EMILY: So, students, as you know the goal of the Stock Market Game is to get the largest return on your initial investment.

NICK: That’s right, and you have $100,000 to invest in the market.

(Interrupted by cameraman who walks in the class filming Emily and Nick)

EMILY: Oh, I didn’t know you were coming today. We were just talking about playing the Stock Market Game. Why don’t you join us as Nick and I explain how we played the game and won. (Cameraman joins the group, continuing to film)

NICK: (Now facing the camera) I’m Nick Lane.

EMILY: (Emily puts up first slide) And I’m Emily Turner. The name of our team is the Wolves of Wall Street, and we played for Hilltop Elementary.

NICK: First, a little bit about ourselves… (ad lib)

EMILY: (Portfolio slide, ad lib)

NICK: (Stock Strategy slide, ad lib. Talk about how if you were playing the game again, you would diversify your portfolio more to lessen the overall risk of your portfolio)

EMILY: Good job, Nick, in explaining our strategy for buying retail companies. Though it involved a great deal of risk, our best stock buy was Macy’s. (ad lib explaining the reason for buying Macy’s stock)

NICK: We really struggled in deciding to keep our Macy’s stock or to sell it to capture a realized gain.

EMILY: You’re right, Nick. It was tempting to sell when our Macy’s stock hit a high of $61.21 a share. But we decided to hold onto it, in hopes that there would be continued increases in the value of the stock.

NICK: That was a hard decision to make. We kept our portfolio pretty well balanced with two-thirds in stocks and one-third in cash. Keeping the cash helped us earn over $300 in interest.

EMILY: Not only that, we also tried to minimize our fees and commissions by not making a lot of trades.

NICK: In the end, we were able to earn nearly a 4% return on our initial investment. That’s not bad for a couple of 5th graders. (Show slide of net gains, net losses, and rate of return)
EMILY: That about wraps up our strategy for playing the Stock Market Game. We hoped you increased your financial literacy. Thanks for joining us.

NICK and EMILY: We hope to see you for the next tournament of the Stock Market Game in the fall. By the way, going to New York City would be awesome. *(Both wave as the camera fades)*