

Joining the stock market simulation on Investopedia

1. Go to investopedia.com
2. In the black bar at the top, go to “Simulator” then bring your cursor down and left to “Stock Simulator”, click here.
3. You will now be on the register page. Use your student email, a username that contains at least part of your real name so I know who’s who, and a password. Click on REGISTER just once and wait a little while and it will get you in the game.
4. If you get a message that your email is already being used, it’s probably because you clicked REGISTER more than once, so go to the upper right and click on the sign in button. Log in here and it should get you in.
5. Once you’re registered with the website you can go back to the black bar and click on the stock simulator and it will bring you to a page that has a picture of the letter “I” inside blue and red parenthesis on the left and shaking hands on the right. Below the parenthesis there are 3 games listed and buttons that say “view detail”. Click on any one of the “view details” buttons.
6. Now a column on the left has appeared and there is a button that says “join game”, click this.
7. In the keyword box, type the name of the game given you by your teacher.
8. The game should appear with a “join” button on the far right, click this.
9. Enter the password given to you by your teacher and join.
10. You’re in, now you can start trading stocks.

Trading Stocks in the Game

1. On the left, find the “trade” button and below that it should say “Trade a stock”, click this
2. This opens the trading page.

3. Type in the ticker symbol of the stock you want to buy.
4. A window will open in the lower right that will show the current price and daily price change for the stock.
5. The game is set up so that the most you can spend on any one company is \$30,000. By clicking on the "Show Max" button, you will see how many shares you can purchase for \$30,000. If you want to buy that much, I would suggest you buy a few shares fewer than it shows because the game is on a 20 minute delay and if the stock increases in price during that 20 minutes, your order will be cancelled for being over the limit.
6. Type in the number of shares that you want to buy.
7. Keep "market order" on
8. Scroll down and click 'Preview Order'
9. You'll see what you are about to order. It shows the number of shares, estimated price, commission, and total cost. If you're happy with this, click the submit order button. You can also change your order to a different number of shares, or cancel your order at this point.
10. Once you submit an order, keep track of your costs so that you know how much money you have left. The game will show that you have all \$100,000 because the purchase is on a 20 minute delay, so you have to keep track.
11. Keep buying stocks until you have spent at least \$90,000 of your \$100,000.
12. You can see what you have purchased by checking the Portfolio button on the left.
13. Everyone in the game will be ranked at the end of each day so that you can see how your portfolio value compares to your classmates.