



# Why Curiosity is Critical to Accounting Even If the CPA Exam Doesn't Test For It

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**Startup accounting doesn't have one answer like the CPA exam.**

**Ask questions:**

- **To other departments** to understand their processes, challenges and goals. I work closely with Product & Operations to be a better business partner and advocate.
- **To third-party vendors** to evaluate operational risks, optimal processes, and alternatives. The accounting team works directly with our cash recycler vendor because the physical cash operations is critical to our order to cash cycle.
- **To your team** to learn from each other and continuously iterate on accounting processes. My team needs to know the "why" behind our work to build a scalable approach.



## Edgar's Debit Depot

What is something that surprises people, knowing you're an accountant?

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Growing up, I spent 6 months living with my family on a sailboat traveling around the Mediterranean and the Caribbean. This sparked my interest in really immersing myself in the history and culture of the places I'm traveling to... I'm very curious.