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Lesson 3 Resource

Protect financial separation and records

Borrowing decision framework

Premium lesson companion
Teaching brief • applied vocabulary • guided workbook • knowledge check • answer guide

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LEARN • PREPARE • APPLY

Protect financial separation and records

Accurate formation data, consistent addresses, dedicated accounts, reconciled books, and documented authority make the business easier to understand; they do not guarantee financing.

The deeper idea

Consistent legal name, address, registration, ownership, bank records, licenses, and bookkeeping reduce confusion. Consistency is preparation-not a promise of access.

Learning objectives

- Explain business identity in the context of protect financial separation and records.
- Distinguish reconciliation from an assumption or promotional summary.
- Show how authorized officer changes cost, timing, control, responsibility, or risk.
- Complete the borrowing decision framework using traceable source information.

Vocabulary in action

business identity	Locate it in source material and state what it measures or governs.
reconciliation	Use it to make the comparison concrete instead of relying on a label.
authorized officer	Name who carries responsibility, what triggers it, and which control makes it visible.

FIVE-STEP DECISION METHOD

Move from information to a responsible next step.

1. Define the exact question

State the purpose, deadline, and consequence of delay. Connect the question directly to protect financial separation and records.

2. Gather governing evidence

Collect current agreements, statements, official disclosures, operating records, or program instructions. Record the source and date.

3. Apply the vocabulary

Locate business identity, reconciliation, and authorized officer in the real document or process. Translate each into a dollar, date, action, control, or responsibility.

4. Test a difficult case

Change one important assumption - timing, volume, cost, income, access, or support - and explain whether the plan still works.

5. Record the decision

Choose proceed, revise, compare, seek qualified review, or stop. Name the next action, its owner, and the review date.

Applied scenario

A learner must make this decision this month. The learner gathers governing records, locates business identity, reconciliation, and authorized officer, and completes the assignment. The decision pauses if the difficult-case test exposes an obligation or operating risk that cannot be managed.

Borrowing decision framework

Audit company identity, accounts, licenses, statements, and reporting consistency.

Purpose: What exact decision does protect financial separation and records support?

Evidence: Which source documents prove the facts? Include dates.

Terms: Where do business identity, reconciliation, and authorized officer appear, and what does each change?

Stress-test and decision record

Stress test: Which assumption is most fragile, and what happens if it fails?

Decision record: What is the next action, who owns it, and when will it be reviewed?

My recorded status

□ Proceed □ Revise □ Compare □ Seek qualified review □ Stop

KNOWLEDGE CHECK

Confirm your understanding.

1. State the central teaching in your own words.

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2. How do business identity and reconciliation work together?

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3. What evidence is strong enough to use?

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4. What would make the plan pause?

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5. What belongs in the finished assignment?

ANSWER GUIDE

Compare reasoning, not just wording.

1. State the central teaching in your own words.

Consistent legal name, address, registration, ownership, bank records, licenses, and bookkeeping reduce confusion. Consistency is preparation-not a promise of access.

2. How do business identity and reconciliation work together?

Define each, locate both in source material, and explain their combined effect on the decision.

3. What evidence is strong enough to use?

Current, relevant, traceable information from an agreement, statement, official source, operating record, or qualified professional.

4. What would make the plan pause?

A missing governing fact, unsupported claim, unmanageable stress case, or inability to explain the responsibility attached to authorized officer.

5. What belongs in the finished assignment?

Purpose, sources, term definitions, comparison or calculation, difficult-case result, unanswered questions, responsible owner, and review date.

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