# GETTING STARTED

# The Membership



## PERKS

All TwT members get a wide variety of benefits that will directly help you achieve your goals in terms of knowledge and financial freedom. Your membership benefits include:

1. Chat Room Access
   a. Open from **7:30 AM ET – 5:30 PM ET**
   b. Moderators Are Faris Sleem, Dennis P, and Angela O
   c. Screen sharing from **9:15 AM ET – 4:00 PM ET**
   d. Audio alerts and analysis from **9:15 AM ET – 11:30 AM ET**
   e. Educational webinars on Tuesdays and Thursdays **11:30 AM ET**
   f. Weekly webinars covering trade reviews on Thursday's **11:30 AM ET**

g. Swing trade and momentum setup analysis from **3:40 PM ET – 4:00 PM ET**

2. Daily Emails
   a. Morning email is sent out around **9:00 AM ET** with three trading game plans and a watch list
   b. Afternoon email is sent out from **2:00 PM ET – 2:30 PM ET** with multiple trading game plans, a daily recap, notes, a watch list, and a swing watch list

3. Webinar Video Library Access
   a. Access to hundreds of hours of educational content
   b. Webinars are separated by topic
   c. Thursday webinars are always posted in the same section

4. Scanner Setup Access
   a. Access to 10+ scanner setups in TD Think or Swim.
      i. Optionable earnings scanners
      ii. Bull scalp scanners
      iii. Bear scalp scanners
      iv. ETF scalp scanners
      v. Bull swing scanners

## WHERE TO START

TwT has many traders that have different styles, so don't feel threatened to bring something new to the table or even ask questions! Understanding the technical indicators and chat room terminology goes a long way and helps you get a better feel as to how you can make money daily. Trading isn't a hobby, it's a job. It's time to work hard and make some money! So start watching the educational videos based on your level of experience, join the chat room, and ASK QUESTIONS!

You can email **sleemstockanalysis@gmail.com** to reach Faris personally or send a private message in the chat room with any questions.

## CHART INDICATORS

We have two different study sets for TwT members – a day trade chart setting and a swing trade chart setting. The swing trade chart setting relies heavily on simple moving averages while the day trade chart setting is a combination of various studies.

[WATCH THIS VIDEO ON CHARTING BASICS FIRST](#) – "BEGINNER-INTERMEDIATE GETTING STARTED" IS THE TITLE

We use these indicators to give us buy and sell signals. However, we form a trade idea based on an imbalance first, use the technical indicators to determine the trend and momentum, and then use our experience and trading platforms to execute. The technical indicators that we use either act as <u>buy/sell signals</u> **or** <u>inflection points</u>.

**\*<u>IF THIS IS ALREADY TOO COMPLICATED FOR YOU, THEN START WITH THIS INTRO COURSE TO CHARTS</u>\***

## DEFINITION OF INFLECTION POINTS

The midpivot and the VWAP usually act as inflection points. The prior day's high and low can also act as inflection points. The midpivot comes from the Pivot Points study, which gives you a bunch of key levels.

## VIDEO ON PIVOT POINTS

By this point, you've realized that you need to have multiple things on your chart to signal any shifts in trend or buying/selling pressure. Below is an example of our day trading chart study set with our basic indicators:

You don't need to know all of these immediately, but try to use the picture as a reference guide as you watch videos and learn how they work together.

**20 SMA INFO**

**VWAP INFO**

**VIDEO ON VWAP FOR PAID MEMBERS** – **"VWAP Analysis" is the title**

We use the VWAP a lot for entry points and reversals. One of the basic strategies we use is the "VWAP Reclaim", which occurs when you have a high momentum stock break back above the VWAP after a higher swing low.

Also, note that the VWAP we refer to is the "mid VWAP", you won't need the upper and lower VWAP until your trading advances. So just make sure you have only one VWAP line on your chart.

## CHART INDICATORS CONT.

Volume is very important for knowing when and when not to trade. Some setups are easier to spot when volume is higher. It also lets you get in and out of the trade more easily. Watch the video to learn about volume and the VolumeAvg study.

**VOLUME AVERAGE VIDEO** – **Includes chart setup in Thinkorswim from scratch**

Other indicators that we use for bullish/bearish indicators are the Stochastic Momentum Index, Hull Moving Average, and lower length SMA's in order to give short-term buy/sell signals.

**VIDEO ON STOCHASTICS**

**VIDEO ON STOCHASTICS FOR PAID MEMBERS** – **"Stochastic Momentum Index" is the title**

Your Hull Moving Average should be set to default settings (can adjust to 16 or even as low as 12 if you're a fast trader), with a thicker width, green up, red down. When it flips up, it's a buy signal. When it flips down, it's a sell signal.

**VIDEO ON HULL MOVING AVERAGE** - **"Hull for Trend Shifts" is the title**

**VIDEO ON COMBINING HULL AND STOCHASTICS** - **"Mastering Hull and Stochastics" is the title**

By combining the different indicators, you can look for your favorite buy/sell signals and nail setups. For example, a 20 SMA bounce or 8 EMA bounce with the Hull flipping green is a continuation setup.

**STRATEGY VIDEO EXAMPLE - "Round 2 Setup" is the title**

For Moving Averages, you have to analyze them in 3 ways:

- Price vs. MA = If Price > MA then it's bullish. Opposite for bearish.
- MA slope = The slope of the MA indicates how aggressive the trend is and which way its signaling. A MA pointed upwards will be stronger trend than one that is flat.
- MA vs. MA = If your lower length MA (8 EMA) is > higher length MA (20 SMA) then it is bullish. A cross down is bearish.

**BLOG POST ON TREND TRADING**

Moving averages are fairly straight forward and just require practice. Crossovers (8 EMA crossing above 20 SMA) are considered signals for a shift in the trend. The moving averages themselves act as support or resistance in a strong trend.

**VIDEO ON TYING TECHS TOGETHER**

You should learn all of these things before you learn about Range, Fibonacci Retracements, and Point of Control.

Range often refers to the distance between the high and the low. But in trading, it's really just refers to the high and the low. For example, if a stock is below its high from yesterday, then it is range bound. If it breaks above yesterday's high, then it has extended its range. Extended ranges are more fun to trade and result in larger moves.

That's why it's important to mark the prior day's high and low as resistance levels on your chart. Simply draw a price level at each of those prices. The same applies to the first 30 minutes of the trading day. Draw that high and low to see where the stock price is bouncing between. They act as support and resistance levels.

We have studies to automatically draw yesterday's high/low and the first 30 minutes high/low (Opening Range), but wait to reach out to us until you have learned the basics.

## SWING TRADING INDICATORS

Swing trading is just buying a stock and holding it for at least 1 day. That means that we have to look at the chart on a larger **timeframe** to analyze it in order to hold it longer. Most of our swing trades either range between 2-3 days or 1-2 weeks. The idea behind this is that we use the Daily timeframe and the Weekly timeframe.
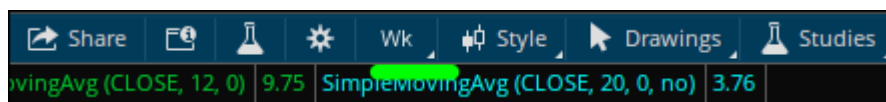
**Daily timeframe** = 1 Year time period, each candlestick is 1 Day

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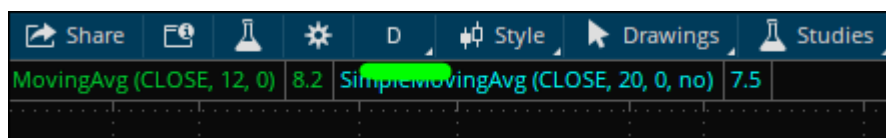


**Weekly timeframe** = 3 Year time period, each candlestick is 1 Week

Looks like this in Thinkorswim:



For day trading, we primarily use the 1 Min and 5 Min charts, while checking the 15 Min and 1 Hour timeframes regularly throughout the day. The larger the timeframe, the larger the move. A 1 hour candle closing red (meaning price went down for that hour) is much more significant than a 1 min candle closing red.

**1 Min timeframe** = Intraday period, 1 Min candles

**5 Min timeframe** = Intraday period, 5 Min candles

**15 Min timeframe** = Intraday period, 15 Min candles

**1 Hour (Hourly) timeframe** = 20 day period, 1 Hour candles

[VIDEO ON TIMEFRAMES](#)

To analyze different timeframes, you must understand how candlesticks work in general. Below are a few videos explaining the basics:

[BASIC (OLDER) VIDEO ON CANDLESTICKS](#)

[MORE IN-DEPTH VIDEO ON CANDLESTICKS](#) - "Candlestick Formations" is the title

[VIDEO ON TIMEFRAMES](#) – "Moving Averages Guide for Timeframes" is the title

Some of the videos in the timeframes webinar section are more advanced, but they are all necessary to understand for active trading.

The actual indicators that you should start with for swing trading are mainly **Keltner Channels**, 8 EMA, Hull Moving Average, Stochastics, **50 SMA**, and **200 SMA**. The bolded indicators are ones that you haven't added to your intraday chart for day trading that you'll need to add for swing trading.

**50 SMA and 200 SMA –** These act as inflection points. If you don't know what that means, scroll up.

**Keltner Channels –** These give buy/sell signals and help you notice trend shifts. They are very similar to Bollinger Bands.

[VIDEO ON KELTNER CHANNELS](#) **– "Keltner Channels" is the title**

More advanced video on that page is titled **"Keltner Channels for Swings".**

We have many other swing trade strategies but the majority of our setups rely on trend shifts and trades off of key levels.

Fibonacci Retracements are a huge part of our swing trading and day trading strategies. We enter and exit at these levels constantly. These take practice for drawing and learnings and we are happy to help you understand them in the chat room if you have questions. **Since this guide is available to anyone who signs up for free (including our competitors), we do not include a full guide to fibs and all our strategies here. You can ask about them or watch the other videos when you sign up.**

**[VIDEO ON FIBONACCI RETRACEMENTS](#)**

**[INTRO VIDEO TO FIBONACCI RETRACEMENTS](#)**

## TIPS FOR GETTING STARTED

- **[Watch this video](#).**
- **Pick 2-3 stocks to watch** per day from the watch list. If you're trading options, just 1-2 stocks. If you're trading futures, just 1 ticker of this short list: /NQ, /ES, /GC, or /CL.
- **Learn one indicator at a time** and practice trade buy/sell signals with it.
- **PAPER TRADE!** Do not use real money until you have at least 70% consistency with fake money. That means you need to win on 7/10 trades before using real money. Even if you've traded before, these are new strategies that you have to practice with first.
- **Use smaller position sizes** to avoid getting emotional and scared out easily. Practice discipline by not overtrading, not chasing after a move you missed, and sticking to your game plan.
- **If you're unsure about a trade setup, then don't trade it.**

- **Your game plan for a trade always needs defined risk/reward.** If you are following technicals then there is no way to blow up your account without violating your risk/reward.
- **Participate** by asking questions regularly and calling out stocks in chat. The traders that participate in chat learn faster and have high potential to become a professional. Don't worry about being wrong or sounding stupid, everyone starts somewhere.
  - **Contact Faris @ [sleemstockanalysis@gmail.com](mailto:sleemstockanalysis@gmail.com), on [Twitter,](#) or in chat publicly or via private message.** You can click anyone's name in chat and privately message them.

## OTHER RESOURCES

- **[Bowser Report blog](#)**

- **Trade with Techs blog**
- **Finviz.com** for scanning and insider trades.
- **Chart School** for learning about charting.
- **The Options Playbook** for learning options.
- Other videos for Swing Trading:
  - **YOUTUBE – BOX STRATEGY**
  - **YOUTUBE – WEEKLY ROTATION**
  - **YOUTUBE – GAP TRADING**
- Other videos for Day Trading:
  - **YOUTUBE – RENKO BARS**
  - **YOUTUBE – GOLD TRADING STRATEGY**

## CHAT ROOM

The two things that you need to know going into the chat room is that you ALWAYS understand why you're entering a stock and you should NEVER hesitate to ask questions. Unlike other chat rooms, we want you to learn so that you can have the fastest possible entries and exits. Most chat rooms keep you in the dark so that you don't out-trade them. We ENCOURAGE it! If you become better and faster than us, that means we've done our job.  In TwT, you'll be able to see WHY you should enter and exit a stock solely based off of what a chart is telling you and your experience with similar plays in the past. As soon as you see what we see, you'll realize that there is no point paying for another chat room, stock picking service, etc.

Although we hit huge home runs in the chat room daily, you should always be looking a conservative gain and be content with anything that is profitable. If you take into account compounding with a 2% gain, that's a huge gain over even just a few months. If you can't be in chat all day, that's fine. Everyone has their own schedule and lives of their own. HOWEVER, you should think of it as a return on investment. You are investing in yourself. You are investing in your education. If you don't believe that investing in yourself is a wise decision, then TwT is not for you and trading stocks is not for you. If you have a passion to become the best trader possible and make money daily, then you will thrive in TwT.

The chat room is open 24/7 and the market opens at 9:30. If you're not early, you're late. We suggest getting in there by 8:00 AM ET LATEST! Although you can make money daily playing the alerts, try to gain an understanding of why you're buying and selling in order to think independently and be able to adapt without waiting on someone else's analysis. Below we included an analysis of a live chat room alert (and that's not even with the audio and video):

09:56 am **Faris Sleem:** Long SPY 221 puts .57 weeklys
09:58 am **Faris Sleem:** Long PZRX small 1.89 will add more upon confirmation
10:03 am **Faris Sleem:** PZRX out half 2.28 from 1.89

We trade penny stocks, midcap stocks, large cap stocks, futures, and stock options, ETF's, and futures.

Lastly, below is a table with commonly used phrases in chat. Keep in mind that we also have a **TERMINOLOGY GUIDE** with more basic terms.

| Phrase or Term | Meaning |
|---|---|
| ww | Worth watching or will watch |
| Long | To buy a stock |
| Short | To short sell a stock |
| Cover | To exit a short sell |
| OR | Opening range - Also known as highest or lowest price for the first 30 minutes |
| UOA | Unusual options activity - Can drive short-term momentum for a stock |
| r/g | Red to green – The stock is crossing above its opening price |
| g/r | Green to red – The stock is crossing below its opening price |
| r/s | Reverse split |
| R1, R2, R3 | Pivot points that act as resistance |
| S1, S2, S3 | Pivot points that act as support |
| Fib | Fibonacci retracement |
| Fib ext | Fibonacci extension – Commonly used as targets |
| HOD | High of Day |
| LOD | Low of Day |
| Midpivot | Middle pivot point that acts as support and/or resistance |
| Lotto | Lottery play – Extremely high risk/reward and small position sizes only |
| Momo | Momentum |
| Rel vol | Relative volume |
| Hedge | A position taken to mitigate risk from a position that is already open |
| Long SPY 400C from $1.20 | Options trade example – Purchase of $SPY call options with a $400 strike price and the weekly expiration for $1.20 per contract |
| Mental stop | Mental stop order that you manually execute |

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| **Stop** | Typically refers to a trailing stop on quote |
| **Flush** | Very fast drop in price |
| **Spike** | Very fast rise in price – This kind of momentum is usually unsustainable |
| **Cont** | Continuing |
| **Swing low/high** | Referring to the troughs or highs during a given period of time - Best indication of current trend aside from MA's. |
| **Kelts** | Keltner Channels |
| **EMA** | Exponential Moving Average |
| **SMA** | Simple Moving Average |
| **Weekly** | 3 Year, 1 Week timeframe |
| **Daily** | 1 Year, 1 Day timeframe |
| **Hourly** | 20 Day, 1 Hour timeframe |
| **Curl** | Price is slowly turning upward |
| **Fade** | Price is slowly decreasing |
| **Pop** | Price increased suddenly |
| **Drop** | Price decreased suddenly |
| **Scanning** | The stock is showing up in one of our intraday scanners |
| **AH** | Afterhours |
| **Call/Put Sweeper** | Significant call or put buyer |
| **Flag** | Bull or bear flag pattern |
| **Retest** | Testing a key level again |
| **/NQ, /ES, /GC, /CL, /BTC** | /NQ = Nasdaq<br>The "/" refers to a futures ticker in our charting platform. |

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