

Stock Market Game: Monday, 3/14 – Friday, 4/22

To Register:

1. Go to www.smartstocks.com/.
2. Click on “Sign up for an account”.
3. Log in to your account
4. Click on “Group Features.” Click “JOIN A GROUP.”
5. Our class’s game is called **FAA 2011 CHALLENGE**
6. The password is **econ2011**.

You will begin with **\$1,000,000** in cash.

Go to **HELP** page for explanation of terms and procedures.

Suggestion: Don’t put all your eggs in one basket. **Diversify!** Buy stocks in different industries: retail, entertainment, tech, energy, pharmaceuticals, manufacturing, transportation, mining... Put 10% here, 10% there, and 10% somewhere else, etc.

Making Stock Choices

1. Go to **Google Finance (Google.com under “more”—select “Finance”)**. Browse the “top stories” - they list to see what stocks are going up. Or, you can Google “top 10 stocks to buy” with this month’s date.
2. **To look up a company you’re interested in on Google Finance:** Enter the name of the company and it will find the stock symbol for you (like KO for Coca Cola or MSFT for Microsoft). It will show you this week’s report on that stock, and a graph of how it’s done in the last 3 days. Click on “6m” or “1y” above the graph to see how it’s done for the last six months or year.
3. **If you can’t find a company on this site, it’s probably privately owned, not publicly traded.**

Class Requirements / Competition:

1. Each week we will devote 1 or 2 classes in the Computer Lab to our Stock Market Game. **At the end of each class in the computer lab, you should print out and hand in your portfolio and trades.**
2. ***You can log in anytime to buy and sell + check where you stand in the class.***