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If you are talking with people that don't understand the market, here's a conversation using small words that you can have with them to make them understand where we are. (not specific to GameStop)

You buy a stock from your broker who holds it for you. Your broker is a like a "safe", meaning it is supposed to protect your interests. They are legally required to do this.

Your broker can lend shares to shorts. Shorts make money by making you shares worth less. This is a conflict of interest for your brokers, because not only are they not protecting your shares, they are also profiting by lending those shares.

In summary, your broker is colluding with the short seller to rob money from you... under the guise of "it's legal".

Lending of shares that any investor owns by a third party should be illegal.