Review of Engagement
& Trial Balance Systems.

CaseWare IDEA is a set of tools used to assist auditors in performing computer-assisted
auditing techniques (CAATs). IDEA allows auditors to import and export an unlimited
amount of data/transactions from multiple sources. It allows users to select
testing samples, extract specific transactions, identify unusual data gaps and
duplicate entries. After the data is analyzed, custom reports are created that
allow the user to make decisions based on the analysis. IDEA also has several
add-on modules that increase the usefulness of the product. IDEA Server is used
for enterprise-level data analysis. This add-on allows users to utilize IDEA
on larger file sizes. This is a nice feature for your larger clients.

IDEA Smart Analyzer – Financial is preloaded with common audit tests and reports
that are routinely used in audits. This add-on decreases the learning curve
of the product and allows inexperienced auditors to perform tasks and tests
that they normally could not perform. This add-on is prepackaged with audit
tests for GL, AR, AP, inventory and fixed assets. As a result of these preloaded
tests, your audit quality and consistency will be increased across your entire
audit practice. Your firm will save time on each engagement and more easily
handle SAS 99 requirements.

DART (Data Archiving Retention Tool) is an integrated tool designed for tax
filings by SAP clients. This tool retains financial records without the need
for extensive programming to extract data from SAP into IDEA. If your clients
have SAP, this tool is for you. CaseWare Examiner allows auditors to extract
entries or transactions that have potential security risks associated with them.

This add-on leverages the skills you have from IDEA, but it lets auditors test

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