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Stock Market Simulation

Teacher's Internet Guide

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The web's most comprehensive trading game featuring Stocks, Mutual Funds, Bonds, and Commodities.

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Welcome to the National SMS!

The SMS (Stock Market Simulation) is the web's most comprehensive online trading game for your high, middle, and even elementary school students. With the SMS:

- Students can trade stocks, bonds, mutual funds, and commodities such as gold, silver, crude oil, and pork bellies.
- A toll free customer service number for you and your students.
- A new trading period begins every other week so you can choose a trading period that best fits your schedule.
- Cash prizes and t-shirts available.
- Weekly historical data as of each Friday.
- A toll free fax version / back up in case your internet goes down your students are still able to trade.

More Information

To learn more about the National SMS, please visit our [About the SMS](#) page.

The word simulation means that the SMS is more than just a game. The SMS is a tool that teachers can use to help instruct their students in the world of economics, finance, current events, math, social studies, and technology.

Students receive a hypothetical \$100,000 in a brokerage account. For a 10 week period students buy and sell stocks and mutual funds and learn about economic principles and how they apply to the financial markets. Students compete against other students on the basis of their portfolio performance and are eligible to win prizes.

The SMS is offered by state Councils/Centers on Economic Education, by local newspapers, and by Stock-Trak. Today there are approximately 200,000 K-12 students using the SMS each year. If you have any questions about the SMS, please call 1-866-SMS-DESK.

National SMS is active and running every week of the year! Our trading periods start every two weeks. Please don't miss out and start now by registering at your earliest convenient date.

[Click Here to Register](#)

S&P 500 NASDAQ NYSE

S&P 500 1,410.76 -7.54
NASDAQ 2,401.18 -14.67

- The Trading Rules link will display the Trading Rules used during the Simulation. Please review these rules with your students since we may make changes to them between semesters.
- This link will take you to the Registration page for the state that you choose. The registration page assigns team numbers and passwords. In certain states, this page also allows teachers to register for the workshop of their choice.
- This link leads to Teacher Resources; the National Council on Economic Education brings the resources listed on this page to you.
- The Lesson Plans link takes you a page with listings of lesson plans brought to you by the National Council on Economic Education.
- This box is a quick and easy way to get stock and mutual funds quotes. It is also a helpful tool in looking up ticker symbols for companies.
- This box is where your teams can log into their accounts.

The Trade Stocks Screen

Trading Stocks

There are four basic ways to trade stocks: buy (BO), sell (SC), short sell (SS), and short cover (CO). When buying a stock, you are taking a "long position" with the hope that the price per share will increase. When you sell a stock, you close that long position. Selling short is selling a stock that you don't own (you actually borrow the stock from the broker) with the hope that you can later buy the stock back at a lower price. When you buy the stock to pay back what you borrowed, it is called "covering" your short position. To buy or short sell a stock, specify how many shares you want, rather than how much money you have to spend.

Stock Order Screen

- All stock trades placed from this screen are market orders and will be made at 15/20 minute delayed prices.
- You must have the stock ticker symbol to make the trade.
- You cannot be both long and short in a stock at the same time.
- If you are buying and selling stocks on the same day, always make your selling or closing trades first to free up cash.
- Here are some of the most active tracking stocks: DIA(Diamonds®---Based on the Dow Industrial AverageSM), FFF(FORTU 500® Index Tracking Stock), QQQQ(Nasdaq-100 Index Tracking Stock), SPY(SPDRS®---Based on the Standard & Poor's 500 Composite Stock Price Index®)

Type of Trade	Shares**	Ticker Symbol	Order Type	Price
<input type="button" value="Buy"/> <input type="button" value="Sell"/> <input type="button" value="Sell short"/> <input type="button" value="Cover short"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Market <input type="radio"/> Limit <input type="radio"/> Stop	<input type="text"/>
<input type="button" value="Preview"/> <input type="button" value="Reset"/>				

** You may only trade up to 1/2 of the current day's volume.
 * You are not allowed to trade stocks priced less than \$5.00 .

All trades from the Preview page will be cancelled if not submitted within 60 seconds.

Stock Preview Screen

You must click the "Place Order" button to complete this transaction.
 Unplaced orders will be cancelled in 60 seconds.

From the Stock Trading Pit on December 22nd, 2006 17:07 you have requested an order for the following stock:

You currently have 0 shares of KO .
You have \$ 213241.56 in buying power available for this trade.

Account	Order	Shares	Ticker	Company	Price	Commission	Amount
US000002	BO	25	KO	COCA COLA CO THE	Next Open Price (Last Close was 48.380000)	USD 25	USD 1,234.50

is Sell to Close; 'SS' is Sell Short; 'CO' is Cover a Short)

This information is the overview of the trade you are wishing to place.

In order to place your trade, you must click this Place Order button. Buy clicking Place Order you will be taken to a Stock Trade Confirmation. If you would like to cancel the trade you must click on Cancel Order.

The My Portfolio Screen

Transaction History - (Account: US000001)

This history is as of Market close on .

[Transaction History](#) [Current Day Trades](#) [Current Open Positions](#) [Limit Order History](#)

Transaction History							
#	Order Date	Order	Symbol	Quantity	Price	Commission**	Amount Paid
1.	11/30/01	Buy	SNE	25	46.72	25.00	-1,193.00
2.	12/03/01	Buy	FMAGX	49	102.61	50.00	-5,050.00
3.	12/10/01	Buy	TIF	500	28.71	25.00	-1,330.00
4.	03/05/02	Buy	LU	25	5.89	25.00	-172.25
5.	07/08/02	Buy	TIF	25	34.27	25.00	-881.75
6.	07/08/02	Buy	TEX	25	20.85	25.00	-546.25
7.	07/08/02	Buy	SNE	25	51.93	25.00	-1,323.25
8.	09/25/02	Buy	TIF	2,225	22.25	25.00	-49,531.25
9.	09/25/02	Buy	FMAGX	656	76.20	0.00	-50,000.00
10.	09/25/02	Buy	TIF	25	22.21	25.00	-580.25
11.	09/25/02	Buy	TIF	25	22.21	25.00	-580.25
12.	10/09/02	Buy	TIF	25	20.94	25.00	-548.50
13.	02/19/03	Buy	TM	25	49.45	25.00	-1,261.25
14.	03/18/03	Buy	KO	25	40.76	25.00	-1,044.00
15.	03/18/03	Buy	SBUX	25	25.03	25.00	-650.75
16.	03/26/03	Buy	TM-DIV	25	0.21	0.00	5.30

A list of all transactions made by the Team, the type of transaction, number of shares traded, the ticker symbol, cost per share on that date, the commission, and the total cost of the transaction.

Limit Order History - (Account: US000001)

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Pending Orders							
Action	Order	Symbol	Quantity	Order Price	Submission Time	Filled Price	Fill Time
No Pending Orders							
Filled Orders							
Action	Order	Symbol	Quantity	Order Price	Submission Time	Filled Price	Fill Time
	LBO	AAPL	1	75.000000	01/20/06 11:35	65.440000	02/13/06 14:41
	LBO	IBM	1	83.500000	01/12/06 10:02	80.960000	02/14/06 10:22
	LBO	IBM	10	83.800000	01/12/06 09:55	80.620000	02/14/06 10:16
	SBO	SINA	1	1.000000	01/03/06 22:30	22.540000	02/14/06 10:34
Expired Orders							
Action	Order	Symbol	Quantity	Order Price	Submission Time	Filled Price	Fill Time
No Expired Orders							
Cancelled Orders							
Action	Order	Symbol	Quantity	Order Price	Submission Time	Filled Price	Cancel Time
	LBO	GOOG	1	100.000000	05/18/06 13:16	0.000000	05/18/06 13:16
	LBO	KO	25	1.000000	04/05/06 13:15	0.000000	05/18/06 13:01
	SBO	IBM	25	100.000000	04/05/06 09:38	0.000000	05/18/06 12:59
	LBO	IBM	100	5.000000	01/11/06 21:55	0.000000	05/18/06 13:14
	LBO	GNA	1	7.000000	01/11/06 15:58	0.000000	05/18/06 12:59
	LBO	GNA	100	7.000000	01/11/06 12:48	0.000000	05/18/06 13:13
	LBO	SINA	1	1.000000	01/03/06 22:23	0.000000	05/18/06 13:01

Your Limit Order History will show all Limit Orders that have been Filled, Expired, Cancelled, or orders that are pending.

Account Summary and Ranking Screens

The trades made is the number of trades you have made total.

Portfolio Value is the total Ending Cash
 -Loans + Market Value of Long Positions
 -Market Value of Short Positions

Account Summary - (Account: US000001)	
This Summary is for Market Close on :	
Portfolio Parameters	
Account Currency	USD
Beginning Cash	100,000.00
Trade Limit	300
Trades Made	145
S&P on Begin Date	5317.40
Account Balances	
Ending Cash	13,068.50
Buying Power	25,553.98
Ending Loan	112,443.67
Interest Earned	3,826.17
Interest Charged	22,004.35
Portfolio Value	152,151.40
Market Data	
Market Value: Long Positions	265,680.32
Market Value: Short Positions	14,153.75
Margin Requirement	7,076.88
Last Update	

Interest Earned
 Interest will be earned on all available cash balances and credited at the close of each day. During this simulation, cash balances will earn 3% interest, compounded daily.

Interest Charged
 Interest will be charged on all loan balances and will be debited at the close of each day. The interest rate charged during this simulation will be 8%.

Teams will be ranked according to equity at the ending of each day. Your team's ranking will show up highlighted in **red** to make it easier to see where you rank.

Section Ranking - (Account: US000001)					
Top 50 Nationwide Ranking			Top 100 \$1,000,000 Challenge Ranking		
This ranking is as of market close on DECEMBER 21, 2006 .					
Section Ranking					
Rank	Account	Primary User	Secondary User	% Return	Portfolio Value
1.	US000019	Kristi M. Kilpatrick	SMS Central Office	61.46	161,459.57
2.	US000001	Demo	DEMO	52.15	152,151.40
3.	US000999	NATIONAL DEMO	INTEREST ONLY	6.58	106,583.60
4.	US000004	Trst		5.86	105,861.02
5.	US000010	Akash Demo		3.68	103,682.32

* All portfolios values are calculated at the end of every business day at 7 pm EST.