

## AI-Powered Audit Checks for Accounting Investigations

### 1. Advanced Checks AI Can Perform

- Pattern recognition across thousands of log entries.
- Cross-referencing audit logs with GL reports and bank data.
- Detecting anomalies such as unusual login times, IP mismatches, device changes, or edit-after-reconciliation.
- Identifying multi-step fraud patterns often missed by humans.
- Surfacing hidden relationships between users, vendors, transactions, or timing.

### 2. Best Prompts to Use

- "Analyze this audit log and identify unusual user behavior."
- "Compare this audit log with these general journal entries and find inconsistencies."
- "Identify any transactions modified after reconciliation or reporting deadlines."
- "Detect patterns of behavior that may indicate internal fraud or unauthorized access."
- "Summarize the riskiest events in this dataset and explain why."

### 3. Additional Data to Provide for Better Results

- Full QuickBooks Online audit log export.
- General journal report (all dates, all columns).
- Sales receipt and invoice detail reports.
- Bank deposit and bank reconciliation discrepancy reports.
- User access list and role permissions.

### 4. Why Provide Multiple Reports?

AI becomes more accurate when it sees all parts of the financial story. Fraud often hides in the gaps between logs:

- A user edits sales receipts but nothing appears suspicious until compared with banking deposits.
- A journal entry looks normal until AI links it to a previously voided invoice.

- Timing patterns appear only when merging logs and bank data.

#### 5. Recommended Workflow for Accountants

1. Export all relevant reports (Audit Log, GL, Sales, Banking).
2. Upload to AI with a clear question:  
"Identify discrepancies, patterns, or risks."
3. Ask AI to explain findings in plain English.
4. Request a summary sorted by risk level.
5. Apply professional judgment and follow up on flagged items.