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Re: Fear of the Unknown

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I think that leaders and tippet are the biggest hurdle for new folks in the sport. Learn to tie a blood knot in your sleep. Tying your own leaders will be much easier, and customizable in the long run. Too often I see new people in the sport buying tapered leaders and before they know it, they tying tiny flies to the butt end of the leader. The problem is compounded by the casting getting easier as the leader gets shorter... It casts like a dream but it's not going to fish well! With experience you start to find the compromise between casting, leader length, drag free drift, and tippet diameter. To make a long story short, first, invest in good line, leader and tippet. It's the connection between you and the fish.