

Fantasy Free Economics

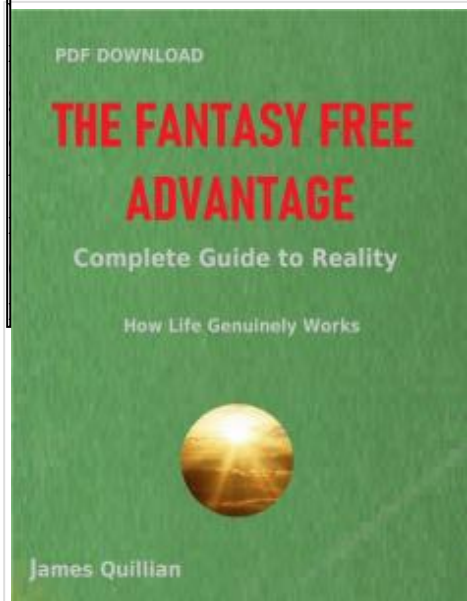
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Make Good Trades

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How and When to Short The Market

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This is not advice, This is my personal approach. I don't give advice on trading. I have managed investments for others in the past, Doing so diminishes my judgement,

There are no good investments in the economy today. GDP is elevated just because the stock market has been goosed since 2006, Everything is overpriced, even gold. This is what happens when government is used as a tool for building wealth for those who control it. Tariffs will guarantee an outright depression. Free market attributes are necessary for launching a recovery,

With a change of presidents, we will now have a new set of billionaires making policy. This is not the Deep State. It is history. A new crime family is in charge now, so to speak.. U.S. citizens are now resources to be exploited by the new consortium. Assets will be routed. They will pick up Deep State owned assets at

bargain basement prices. Tariffs have never failed to destroy equity prices. This time will be no exception.

Get the basics down and don't let sophisticated explanations convince you that they are irrelevant, Almost all errors and misunderstandings occur because of getting the basics wrong.

Central planning destroys any economy, The U,S has a centrally planned economy, while masquerading as a free market system. History has generated a long list of situations where poor economies have been wiped out by way of central planning. Now, we are witnessing the destruction of major prosperous economies that were built on free market principles, No economy has ever recovered without free market attributes in place, .Whether it is a crash initially, or an orderly decline, markets are going to drop and will see little or no light for at least two years.

But, it makes no sense to just short and place stops, This is not for quick money, This is to make a whole bucket of money over a long timespan. After a severe bear market, many of the losers never recover. Those are the stocks I am looking for. These will be long term shorts. Some, I may never cover. Most will end up in the pink sheet graveyard hoping for a zombie company apocalypses.

For these types of stocks, it is fine to short after the averages are in a downtrend. The thing to avoid on the short side is that of losing all of your capital trying to get positioned before the market tanks.

Adtran Holdings Inc 10.89 12.44 10.15 **10.57** -0.27 -2.49%
ADTN Weekly ▾ Moving Average 200 ▾ Bollinger Bands® 20 2 ▾



To do it this way, requires scanning a lot of stocks looking for the right kind of chart patterns, and pulling the trigger when the timing is right. Below are monthly, weekly and daily charts of stocks that end up on my potential short sale list. With respect to fundamentals, I look for a lot of debt and evidence their utility to society is diminishing. I am not short this stock, at least not yet. It just an example.

Monthly

The 200 MA is declining and it never accomplished a thing during the long bull market. I would love for the price to be closer to the 200 DMA.

Weekly

The weekly chart is a lot closer to its 200 week MA. If the price was just a little closer to the 200 week MA, I would be prone to pulling the trigger and adding it to my portfolio of long term shorts.



Daily

Based on the daily chart, Given that the situation is right with respect to the averages, I might short it despite the other two charts being somewhat less than stellar.

This is a once in a lifetime opportunity. These are not the only bearish positions I will have. I am already long a bunch of 3X inverse ETFs. The TECH sector, especially the FANGs and friends and biotech will fall off a cliff. It will be a blood bath,

No matter what, I will have plenty of cash with to buy at the bottom of the carnage, That is the most important thing. It will be like buying during the Great Depression of the 1930s.