

# Cartoons for the Classroom

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## Can a tweet really cost billions?



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### Talking Points

1. US and world stock markets plunged last week after President Donald Trump tweeted he was a "Tariff Man." How do these cartoonists illustrate the reaction?
2. Why were investors so worried about the president's tweet?
3. Big drops in markets can wipe out billions of dollars in stock. Are the companies issuing those stocks really less viable than they were before prices dropped? Will they be more viable as stock prices rise?
4. Do markets react rationally or emotionally? How does fear drive investors to either sell or buy?
5. How much stock trading is controlled by computer programs?

### Between the lines

"President Xi and I want this deal to happen, and it probably will. But if not remember, I am a Tariff Man." - Tweet from President Donald Trump.

<https://nypost.com/2018/12/04/stock-markets-plunge-after-trumps-tariff-man-tweet/>

### Additional resources

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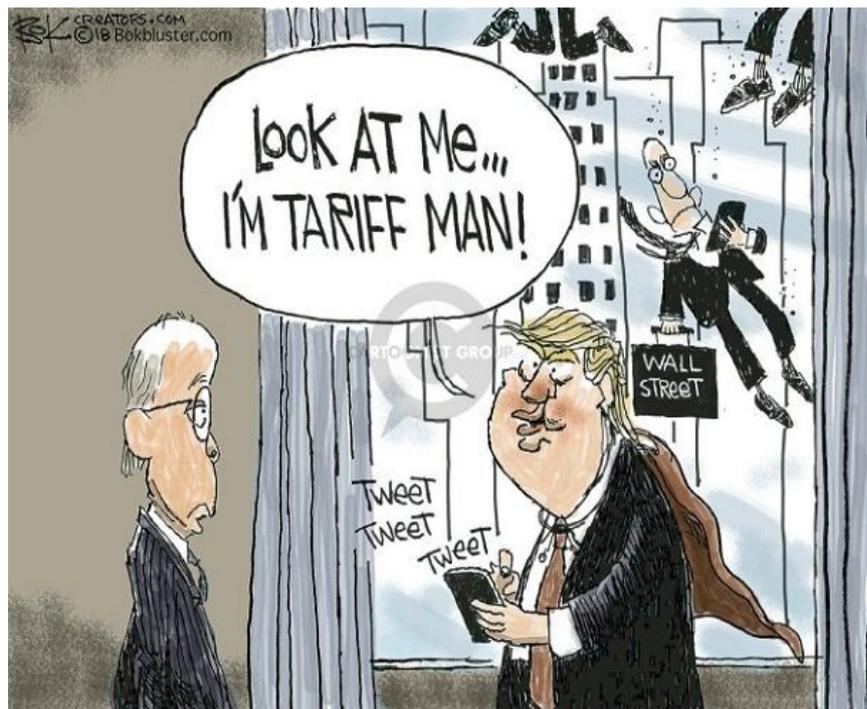
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