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The prerequisite for this material is having studied "The Law of Charts." **Study it thoroughly.** You must know about 1-2-3 formations, Ledges, Consolidations, and Ross hooks.



# INTRODUCTION

In this presentation, we review and go into great depth concerning the Traders Trick Entry (TTE). The TTE is one of the most important concepts you will ever learn, and is at the heart of what we teach. Following the introduction and basics of the TTE, we will give you some examples of its use and explain why it is so important.

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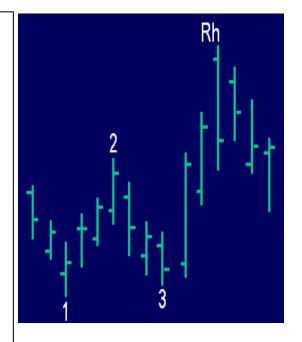
The different ways in which the TTE 'sets up.'
When to use the TTE.
What the TTE accomplishes for you.
Some basics of how to trade the TTE.

#### THE TRADERS TRICK ENTRY

The Traders Trick is designed to beat the insiders at their own game, or at the very least to create a level playing field on which we can trade.

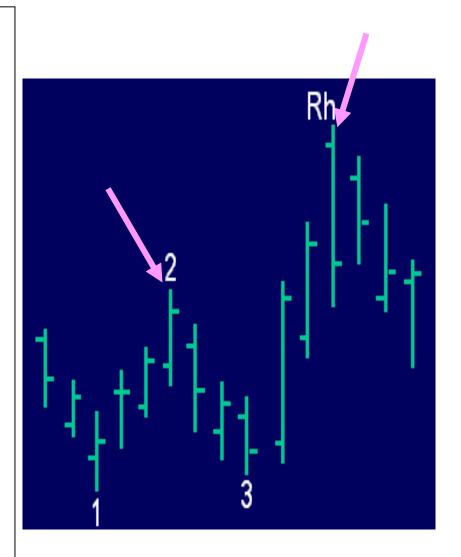
# THE TRADERS TRICK ENTRY ctd.

When trading 1-2-3 and Ross hook formations, we want to get in ahead of the actual breakout of the #2 point or the point of the hook. If the breakout is real, the result will be significant profits. If the breakout is false, we will have at least covered our costs and taken some profit for our effort.



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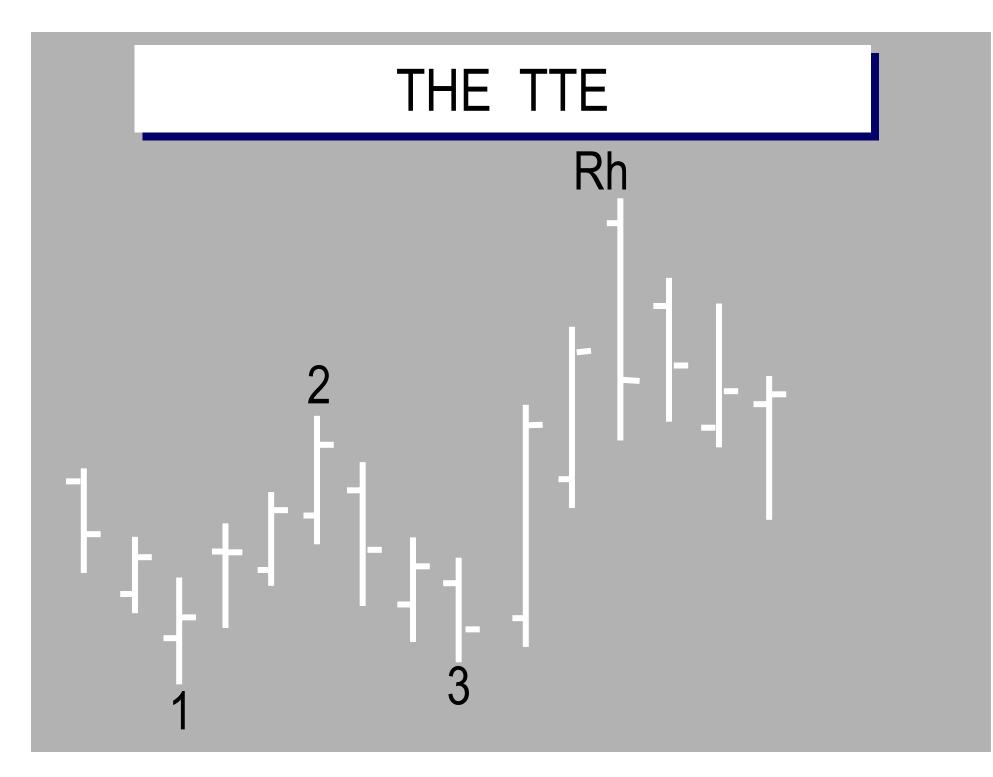
Insiders will often engineer moves aimed at precisely those points where they realize orders are bunched. It is exactly that kind of engineering that makes the TTE possible.



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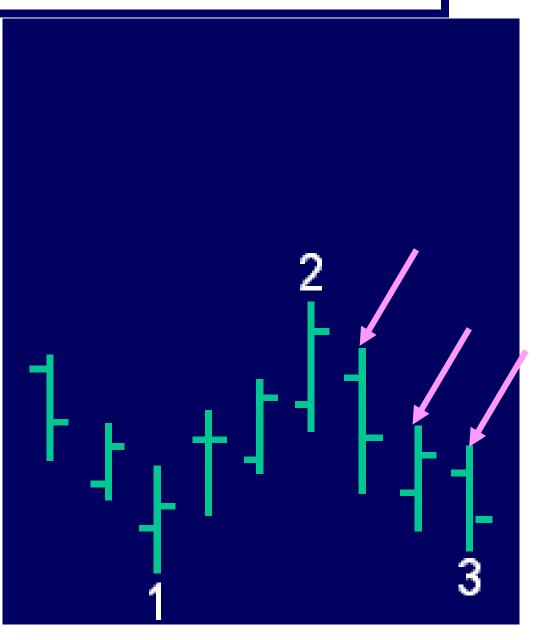
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Let's begin our examination of the TTE.



## THE TTE AND 1-2-3

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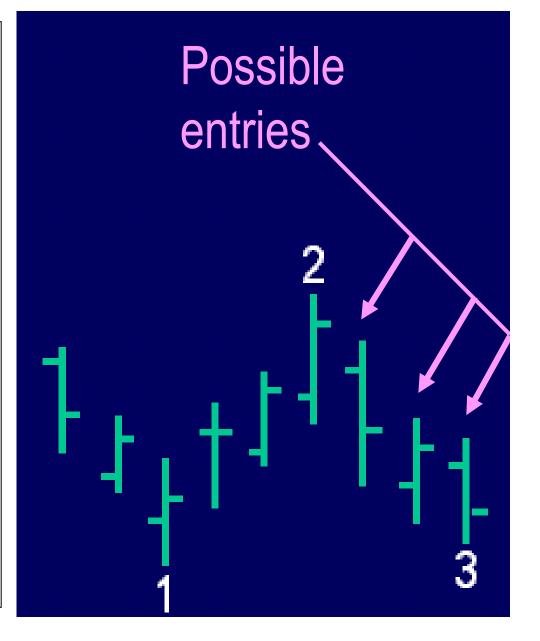
# THE TTE AND 1-2-3 ctd.

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They don't need to make lower lows!

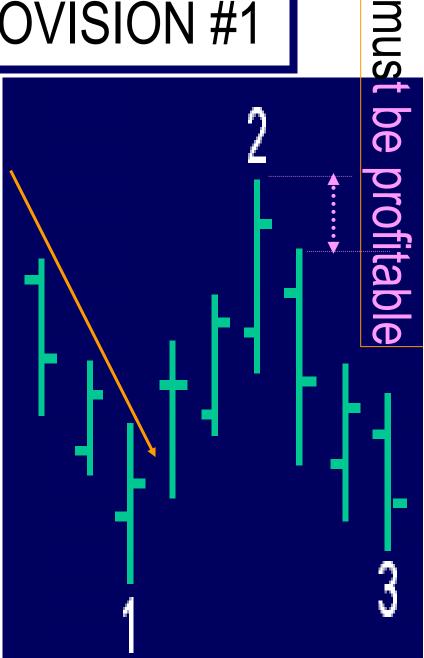
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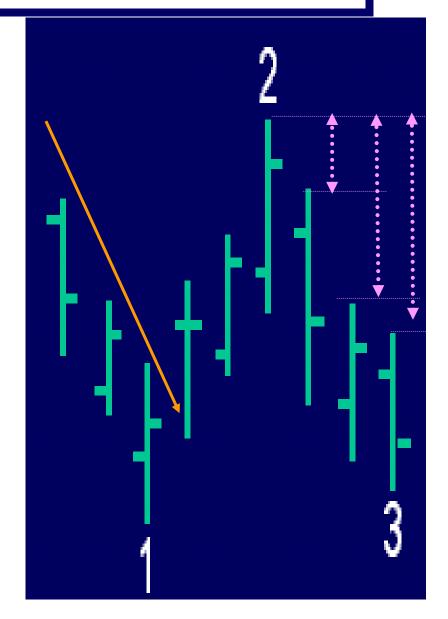


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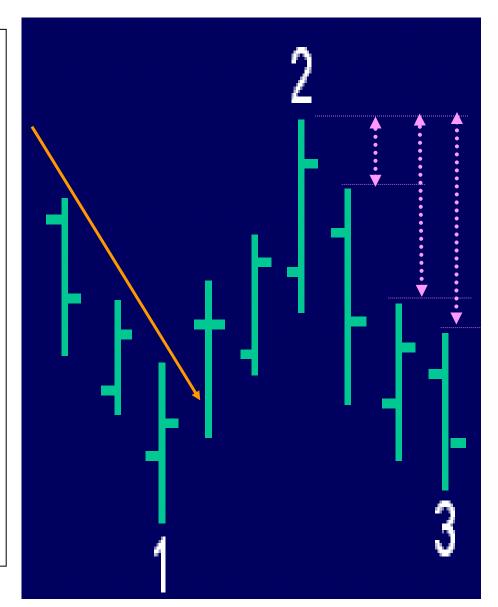
- By insisting that there be enough room to cover costs and take some profit, we accomplish two things:
- 1. We get paid to trade.
- 2. If the breakout proves to be false, we will still have had a winning trade and have traded for free.



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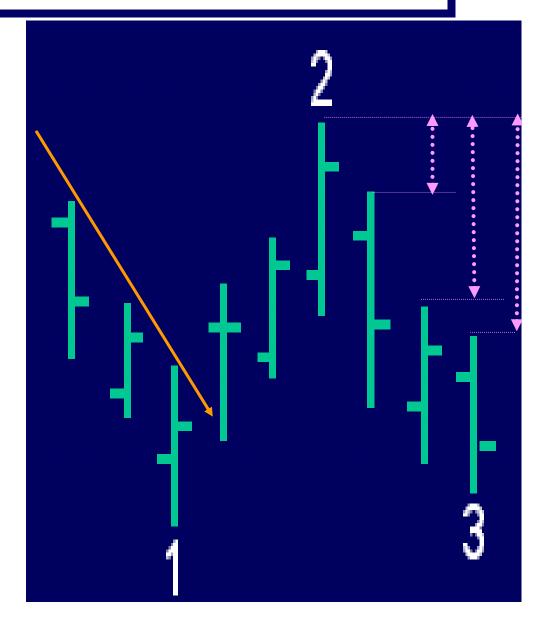


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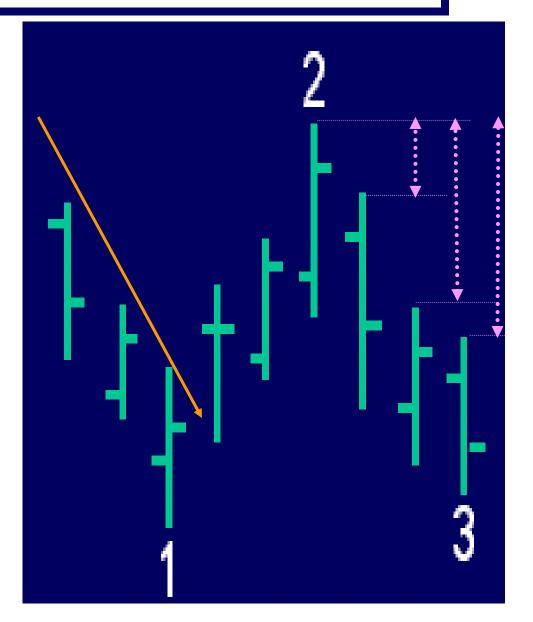
# TTE AND 1-2-3 PROVISION #2

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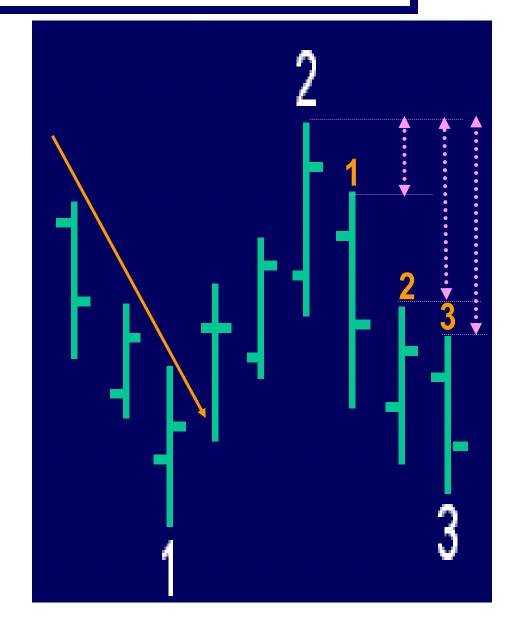
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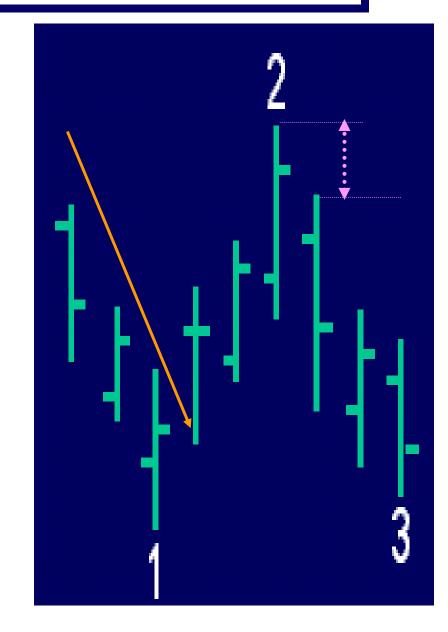
The following provision applies:

3. With only one exception, there cannot be more than 3 bars of correction prior to prices moving toward the #2 point.



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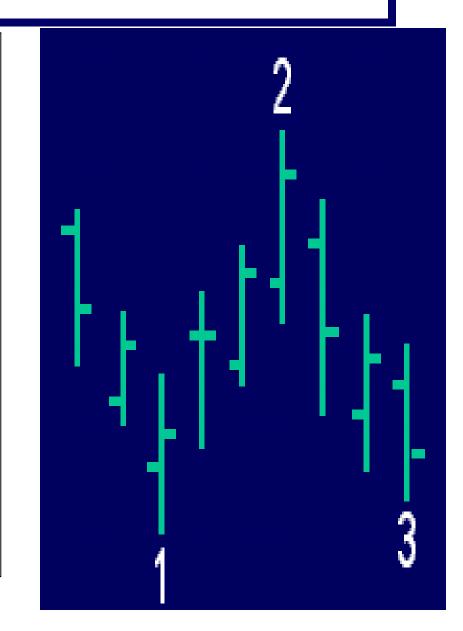
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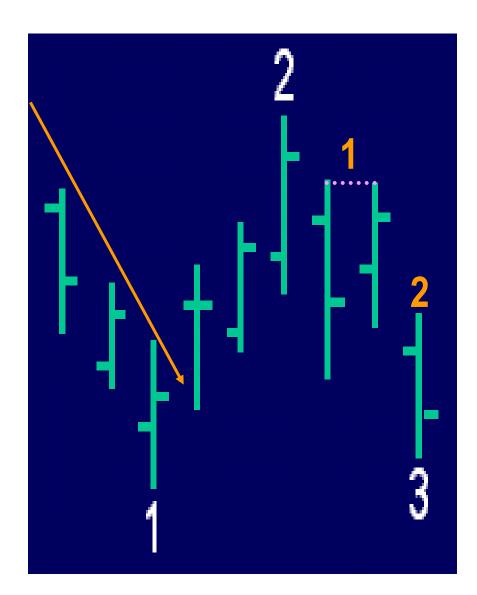


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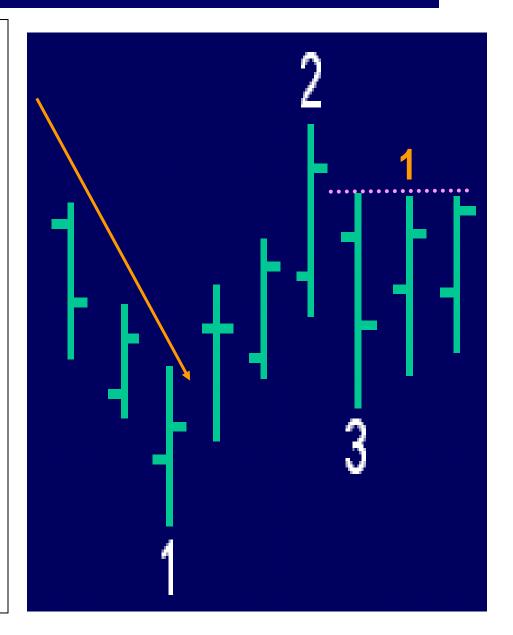
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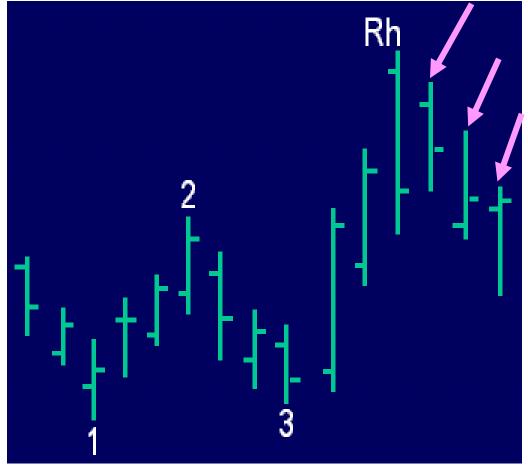
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# TTE AND ROSS HOOKS

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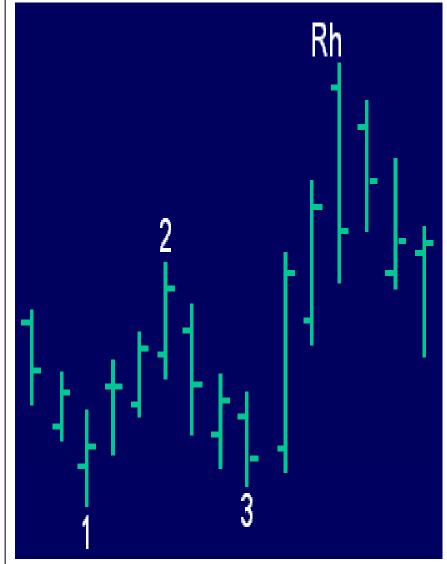
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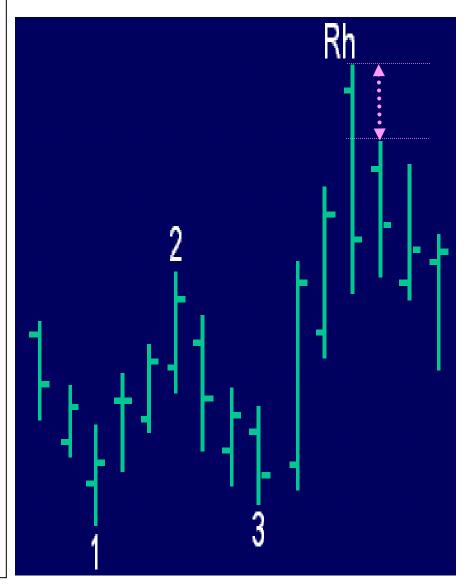


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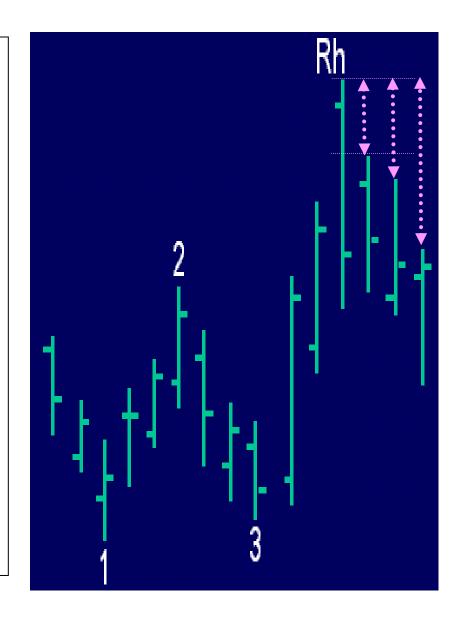
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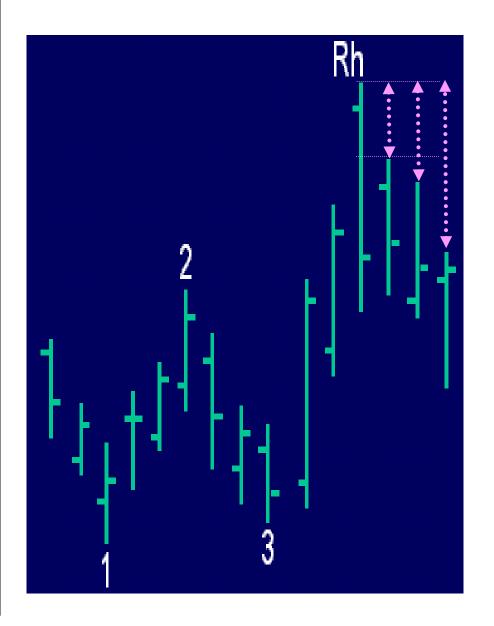


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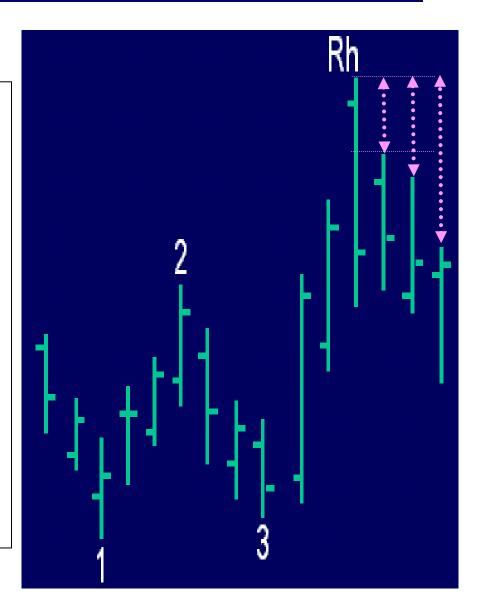
# TTE AND RH PROVISION #2

The following provision applies: 2. The Rh formation must occur subsequent to the violation of the #2 point of a 1-2-3 formation, a Consolidation, or a Ledge.



# COMMENTS ON PROVISION #2

A violation of the #2 point of a 1-2-3 low (high) defines a trend. A subsequent violation of an Rh establishes a trend.



Ledge

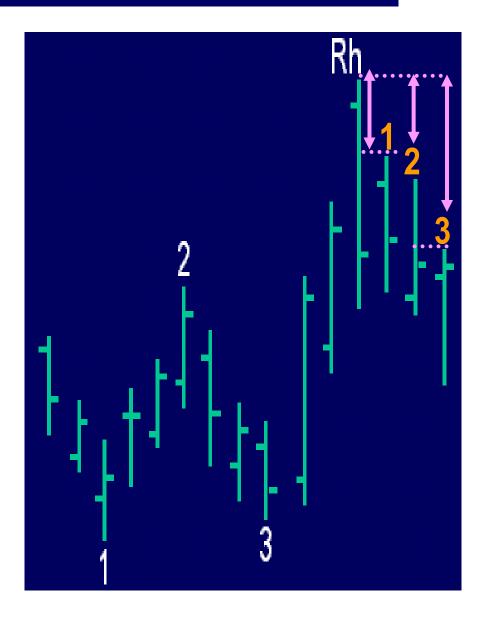
A violation of a Ledge re-defines a trend, since a Ledge can occur only in an existing trend. A subsequent violation of an Rh reestablishes a trend.

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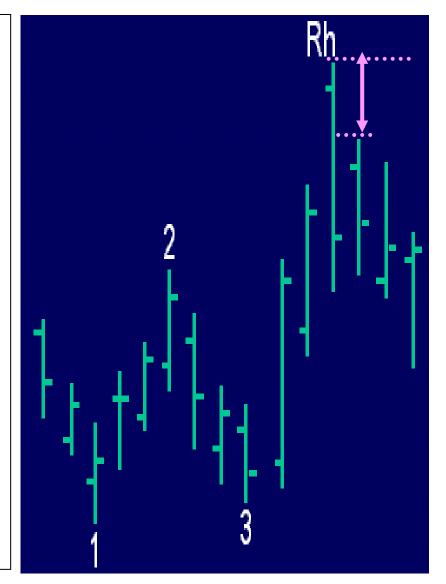
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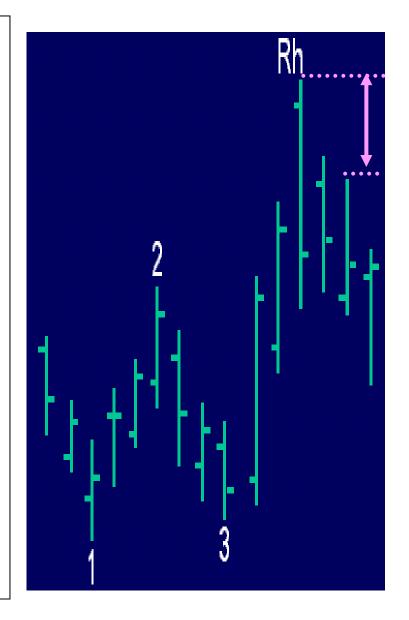


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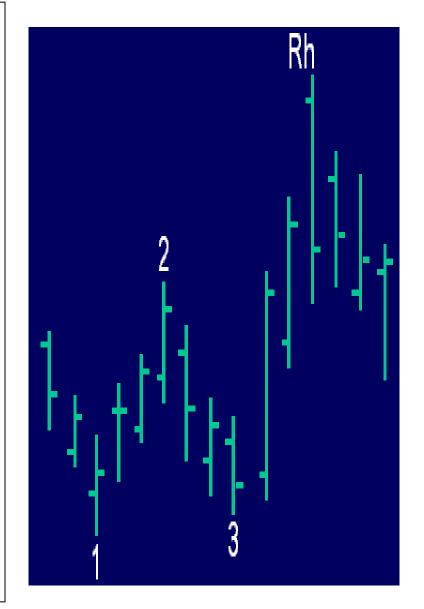
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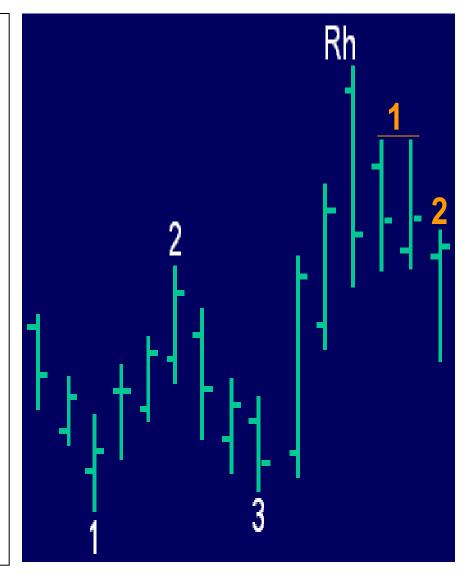


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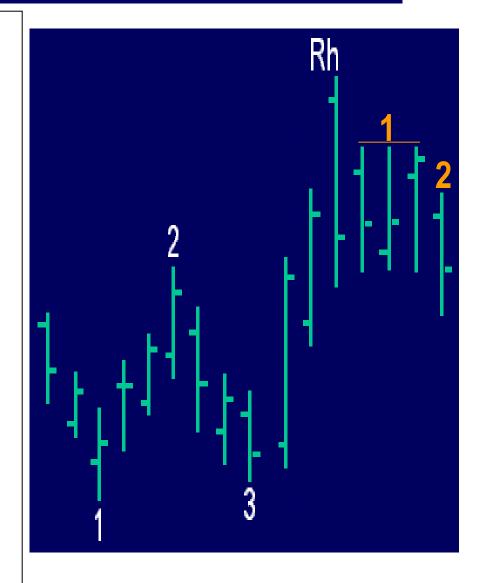
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## HOW TO TRADE THE TTE

Trading the TTE has very simple rules:

1. Be sure that the 1-2-3 formation is not occurring in a consolidation, and that the Rh is following a 1-2-3, Ledge, or Consolidation.



## HOW TO TRADE THE TTE ctd.

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2. As soon as a #2 or Rh point is evident on the chart, prepare to enter an order 1 tick above (or below) the extreme of the correcting price bar.



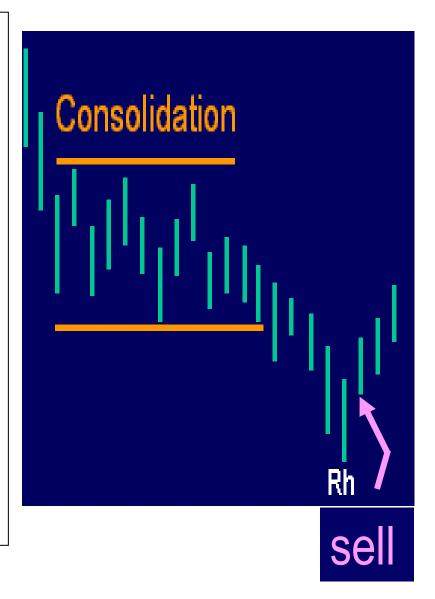
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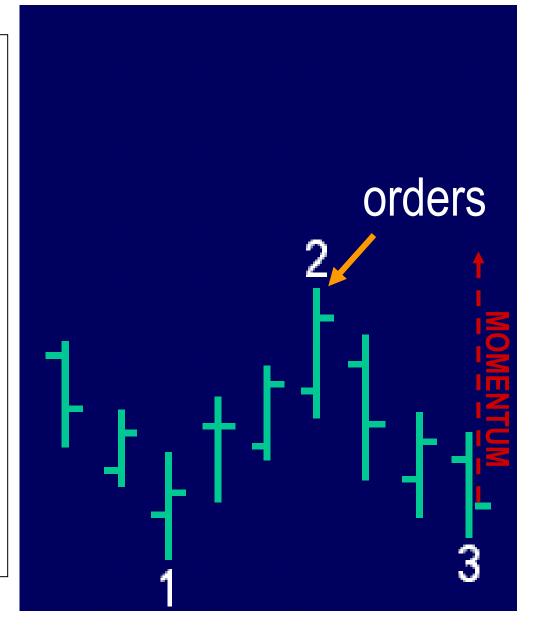
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Although we've shown you upward movement of prices for the most part, the same rules apply to downward movements of price from 1-2-3 highs, and downside breakouts of Ledges and Consolidations.



### FINAL COMMENTS ON THE TTE

At the beginning of this lesson we said, "For a pro to be able to stop us from shadowing his moves, he would have to sabotage himself. You'll see why shortly."



### FINAL COMMENTS ON THE TTE ctd. orders The fact is, for the market mover to be able to stop us, he orders MOMENTUN must stop his own momentum as he moves prices towards the orders bunched above the # 2 point or the Rh. He's not likely to do that.

#### FINAL COMMENTS ON THE TTE ctd. orders Rh When trading the TTE we have an additional factor working in our orders MOMENTUN favor, and that is the propensity of the Fibonacci traders to buy (or sell) .382, .500, and .618 retracements of price.

#### FINAL COMMENTS ON THE TTE ctd. orders Not only do we gain momentum of price movement towards orders MOMENTUN the #2 or Rh points from the market mover, but buying by the Fibonacci traders enhances that momentum. But we're not done yet.

### FINAL COMMENTS ON THE TTE ctd. orders We also gain momentum from another group of orders MOMENTUN retracement traders, the Gann traders. Gann traders tend to buy 1/3<sup>rd</sup>, 1/2 and 2/3rds price retracements.

### FINAL COMMENTS ON THE TTE ctd. orders The Gann traders further increase the orders MOMENTUN momentum generated by the market mover as he pushes prices towards the #2 and Rh points.

### FINAL COMMENTS ON THE TTE ctd. orders The TTE offers the possibility of using the momentum of others orders MOMENTUN to cover costs and capture a slice of profits, as well as a free trade to the trader willing to use it to good effect.

### FINAL COMMENTS ON THE TTE ctd. orders The TTE ahead of the breakout of a 1-2-3 formation and orders MOMENTUN the TTE ahead of the breakout of a Rh have identical possibilities that prices will reach the breakout point.

# FINAL COMMENTS ON THE TTE ctd.

However, the probability for a trend to form is lower following a 1-2-3 formation once the breakout point is reached, than it is for a trend to continue after the point of a Rh is reached.



#### FINAL COMMENTS ON THE TTE ctd. orders The third bar of a TTE ahead of a Rh always carries the danger that it could turn into a trend reversal. This is why a orders violation of the second correcting bar carries the best overall probability for success. Although it has a 5% less chance of reaching the point of the Rh, it also has a better chance of being able to cover costs and take a profit.

## FINAL COMMENTS ON THE TTE ctd.

After the 3<sup>rd</sup> TTE bar, the probabilities begin to favor a consolidation which is why we don't attempt to enter on a TTE beyond a violation of the third bar.



There are always some of our students who seek to find indicators that will enhance their trading of the TTE. We are not against doing so. Anything that is proven to help you with your trading is admirable.

Although these methods typically result in missing many good trades, they almost always favor an extremely conservative approach to using the TTE. We present the following very conservative method for your inspection.

When using Bollinger Bands, the upper band is the trend line when prices are rising, and the lower band is the trend line when prices are falling. This is the opposite of traditional trend line drawing where the up trend line is drawn beneath prices and the downtrend line is drawn above prices.

- When we are looking for a TTE breakout to the up-side,
- 1) The top band of the standard 20 bar Bollinger, which shows the trend of

that particular market, should be at least 30 degrees or more, sloping in an upward direction.

2) The closes of the trick bars should remain in the top half of the 5 minute bar ranges up to 3 bars after the Ross hook. This indicates that there are more buyers than sellers, therefore the probability of going up is favored.

3) There may, but not necessarily will be, a low Close on one of the correcting bars. At that point, prices are ready to run, take out the high of the trick bar, and then take out the Ross hook.

Let's show you an example of this technique.

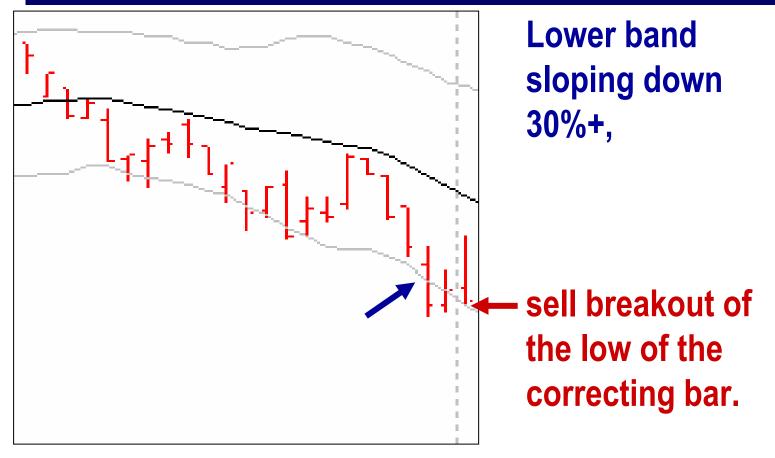


Does this technique work the other way around? Let's see:

 The lower band of the standard 20 bar Bollinger, which shows the trend of that particular market, should be at least 30 degrees or more, sloping in a downward direction.

2) The closes of the trick bars should remain in the lower half of the 5 minute bar ranges up to 3 bars after the Ross hook. This indicates that there are more sellers than buyers, therefore the probability of going down is favored.

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