



Dueling Fools: eBay

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What I like to do when I write about **eBay** (Nasdaq: [EBAY](#)) is to let everyone know my feedback rating. That is the rank eBay dishes out to its users after every mutually satisfying transaction.

Well, I've been stuck at 172 -- and it's not because I've been a bad boy. I just don't spend as much time on the site as I used to. Maybe it's the third-party merchants with great deals on **Amazon.com** (Nasdaq: [AMZN](#)) or the simplicity of comparison-shopping sites like **CNET's** (Nasdaq: [CNET](#)) MySimon or **IAC/InterActiveCorp's** (Nasdaq: [IACI](#)) Pronto.com that are keeping me busy elsewhere.

I'm not sure. I just know that we haven't tackled eBay in Dueling Fools so far in 2007, and I am feeling pretty bearish on the company. I still needed a bull, and my fellow Foolish contributor Tim Beyers came through. He's got some good arguments in favor of the [Stock Advisor](#) newsletter recommendation. Let's see whether he can sway me.

More importantly, let's see if he can sway you.

Duel on!

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