

Sixth Week

Topic: Fish Biology
Gear: Gold Spoon
Environment: Fish Sampling
Knot: Uni Knot

Refer to: **Tips for Success** on page 53

Start thinking about where you will fish next!

IN CLASS THIS WEEK we will be going over spoons. If you haven't read page 32-33 you should look those pages over now.

The Places You Fish

After you fish in a spot for a while you will learn about it. If you are fishing the same place, over and over, from a boat, you might learn which way the water moves across the bottom, where it is deeper or where there are some bushes or rocks. These are all things that could attract and hold fish.

If you are fishing from a dock or pier there are things to look for here too.

The smaller fish tend to hang around the dock pilings. All you have to do it use a smaller hook tipped with a piece of shrimp and you can catch the little snapper and sheepshead that might be hanging around. Don't think you have to catch giant fish all the time, with a light weight rod and light weight line (like 12-pound mono) smaller fish will be just as much fun to catch.

Look around the dock. The bigger fish might be cruising the sides of the canal, feeding on the crabs.

If you are casting out to the middle of the canal you'll probably catch catfish, which like to cruise the deeper part in the middle.

Look around: Is there a drainage pipe you can see that empties the rainwater from the street into the canal? If so, the bottom of the canal under the end of the pipe is probably just a little deeper from where all the water runs in... that deeper spot might be just the right place for a fish to lay in ambush waiting for something to eat.

Is there an old boat tied up near by, on that has a dirty bottom and looks like it hasn't moved for a while? That might be a good place to flip a bait.

It all goes back to the first night of class and the concept of Be The Fish. It really is true, if you are going to catch fish you have to think like a fish.

I hope you had fun taking this class.

Now, anytime after November 15, stop by Fishin' Franks and pick up your rod and reel, tackle box and tackle bag. And when you catch your first fish with your new rod please text us a picture of you and your fish. Text it to the online quiz phone.

SPOONS



Don Ball School of Fishing Online Quiz

Fish Quiz # 6

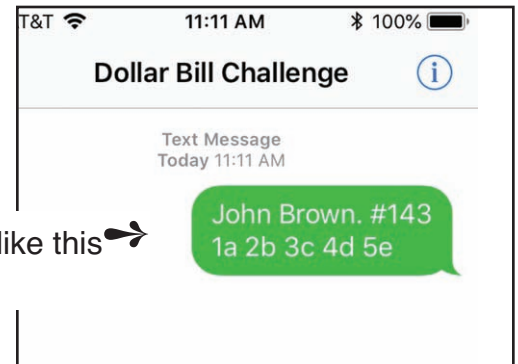
please DO NOT GUESS! If you don't know the answer just answer I DON'T KNOW.

You have until noon on Tuesday November 20 to submit your answers

Text your name and student number along with your answers

Text to the special online phone number you were given

Your text should be like this →



1. The first spoon was made from a silver tablespoon?

- a. True
- b. False
- c. I don't know

2. On a bright shiny day you want to use a _____ colored spoon: *fill in the blank*

- a. Gold
- b. Silver
- c. Blue
- d. I don't know

3. Most spoons used around Charlotte Harbor are in what weight range?

- a. 1/2 to 1 ounce
- b. 1/8 to 3/4 ounce
- c. 1/16 to 2 1/8 ounces
- d. I don't know

4. A spoon with the skinny end attached to the leader will do what?

- a. Dive deeper
- b. Stay shallower
- c. I don't know

5. A jigging spoon is designed to be worked?

- a. Vertically
- b. Horizontally
- c. Either vertically or horizontally
- d. I don't know

Answers to these questions will be posted at the end of the 6th week

5th Fishing Period answers: a-c-d-d-b

If you have questions you can always text your mentor