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I've been going out to Valley Creek, and if anyone's fished here, they should know that the fish here are over-fished and spooked easily. I've had very good luck nymphing with a small thingamabobber, but lately, I've felt like nymphing has lost it's initial satisfaction. I haven't caught a fish on a dry fly, and I plan to at valley creek, and probably just transfer from nymphing to dry fly fishing. It's sounds like the most fun, and sounds like a challenge, and those who know me well know that I like a challenge :) The type of dry flies I'm looking at specifically are terrestrials, and even more specifically the ant. I've met a friend who knows the creek very well and knows how to use terrestrials very well, catching a couple every time he goes out to fish. I asked for some advice and it was very helpful, we even got a fish to come after the fly, but I missed the set. He showed me many different things that can be overlooked and can make the trip a bust. Like leader that isn't straight, and a fly that becomes wet and starts to sink. My main concern is if I should be setting the hook right as I see a fish go for the fly or if I should be waiting a little longer. I was also looking for any other tips or little tricks that could help me get into dry fly fishing. I'm not completely committed to ants, I like ants because of course they're everywhere, but I also like blue winged olives and caddises, so anything on how to fish those would be great as well. Thanks for anyone that is willing to share some advice :D