SonicR system (and absolutely fx trading) secrets and forum thread summary

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Buy
Look for the candle go above upper white line and *wait* till the candle ends…and put the "Buy stop" few pips above the "High" of that candle.

Sell
Look for the candle go below lower white line and *wait* till the candle ends…and put the "Sell stop" few pips below the "Low" of that candle.

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Mental
1. Have trade journal. Have certain numbers to loss trades per day.. (For me 2..Once I have 2 loss trades, I am done for the day).
2. Have trade journal. Have a certain pips of profit in mind (Once hit..either u off ur pc or trade demo)
2. Look at the chart according to ur TF.. (if u r on 15M TF,, try lookin at the chart only once in every 15 minute)
3. Do not panic on breakout..Wait until ur candle time to complete abd act acordingly. (be it 5m TF or 15m TF u r trading)
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Trading isn't about who right or wrong,,No ego issue here.. it is about u make money or u lose money ..only…it is that simple..

it is good to have some expectation in mind…but trade what ur chart tell u after all…

Be realistic bro…

Do not chase a trade…

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here is 2 things… to be a successful trader…

1. Being Right about the direction….
2. Nice timing….of entering the trade…proper SL and nice TP,,,

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U still looking for a system that work??

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get ready for the rainy days too…
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he important thing is not to let it discourage you or cause you to fear the next opportunity. Just keep following the rules, remember to do your wave analysis, pay attention to support and resistance, and you will do well.

In other words, you had an opportunity and you took a loss. Move on to the next one.

You just have to keep taking your shots, and make sure your profit targets are 2-3 times bigger than your stop losses.

I would suggest that it is best to avoid all indicators on higher time frames. Remember, SonicR is a great system *because it is based on Price Action, Support and Resistance*, and uses indicators <u>to confirm</u>, *not* <u>to trigger</u> trades. I am convinced that SonicR is as reliable as it is precisely because of this point: It is a price based trade and not an indicator based trade.

This means that over time, with experience, you will learn to recognize SonicR set ups on the 15m even without any of the indicators. If you keep your higher time frame charts clean, you will quickly learn to focus on price. Everything you need to know about where price is and where it has been is already on the price pane. In my opinion, you will do yourself the biggest favor of your trading life by not diverting your eyes from price on the higher timeframes.
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I don't trade on "looks bearish" or "looks bullish." I trade on Highs and Lows. I leave the "looks bearish" or "looks bullish" for the "smart" people.

Also, I do not see real clear, clean, swings (wave analysis). I usually require nice, "clear as day" swings to take anything less than a 1.5:1 RR at first TP

Plenty of SonicR every week. It is always best to wait until you see nice, clean, "clear as day" swings for the H-HL-HH or the L-LH-LL.

Patience is usually rewarded, and more quickly than one might think.

I can honestly say that most of my losing trades are those where I did not have a real clear wave pattern and rushed into a trade.
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The Sonic R System is as easy as A-B-C. The SonicR System is a sound, profitable system, so long as *you* apply it as designed, which means

 a) *you* use wave analysis to identify solid entry point,

b) *you* use Support and Resistance, not your fear, to determine where your stop loss goes, and
c) *you* use Support and Resistance, not your greed, to determine where *you* take profits are to be place.

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In addition, it is up to *you* to:

1) Take an entry signal if the SonicR gives and entry signal

2) Do not take a position if the SonicR has not given you an entry signal

3) Do set your stop loss based upon support and resistance, and if price hits your stop, let the position be closed and move on to the next entry signal

4) Do set your take profits at Support and Resistance, and if price decines to your take profits, let the position be closed and move on to the next entry signal.

As Sonic said, the Holy Grail is in *you* - it is in each and everyone of us. As I read this thread each morning, and I look over the charts that other Sonikers post, I often see Sonikers seeing entry signals where there really are no clear waves. Look at the EU last night (first chart). What a UGLY UGLY chart! No clear swings, no real impulse on any of those waves to the downside. I know others here saw a short SonicR signal on the EU today (and I am not here to criticize), but as hard as I try, I see nothing but chop and slop.

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How many pips can you make a week from the SonicR? Each week, *nearly* everyday, there is a classic, easy, clear as day SonicR on either the EU, GU, UChf, UJ, EJ, or GJ. SO, each week there should be 3-5 Clasic SonicRs at a minimum.

It is up to *you* to learn the system, and *you* need to learn to see the SonicR when it is there, and, more importantly, *you* need to learn also not to see it when it is not there. Then, it is up to *you* to trade it. How much *you* make *depends 99% on you and only 1% on the SonicR*. Why do I say only 1% on SonicR? Because we all know the SonicR works when it is used properly. So, what really matters is whether or not *you* learn to use it properly.

I do not trade large size, but I do very well, and I only trade SonicR. I see others here with bullish and bearish opinions, candle and bar analysis, divergence analysis, etc. And that is fine. I have always said that each of us has to find our own way to find that level of comfort from which to trade. So, others here add to the SonicR to try to confirm a signal. Not me. I trade the SonicR.

I trade the SonicR and I can trade it without any of the indicators. This is not to brag, but to make a further point about this incredible gift (for I do beleieve it is a gift) that Sonic has so generously shared with us here in this thread. I no longer look for other indicators to help confirm my analysis.

This does not mean that I suggest that you or anyone else stop using the SonicR indicators. In fact, without them it would be very difficult to learn to trade this properly. But the indicators are really just training wheels or a safety net. My point is this: If *you really dedicate yourself to this system*, *you*will come to understand that **it works because it is based solidly on price action, support and resistance, and wave or swing analysis.** If you dedicate yourself to learning this system and the price action that is its foundation, you will get to the point where you have very few losing trades. You will be able to look at a naked chart with no indicators, and the SonicR signals will jump out at you! You will calmly be able to set your entry, set your stop loss and take profits, and go to sleep. You will know that if the trade triggers, it will probably (though not always) be a winner.

My suggestion to any traders new to the system and not yet a Soniker if to read the manual that Sonic wrote and Basber compiled, and concentrate on learning the classic SonicR. It can change your life, but only if **you** let it.
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Again, this is how I apply Sonic and analyze the waves. Others may do it differently. I can only say that I very rarely have a losing SonicR trade by staying out of the chop.

I have one laptop. I am looking at 15 minute charts. I glance at them about four times/hour. It takes about 10 seconds to look at the six pairs I trade and to determine that there is or is not a signal setting up. I wait until I get a good, clear wave pattern. If I get multiple pairs with good wave patterns, then I will short the weakest or buy the strongest.

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I saw the EJ, but two things made me not take that trade:

1) I did not see a real clear pullback to a HL after the first 15 minute bar closed above the Sonic dragon, and

2) when we did finally get a pullback, it was still not "clear as day" waves, and the entry point (where you entered) was too far above the Sonic Dragon.

Those are two things I noticed that I did not like. If you compare the EU chart that I posted and the EJ that you posted, you will notice that the EU had much clearer waves, and the entry point was not too far above the Sonic dragon. I have found that when the entry point is too far above or below the dragon, then price often does not reach even the first TP.

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You are right - I usually do not want to go long or short very close to a potential S/R level. I prefer that the next S/R be at least as far from my entry point as my stop loss is.

In this case, the swings (waves) seem very clear to me, and therefore, I'd rather be in than out.

I see we did get a strong bounce from the level you indicate, so there is obviously something to your observation. But if this trade does not reach its first TP, that is ok. If it results in a loss, that is ok too.

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Time and the waves will tell😐

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I use longer time frames for support and resistance only! And that means, for me, prior Highs and prior Lows, i.e. the Swing Points.

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SonicR will not become second nature for you so long as you are trying to substitute reading indicators for reading price action.

You do not need to know what time it is! You do not even need to know that news is pending! I do not know anything about when news is coming or when a market is opening or closing. I trade 24 hours a day (when I am awake, I am trading). Price action is the same all the time. I will enter a trade 30 seconds before Non Farm Payroll if SonicR Price action tells me that is what to do. Price does not care about news. Price does not care about what time it is. Price goes where it is going to go and it usually tells us in advance where that is. You keep looking for a directional indicator. You already have one or your chart, but you have so much other stuff on your chart that you can't see the one indicator that will tell you what you want to know. Price itself!

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As far as TP's, you find them the same way you set your EP and your SL - price gives them to you - We use support and resistance. There has not been an indicator developed that calculates support and resistance, and there never will be. Support and resistance are visible. Support and resistance are observable. I am half blind, and I can see them. You need only to open your eyes, which I would bet are much better than my eyes, and you will see them too.

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There is only one directional indicator. That indicator is price itself. Learn wave analysis, learn to distinguish a swing high and a swing low from the random meanderings that create the swing itself. You are wasting precious time playing with all sort of indicators, volume and otherwise, and you are avoiding spending time on the most important part of SonicR - The part that will help you make more and lose less money on your trades. PRICE!

Think about it this way: When price takes out a previous high in a downtrend, what has it done? Well, it has changed the trend from down to either up or to sideways. Now, how do we know if the new trend is up or the new trend is sideways? We do not, and we have to wait for price to tell us. A trader can do one of two things: The trader can take a long position, betting that the trends is now up based upon the context (big impulsive rally followed by choppy decline usually indicates that the rally will resume, at least to test the most recent rally high), or the trader can do what you said you would prefer - wait for a pullback, and then enter on a new recovery high.

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Neither is right or wrong: As I have said before, each of us has to learn to trade within his or her comfort level.

Panic or not, it will kill you as a trader. I fought it for years. Don't let it become a regular bad habit like I did, because it is very hard to stop once you get used to doing it.

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"It was never my thinking that that made the big money for me. It always was my sitting. Got that? My sitting tight! … That is why so many men in Wall Street … lose money … The market does not beat them. They beat themselves because though they have brains they cannot sit tight."

When everyone is selling, who on earth dare to buy in. You chart is showing a dive in of the price. I know some professional and institutional traders do that as they know something we(retail traders) do not.
If a retail trader is buying in, he must be a kamikaze trader or simply do not know what he is doing

But a smart trader does something smarter. He look/wait for ' lil signs of possible trend reversal'. He may not be getting in at a so-called lowest price but the probability of making his trade a profitable one is high…
So what are the ' lil signs of possible trend reversal'?

As it is in downtrend, the price go lower as usual but it starts to creep back up, and ends up closing higher/near its opens. In the chart it will be hammer or Pin bar with a long wick and it is one of lil sign of possible trend reversal.

I'd say Hammer and Bullish engulfing bars are the most reliable reversal bars for LONG, like you can see in pic below.

If your analysis calls for a trade, then the trade does not fail. Another trader I know always says, "Win or lose, it is an excellent trade." He means that so long as he takes the trades and manages the trades in accordance with his plan, then it does not matter if the trade wins or loses. It is a good trade, and good trades can only win or lose, they can not fail. This was one of the little adjustments I made to my own psychology that has helped me a lot.

And, if I may say, Rastaman,it sounds as though you are _thinking too much_, and _looking for a reason to bail early_. If that is your trading plan, may I strongly suggest that you change it to the SonicR plan: Trade the waves, and let price determine whether or not your TP's are hit or your SL is hit.
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You are _not_ smarter than the market. It is better to take your profit or take your loss rather than bail out early on the trade. You are guaranteeing that you will fail as a trader if you do this. If you keep doing this, you will not be here six months from now. You will either be out of trading capital or too frustrated to continue. I know. I had done the _same_ thing repeatedly for years before I got it through my head. I wish someone would have been there to remind me not to do what you just did everytime I did it.

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Just trade the waves … never mind the news

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As I explained, it has to do with whether or not the SonicR is continuing a move, or reversing a move. If continuing a move, then I will trade off smaller swings if that is what the market gives me. If reversing a move, I require larger swings.

a) If price is trending up, then I would not require large swings to take a Sonic long in the direction of the up trend.

b) If price is trending down, then I would not require large swings to take a Sonic short in the direction of the down trend.

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SonicR is not automated, so to that extent it is discretionary. But it is, nonetheless, very objective. Otherwise, how would we explain the fact that often five or more Sonikers are trading the same set ups at the same time even though each is located on a different continent? Do not mistake SonicR's dicretionary character for subjectivity. The discretion comes down to whether or not the individual trader will pull the triger. The identification of the set up is completely objective.

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The only trend I am truly concerned with is the M15. If price is trending up, I am looking for Sonic Short or SonicRentry Long; and if price is tending down, I am looking for SonicR Long or SonicRentry Short. In the end, it is proabably more accurate to say that I am more concerned with the swings and waves than the trend.

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Don't overthink this:

1) Do your wave analysis to identify your entry point and trade direction, and

2) use S/R to identify your stop loss and profit targets, and

3) use the H1 channel to identify possible trendline reversal points for your trade, and

4) use higher TF so you know where support and resistance is.

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The trend is your friend, indeed. But concern yourself with the trend you are trading. As I said in a post yesterday, if you look at the monthly chart of the S&P500, price is in a downtrend. But, if you trade on D1 TF, you would have been killed only trading short for the last five months. Pick your TF, and trade its immediate trend. You do not get paid to worry about where price has been, you get paid to anticipate where price is going. The M15 waves will tell you the right answer more times than they will fool you if you learn to analyze them properly.

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One more thing: Do not get hung up on the indicators. The indicators are training wheels that we bolt on to this bicylce we are learnng to ride call price action. SonicR works so well because it is based upon price action, wave analsysis, support and resistance. The indicators are secondary. The most important thing for you to focus upon is price itself.

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We each may at times take a trade that does not "look" ideal, but if you are going to bring a 10 point check list to bear on any situation before deciding to take a trade, you will find yourself never finding a set up that passes muster. This is why I try to discourage folks from piling indicator upon indicator on their charts in vain attempts to filter out all losing trades so as to be left only with the winners. Trading does not work that way. You will have losers. No problem. You take your loss and move on.

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Ok, here is the secret sauce to the SonicR: The most important factors are price action, support/resistance, and wave analysis. You could delete every indicator from your chart, and if you only went long when price breaks to a new high after forming a low, a high, and a higher low, you would win more than you lose, and if you use S/R for your profit targets, your average winner should be as large or larger than your average loser. If you only traded short when price breaks to a new low after first forming a high, a low, and a lower high, you will win more often than you lose, and if you use S/R for your profit targets, then your average winning trade should be as large or larger than your average losing trade.

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I Personally Don't Post All My Trades, Both Losing And Winning. Like Once DD Said, It's Not About Telling We Are Right, It's About Learning Something That We Think That It Works. If You Want To Find Out That It Works, You Should Try It For Few Months.

I Myself Get Confused About What You Said In Your Previous Post, About Something Will Be Wrong If a Trade Losses And That Thing Will Be Ignored And Not Talked About When It Was a Winning Trade. I Had This Confusion In Another Thread, And That's Why I'm Here Now. When I Started To Read This Thread, Like DD Said, I Found Out That This Method Is Mostly Based On Price Action, And Indicators Are Just For Confirmation. And Sometimes You Can Ignore It. But This "Sometimes" Comes After Few Months Of Experiece With This System, Not At The Beginning.

I Should Confess That I Had Such a Doubt About Sonic, But After a While I Found Out It's Possible To Trade Like That, Having Very High Winning Rate. I'm Sure If You Continue, You Will Say Such Things To Another Traders Who Thinks Like This In Future.

But For Now, I Don't Want You To Believe ANYONE. Just Try It Out Yourself.

Reaching That Level To See Thing Clearly And Choose Perfect Ones, Is Not Possible Right Now. IMO You Should Try To Demo, Try To Loose And Win And Then After Some Experience, You'll Find Out What Works Out For You Better.

I Said It Before, There Is No Right Or Wrong Thing In This Business. Think It This Way, If There Was a Right Thing, Then Why In Hell This Thread Was Needed ? I Believe Sonic R Moslty Is a Method, Not a "Strategy". You Should Adjust It To Your Own Personallity. If There Was a One Single RIGHT Way, Then All Of Us , Like You Said, Should Go Through The Same Road When We See a Setup. But The Thing Is Some Traders Like DD Just Focus On M15 Chart, And Use Higher TFs Just For S&R, I Personally Use Higher TFs For CandleStick Besides S&R. I Use M15 And H1 TF For General Trend (Because In H4 And Daily, Moves In M15 Is Just a Noise). Some Traders Will Do Some Other Calculations, But The Thing That Matters, Like DD Said, Is The Bone Of This Method, And That's Wave Analysis.

Try To Work With This System For a While , Then We Can Guide You To See The Perfect Ones. It's Not Like "When ------ Happens, I Call It a Perfect Setup". If It Was a Way To Reach This Level By a Sentence Or a Post, Then Why We All Emphasize That Every One Read The Whole Thread ? It Needs a **POINT OF VIEW**, And This Thing Only Achieved By Experience.

It's Like To Become a Surgeon. I Want To Ask You If a Doctor Reads All Books In His Category, He Can Become a Good Surgeon ? After Reading All The Books And Stuff About Surgery, He Can Take a Tumor Out Of Ones Brain ? Hell No ! He Will Need To Have Minimum Experience To Do That.

In Trading , You Need a Minimum Experience With a System To See Perfect Setups.

I Re-writing The Manual, I Tried To Write It Very Complete, But It Wouldn't Do Reading All The Thread For You.

I've Seen Many Newcomers That They Read The Manual, And They Read Few First Pages, Then Come To The Last Page And Want The Secret To Be Successful. But The Secret Lies In You, Not The System. Like DD Said Many Times, It's You Who Are Making The Money Not The System.

I Totally Understand The Doubt You Have About The System And Other Things. It Will Not Go Away With Seniors Post Or Sonic's Post Himself. You Will Become Sure When You Yourself Experiece Things That We Experienced. Some Will Leave The Thread Before That Level And Seek For Another System That Works (And I'm Sure It Will Continue) And Some Other Will Stay And Do Some Hard Work, Like Rastaman (I Really Appreciate His Hard Work).

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I have found that the best way to use those artificial pivots (by artificial I mean they are based on formulas using PA inputs, but not PA itself) is this:

1) I use them only for TP's. I do not generally use them to decide to take a trade or not. That decision is based primarily on wave analysis.

2) As I use them for TP's, the best use I have made of them is that I look for those floor pivot levels that correspond to actual swing privot levels, prior areas of congestion, etc. In other words, I will select TP's near the floor pivots that are located with a prior S/R level.

When TAH says that some days PA respects either, neither, or both, I would bet that a close

examination would show that PA respects those levels that match to prior actual chart points, while tending to act as those in no man'sland aren't even there.

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Excellent advice … sometimes we latch on to the left side of the chart (history, as Sonic would say) and we forget that we need to act at the right side of the chart (mystery). Mystery will remain xmysterious and thus it will remain dangerous to your capital if you forget this simple fact: price can go up, price can go down, price can go sideways. What I try to do is imagine these three possibilities.

1) What Happens if Price Goes Up from Here?: If price goes up, do I have a previous high close above the dragon? If yes, then has price made a clear and orderly pullback from the high close? If both answers are yes, then, if price goes higher, I will have a SonicR long trigger. If the answer to either question is "no," then if price goes higher, I will be looking for a high with a close above the dragon. Once that occurs, I will be looking for an orderly pullback to set up a SonicR long.

2) What Happens if Price Goes Up from Here?: If price goes down, do I have a previous low close below the dragon? If yes, then has price made a clear and orderly pullback from the low close? If both answers are yes, then, if price goes lower, I will have a SonicR short trigger. If the answer to either question is "no," then if price goes lower, I will be looking for a low with a close below the dragon. Once that occurs, I will be looking for an orderly pullback to set up a SonicR short.

3) What Happens if Price Goes Sideways: I wait for a strong low close below or a strong high close above the dragon.

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I think, snusnu, that you are doing what I often find myself doing: I forget that price can go up, or down, or sideways. I'll see price make a high. Then, I see price make a low that closes below the dragon, and I think to myself, "Ah Ha! … Get ready to go short!" … and I start waiting for a lower high and a break of the low. In the mean time, price makes that lower high, and I do not notice that that high closed above the dragon. I should now be thinking "Oh … I might be going short, but I better watch for a possible higher low, and then I'll go long." Instead, I am so intent on looking for the short, I do not even see that price might be getting ready to rally and go long. If you look at my posts in the past, there have been many times where I said that "we have a SonicR short, but this could turn into a SonicR long very easily."

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Another point specifically about yesterday's EU long where you are asking about a possible short. You are right: there was a high, and there was a low. You could have looked at that as a possible SonicR short. You do, of course, recognize that the short never triggered. Now, I would not have traded that set up short, because the EP would have been too far below the Dragon for my liking. The farther your EP from the dragon, the higher the risk, and the higher the liklihood of not reaching a TP1. Or, more likely, the distance between EP and SL is probably much greater than the distance between EP and TP1.

So, your confusion, if I am not mistaken, is twofold: First, it seems you were so focused on the possible short, that you seem not to have considered the possible long. Don't allow yourself to become so committed to one side of the market that you are blinded to the possibilities offered by the other side.

Second, you were confounded by why I did not mention a possible short when you very clearly saw a High and a Low, and thus a possible short entry. You were right, there was a possible short. I would not have traded it due to poor risk/reward, but maybe you would have. Each of us has to determine for him or herself what risk we are willing to take and what R:R ratio we feel is appropriate.

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And this is the answer to the question you keep asking (going back to your own example): **"When do we count the first high as relevant and when we don't?**

The answer is every high and every low is relevant, always; but not every high and every low will offer an acceptable EP for a SonicR trade. The main reason that I decide not to take a SonicR is usually that

the trade offers a poor risk/reward profile.

The short trade you were looking at in your example is a perfect example of a poor R/R. In fact, I just looked at your example again, and the low you point to was almost 40 pips below the lower trade band! Not only that, but the low was a mere pip above potential round number support at 1.4500, and daily S1 according to my data was only 6 pips below that at 1.4494. You would have been selling as price was digging into support. That would have been a perfect trap to set yourself up to sell short at the low tick just to watch price turn and roar right through your stop loss, which would have been at least 40 pips from your EP (we don't know for sure, becase price did not make a Lower High), and possibly 106 pips if your SL was above the high you use in your example. Would you risk 106 pips for a TP1 of 6 pips?

You are on your way, snusnu, you are doing well at identifying important highs and lows, which means you are *almost* halfway there. Now, you need to monitor those highs and lows in relation to the dragon. That will get you halfway to SonicR. You also need to pay attention to the other half of SonicR, whcih is money management and risk awareness.

The depth of the pullback should not matter except in terms of risk. If the pullback is too large, then the difference between the EP and the SL may become so large that the trade, while still a valid SonicR should it be triggered, represents too much risk to the trader.

By "orderly pullback," I do not mean to reference the depth of the pullback in anyway. The only limit to the pullback is one that invalidates the set up. For a long trade, the pullback limit is the previous low, and for a short trade, the pullback limit is the previous high. After all, for a long trade, we need a Low, a high, then a pullback to a higher low, and then a higher high on entry. If price pulls back and makes a lower low while anticipating a long trigger, the set up no longer exists. If price pullsback and makes a higher high while anticipating a short trade, the set up is no longer valid.

By orderly pullback I mean one where the **range of the bars is contracting**, and the bars might or might not overlap. **The bars will likely have more closes opposite the trend than with the trend.** That is, an orderly pullback in a downtrend will tend to exhibit a series of up closes, whereas a pullback in an uptrend will likely exhibit a series of down closes. Not every bar needs to close opposite of the trend. There may be several doji or near doji type bars during the pullback.

I do not like pullbacks where **the range of the bars is expanding**, or where **the bars are large, overlapping almost completely, and alternating between up closes and down closes.**

Here is a chart from todays GU price action. See how as the decline proceeded, GU had three small rallies, or upward drifting consolidations, which I would consider "orderly pullbacks," and a fourth consolidation that, in my opinion, is anything but orderly. I prefer to take SonicR entries and re-entries where the pullback resembled the first three, and I typically avoid an entry that is immediately preceded by a pullback/consolidation that resembles the fourth.

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When Sonic says that "the Holy Grail is in you," he means this: The Holy Grail is the ability and the willingness to let your profits run and cut your losses short. This is the hardest part of trading: Most of us are tempted to let our losses grow larger "hoping" that price comes back and let's us out of a losing trade at breakeven, and we cut our profits short by exiting before price reaches our TP's because we fear that price will reverse and we will lose our small profit. This is human nature. Our psychology is such that we naturally are more willing to allow our losses to grow uncontrolled while cuting out profits quicker than we pull a weed.

Read *Reminiscences of a Stock Operator*. As Jessie Livermore tells us there, the trader needs to do exactly the opposite of what human nature desires: We should fear our losses to grow larger and therefore we should cut them short, and we should hope out profits to grow larger and therefore we should let them run to our TP's.

Without saying it explicitly, the implied aim of your post is not to cut you losses short and let your

profits run, but rather, you are hoping to avoid losses altogether. That is not possible, and your trading will get noticeably better and your profits noticeably larger once you start to work more on yourself and less on your indicators.

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Trading without a stop is like driving drunk while using your seat belts as a blind fold. It is not a question of if you will die, but merely when. Most likely, the answer is "very soon."

Remember, in addition to the wave analysis, S/R, and price action that makes up Sonic's set up, he also has another part - money management. The two put together make up the Sonic System.

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For Example, Driving Has Same Rules, Same Objects, But When It Comes To Driving, You See Some People Drive Like They Are Controling a Washing Mashine And Some Other Drive Professionally. But The Tools Are The Same. So Why Is That Happening ? What Is The Difference. It's Some How The Same As Trading. Some People Drive Emotionally, They Have a Lot Of Fear Or They Are Not Mature To Drive Or They Are So Stubborn That They Don't Accept Their Faults; So They Will Never Become a Good Driver Untill They Change Their Attitude. In Trading, It's The Same. You Can't Teach Or Say How To Drive Professionally, The One Should Findout Himself/Herself.

Like I Said Before, There Is No Rule For Better Setups, It's Just Experience. If There Was a Rule, So Why The Hell This Thread Was Needed ? Sonic Would've Put a Manual And Then Every One Will Read It And Become a Pro Sonic Trader.

Like It Has Been Said Before, There Is No Secret. And As You Said, Main Rules Are The Same And Consistance. I Said It Few Times That SonicR Is Not a System. It's a Method. Any One Who Wants To Be Profitable, Should Manualize It For Himself/Herself. I''ve Seen Many Comes Here And Leave, Without Any Profit, But Some Stay And Make Their Own Destiny In This Method.

There Is No How And What To Answer Your Question. Because You Should Put Months To Understand The System, And To Master It. After You Master The System, You Will See When You Are More Comfortable With a Setup. What Do You Need Too See To Take The Setup. That's All Possible But The Thing Is You Should Find It Yourself.

The Bad News Is You Are Alone In Many Aspects Of This Business, But The Good News Is Many People Are Here To Help You Find Your Own Way Of Trading.

I Don't Remember That I Said There Is Something Wrong Or Right, The Thing I'm Seeking For Is What Works For Me And What Doesn't.

That's Why It's Important For You And Anyone Else Who Wants To Become Profitable In This Method To Read The Whole Thread. If You Or Anyone Else Read It Or Not, It Doesn't Make Any Difference For Me Or Anyone Else. It's All For You Own Sake.

After All, The Thing That Will Change Over Time In Your Trading With a Method, Is Your Point Of View. There Are Steps To Change Your Point Of View, It's Not a One Night Job. It Must Take Time To Go Through Your Brain. That's Why I Insist On Taking Notes.

Understanding The Basic Principles Of a Method Is Just The Beginning Of The Road. The Journey Just Began ! So Make Yourselves Ready.

I Said It Many Times, Think About It, If It Was Easy, Then Everyone Was a Millioner By Now.

Let Me Tell You Some Other Bad News !!! Think As It This Way, That There Are Only Two People In Forex World. If One Of Them Loss 10$ And The Other Gain 10$, The One Who Had Loss, Should Pay For Example 13$ And The One Who Was Profitable Will Take 7$ Off The Table. So There Is 6$ Missing That Goes For Commision Or Things Like That. So At Normal Calculations It's Not a 50-50 Business.

Including Commitions, Slippage And Things Like That, It's About 30-40% Win Money. Pay Attention ! Win MONEY ! Not Win Rate. Now Consider It Even 40%, Most Of It Belongs To Big Guns, Like Banks. So Individual Traders Has a Very Little Success Rate In This Wild World. I Don't Want To Scare You, But It's The Truth That Many Of Us Try To Ignore It, Because We Don't Like It. So That's Why They Say 95% Will Fail.

But The Good News Is All 95% Who Fails Is 100% Of Psychological Matters. But The Thing Is They Don't Accept It. They Think They're Right, They Don't Listen To People Who Had Travelled Their Road. It's The Most Stupid Thing That When a Wheel Is Invented, Someone Want To Invent It Again !! But That's The Nature Of Human Being.

Now We Came To Your Post … Emotions. Only Traders Will Succeed Who Are Trying To Overcome Their Emotions. Yes, When We See a Setup, We Should Put Aside Our Emotions, In Any Level. I Know It's Hard, You Can't Put It Aside For Ever, But You Can Work On It To Minimize It.

But About Thinking … Newbie Traders Should Think More And More On Any Setup, Analize It And Write Down Some Notes. The Level That You Need Not To Think About What You See, Is When You Become Professional Not Now. Again, In Driving, After You Become Professional, You Don't Think About The Peddals Or Wheel Or Gear, You Just DRIVE ! That's How It Works.

You Need To Work Hard, So You Can Achieve a Precious Thing.

Some Parts Of My Post May Not Relate To Your Posts, But I Thought It Was a Good Time To Share Some Of My Point Of Views. That's Right ! My Point Of Views. Maybe I'm Wrong Or Maybe I'm Right, But That Doesn't Matter For Me, This Is What Worked For Me. I'm Just Sharing, Not Teaching !

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Remember, in forex, there is a buyer for every seller, and a seller for every buyer. Every $ opened long has an equal $ short position opened against it. So, rather than make judgements as to who is the fool and who is the wise one, we should eb content to see where price goes, without making moral judgements as to that direction.

when it comes to entry or exit…vol is just an important secondary..it is just to help you trade better..but not the deciding factor…Pls keep that on mind..
Sonic Dragon…Wave Analysis..and S & R still the key…

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BUT 1 for sure…we are TA trader…TA follow the foot print of the smart money…

we can see it(where smart money move) clearly if we know how to…

Do u ever experience why the price plunge eventhough the news is good?? that is the bad side of FA…

Trade price action, not bars, not candles, not "bar by bar." If you are trading bars, you are **NOT** trading price action. Bars are random, price action is not. If you trade based upon bars, your returns will be random. If you trade based upon price action your returns will be steady, predictable, and profitable.

All that matters is wave analysis, support and resistance, highs and lows, higher highs and higher lows, lower highs and lower lows.

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Trading in, i.e. during the formation of a daily bar or a four hour bar - but not after the bar has formed. The 15 minute PA gets you into the market well before a "hammer" or "engulfing candle" on these large time frames has formed. The higher TF bars are the effect, not the cause.

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Money management is equal parts trading your set ups, letting your TPs hit, and letting your stop loss get hit too. If you cut your profits to avoid a possible loss, you are cutting short the benefits of trading a winning system.
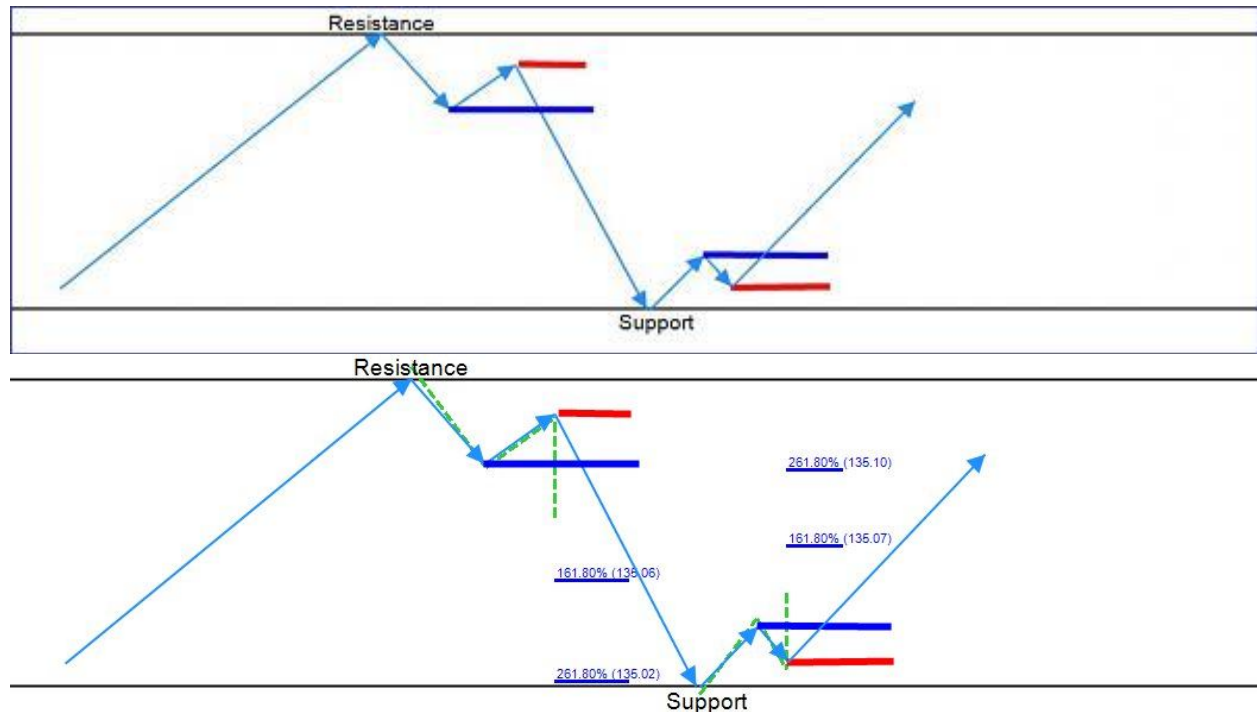
Too much thinking, not enough doing. You are making a mistake by allowing fundamentals to intrude in your trading - who cares what GS has to say, and who among us can really determine before hand whether some fundamental is short term bullish or bearish? You are fooling yourself if you think fundamentals matter to a day trader.
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I am simply looking for something that looks like a Low-High-Higher Low forming at support. I do not know how to explain it other than simply referring back to my chart (I am a visual learner myself). For a short, I would be looking for something that looks like a High-Low-Lower high.

Here is a schematic I drew for you. In the first pic, I just show you what should be a familar pattern to we Sonikers. In the second pic, I placed fib extensions on the schematic.

What you might find interesting about this this exercise is this (I know I did): I drew the schematic, including the support and resistance lines, and the arrows representing the swings before I placed the extensions on the picture. As you can see, the arrows, S/R etc line up perfectly with the 261 extension. This just goes to show that this is a pattern that over time the human mind can come to recognize and that it repeats. I drew perfect fibonacci proportions without the use of the fib tool.

The objective of the advanced SonicR is to try to get into a trade after the very first correction after price makes a potential reversal. This is not bottom or top picking. It still requires patience. It requires you to wait for price to show itself as being ready to rally from a possible bottom or decline from a possible top. You do not try to "seel the top pip" or "buy the bottom pip." You apply Sonic's price action analysis to less mature wave.

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The Sonic secret will not make sense to you so long as you are consumed by trying to figure it out.

Trust me.

Forget about candles.

Forget about pin bars, engulfing, shooting stars and all that unnecessary stuff.

You will understand what Sonic meant when you understand the basics. Not before. You will not understand the big picture so long as you are still struggling to recognize the important details from the distractions. In other words, you will not "get It (the Secret)" until you "get it (the simplicity of the SonicR", and you will not get the simplicity until you stop looking everywhere but where you should: wave analysis, support and resistance, highs and lows, higher highs and higher lows, lower lows and lower highs.
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Let talk about wave analysis…

Sonic R is about going LONG, when Higher High, Higher Low is formed and placing BUY STOP at the break out.

Look at **figure 1 and 2**. They are both Valid Sonic R Long set up. But it may not necessarily shows bullish hammer in higher TF.. Fig 2. shows bullish engulfing while it is also a nice set up…

Same lessons on figure 3 and 4 for Sonic R short…

So, I suggest you to stop looking at the higher TF for a time being and concentrate on M15 TF wave analysis…and trade along.. DEMO it to see if it suit you.

And then you will go hunting for heads and shoulders, pennants and flags, bear channels, bull channels, and English channels, as well as the always enticing knees and toes and all manner of things that will by and large lose you money, all because you do not have the patience to wait for the SonicR to come to you.

SonicR is simple, but many choose to complicate it.

Wave analysis, highs and lows, higher highs and higher lows, lower lows and lower highs, and support and resistance.
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the fact that you can see the set up, set your orders, and go to work while letting the market decide means you are right with your eyes and right with your emotions and right with your mind.
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I don't use any EMA's and I am more of a S/R, Highs & Lows, Wave Analysis kind of guy. As long as entry is above Sonic Dragon, it is a classic.

Go back and look at the original SonicR posts by Sonic himself. How did we get from his relatively clean and simple charts to some of the spaghetti mess I see passing for wave analysis here?

All I know is that I am glad I found SonicR before this madness, because I do not know if I ever would have gotten it if I had to overcome the Indicatoritis inflicted on new Sonikers today.

I wish someone would put together a Sonicddaytrader template for newbie's with nothing but the Sonic Dragon, daily pivots, and Sonic CCI set to 63. The Sonic templates have gotten *out of control* with the ever expanding list of indicators - indicators to confirm price, indicators to confirm indicators, and indicators confirming the indicators that are supposed to be confirming the indicators confirming price. And in the end, price is its own confirming indicator by making highs and lows.

Whatever becomes of this trade will have nothing to do with the 89 EMA or where the dragon is in relation to it. Right now EU has rallied to and is finding trouble at the first minor resistance, and this is its second attempt at clearing it. If it reverses here, I want to be out at breakeven. But support and resistance will determine this outcome, not ema's, cci's stochastics's, fibs, pivots, flying saucers, heads and shoulders, etc and so on.

If you guys are going to start trying to figure out how the news will effect the market, you may as well send me your money now and forget about trading.
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Highly possible... **once u traded ur plan and executed the trade, let the market decides**...

As for the structure of the market. Big boys always win...

They will buy in at lowest... and sell it back when the price go up
And they will short sell at highest and buy in when the price plunge...

Our job is to follow them along and profit with them...

I would also advise that **you wait** for price to get above the dragon, then **you wait** for price to pullback, and then **you wait** to go long on a higher high above the dragon. You bought the first high above the dragon. As Domas said, that was an immature wave. **You needed to wait** for the pullback to a low, followed by a higher high above the dragon (which never happened).
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This is SonicR. Read the manual. No pin bar analysis necessary. SonicR is about support and resistance, highs and low, higher highs and higher lows, lower lows and lower highs, and last, but certainly not least, wave analysis.

Here is the biggest problem I see new Sonikers have when they come to this thread and decide to try to learn to trade this system: Rather than focus on SonicR, which is a self-contained, everything you need to succeed system, they add this indicator, and that candlestick and this that or the other chart pattern to the mix. Well, if someone wants to do that, I cannot stop them. As Domas said, to each his own.

However, it is not fair to new Sonikers to add all the extras that have nothing to do with the SonicR. It is not fair to old Sonikers who really do want to help newbies learn the system, but constantly have to undo the confusion that these other distractions add.

Those people who have come here and learned here and succeeded here are the ones who focused on SonicR and did not let themselves be hooked by every new indicator, who do not allow themselves to be distracted by fanciful chart patterns, and do not let their eyes to get poked out by stray pin bars.

The people who succeed here do so by focusing on support and resistance, highs and low, higher highs and higher lows, lower lows and lower highs, and last, but certainly not least, wave analysis.

I do not want a fight. I do not want strife. I want peace and happiness. I want people who want to learn SonicR to have a chance to succeed with it. That is made very difficult when we add things that are not SonicR to the thread. All of a sudden I start to read things like:

"I didn't take that long because of that pin bar."
"I didn't take that short because of the reverse head and shoulders."
"I missed that trade because the Woohickey Indicator was showing hidden backward divergence."

I've done it myself when I first wandered into this thread. Thankfully I realized and *accepted* the fact very quickly that to learn this system, I needed to focus on the core concepts: support and resistance, highs and low, higher highs and higher lows, lower lows and lower highs, and last, but certainly not least, wave analysis.
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We, humans, are such beings that always search for perfection, therefore we are constantly trying to find a rationale for every winner and looser there is, adding pinbars, indicators, chart patterns and **forcing setups to prove ourselves that this is a profitable system.**
Can you imagine ddaytrader or sonicdeejay wondering why this trade was a looser? No, because they do not need to rationalize themselves every single trade, coz nobody can predict markets 100%. Trading-is probability business. Patience, commitment and discipline in trading is all you need to achieve success and profit.

I'd like to quote Raghee H. from her book "Trading Forex for Maximum Profit":

"When you are looking for an edge, the "holy grail of trading" song calls you. What you don't know is that there are so many traders that were called by the same song and wrecked their ships on the rocks. […] There is a fact that when I accepted it, it became my turning point in trading, and it is this: Not all market moves are mine to profit from. Not every move is for me. A move that makes money for one trader will be loss for another or won't even register a setup for yet another. That is the real secret!"
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Do not let yourself become automatically bearish just because price is at resistance. Resistance can turn price down, and resistance can be broken to the upside and become support. Do not let yourself become automatically bullish at support. Support can turn price up, or it can be broken and become resistance.

Do not pay attention to hammers and wicks and pin bars - A bar is a random selected grouping of minutes. That is all. This stuff only matters to vendors, salesman, and systems sellers who convince naive traders that there is something magical about a candle's appearance. **There is not**, especially on smaller timeframes. Candles mean nothing. What matters is price itself. A candle is not price. A candle is a record of price over an arbitrarily chosen starting point and end point. Change the start point and the end point, and instead of a bearish hammer you might be looking at a long bull candle with a small wick.

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2) You have 10 pairs showing in your platform. You need to close at least 7 of them before you try to trade again. Let me suggest you watch the EU, the GU, and the EJ. You will thank yourself later.

3) Do not worry about the "slope" or "slant" of the dragon. Consider only whether price is above or below it. I know early in the thread that slope was a consideration. But trust me, it does not matter except for this: If the dragon is still steeply and obviously pointing down, and price rallies strongly above it, please be careful with your longs. If the dragon is obviously and steeply pointing up, and price drops rapidly below it, please be careful with your shorts. That does not mean do not take the trades, but it means cut your losses quickly if the trade does not immediately go the way it is supposed to go.

4) Trading price action means you are identifying support and resistance levels, you are identifying highs and lows, higher highs and higher lows, lower lows and lower highs, and you are basing your trade decisions on that price data, and not on what your indicators are doing. When you say you are watching the slope of the dragon and making decisions based upon slope, you are trading an indicator, not price. SonicR works because the indicators are secondary to price. You are making price secondary to the indicators.

5) Tgts. means Profit targets. We refer to them as TP's. Sonic short hand is as follows: EP = entry point, SL = stop loss TP1 = the first profit target where we close 1/2 of our position and TP2 = the second profit target where we will close the second half of our position.

6) SonicR money management means we always trade with a stop loss. We will take 1/2 of our profits at our TP1 (first profit target) and at that time, we move our stop loss on the second half to our entry point (break even). We then hold the seond half until either our TP2 (second profit target) is filled, or

our SL (stop loss) is triggered. Each Soniker has his own little spin on Money management. I tend to go to break even too fast. Muhammad is the master of SonicR money management. You will have to experiment to determine what works best for you.

We are at the weekend, and you made your first attempt at a SonicR on demo. Because you did not make an entry according to SonicR rules, you need to realize that while you attempted a SonicR trade, you failed and instead you entered something else entirely. No problem. Nothing ventured, nothing gained.

Do you not see that you are falling into the trap - you are doomed. You are looking for the Holy Grail. It does not exist. Trading is about probabilities, not certainties. If you need certainty, get a job (not that that is all that certain for anyone any longer). Do yourself another favor and read the 5 steps .pdf file in post one of this thread. And don't just read it or skim it, but study it. You need to learn those five steps and you need to then see yourself in them.

Also, why 20 pips? Why not 50? 80? 100? Another trap new traders fall into in thinking they need to make "just 20 pips a day" and all will be well. Trading does not work like that outside of the world of the blood sucking vendors who sell new traders a dream and while blowing a plume of smoke up their nether regions. I have a goal - I like to keep a five week trailing avergae of two hundred pips/profit per week. Some weeks I make 0 pips. Other weeks I make 500 pips. Overtime, those ups and downs seem to average 200-250 pips/ week over a trailing 5 week basis for me. If I have week where I only make 40 pips, what do I care? The next week or the week after that I'll probably hit for 600 pips. Do not start looking for 20 pips/day. Look to learn to trade based upon SonicR, make a trading plan based on SonicR that fits your personality, and then make it your goal to trade your plan, not trade for fixed pips. Trade a sound plan based upon what Sonic teaches in this thread and the profits will take care of themselves.

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DEMO TRADING

Brokers want you to think its real