

Real-Time Stock Market Updates: Today's Live Feed

Description

Stocks went down on the first day of trading in the new year. The Dow Jones Industrial Average dropped 0.4%, with the S&P 500 and Nasdaq Composite also down the same amount. Even though the market started higher, it turned around in the morning. Big Tech companies like Apple and Tesla saw losses, while Nvidia went up slightly. Last year was good for stocks, but it ended on a bad note. The S&P 500 went up 23%, but had four straight days of losses at the end of the year. This makes it hard for a "Santa Claus rally" to happen. Bond yields were up and down, with the 10-year Treasury yield going to almost 4.6%. This could make investing in fixed income more appealing. The week had little economic news, but a jobless claims report showed fewer people filing for unemployment.

Vocabulary List:

- 1. Industrial /In'dAs.tri.əl/ (adjective): Related to or characterized by industry.
- 2. Stock /stok/ (noun): The shares of a particular company or financial asset.
- 3. Yield /ji:ld/ (noun): The income generated from an investment usually expressed as a percentage.
- 4. **Unemployment** /, \n. Im'ploi. mant/ (noun): The state of being without a job despite being willing to work.
- 5. **Appealing** /əˈpiː.lɪŋ/ (adjective): Attractive or interesting.
- 6. Rally /'ræli/ (noun): A period of sustained increases in the prices of stocks or commodities.

Comprehension Questions

Multiple Choice

1. What was the percentage that the Dow Jones Industrial Average dropped on the first day of trading in the new year?

Option: 0.1% Option: 0.4% Option: 0.7% Option: 1.2%

2. Which of the following indices also dropped the same amount as the Dow Jones Industrial Average on the



first day of trading?

Option: Nikkei 225 Option: FTSE 100 Option: S&P 500 Option: Hang Seng

3. Which technology company saw losses on the first day of trading in the new year?

Option: Nvidia
Option: Apple
Option: Google
Option: Microsoft

4. What percentage did the S&P 500 go up last year?

Option: 15%
Option: 18%
Option: 23%
Option: 27%

5. What bond yield saw fluctuations, reaching almost 4.6%?

Option: 5-year Treasury yield Option: 10-year Treasury yield Option: 30-year Treasury yield Option: Corporate bond yield

6. What type of investing could become more appealing with bond yields going up?

Option: Stock investing

Option: Real estate investing Option: Fixed income investing Option: Commodities investing

True-False

- 7. The market started higher on the first day of trading in the new year.
- 8. Last year ended with four straight days of gains for the S&P 500.
- 9. A "Santa Claus rally" happened at the end of last year.



- 10. The week had significant economic news impacting the stock market.
- 11. The jobless claims report showed an increase in the number of people filing for unemployment.
- 12. Nvidia saw significant losses on the first day of trading in the new year.

Gap-Fill

13. The Nasdaq Composite d	ropped		on the first day of tra	ding in the new year.
14. The S&P 500 had		days of losses	at the end of last yea	r.
15. The 10-year Treasury yie	ld reached almost		%.	
16. Investing in fixed income	could become mo	ore appealing w	ith the rise in bond $_$	
17. The jobless claims report	showed	S.	people filing for une	mployment.
18	went up slightly on the first day of trading in the new year.			
Answer				

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. 0.4% 2. S&P 500 3. Apple 4. 23% 5. 10-year Treasury yield 6. Fixed income investing

True-False: 7. False 8. False 9. False 10. False 11. False 12. False Gap-Fill: 13. 0.4% 14. four 15. 4.6 16. yields 17. fewer 18. Nvidia

Vocabulary quizzes

Multiple Choice (Select the Correct answer for each question.)

1. What economic phenomenon refers to a general increase in prices and a decrease in the purchasing value of money?

Option: Decrease Option: Inflation

Option: Unemployment Option: Stagnation

2. What term is used when two or more companies combine to form a single larger company?



Option: Explosion Option: Breakdown Option: Merger Option: Expansion

3. Which of the following terms describes the condition of being without a job or work?

Option: Employment

Option: Salary

Option: Unemployment Option: Compensation

4. What term is used to describe oil in its natural state before it has been refined or processed?

Option: Refined Option: Processed Option: Natural Option: Crude

5. What term refers to the charge for the privilege of borrowing money typically expressed as a percentage? -NEWS.CO

Option: Fee Option: Interest Option: Tax Option: Deposit

6. What term represents ownership in a corporation and represents a claim on part of the corporation's assets and earnings?

Option: Bond Option: Stock Option: Debt

Option: Investment

7. In finance what does the term "yield" typically refer to?

Option: Price Option: Quantity Option: Yield Option: Demand

8. What word is used to describe a category of business activity?

Option: Market Option: Industry Option: Segment Option: Sector

9. In financial terms what do "gains" usually represent?



Option: Losses Option: Expenses Option: Profits Option: Gains

10. What term describes the effect or influence of one thing on another?

Option: Cause Option: Action Option: Impact Option: Result

Gap-Fill (Fill in the blanks with the correct word from the vocabulary list.)

11. In finance the	is the income return on an investment such as the interest or
dividends received.	
12. The company was sued for	business practices that disadvantaged their
competitors.	from the crime scene to build a case against the
13. The detective collected	from the crime scene to build a case against the
suspect.	
14. She was t	to speak at the prestigious conference due to her expertise in the
field.	
15. Despite the lack of concrete proof r	many people were in the existence of the
mythical creature.	
16. The new study	that regular exercise can improve cognitive function in older
adults.	
17. The political candidate held a	to energize supporters before the upcoming
election.	
18. The stock	tracks the performance of a group of stocks representing a



particular market.				
19. The directions were so that many participants got lost during the team-				
building exercise.				
20. The company introduced new packaging to make their product more visually				
to consumers.				
Matching Sentences (Match each definition to the correct word from the vocabulary list.)				
21. The dance routine had intricate and synchronized that impressed the audience.				
22. The film received a positive from critics praising the acting and screenplay.				
23. Farming in that region a variety of crops due to the fertile soil and favorable climate.				
24. His progress in learning the new language impressed his teachers.				
25. The investigative journalist published a detailed on government corruption.				
26. The company is a former employee for leaking confidential information to competitors.				
27. The city's economy is driven by manufacturing and production facilities.				
28. The insurance company processed the driver's for the car accident damages.				
29. There was no clear linking the suspect to the crime scene.				
30. The new policy had a positive on the company's profitability.				

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. Inflation 2. Merger 3. Unemployment 4. Crude 5. Interest 6. Stock 7. Yield 8. Industry 9. Gains 10. Impact

Gap-Fill: 11. yield 12. unfair 13. evidence 14. invited 15. believing 16. proves 17. rally 18. index 19. confusing 20. appealing

Matching sentence: 1. movements 2. review 3. yields 4. steady 5. report 6. suing 7. industrial 8. claims 9. evidence 10. impact



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