

"Yipee! More on FOREX

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[Thanks to Online Trading Academy]

Support / resistance, pivots
and surprises ... "

We need solid risk management techniques ...

FOREX is high leverage ... a double edge sword ... so we must...
plan the trade ... trade the plan.

According to OTA → Know when not to trade.
(where this info is from)

Remember that volume is fuel

The most active time to trade is (Asia, Europe, NY)
between 8 pm and 9 am EST

* 5:30 to 7:30 pm don't trade

* Slowest is 1:30 pm to 4 pm

Every position involves selling one currency and buying another.

So Ex: if the EURO is going to rise. →
(price) → then buy EURO and sell U.S.D.
(buy EURO/USD)

which "Macro" points of view will effect the currency value?

Trade reports, unemployment, interest rates ...

We should learn to anticipate reactions to government intervention.

The majors : "GBP USD" cable (pound/dollar) "USD CHF" Dollar Swiss "Swissy"
"EUR USD" Euro "USD CAD" Dollar Canada
"USD JPY" Dollar Yen "AUD USD" Aussie Dollar

- Order Types -
- Market (MKT) - immediate at current Mkt price
 - limit order - can be executed at a specified price
"better money missed than money lost"
 - Stop order - "stop loss" order
"have a stop in mind" "line in the sand"
"when in doubt get out"
- "A profit is not a profit, nor a loss a loss until you take it"
- "Don't lose money ... if you do ... very little"
- "Keep it simple"
- plan entry/exit/stop loss before opening the trade → Don't change the strategy

Pivots, Support/Resistance (trying to establish high probability for entries and exits)

Pivot point - the average of high plus low plus close of previous day.

$$P = \frac{H + L + C}{3} \quad (\text{Can plug data into spreadsheet})$$

$$\text{Resistance level 1 (R1)} = (2 \times P) - L$$

$$\text{Support level 1 (S1)} = (2 \times P) - H$$

$$\text{Resistance level 2 (R2)} = (P - S1) + R1$$

$$\text{Support level 2 (S2)} = P - (R1 - S1)$$

(same data for H, L, C that was used for pivot)

- Buy near support, sell at resistance -

- Breaking R1 is very strong -

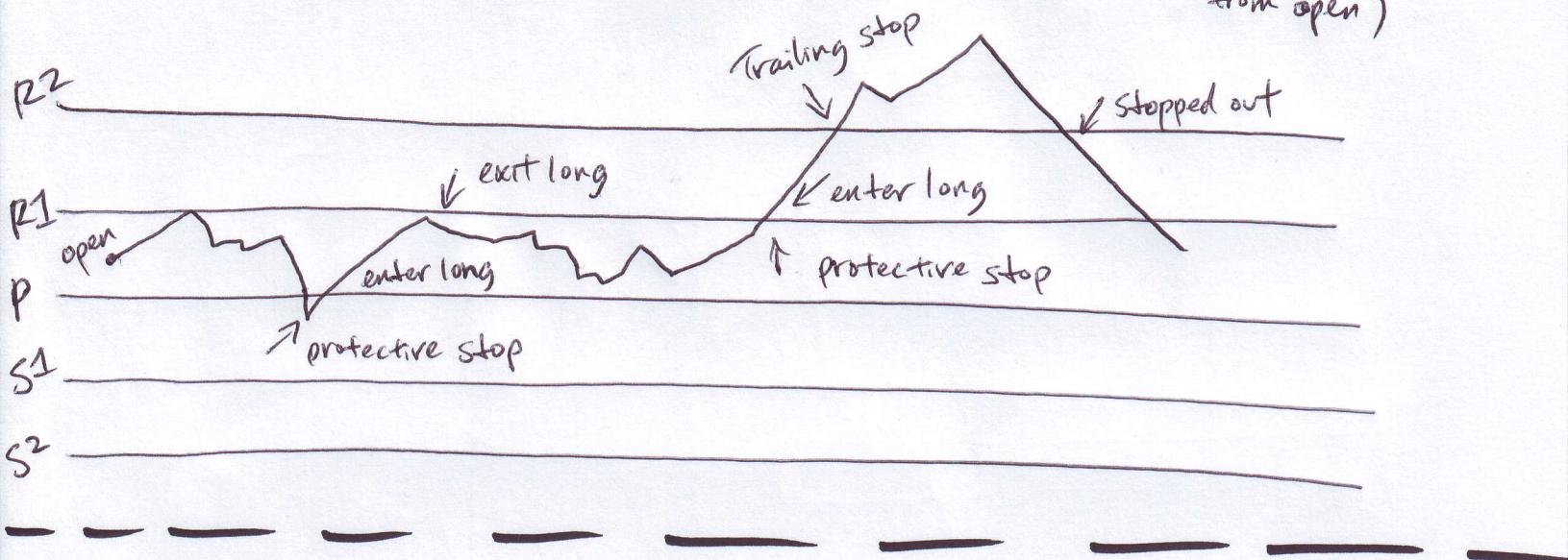
- Go long above the pivot, short below the pivot -

"Always have confirmation in candlesticks/momentum"

Always use a combination of technical analysis ...

"confirmation is key"

Give the market time to get "movin along" (after 30 min. from open)



How about a bit of ADR? $\frac{H-L}{2}$ (Average Daily Range)

(Can use spreadsheet and a daily chart.)

- Use high and low for the past 20 days then divide by 20.
- Each day add a new range, and omit the oldest ADR.
- Again, wait 30 minutes after the market opens to identify opening range -
(be consistent each day)

(Be careful) Assumption : Buy if price breaks above range, and new high
Short if price breaks below range and makes new low.

Also can use Exponential Moving Average (EMA's) 5 EMA and SMA

If price is above the EMA - Bullish (up trend) (if they cross expect activity)

If price is below the EMA - Bearish (downward)