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## [The Fishing Rod Controller for Wii Complete with Plastic Fish!](#)

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The latest of additions to the [Wii](#)'s lineup of peripherals beats them all. The fishing rod, complete with functional reel, fishing line and plastic fish, has to be the most ridiculous [peripheral](#) ever. Still, it's not the first time fishing-game peripherals make it to the market and while we'd expect this to be released for a Wii game, it's still too funny not to talk about. This kind of news makes me wonder: can Wii peripheral-makers afford a decent meal? Really now, who buys this crap? We can all understand that the Wii has been designed to work with motion sensitive peripherals. They work great with Wii Sports, Wario Ware: Smooth Moves and a couple of other games, but sticking a plastic fish onto a line attached to a plastic pole and standing in the middle of the room, imaginatively reeling in the catch to God knows what the screen shows, is just plain stupid. Isn't the Wii Remote enough? The **Fishing Rod Advance** for Wii is now available for \$9.95 and you can have a closer look at it up on [dragon-electronics.com](#). Specifications say that the Fishing Rod for Wii has a novel design, that it's easy to set up and use and that it's ideal for physical exercise. Physical exercise, huh? So, gamers will actually be pulling this thing around the house...? Don't tell me, it's got incredible force feedback using a magnetic field generated by the inner parts of the plastic fish, right? Sure enough, Wii fans, casual gamers and probably the peripheral makers themselves will be on my back in 5 minutes after this piece hits the web, if I don't tweak up a tad what I've just stated above. So, I'll admit that it's a pretty good idea for entertaining those looking to just pick up on a game (in this case, literally 'pick up') and have a good time, without having to learn difficult control schemes and tactics. However, you can't blame hardcore gamers for finding this funny as hell.