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## **What's it really like to be an accountant?**

At some point or another you've probably heard that being an accountant is boring – that the job is monotonous and that the accounting industry might be on the decline thanks to the advancement in technology. But in fact, according to the website Job Outlook, over the past two years employment growth in this area has been almost three  
5 times higher compared with all occupations.

**What study is required to become an accountant?** To become a fully qualified accountant you need to be CA (Chartered Accountant) or CPA (Certified Practicing Accountant) qualified. To be eligible to undertake the CA or CPA study you first need to have a degree in business or commerce that is accepted by either organization.

10 **Do you have to be good at math to succeed as an accountant?** You don't have to be a genius at math to be a successful accountant. You need to be able to analyse numbers. At school, if you're interested in subjects such as accounting, economics and other business-related subjects, there's a good chance you'll enjoy accounting as a career.

15 **What skills should you have to be a good accountant?** To be a good accountant I believe you need to be adaptable, committed and have a great attention to detail. Working in high stress situations and meeting tight and demanding deadlines requires you to have good organizational skills. There is huge potential for career growth in the accounting field. Every company in every industry needs an accountant, so there's no  
20 shortage of roles.

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