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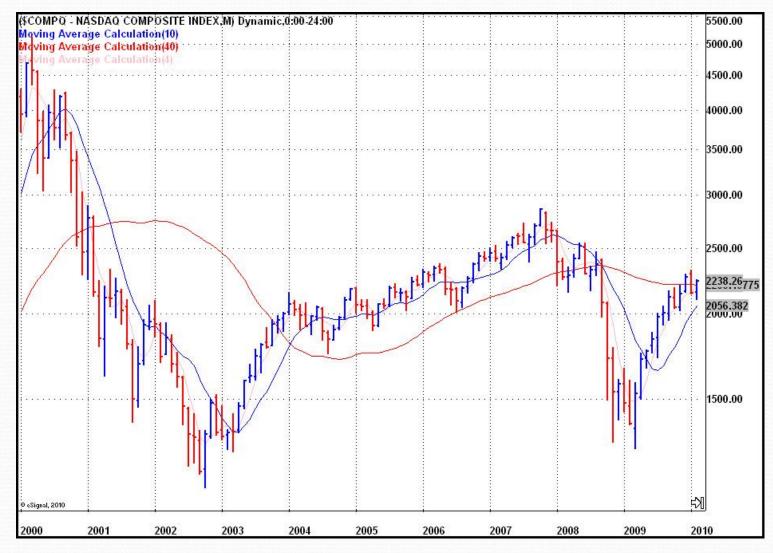
New Ideas in Technical Analysis The Pocket Pivot Buy Point

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The Parabolic 'Nineties



The Chop 'n' Slop 2000's



Basic Premise of the Pocket Pivot

- Institutional Buying creates new-high base breakouts, but we also know that institutional buying occurs within consolidations and during uptrends.
- This buying within consolidations and uptrends should, theoretically, have its particular, identifying **price and volume "signature**."
- The pocket pivot describes that "signature," and provides a clear, buyable "pivot point," or "pocket pivot buy point."
- Pocket pivots also provide a **tool for buying leading stocks as they progress higher within uptrends**, extended from a prior base or price consolidation.

Pocket pivots are just a way to identify institutional investors' footprints within a base or an uptrend.



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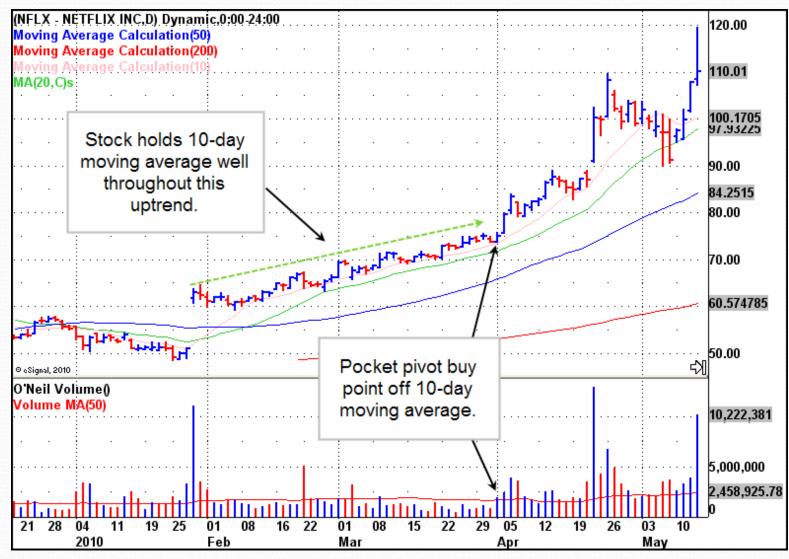
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RINO International (RINO) – September 2009



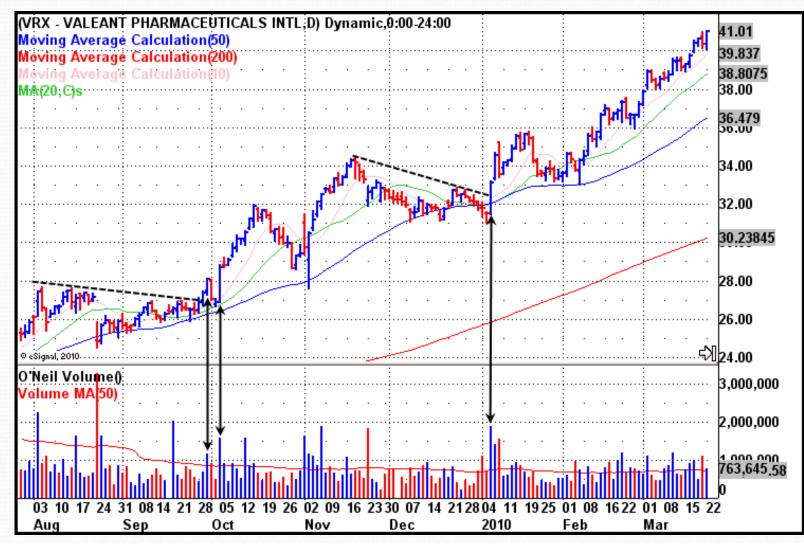
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Netflix (NFLX), March/April 2009



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Valeant Pharmaceuticals (VRX) in 2009



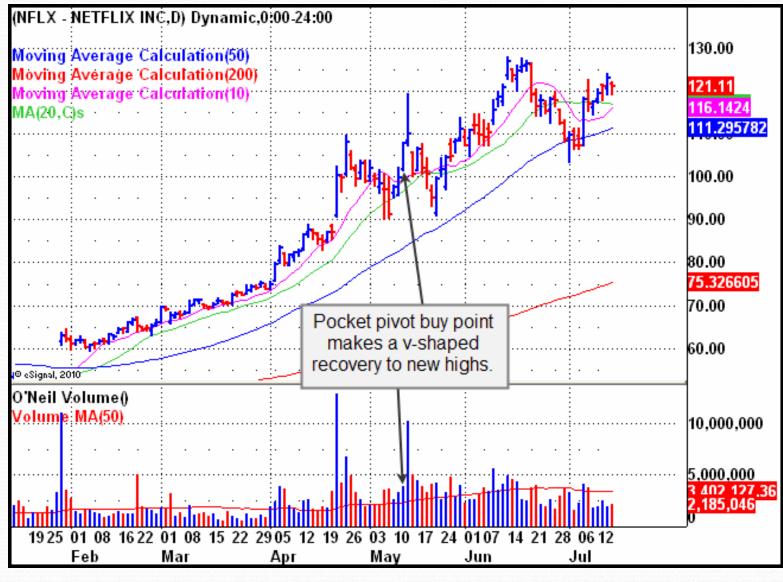
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Research in Motion (RIMM) in November 2008



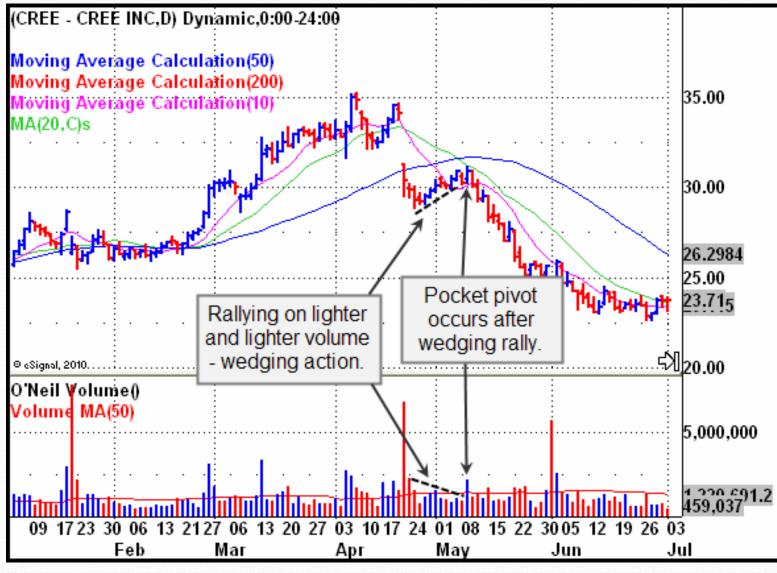
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Cree, Inc. (CREE) on May 9th, 2006



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Apple, Inc. (AAPL) September 2004



Use of the 10-day and 50-day moving averages in conjunction with the Pocket Pivot tool is governed by the "Seven-Week Rule."

- **10-day** = Stocks that have shown a tendency to "obey" or "respect" the 10-day moving average for at least **7 weeks** in an uptrend should often be sold once the stock violates the 10-day line.
- **50-day** = If they don't show such a tendency, then it is better to use the 50-day moving average as your guide for selling.
- This rule can help prevent you from selling a stock prematurely if it is simply not its nature to hold the 10-day moving average and it tends to drop below the 10-day line often. Our studies of pocket pivots indicate that a pocket pivot buy point which results in an uptrend that is shown to obey the 10-day moving average for at least 7 weeks following the initial pocket pivot should be sold upon its first violation of the 10-day line. A "violation" is defined as a close below the 10-day moving average followed by a move on the next day below the intraday low of the first day.

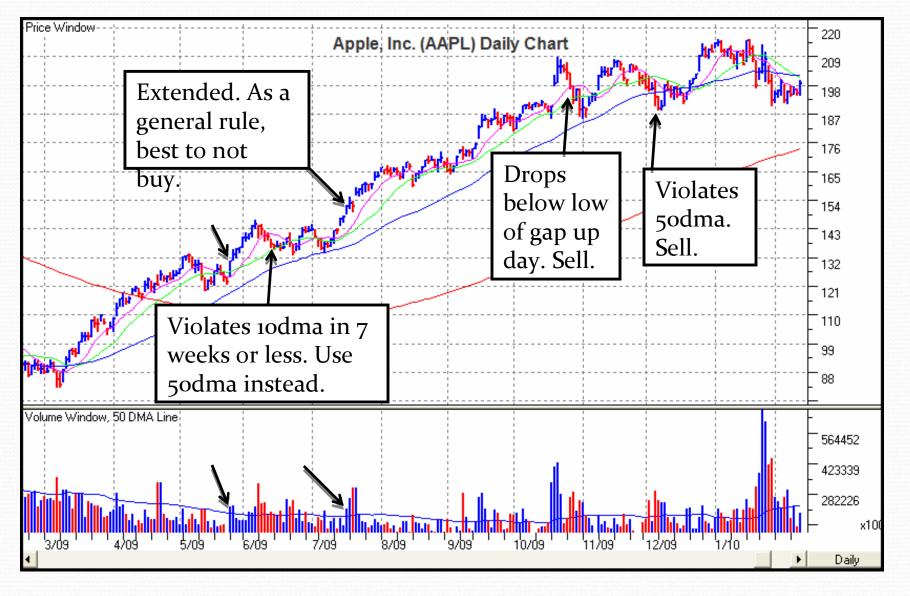
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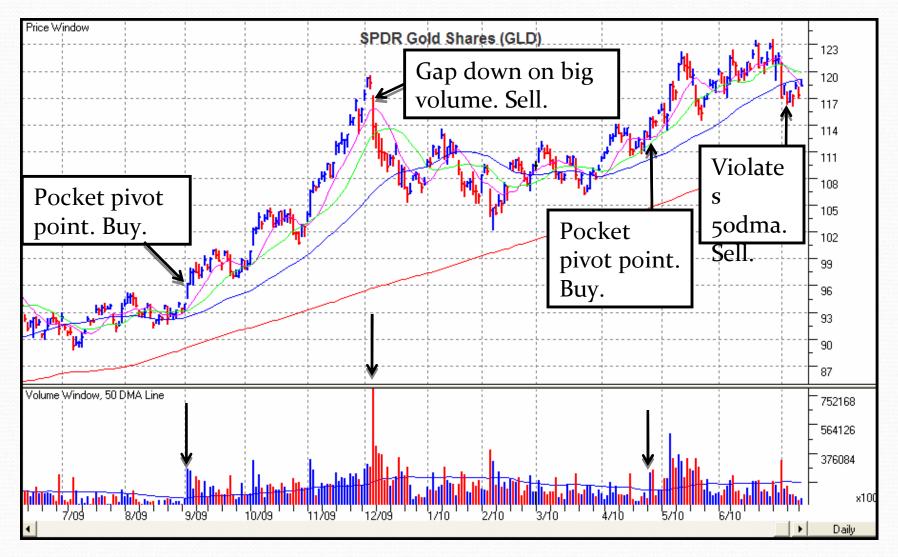
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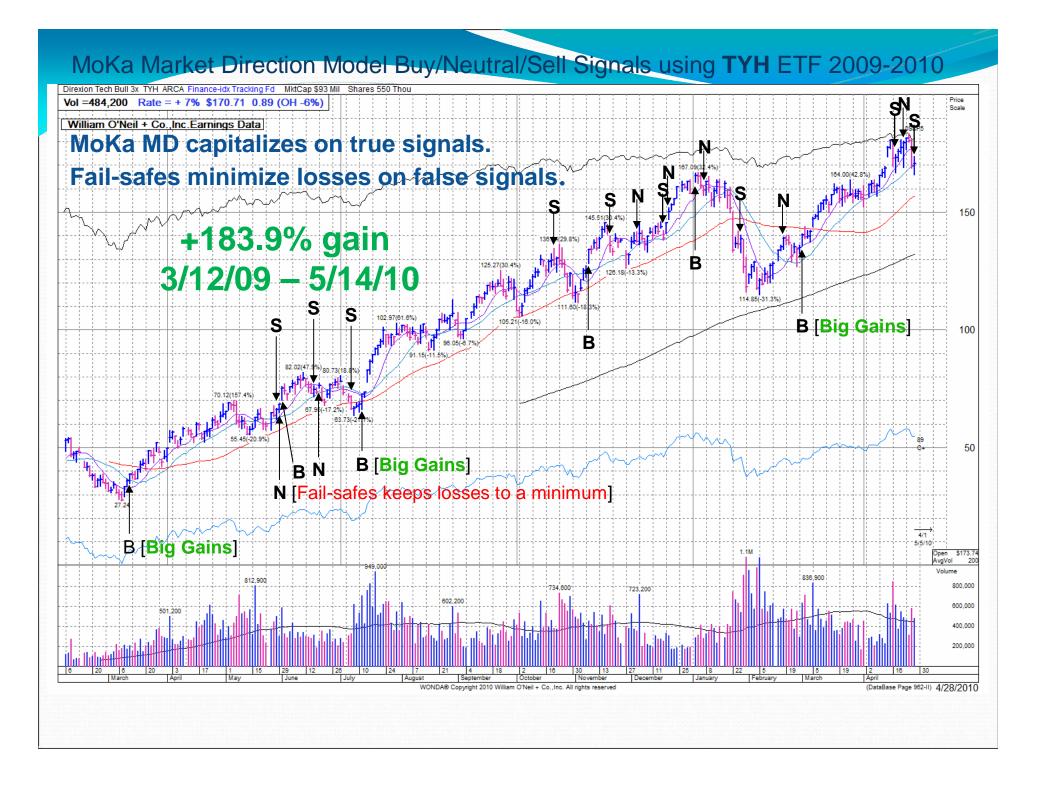
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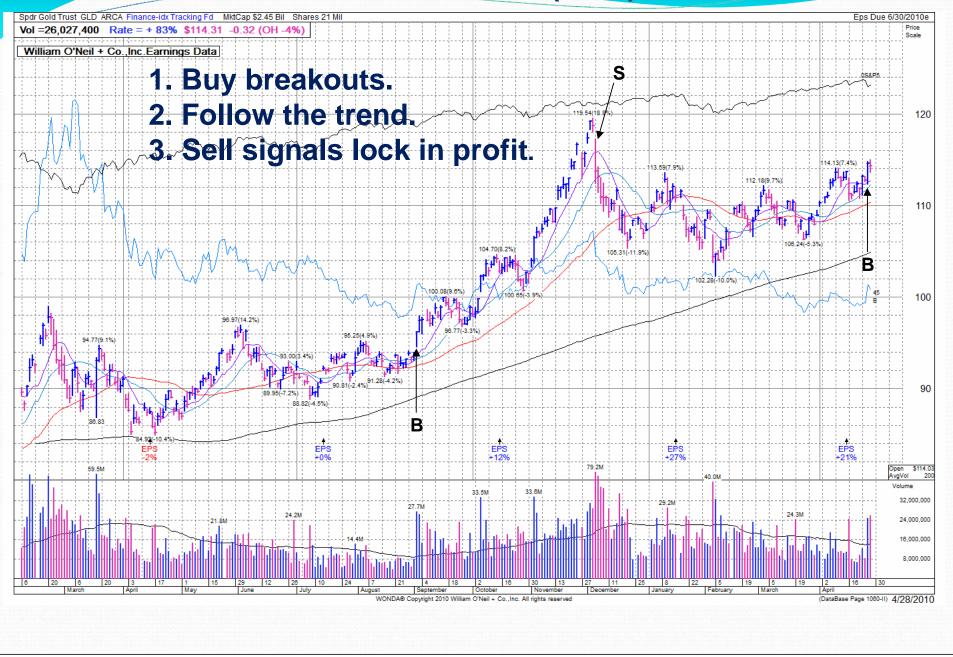
SPDR Gold Shares (GLD) September 2009 thru July 2010



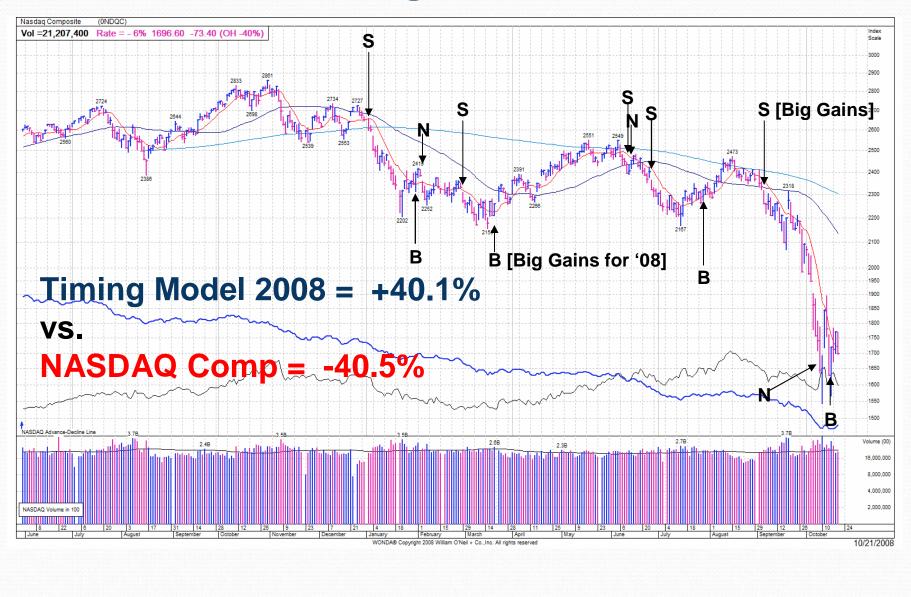
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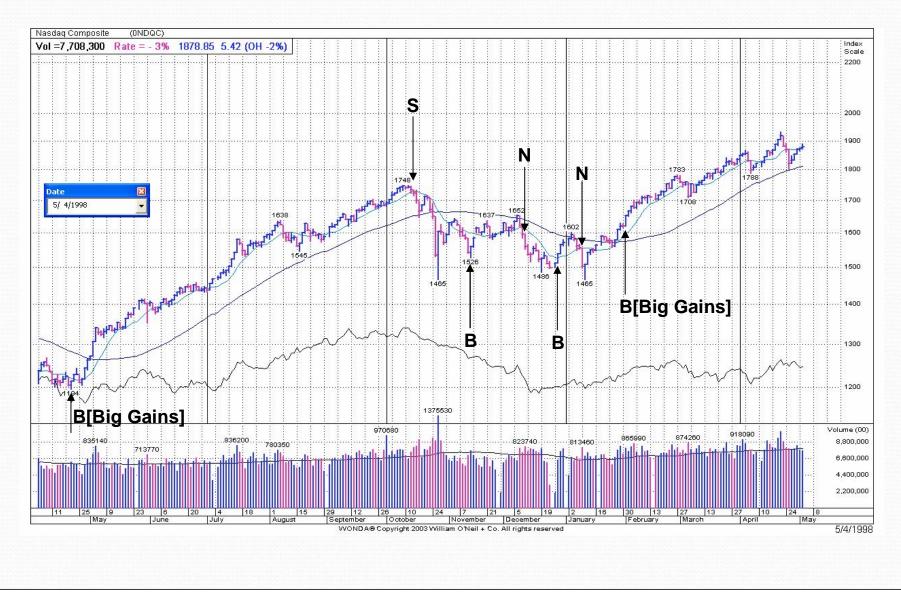
The Model & the SPDR Gold Trust (GLD) ETF in 2009-2010



The Model during the "Crash" of 2008



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