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Another Angle

I've loved to fish my whole life and I've been in the business for 30 years.

We all like to give advice, but I really have heard more than I've given (in regards to fishing).

Some things I've learned, if nothings biting, keep it simple. Don't give up, get simple. I always go to a plain hook even through I manufacture crawler harnesses and flutter snells. Because when they are finicky, I have to out smart them. I normally in inland lakes if still fishing or drifting reel the rig in slowing, jerking slightly as I do. Normally, I get a hit after I jerk it.

On cloudy days, I use dark lures, for example, what I call an orange killer (a black blade with orange dots) works well for me.

On bright days, I always start with a hammered nickel blade with chart green beads. While fishing for bass, walleye, blue gill and perch, I've had success with this method.

When I fish for pike, now that's another story. My Dad always liked to use live chubs, a large 3" bobber when we used to fish up at Gaylord. While that did and does produce fish, I prefer the good 'ole faithful red and white daredevil. While I've used imitations, I always go back to the original daredevil. Whether casting or trolling, I always start with red and white, probably because I believe in it so much.

Now if I were to go perch fishing solely, I'd have to begin with our plain perch rig depending on when I was fishing of course would depend upon the weight of my bell sinker. The lighter the better. I prefer a 1/4 oz. if possible. I prefer night crawlers or leeches, though minnows are a more popular choice by most anglers. I always use the lightest pole and line possible. I prefer an ultra light rod and a spinning reel with mason T-line (brown) 6# is my usual choice. I also have had much success with our chart perch rig. This is the best stand by I know, with the exception of "nickel" which is actually worth its weight in gold.