Catalyst Engine

A simple guide to finding and understanding events that could move a stock over the next 12 months.

The main idea: A catalyst is an event that could change what investors expect from a company. Earnings, a product launch, a government contract, or a regulatory decision could all be catalysts. Catalyst Engine helps you find upcoming events, see why they may matter, and open the supporting sources.

1 Search for a stock

- Enter a ticker symbol in the search box. For example, COST is Costco and RKLB is Rocket Lab.
- Select Find catalysts and keep the page open while research runs. A full report may take 1 to 3 minutes.
- When the report loads, start with the stock summary and Next Dated Catalyst box. Then read the #1 Catalyst to Watch and the full timeline.

Example: If the report says “Fiscal Q4 earnings - September 24” and “Tomorrow,” the event has a stated calendar date. That does not tell you whether the stock will go up or down.

2 Read the report from top to bottom

In the report	What it means
Stock summary and Key Numbers	Shows the ticker, price, daily change, market cap, volume, and other available market facts.
Next Dated Catalyst	Highlights the nearest upcoming event with a confirmed calendar day. A countdown appears when a specific day is known.
What Matters Now and #1 Catalyst to Watch	Gives a quick overview and features the highest-ranked catalyst. Highest-ranked does not always mean soonest.
Catalyst Radar and Timeline	Radar is a priority view. The timeline groups events by when they may happen during the next 12 months.

Understand the dates and scores

These labels help you judge a research lead. They are not predictions or trade signals.

3 Timing: how sure is the date?

In the report	What it means
CONFIRMED	A specific date is supported by the research. Even confirmed dates can change, so check the source before trading.
ESTIMATED	A best-known specific date, but it has not been verified as final. Calendar entries are marked tentative.
WINDOW	A broad period such as “Q4 2026.” Do not treat it as a particular day.
UNKNOWN	No dependable date was found yet.

The Next 30 Days filter includes only confirmed events with a specific calendar day. If an event is estimated or listed only as a quarter, find it under All. The main countdown also requires a confirmed, specific date.

4 What does each number mean?

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Catalyst Score (0-100)	A ranking of how relevant the event may be to an event-driven trader. It is not the chance of a profitable trade or the size of a future price move.
Impact (1-10)	How strongly the event might affect the stock if the outcome matters.
Event Probability (%)	The research estimate of whether the event will happen during the stated period. It is not the probability that the stock rises.
Evidence Confidence (%)	How strong the information behind the catalyst appears to be.

5 Direction and possible outcomes

Bullish means a favorable outcome could help the stock; Bearish means an unfavorable outcome could hurt it. Binary means either outcome may matter. Neutral means direction is unclear. Read-through means an event at a competitor or elsewhere in the industry could affect the stock you searched.

Open a catalyst card to read Why it matters, its possible bull and bear cases, and its source links. A bull or bear case is a scenario to consider, not a forecast.

Use the tools in the report

Turn a long research report into a short list of events you can check and follow up on.

6 Narrow the timeline

- All shows the full timeline. Now, Soon, and the month ranges let you browse by timing.
- Next 30 Days shows confirmed, day-specific events coming within 30 days.
- High Impact shows events rated 8 or higher on the 1-10 impact scale. It uses Impact, not the 0-100 Catalyst Score.

7 Save a date or share a finding

- Add to calendar opens a small menu. Choose Google Calendar, Outlook Calendar, or download an .ics file for another calendar app. Review the event before saving it. Broad timing windows do not get this button.
- Copy catalyst copies the event, date, score, short explanation, and sources. In an app that accepts formatted text, source names may paste as clickable links. In a plain-text app, the full source URLs remain visible.
- Recently researched shows tickers you searched successfully in this browser. Selecting one runs research again; it does not merely reopen a saved report.

8 Check for updates

- Refresh research runs the stock search again. If older research exists, the report may show newly found, changed, or missing catalysts. A missing item is a reason to investigate, not proof that an event was canceled.
- Dig deeper runs another research pass for less obvious events. It may find more catalysts, but it may also return none.

Before acting on an event: Open the source. Check that the date and company are correct. Read the newest company announcement or filing. Decide what outcome would actually surprise investors. An attractive score alone is not a trading plan.

Questions traders often ask

Does the report predict the stock price?

No. It identifies possible events and explains why traders might care. It cannot know the result of an earnings report, trial, contract decision, or court ruling.

Why does a catalyst say Q4 instead of a date?

The available source may name only a quarter or broad time window. The tool should not create an exact day that the source did not provide. Check again later for an updated date.

Is the price or short-interest figure live?

Market figures depend on the data available during the search. Short-interest figures can be delayed; look for their reporting date. If a field says “unavailable,” do not assume it is zero.

What if the report has no useful catalyst?

Try Dig deeper, review the source links, or return later and refresh the research. No result is a guarantee that no event exists.

What does subscriber access change?

The public version allows research on up to three distinct stocks in that browser. Subscribers can unlock unlimited ticker searches with the subscriber password. Clicking a recent ticker or refreshing a report starts another research run.

Does entering my email turn on stock alerts?

The current Get Catalyst Alerts form records an email address and takes you to the subscription page. It does not currently ask you to choose stocks to monitor or create a personal watchlist.

A simple routine

Search → Scan → Verify → Plan.

1. Search the ticker and scan the next event, #1 catalyst, and timeline.
2. Filter for near-term or high-impact events.
3. Open the original sources and confirm the latest timing.
4. Add a date to your calendar or copy a sourced note into your trading journal.

Research aid only. This guide is not investment advice. Always check the original sources and your own risk before trading.