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Period: _____

STOCK MARKET PROJECT – DIRECTIONS

Choose three stocks and track them. Complete a chart noting the stock prices for the listed day. You may get the prices via Internet or newspaper (Sun-Times, Chicago Tribune, and The Wall Street Journal). Print the Internet information or clip the info from the newspaper each week. Use the following information:

Part 1

- You have \$10,000 to invest (allocate funds as you see fit)
- This part of the project is due on _____.
- Your purchase date MUST be before _____.
 - Must purchase three stocks...remember DIVERSIFY IS GOOD!
 - Figure out the stocks you want to purchase and how many shares... you must spend at least \$9,900 but no more than \$9,970.
 - Print a copy of your price NOW...it's your proof of purchase price—print first, calculate next
 - Figure calculations on the handout before taking it to your portfolio
 - Create a Word document and answer the following question:
 - Why or how did you choose your companies? (1 paragraph per stock-make sure to include very specific information in your explanation)

Part 2

- You will *pretend* to use Ameritrade to (buy/sell) your stock. Each transaction will cost \$9.99.
- This part of the project is also due on _____.
 - If you don't already have one, create a free Google account (you need to have an account in order to create a portfolio-- be sure to use an appropriate username)
 - Follow directions to create a Google portfolio
 - Go to www.google.com/finance
 - Click *Sign In* (upper right corner ...use your gmail login)
 - Click *Portfolios* on the left menu
 - Click *Create a new profile* on the right side of the screen
 - Name your Portfolio—be sure to include your last name in it (i.e., Mr. Lowen's Retirement)
 - In your Portfolio, add ticker symbols, one for each of the three stocks transactions
 - Input data and make sure to click the *Add to portfolio* gray tab
 - Continue to do this for each of your three stocks
 - Click *Transactions* on the top menu, then *Edit transactions* to add purchase data for each stock
 - Click *Performance* on the top menu –it shows you how much money you have gained/lost since you first bought your stocks
 - Make sure the total value(shows as *Cost basis*) is between \$9,900-\$10,000
 - If you need to adjust the transactions, click *Edit transactions*
 - Print this screen and turn it in.

Part 3

- Track your stock for each Friday from now until _____. You will need to print your portfolio performance tab for each of the dates listed below. Make sure your name is on your printout and that you circle the value of your portfolio.

Part 4

- Sell all your stock on _____.
- Print your “Proof of Sales” for each stock or print your performance page
- Overall Summary
 - Complete a financial worksheet (use the template in excel—to be provided later)
 - Answer the questions on the bottom of the worksheet (to be provided later)