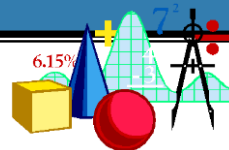


Mathematics, Grade 7

Unit X: Lesson 2

Report: Stock Purchase



Stock exchanges play important roles in the financial life of all nations. They provide a convenient way for people to invest money by buying stock, a share of a company. Research and summarize the history of the stock exchange from 1792 through today. Each day many newspapers list stock quotations and mathematical information about how the stock is doing. Find out how to read and interpret this information.

Select a stock and pretend that you own 100 shares of it. Each day for two weeks look it up in the newspaper, Wall Street Journal, or another source and keep track of the price of your stock. At the end of the two weeks, construct a graph from your data showing the daily price of your stock.

Present an oral report to the class on the history of the stock exchange. Include in the report an analysis of your stock purchase.