Which lure to use?

**Inline Spinners**
- Metal blade that spins around a shaft with an animal-like hair skirt
- Runs fairly shallow but varying retrieval speed can alter depth
- Effective in all seasons

**Spoons**
- Metal blade with either a treble hook or single hook attached
- Wobbles when reeled in
- Effective in all seasons

**Spinnerbaits**
- Metal blade that spins around metal shaft with tails of animal-like hair or plastic skirt
- Run fairly shallow but varying retrieval speed can alter depth
- Effective in all seasons

**Soft Plastics**
- Plastic worms, crayfish, tubes or frogs
- Add a weight or sinker
- Hook can be ran through lure to keep from snagging vegetation
- Very effective for Largemouth Bass

**Jigs**
- Hooks with weighted heads that can be used with or without live bait or soft plastics
- Used mostly used in and around structure and cover
- Effective in all seasons

What color of lure to use?

**Water Color**

**MUDDY**
- Jig disappears 1 to 2 inches from surface
- Dark colors: Black-chartreuse, black-pink or black-orange are good in low visibility

**STAINED OR ALGAE**
- Three to 6-inch visibility
- Two-tone contrasts: Yellow, red, and blue chartreuse patterns, black-chartreuse

**CLEAR**
- Visibility past 2 to 3 feet
- Combinations of white, pearl-blue, purple and yellow

**Weather Conditions**

- Silver or gold lures work best
- Fluorescent lures work best

**Plugs (poppers and crankbaits)**
- Floating, suspending, or diving lures made of wood, metal, or plastic that imitate natural prey in appearance and/or action
- Multiple designs provide opportunities for most depths and styles of retrieval
- Effective in all seasons

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