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For the youngest kids, just starting out, the way to go is just a fishing pole, either an old school bamboo pole, or you can get a telescoping, graphite panfish pole, 10, 12, or 14 ft long from Cabelas. There's no reel seat, and no guides except at the tip.

The line is just tied on at the tip, and you just cast out a worm and bobber by flipping it out there. This is the easiest possible outfit for a kid to fish with.

Kids can learn to handle an outfit like this, casting it out there and hooking the fish and bringing it in, at quite a young age. Because there is no reel to fool around with and get snarled up.

Then the next step should be a spincasting outfit, with the button. That's easier for kids than the regular open bail spinning outfit.

Then they should learn to use a regular spinning outfit.

Then flyfishing. One step at a time.