

Fact Sheet 1: Journal Prompts

This is a list of suggested writing prompts for your SMG Journal. Keeping a journal will help you make better decisions. In addition to helping you remember your team discussions and the decisions you have made, writing in your journal will help you organize your research and may even introduce you to alternate solutions to challenging problems.

Be sure to use a lot of detail when you respond to the prompts so everything is clear when you refer to them.

1. I read in _____ (Name of news source) that _____ (News item read). I think will help/hurt/have no effect on my team's portfolio because _____.
2. My teammates want to invest in _____. I think this is a good/bad decision because _____.
3. _____ has gone down \$ _____ since my team bought it. I think this is happening because _____. I think my team should buy/sell/hold it because _____.
4. My favorite investment research website is _____ because _____.
5. _____ (A company your team is invested in)'s biggest competitor is _____ (Name competing company). I think/don't think they would be a better investment because _____.
6. My team's portfolio is/ is not diversified because _____. To diversify it further I think we should invest in _____.
7. To raise the cash balance in my team's portfolio I am going to suggest they _____ because _____.
8. So far the most challenging aspect of The Stock Market Game has been _____ because _____.
9. So far the advice I would give someone new to The Stock Market Game is _____ because _____.
10. So far the most important thing I have learned from The Stock Market Game is _____ because _____.



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