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I wish someone would have sat down and explained how rigging works, including line to leader, leader to tippet, indicators, weight, tandem rigs, etc.

I was taught the basics by a wonderful instructor, and was left to go off on the stream and learn on my own. I only got instruction when I asked for it, or when I was totally making an idiot of myself. I've developed my own style, methods, and ideas from that... but luckily, I think I have a solid technical background.

The problem was, he'd hand me a pre-rigged rod and some flies. From there, I went and fished. I caught fish, but when he passed and I had to rig my own gear, I felt lost.

Luckily, this forum helped me a ton.

If only the old database still existed. I'd probably point out a few of my posts from three or four years ago where I was asking some of the most painfully basic questions. Those were the days.