

American/English Accounting Idioms in Context

Directions: Fill in the blanks with the correct idiom.

balance the books ballpark figure cooked the books crunching the numbers
went bust cut a check cash a check

1. During the recession of 2008 my company lost everything and _____ . They laid off most of the employees including myself.
2. The US government _____ for \$780 billion to the military. (cut a check)
3. I need more than a _____ for the cost of the renovation. I need specifics because my budget is limited.
4. I was trying to _____ that my uncle gave me for my birthday but it bounced.
5. I have been _____ and it looks like there will be enough money leftover from the project to invest in a new office.
6. If the business loses any more money, we won't be able to _____ this year.
7. After our last accountant _____, the IRS started performing more frequent audits as part of their anti corruption initiative.