procedures

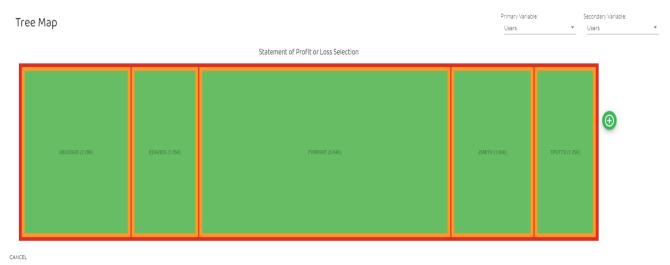


In the *Explore* module, select 'Financial Statement View' and 'Statement of Profit or Loss' (with all categories ticked). Hover cursor over E Davids on the Bump Chart.

This shows peaks of tranaction activities in October and December. There is a reduction in November, between these two peaks, which may be indicative of Emma's personal problems in this month.

Requirement 2 (b) Sample Item – November

Using the Tree Map, all Emma's transaction postings can be identified. Use 'User' as both the primary and secondary variable to select all Emma's transactions. The screen looks as follows (E Davids is second section from the left).



Select E Davids section by clicking on that section in the Tree Map.

Then, using the filter set to Effective Period 'Nov 2018' (User should already be set to 'EDAVIDS'), scan through November using the numbered buttons to identify the largest transaction which is:

SIN019506 57265-Re-print of 300 Pharaton FUS's 0 19,800 51010 22/11/2018 EDAVIDS SIN-Sales Invoice 28/11/2018 14:27:16

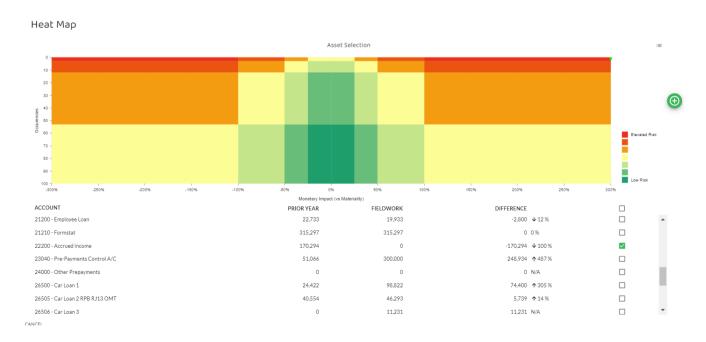
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Requirement 1

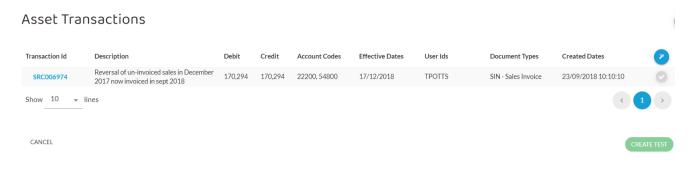
Scroll down and select accounts shown in the question from 'Account View':

| | A | Asset 1.84M (↑47.9%) | Liability | 876K (↓ 0.9%) | Equity | | 360K 1903.3%) | |
|-----|-----|----------------------------------|------------|--------------------------|------------|----------------|------------------|---|
| Ass | set | | | | | | | ÷ |
| | | ACCOUNT | PRIOR YEAR | FIELDWORK | DIFFERENCE | | | |
| ± | | 21200 - Employee Loan | 22,733 | 19,933 | -2,800 | ↓ 12 % | \sqcup | |
| Đ | 믹 | 21210 - Formstat | 315,297 | 315,297 | 0 | 0 % | | |
| E | 믹 | 22200 - Accrued income | 170,294 | 0 | -170,294 | ↓ 100 % | \checkmark | |
| E | 믹 | 23040 - Pre-Payments Control A/C | 51,066 | 300,000 | 248,934 | ↑ 487% | \checkmark | |
| E | | 24000 - Other Prepayments | 0 | 0 | 0 | N/A | | |
| = | | 26500 - Car Loan 1 | 24,422 | 98,822 | 74,400 | ↑305% | | |
| E | | 26505 - Car Loan 2 RPB RJ13 OMT | 40,554 | 46,293 | 5,739 | 1 4% | | |
| Ę | 믹 | 26506 - Car Loan 3 | 0 | 11,231 | 11,231 | N/A | | |
| E | 믹 | 26510 - Other loan receivable | 8,361 | 16,723 | 8,361 | ↑100% | | |
| E | | 26520 - Car Loan 5 | 49,953 | 116,061 | 66,108 | ↑132% | | |
| E | | 26524 - Car Loan 6 | 15,495 | 25,004 | 9,509 | ↑ 61% | | |
| Đ | | 26530 - Car Loan 7 | 46,846 | 111,385 | 64,539 | ↑138% | | |
| E | 믹 | 26537 - Car Loan 8 | 24,330 | 37,113 | 12,783 | ↑ 53% | | |
| E | 믹 | 26560 - Car Loan 9 | -3,113 | -3,113 | 0 | N/A | | |
| E | | 26561 - Car Loan 10 | -2,048 | -4,621 | -2,572 | N/A | | |
| E | | 29999 - Other Temp | 0 | 0 | 0 | N/A | | |
| | | TOTAL SELECTED | 221.360 | 300,000 | 78.640 | ↑ 36% | ≔ | |

Select Heat Map, tick only '22200 - Accrued income' and click the single dot (turns from blue to green when selected)



Select transaction on Heat Map for Accrued income by clicking



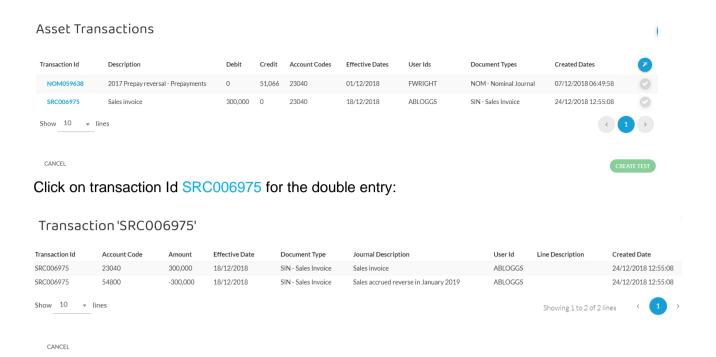
Click on transaction Id SRC006974 for the double entry:



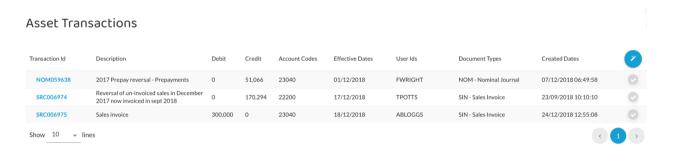
Select Heat Map and select only '23040 - Pre-Payments Control A/C':



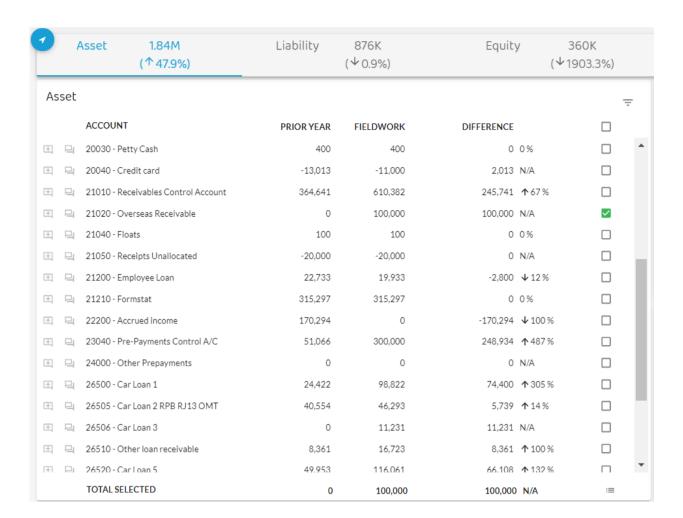
Select Elevated Risk transactions shown on Heat Map by clicking the blue dots individually or clicking the 'Elevated risk' red box in the legend to select both. The dots turn green when selected. Then click to view the selected transactions.



Note: The nature of data analytics software means that it often offers more than one way to get to information. Given the small number of transactions in accounts 22200 and 23040 you could also have clicked on to show all transactions from 'Account View' shown above as follows:



From 'Account View' select '21020 - Overseas Receivable' to find transaction SRC006973. (Note: There are other ways to find this transaction, including selecting '51020 - Overseas Sales' from 'Account View' and following the procedures below or selecting Trade Receivables in 'Financial Statement View' and then using the Heat Map to identify high value transactions)



Click on to show all transactions in 21020 - Overseas Receivable:



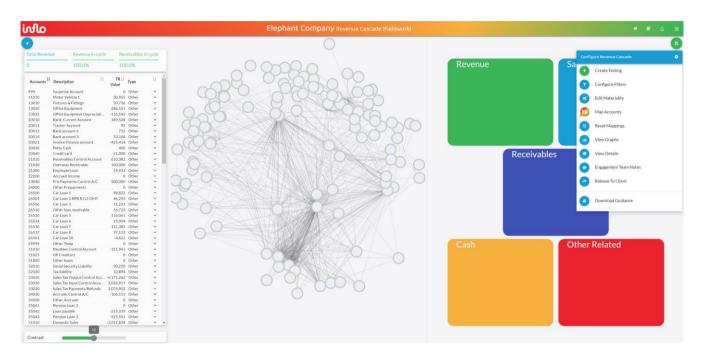
Click on transaction Id SRC006973 to identify the double entry:

Transaction 'SRC006973' Transaction Id Account Code User Id Created Date Amount Effective Date Document Type Journal Description Line Description SRC006973 100,000 01/12/2018 SRC - Sales Receipt **FWRIGHT** 07/12/2018 15:18:32 Overseas receivable SRC006973 -100,000 FWRIGHT 07/12/2018 15:18:32 Deposit on Brand maangement contract with Spooks Show 10 ▼ lines Showing 1 to 2 of 2 lines CANCEL

Question 31 Elephant Six

Requirement 1

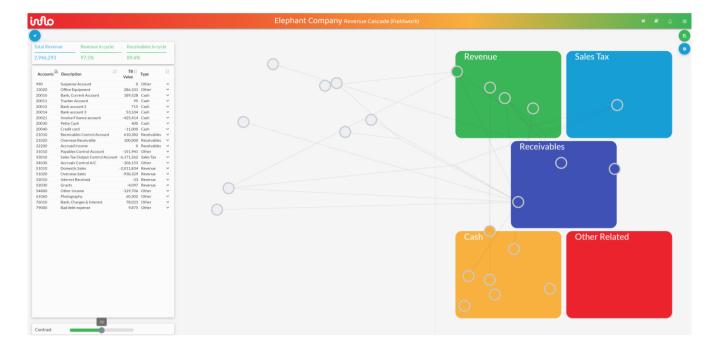
In the *Revenue Cascade* module select the **Map Accounts** (Hybrid intelligence) option on the drop-down menu from the cog at the top right to map the accounts.



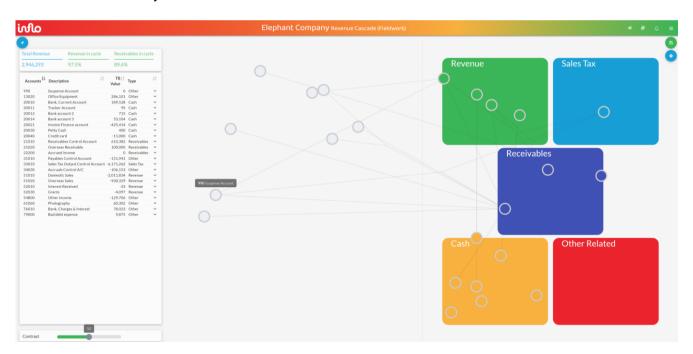
(Note: A pop-up box will appear inviting you to use Hybrid intelligence to map the accounts. Click CONFIRM. You will need to map the accounts each time you enter the Cascade Revenue module unless you click the Save button to save your mapping. You can reset the mapping at any time using the Reset Mappings tool on drop-down menu on the cog).

This will result in the accounts automatically being mapped as below. You may need to manually map some revenue-receivables-cash cycle accounts which have not been automatically mapped by the Hi Map Accounts tool, such as the Overseas receivable. You can do this by clicking the down arrow and selecting the appropriate category – 'Revenue', 'Receivables', 'Cash', 'Sales Tax' or 'Other Related' ('Other Related' = related to the revenue-receivables-cash cycle). The accounts <u>not</u> related to the revenue-receivables-cash cycle, eg, 'Photography' which is an expense, can remain labelled as 'Other' (ie, other **not** related).

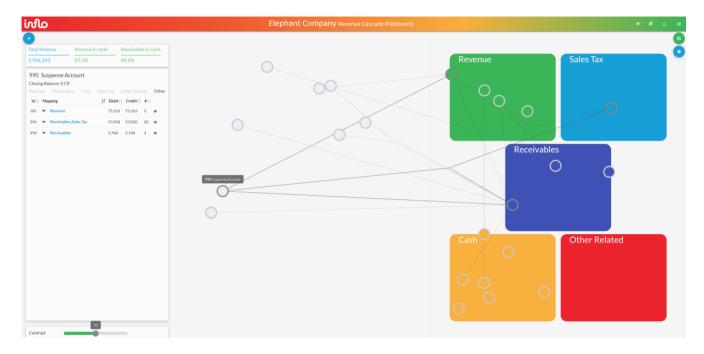
(Note: The exact pattern of grey circles representing each account appears differently each time the accounts are mapped. Therefore, whilst providing the same information, your Revenue Cascade may appear superficially different to that shown below.)



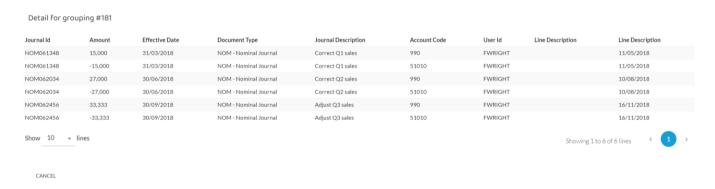
Hover over each circle to identify 990 Suspense account that contains the transaction group identified in Issue 1 by Maureen:



Click on the grey circle representing 990 suspense account:

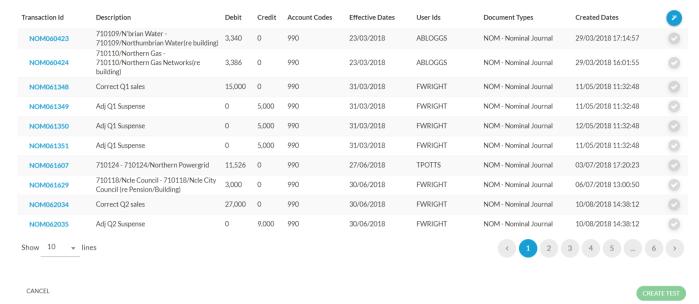


Click on 'Revenue' with a value of £75,333 to see the underlying entries:

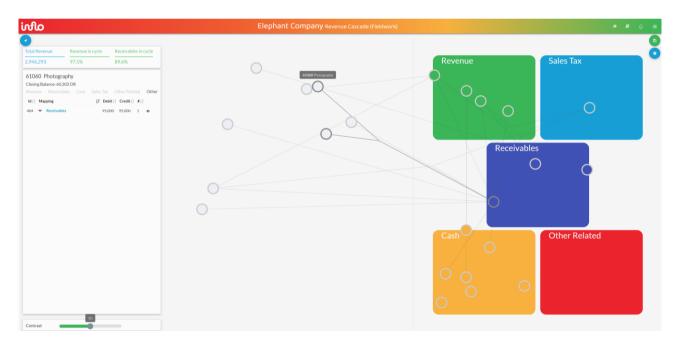


The entries for the year in 990 Suspense Account can be identified by selecting the account in 'Account View' in the *Explore* module. It is under the 'Other P&L' category.

Transactions



Clicking in turn on each of the grey circles indicating the accounts outside those expected for entries related to the revenue cycle will reveal the details of the groups of transactions therein. This will reveal other transaction groups with a value in excess of materiality, for example Photography:



Clicking on 'Receivables' will provide details of the double entry:



Requirement 2

The 'Financial Statement View' can be used to identify the increase in both Income and Receivables:

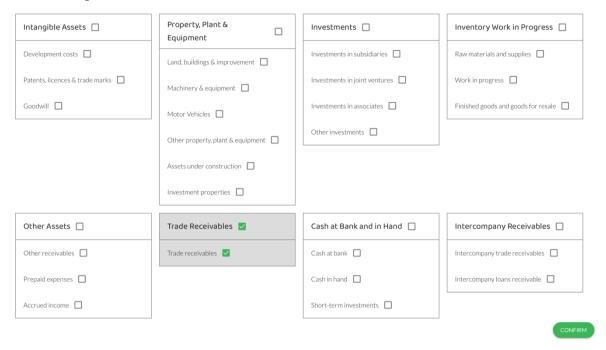


Receivables days should be calculated manually from the values above in this question as the question only requires use of the *Explore* module. Note that it could also be obtained from the liquidity section of the *Metrics* module as 'Credit Period'.

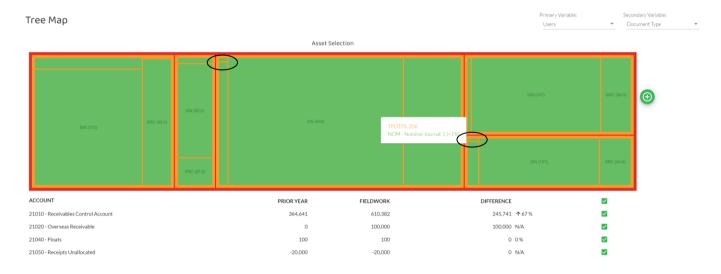


We know from the information provided in the question that a bad debt write off will be recorded as a journal to receivables. To identify these items first select 'Trade Receivables' from 'Assets' in 'Account View'.

Select Categories (Asset)



Then select the *Tree Map* and make 'Document Type' the primary variable, and 'Users' secondary. Hover over each segment to determine that the smallest green segment (marked) represents the journals, of which there are only two. This may appear in a different location depending on your screen size/resolution.



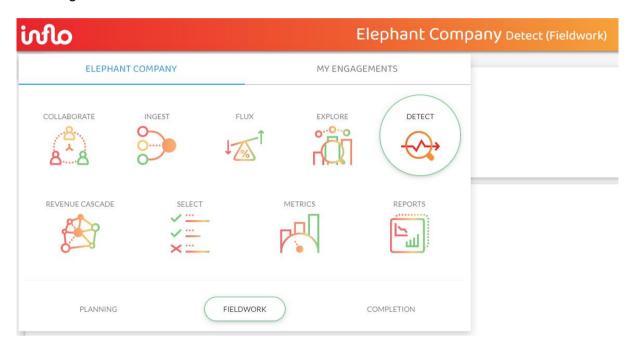
Clicking on the segment for TPOTTS reveals one of the journals, which has narrative indicating it is an irrecoverable debt write off.



Question 32 Elephant Seven

Requirement 1

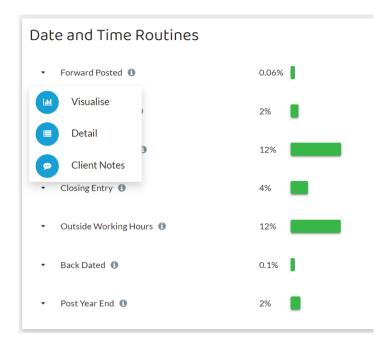
Selecting the 'Detect' module within Inflo launches a series of routines.



As the engagement partner has requested that the firm should focus on date-related manipulation, the 'Date and Time Routines' should be used.

The three key routines that should be used to satisfy the engagement partner's instructions are Forward Posted, Back Dated and Post Year End.

Hovering over the ¹ icon displays the criteria that Inflo is looking for in each routine.



Clicking on the downward arrow then selecting 'Detail' shows a list of all the relevant transactions that meet the routine's criteria.

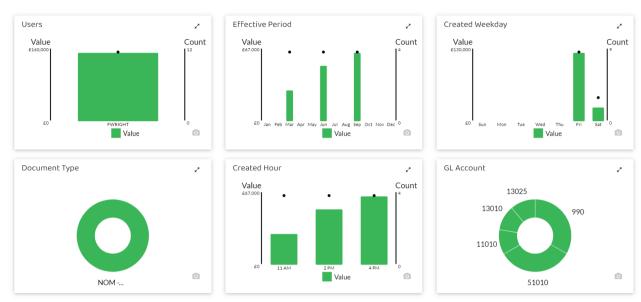
For the 'Forward Posted' routine, five transactions are detected, of which one (SRC006974) is material.



The 'Visualise' option (accessed by clicking the downward arrow for each routine, or simply clicking the green bar to the right of the routine) shows the transactions in graph form.

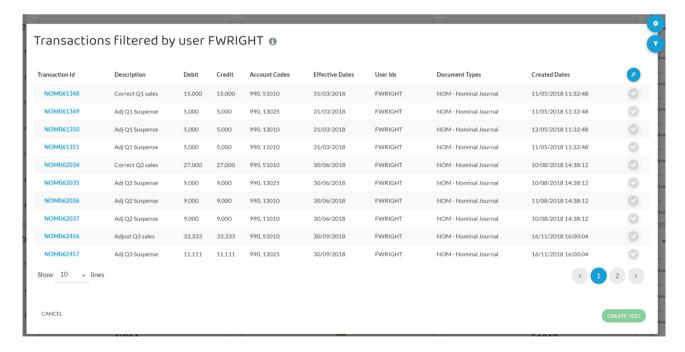
The 'Back Dated' routine graphs show:

Graphs 0



Hovering the cursor over the 'Users' graph indicates that the total of these twelve transactions is £150,666 which is material in aggregate to the financial statements of Elephant.

Selecting 'FWRIGHT' on the above 'Users' graph (or simply on 'Detail' from the routine's dropdown arrow as, in this case, all transactions are posted by the same person), one transaction (NOM062456) is individually material, however other similar transactions all posted through suspense account 990 exist, which are material in aggregate.



The 'Visualise' option for the 'Post Year End' routine shows:

Graphs 0



The 'Effective Period' graph shows that there are over 200 transactions worth almost £800,000 in total that have been entered after the year end date. Many legitimate transactions will be necessary in this period to reflect the position and performance of Elephant: however, as auditor, we should be prepared to consider any post year-end adjustments that lack this legitimacy.

In the transactions posted outside office hours on a Sunday in the 'Created Weekday' graph, transaction NOM059282 is identified as particularly material with a description that does not relate to 2018 and which is also posted to unusual account codes (see answer):

