

## press release

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Share of the week from The Share Centre

**Graham Spooner, investment adviser at The Share Centre picks supplier to small businesses Booker Group, as his share of the week, here's why:**

“Considering the current economic climate, Booker Group has performed tremendously over the past seven months. The company released its Christmas period trading update in early January and unlike other retailers they continued to record a healthy gain in sales.

“Booker Group is seeing growth in two areas which interest us. Firstly, sales via the internet have shown a significant rise as more businesses place orders on-line instead of travelling to an outlet. Secondly, such has been the popularity with Indian restaurants in the UK, it opened its first store in the Mumbai on 2009 and are planning a second in the spring.

“The Group has highly regarded management who have turned the fortunes of the company around in the UK and we feel its growth into India could reward long term investors. However, investors need to be aware Booker Group is a higher risk stock due to its exposure to the retail sector.”

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