

GREAT GEAR

Choosing the right rod and reel can be a tough decision. What's an angler to do?

- A. Curl up in a ball on the floor.
- B. Narrow down your choices.

Here is a hint; it's not A.

There are two great rod and reel outfits for beginners: spincasting and spinning.

Either outfit is great with practice. The spincasting outfit is held with the reel facing upward. A push button releases the line. It is easy to use and a good choice for beginners.

A spinning outfit requires more practice and skill. It is held with the reel hanging below the rod handle. The angler's index finger (pointing finger) releases the line.

Parts Jumble

1. RDO LDANHE:
2. DOR UTBT:
3. SDGIEU:
4. RLUFREE:
5. PIT PTO:
6. OPSOL:
7. UTMHB UONBTT:
8. LIBA:
9. RGDA:
10. ELRE DHNAEL:

1. Where the reel attaches to the rod and also what the angler holds onto.
2. Where the rod meets the handle.
3. Controls the line.
4. Where the rod parts join.
5. Guide at the rod tip.
6. Holds the line.
7. Releases the line.
8. Retrieves the line.
9. Adjusts the line tension between reel and fish.
10. Cranks the line in.

