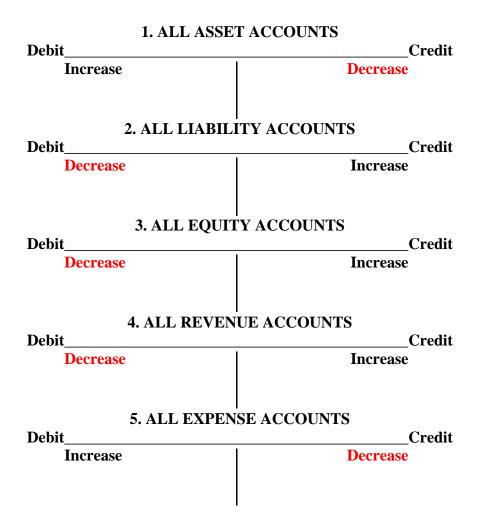
## THE ACCOUNTING MODEL



The Accounting Model is the key that unlocks the mystery of double-entry accounting. It is made up of three very simple parts:

The <u>first</u> part is a ledger page with a line drawn down the middle (like a big T) automatically creating a left and right side of the dividing line. However, in accounting language the word "debit" is used instead of "left" and the word "credit" is used instead of "right".

The <u>second</u> part is that there are five of these ledger T's that relate to the five sections found in a set of financial statements. They are: 1) Assets; 2) Liabilities; 3) Equity; 4) Revenue; 5) Expense. The first three relate to the Balance Sheet and last two relate to the Profit & Loss Statement.

The <u>third</u> part is a rule that states: Any transaction that pertains to a section (Assets, Liabilities, etc.) that results in an increase or decrease has to be recorded on either the left or right side of the ledger page.