



It's all Greek to me

[Gundlach says the global stock market is signaling 'something bad' is happening - CNBC, Oct 11, 2018](#)

[Oil falls 3% as equity markets drop, inventories climb – The Business Times, Oct 12, 2018](#)

Wherever you look, volatility or expected corrections or sharp moves jump out at you in the headlines. Equity corrections, commodity moves, rate shifts... all cause a problem if you are trying to reduce or take risk. And the 'big' moves seem to be happening with greater frequency as well.

Options are one of the primary ways to either hedge risk or position yourself for upcoming moves in whatever asset class you look at and understanding them is important to everyone one in financial services.

Do you simply want to understand what an option is, what the terminologies mean and what the Greeks are all about? Do you have exposure or are you going to have exposure to the derivatives markets in any way? Do you have clients that want products that involve options?

If your clients want FX Strategies, DCI's, Structured Products of any kind? Then you need some knowledge of options and the Greeks involved.

Whether you want to be able to assess if an options price is good value, what you or your clients sensitivity to price moves is, how time eats away at the option value or you want to simply understand markets that can be driven by Options then you need to make sure you understand Options and the Greeks.

Once you understand the fundamentals, a whole new understanding of what derivatives can do for you and your clients opens up. Strategies to protect or take advantage from possible big equity corrections or rate shifts or currency moves are better understood or even created.

On top of this having your staff knowledgeable in the options world bolsters your risk defense against potential losses due to errors or unintentional mis-selling.

In the current uncertain world on one hand and the need to ensure your own value in financial services on the other, understanding Greek means more than being able to order the right cocktail....

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