Choose a public company in the food industry. Analyze the financial statements and assess whether the financial performance has improved or declined year-over-year.

Analysis techniques include the following:

* Comparative financial statements
* Trend analysis
* Ratio analysis
* Percentage analysis

Presentation of 5–10 PowerPoint slides that includes the following:

* At least 3 slides relevant to the analysis prepared
* An analysis of the performance of the firm based on the analysis tools used
* A summary of the company's financial performance and assessment of whether it has improved or declined year-over-year in terms of profitability, asset utilization, and liquidity

**Background on Course Research Requirements:** In the business world, it is important to use research to strengthen points made in presentations and projects. Learning to use the search functions in databases for research is a crucial critical thinking skill that complements other research techniques.

There are two main types of databases. You must stay away from inferior Web sites with anonymous writers; articles found on consultant Web sites, and materials on Web sites that are not reputable. Dictionaries and encyclopedias most often repeat the information from textbooks. Acceptable Internet resources include, among others, government sites (especially for statistics).**Wikipedia or any open source Web sites are not permitted.**

**Please submit your assignment.**

**For assistance with your assignment, please use your text, Web resources, and all course materials.**

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