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Personally, I think you should start with a 9' 5 weight. It's the most functional and forgiving. Cabelas rods are quite nice and surprisingly stable for the price. I'd stick with the prestige. The cheaper stuff casts like a telephone pole.

If you can't afford lessons, at least get a good video. -- I started casting by watching a scientific anglers VHS called "Introduction to Fly Fishing." I was young and there was simply no one around to teach me.

I also started fly fishing on a small lake -- which is actually not a bad way to begin. You don't have to understand elaborate mends and you can get used to setting hooks on sunnies and bluegill. Both of these species can be loads of fun to pursue with a fly rod.

You also aren't far from Downingtown Orvis which provides free seminars every once in a while -- there's a series coming up in late September.

Welcome!