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Theo Atanasov [00:00:14] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:00:15] It means a lot to me.

Theo Atanasov [00:00:18] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:00:21] Do you just mean angling or fly fishing?

Jim Thull [00:00:24] I'll ask about angling too, but in general, what does it mean to you?

Interpreter [00:00:29] [Speaking German]

Theo Atanasov [00:00:32] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:00:35] When I was a child, I was already fishing.

Theo Atanasov [00:00:41] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:00:46] I did it where the nature was 99% pure.

Theo Atanasov [00:00:51] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:00:52] When it was still okay.

Theo Atanasov [00:00:54] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:00:59] At that time, my father had a water windmill.

Theo Atanasov [00:01:05] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:01:06] Of course you need a stream for that.

Theo Atanasov [00:01:09] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:01:11] And nature regulated everything.

Theo Atanasov [00:01:17] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:01:21] In the summer when the temperature was more than 35 degrees Celsius.

Theo Atanasov [00:01:28] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:01:32] Partly this stream was dry.

Theo Atanasov [00:01:34] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:01:36] But the human being didn't intervene.

Theo Atanasov [00:01:40] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:01:43] The mill at that time didn't work in the summertime.

Theo Atanasov [00:01:47] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:01:56] So, apparently big paddles were left.

Theo Atanasov [00:02:05] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:02:07] Small sources from the groundwater.

Theo Atanasov [00:02:11] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:02:11] Fed them.

Theo Atanasov [00:02:15] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:02:16] Until autumn came.

Theo Atanasov [00:02:18] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:02:19] The water came back and the fishes came with them.

Theo Atanasov [00:02:24] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:02:28] Together with my younger brother, he's three years younger than me.

Theo Atanasov [00:02:32] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:02:37] We made small hooks with needle- needles.

Theo Atanasov [00:02:45] [Speaking German].

Interpreter [00:02:47] We cooked sweet corn, wheat.

Theo Atanasov [00:02:51] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:02:55] In our garden we looked for apples that were overripe.

Theo Atanasov [00:03:03] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:03:04] We looked for maggots.

Theo Atanasov [00:03:06] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:03:10] And we fished just when we saw something.

Theo Atanasov [00:03:14] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:03:17] There were barbels.

Theo Atanasov [00:03:18] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:03:23] There were Ganshens.

Theo Atanasov [00:03:25] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:03:29] And stone loach.

Theo Atanasov [00:03:32] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:03:38] 8 or 9 years ago, I, together with my brother, visited these places.

Theo Atanasov [00:03:43] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:03:51] We didn't see anymore anything that was a hint for... For a stream.

Theo Atanasov [00:04:05] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:04:06] No, the water was just there.

Theo Atanasov [00:04:09] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:04:13] The fishes were there. The forest was there, the meadow was there.

Theo Atanasov [00:04:16] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:04:18] Birds were there.

Jim Thull [00:04:20] Does your brother still fish?

Interpreter [00:04:24] [Speaking German].

Theo Atanasov [00:04:24] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:04:27] [Speaking German]

Theo Atanasov [00:04:30] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:04:33] Sometimes at the sea.

Theo Atanasov [00:04:34] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:04:36] So they go on the sea, they take their boats to the sea.

Theo Atanasov [00:04:42] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:04:45] But not the the way I do it.

Theo Atanasov [00:04:54] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:05:00] Then we have to have a look to politics and to industry. To the economics.

Theo Atanasov [00:05:05] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:05:11] So when man intervenes.

Theo Atanasov [00:05:14] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:05:18] Perhaps he wants to use the sources for his own purposes.

Theo Atanasov [00:05:23] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:05:25] Because he can make profit out of it.

Theo Atanasov [00:05:28] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:05:32] No one cares anymore that there had been fishes before.

Theo Atanasov [00:05:38] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:05:42] Many in many other areas the rivers were made straight .

Jim Thull [00:05:51] Yeah, no bends.

Theo Atanasov [00:05:54] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:05:56] Nobody cares about it.

Theo Atanasov [00:05:57] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:05:59] Most important thing is that the money is.

Theo Atanasov [00:06:02] [Speaking German]

[00:06:04] And this is still the case today.

Jim Thull [00:06:07] I think all over the world.

Interpreter [00:06:09] [Speaking German]

Jim Thull [00:06:11] People will put short-term economic gains.

Interpreter [00:06:15] [Speaking German]

Jim Thull [00:06:20] Over long-term environmental impacts.

Interpreter [00:06:22] [Speaking German]

Jim Thull [00:06:27] It seems to be in our nature.

Interpreter [00:06:28] [Speaking German]

Theo Atanasov [00:06:31] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:06:33] I don't understand one thing.

Theo Atanasov [00:06:37] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:06:39] Or people know sayings.

Theo Atanasov [00:06:41] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:06:53] For instance, If the last fish was caught.

Theo Atanasov [00:06:56] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:06:58] when the last stream is dry and the last tree was cut.

Theo Atanasov [00:07:10] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:07:10] It's only then when man will realize.

Theo Atanasov [00:07:12] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:07:14] That you can't eat money.

Theo Atanasov [00:07:17] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:07:19] Everybody knows it

Theo Atanasov [00:07:25] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:07:25] So this saying came from an Indian.

Theo Atanasov [00:07:32] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:07:36] But nevertheless, uh, people go on.

Jim Thull [00:07:37] Yeah, I think it was Chief Seattle, that's it.

Interpreter [00:07:40] [Speaking German]

Theo Atanasov [00:07:44] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:07:49] Especially today, you notice... That industry.

Theo Atanasov [00:07:56] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:08:00] It's interlinked with politics.

Theo Atanasov [00:08:04] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:08:05] And these beings, the media is also involved.

Theo Atanasov [00:08:12] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:08:15] And man does not really get the real truth. That is happening.

Theo Atanasov [00:08:30] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:08:34] If you get official news and read them. Then

Theo Atanasov [00:08:40] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:08:44] The impact of pollution has improved.

Theo Atanasov [00:08:49] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:08:51] So that's just about pollution.

Theo Atanasov [00:08:53] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:08:55] But the other things.

Theo Atanasov [00:08:57] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:08:58] I've just read...

Theo Atanasov [00:09:01] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:09:05] This is true for one river. Actually I read two rivers regarding this in Bosnia.

Theo Atanasov [00:09:14] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:09:20] I learned about three or four rivers where I fished there.

Theo Atanasov [00:09:26] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:09:28] It was a beautiful landscape nature.

Theo Atanasov [00:09:31] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:09:33] Beautiful rivers.

Theo Atanasov [00:09:35] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:09:37] Beautiful fishes. Grayling and trout.

Theo Atanasov [00:09:45] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:09:48] But rich people from foreign countries.

Theo Atanasov [00:09:52] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:09:53] They buy a plot of land, plots of land.

Theo Atanasov [00:09:58] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:10:03] They built marches just next to the river.

Theo Atanasov [00:10:13] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:10:13] On the river Sanne, for instance.

Theo Atanasov [00:10:18] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:10:21] Which is one of the best of the rivers for diamond.

Theo Atanasov [00:10:25] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:10:27] This is a very shy fish.

Theo Atanasov [00:10:33] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:10:34] And it is very sensitive.

Theo Atanasov [00:10:39] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:10:40] But there they already shoot rockets.

Theo Atanasov [00:10:46] [Speaking German].

Interpreter [00:10:48] They make fireworks there, they have parties over there.

Theo Atanasov [00:10:59] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:11:05] Children, I don't have anything against children.

Theo Atanasov [00:11:08] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:11:09] However, they shout on the riverside.

Theo Atanasov [00:11:13] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:11:14] They swim in the river.

Theo Atanasov [00:11:20] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:11:21] And then...

Theo Atanasov [00:11:21] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:11:31] And then it starts with the.... water power plants that are being established there.

Theo Atanasov [00:11:35] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:11:39] And it's just that I read in one of the magazines about fly fishing.

Theo Atanasov [00:11:46] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:11:51] And they already started to build a power plant just next to the River Sanne.

Theo Atanasov [00:11:58] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:12:06] And in this sense, I'm a little bit pessimistic regarding the future.

Theo Atanasov [00:12:09] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:12:15] Because politics and the industry, they are interlinked, they work together.

Theo Atanasov [00:12:21] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:12:24] And

Theo Atanasov [00:12:24] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:12:28] The pure, the plain people is just... Is happy about a little money he can gain.

Theo Atanasov [00:12:44] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:12:48] What dies last as a last thing is hope.

Theo Atanasov [00:12:55] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:12:57] Thanks to God.

Theo Atanasov [00:12:58] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:13:01] There are many associations.

Theo Atanasov [00:13:05] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:13:05] Institutions.

Theo Atanasov [00:13:05] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:13:08] Universities.

Theo Atanasov [00:13:13] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:13:14] That work on a voluntary basis.

Theo Atanasov [00:13:20] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:13:19] And gather quite a lot of donations.

Theo Atanasov [00:13:25] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:13:26] And...

Theo Atanasov [00:13:28] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:13:29] Which fight against this development using their own means.

Theo Atanasov [00:13:35] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:13:39] If these institutions were not...

Theo Atanasov [00:13:43] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:13:46] Certainly. It would already be the case that...

Theo Atanasov [00:13:50] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:13:57] You could only see a brown trout on the computer by somebody who would draw it.

Theo Atanasov [00:14:11] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:14:13] Our club is called Fario.

Theo Atanasov [00:14:15] In Berlin.

Interpreter [00:14:16] In Berlin.

Theo Atanasov [00:14:17] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:14:21] And I know that there's done a lot.

Theo Atanasov [00:14:31] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:14:31] Instead of making a river or a stream straight, they throw stones in it. They bring trees over there.

Theo Atanasov [00:14:51] [Speaking German].

Interpreter [00:14:52] So just in order to create an environment for the fishes to spawn.

Theo Atanasov [00:15:01] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:15:02] The club also fought for many years.

Theo Atanasov [00:15:12] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:15:12] And three years ago, a breeding... Place was established.

Theo Atanasov [00:15:20] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:15:25] Breeding station for brown trouts and sea trouts.

Theo Atanasov [00:15:31] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:15:36] So this is operated by our club.

Jim Thull [00:15:40] Lovely.

Theo Atanasov [00:15:41] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:15:46] There are various clubs in Germany as well.

Theo Atanasov [00:15:51] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:15:54] And as far as I know a Bulgarian.

Theo Atanasov [00:15:57] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:16:00] There are also quite a lot of committed clubs. [Speaking German]
Bulgarian Fly Fishing Association.

Interpreter [00:16:07] And for three years now, there is the Bulgarian Fly Fishing
Federation.

Theo Atanasov [00:16:22] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:16:27] I saw something like that in other countries.

Theo Atanasov [00:16:31] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:16:32] For instance, in Denmark.

Theo Atanasov [00:16:35] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:16:37] And [unintelligible] too.

Theo Atanasov [00:16:40] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:16:43] There was just a competition of fly tying. For young people.

Theo Atanasov [00:16:51] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:16:54] And then some weeks afterwards, I thought...

Theo Atanasov [00:16:58] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:17:00] But it wouldn't be possible to start something like this here.

Theo Atanasov [00:17:07] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:17:08] Because our future, this is the children.

Theo Atanasov [00:17:13] Then I have with the host of EWF the family Stroh, Michaela and Robert Stroh

Interpreter [00:17:19] I contact the family a bit strom... Stroh, via the.

Theo Atanasov [00:17:29] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:17:30] For the...

Theo Atanasov [00:17:31] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:17:34] From the EWF, so this is the adventure world of fly fishing. This is the trade show.

Theo Atanasov [00:17:45] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:17:46] I talked to them and they had the idea, they said that this idea was really very good.

Theo Atanasov [00:17:58] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:17:58] And then we thought about how we would do this.

Theo Atanasov [00:18:02] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:18:05] I-

Theo Atanasov [00:18:06] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:18:10] Said if we make publicity for it.

Theo Atanasov [00:18:15] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:18:19] We could start... It was not that known in Germany.

Theo Atanasov [00:18:22] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:18:25] It was a few countries... Where this was done, and I got commands by the EWF during a dinner.

Theo Atanasov [00:18:48] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:18:48] We talked to Bruce Richards. He is a developer at Scientific Anglers and American Fly Fishes Club.

Theo Atanasov [00:18:56] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:18:59] He personally congratulated me.

Theo Atanasov [00:19:05] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:19:05] Said that it was great how I started it.

Theo Atanasov [00:19:11] [Speaking German].

Interpreter [00:19:11] But it was not just me, it was we did it.

Theo Atanasov [00:19:16] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:19:17] The first years, as I said, there were five or six children who came and I was alone.

Theo Atanasov [00:19:29] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:19:29] I was a tyer, and I was together with the other people who tied flies.

Theo Atanasov [00:19:35] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:19:38] And this was in another room.

Theo Atanasov [00:19:40] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:19:44] Always after 30 minutes I went there. Protect what was done.

Theo Atanasov [00:19:53] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:19:54] I gave advice.

Theo Atanasov [00:20:00] [Speaking German].

Interpreter [00:20:01] And then I involved two children, one of them was quite young.

Theo Atanasov [00:20:06] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:20:07] Valentin and Lara

Theo Atanasov [00:20:09] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:20:12] They ask them, and they love to do it. They love to stay there the whole day.

Theo Atanasov [00:20:17] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:20:18] Both days.

Theo Atanasov [00:20:20] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:20:26] However, the problem I saw.

Theo Atanasov [00:20:27] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:20:28] That children actually do not dare to do this.

Theo Atanasov [00:20:34] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:20:36] They walk along with their dad or mom, keep their hands on them, holding hands.

Theo Atanasov [00:20:47] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:20:48] And I just thought about how to talk to them, how to get them involved.

Theo Atanasov [00:20:59] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:20:59] After two years, I proposed.

Theo Atanasov [00:21:05] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:21:08] To.

Theo Atanasov [00:21:09] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:21:11] I put my place where I tied flies. Took them just next to the children's table.

Theo Atanasov [00:21:24] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:21:25] First they didn't want to do it...

Theo Atanasov [00:21:26] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:21:29] Of course they said that it was a classification downwards.

Theo Atanasov [00:21:35] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:21:38] And I said No, it's just the other way around.

Theo Atanasov [00:21:40] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:21:41] And this was the decisive step.

Theo Atanasov [00:21:43] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:21:49] Because from my-

Theo Atanasov [00:21:50] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:21:51] Place, I was able to talk to them, to get them involved, to talk to children who were together with their mom or dad.

Theo Atanasov [00:22:03] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:22:04] And then I said just tried and they said, no, I can't do this and I said I was also not able to do that and step by step.

Theo Atanasov [00:22:19] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:22:24] These two or six tying places were no longer enough. We got another area just opposite of it.

Theo Atanasov [00:22:41] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:22:41] And then I ordered chairs for the grandmas and granddads.

Theo Atanasov [00:22:46] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:22:48] And they had so much trust in it.

Theo Atanasov [00:22:54] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:22:59] That they asked Theo, can I do it again?

Theo Atanasov [00:23:02] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:23:04] And I told him, you can do it ten times!

Theo Atanasov [00:23:11] [Speaking German].

Interpreter [00:23:11] I don't use this comparison a lot because it comes from politicians.

Theo Atanasov [00:23:20] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:23:22] Together with these children, these parents, I talked at the same eye level.

Theo Atanasov [00:23:31] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:23:34] And this was something that worked!

Theo Atanasov [00:23:42] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:23:46] I started with fly fishing first.

Theo Atanasov [00:23:48] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:23:50] And then I tied.

Theo Atanasov [00:23:50] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:23:54] But this is a unique story. I think I have to make it shorter.

Theo Atanasov [00:24:03] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:24:08] Together with my wife and my dog.

Theo Atanasov [00:24:15] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:24:19] Three times in Hesse.

Theo Atanasov [00:24:20] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:24:24] It is one federal state, one federal land in Germany. We went on holidays there together.

Theo Atanasov [00:24:34] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:24:36] At that time I fished on a boat.

Theo Atanasov [00:24:42] [Speaking German].

Interpreter [00:24:43] In 1969, so 1969, 1970.

Theo Atanasov [00:24:52] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:24:55] But I was not a fly fisher at that time.

Theo Atanasov [00:25:02] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:25:04] But I had already read a lot about fly fishing. I thought that it was good.

Theo Atanasov [00:25:11] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:25:20] Our main harbor was Montreal.

Theo Atanasov [00:25:26] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:25:27] To Gaspé.

Theo Atanasov [00:25:30] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:25:32] It was on the riverbank. And my Canadian girlfriend at that time.

Theo Atanasov [00:25:42] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:25:45] She rent a car in Gaspé.

Theo Atanasov [00:25:48] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:25:51] And then she made...

Theo Atanasov [00:25:52] I forgot one, one, so one hour, one and a half hours that was.

Interpreter [00:25:57] Surprise to me. We made a trip for one and a half hours

Theo Atanasov [00:26:01] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:26:03] And we came to a wonderful river.

Theo Atanasov [00:26:06] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:26:12] And later on, I understood the meaning, I understood what kind of river it was.

Theo Atanasov [00:26:17] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:26:21] It was Petit or Grand Cascapédia.

Theo Atanasov [00:26:24] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:26:27] And then there's another, a third river there, Bonaventure.

Theo Atanasov [00:26:32] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:26:34] Which is... these are rivers which are quite well known for their salmons.

Theo Atanasov [00:26:41] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:26:43] But we just walked over there, we just had a stroll, we didn't fish.

Theo Atanasov [00:26:48] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:26:52] And now I come to the holidays in Hesse.

Theo Atanasov [00:26:58] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:27:05] I visited a lake with trouts.

Theo Atanasov [00:27:09] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:27:13] There are also other fishes.

Theo Atanasov [00:27:14] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:27:27] Every third or second day I went fishing there.

Theo Atanasov [00:27:32] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:27:34] But I always walked with my dog.

Theo Atanasov [00:27:38] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:27:40] Along this area and I had a look to it.

Theo Atanasov [00:27:43] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:27:44] And one day...

Theo Atanasov [00:27:48] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:27:50] When you get in, there was a small...

Theo Atanasov [00:27:55] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:27:56] Bridge on the lake.

Theo Atanasov [00:27:59] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:28:04] And three meters next to this small bridge, there was the water which fed this lake.

Theo Atanasov [00:28:14] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:28:18] And there was one man who fished in a conventional way.

Theo Atanasov [00:28:24] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:28:26] He caught a lot of fish, trout.

Theo Atanasov [00:28:32] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:28:35] Next day he didn't catch anything.

Theo Atanasov [00:28:38] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:28:39] It was the same place.

Theo Atanasov [00:28:40] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:28:42] Same pattern, I talked to him.

Theo Atanasov [00:28:44] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:28:45] And he said, no, nothing.

Theo Atanasov [00:28:48] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:28:49] And we talk to each other.

Theo Atanasov [00:28:51] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:28:55] And I asked myself why, and saw...

Theo Atanasov [00:28:56] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:29:01] That these trouts took flies from the surface.

Theo Atanasov [00:29:07] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:29:08] I observed everything.

Theo Atanasov [00:29:13] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:29:14] Three or four days afterwards.

Theo Atanasov [00:29:16] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:29:20] I just went there and then, at 6 o'clock in the morning, we came over there.

Theo Atanasov [00:29:30] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:29:33] And this place was empty. And I said, well, I want to try it.

Theo Atanasov [00:29:42] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:29:47] So this water was 25 meters wide.

Theo Atanasov [00:29:52] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:29:55] And it was about 150 meters long.

Theo Atanasov [00:29:59] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:30:01] Just opposite of the place where I sat.

Theo Atanasov [00:30:04] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:30:05] There were three people.

Theo Atanasov [00:30:07] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:30:10] From six to nine o'clock, nobody of us did catch anything.

Theo Atanasov [00:30:18] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:30:19] Short time after 9 o'clock.

Theo Atanasov [00:30:21] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:30:23] On the right side there was a bench and somebody was coming.

Theo Atanasov [00:30:28] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:30:31] He started to put together a tool.

Theo Atanasov [00:30:34] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:30:37] And I saw that it was a fly rod.

Theo Atanasov [00:30:42] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:30:47] Then I forge now, I can see...

Theo Atanasov [00:30:48] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:30:51] How you can catch a fish with a fly rod.

Theo Atanasov [00:30:59] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:31:04] And then some steps were made on the other side, he put it...

Theo Atanasov [00:31:13] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:31:14] Two or three times and and he... Caught trout.

Theo Atanasov [00:31:23] Two or three casts. One more. [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:31:35] 10 meters away from there.

Theo Atanasov [00:31:40] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:31:41] I thought I would give him a break.

Theo Atanasov [00:31:48] Three or four or five casts, one trout. [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:31:58] And so on.

Theo Atanasov [00:32:00] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:32:01] Until he came to my place.

Theo Atanasov [00:32:04] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:32:06] He had already about 6 or 7 or 8 trouts.

Theo Atanasov [00:32:12] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:32:14] On my right side.

Theo Atanasov [00:32:17] One cast.

Interpreter [00:32:18] He did one cast. Nah, and had nothing.

Theo Atanasov [00:32:23] One more time, nothing. Third cast, pop! Fish.

Jim Thull [00:32:32] That's great.

Theo Atanasov [00:32:35] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:32:36] He had caught two fishes before me.

Theo Atanasov [00:32:41] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:32:43] Before I did, and then he went away.

Theo Atanasov [00:32:48] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:32:50] And what did I do then?

Theo Atanasov [00:32:53] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:32:55] According to the slogan to have.

Theo Atanasov [00:32:58] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:33:00] Having is better than having nothing.

Theo Atanasov [00:33:04] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:33:08] I had also trout flies in my box.

Theo Atanasov [00:33:13] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:33:18] I bought original flies at that time and I still have them.

Theo Atanasov [00:33:23] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:33:27] This is a deviation of March Brown.

Theo Atanasov [00:33:28] March Brown Variant. [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:33:35] From my... Angling bag.

Theo Atanasov [00:33:43] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:33:44] I took a six meters stick- rod with the fly.

Theo Atanasov [00:33:52] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:33:56] A six meter line. A normal one.

Theo Atanasov [00:34:01] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:34:08] It was not a fly line. 014 018

Theo Atanasov [00:34:09] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:34:12] And at the end a dry fly. A 14.

Theo Atanasov [00:34:17] This March Brown.

Interpreter [00:34:18] The March Brown.

Theo Atanasov [00:34:20] 1,50M before the flight, a 1,5g bag so that I can weigh out. That's the story.

Interpreter [00:34:29] And the one meter 50, 70 meter... So that I was able to cast.

Theo Atanasov [00:34:34] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:34:38] I cast about 12 meters wide.

Theo Atanasov [00:34:42] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:34:45] And with the first cast, it was taken.

Theo Atanasov [00:34:49] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:34:51] And then I was inspired.

Theo Atanasov [00:34:54] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:34:58] I caught that much.

Theo Atanasov [00:35:00] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:35:06] And many escaped.

Theo Atanasov [00:35:08] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:35:10] Because I was not able to give line.

Theo Atanasov [00:35:12] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:35:14] They jump out.

Theo Atanasov [00:35:16] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:35:17] Then there was a storm.

Theo Atanasov [00:35:22] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:35:26] I may had a break, that was hard. Well, the thunder was away again, had disappeared.

Theo Atanasov [00:35:38] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:35:39] But I was not able to wait any longer. I went outside again with my rod.

Theo Atanasov [00:35:48] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:35:51] And then the fly fisher came to my place.

Theo Atanasov [00:35:55] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:35:57] What kind of fly do you have? He asked me.

Theo Atanasov [00:36:02] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:36:03] And I said...

Theo Atanasov [00:36:03] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:36:05] Now, I'm really embarrassed.

Theo Atanasov [00:36:11] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:36:17] Because it was with this long rod which was not a fly rod.

Theo Atanasov [00:36:24] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:36:25] With an artificial fly.

Theo Atanasov [00:36:27] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:36:28] I catch trouts.

Theo Atanasov [00:36:32] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:36:38] And he told me these are paid waters.

Theo Atanasov [00:36:42] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:36:45] Anyway, you are not allowed to release the fishes again.

Theo Atanasov [00:36:53] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:36:56] This is why it is there.

Theo Atanasov [00:36:57] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:36:58] Not important how you catch them.

Theo Atanasov [00:37:01] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:37:04] We are here in order to catch fishes.

Theo Atanasov [00:37:07] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:37:11] This was something I was happy about regarding his attitude, but I was also annoyed because he was not allowed to release them again.

Theo Atanasov [00:37:25] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:37:27] And the question, what type of fly was, I only knew that this was a dry fly.

Theo Atanasov [00:37:36] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:37:37] And then he said.

Theo Atanasov [00:37:38] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:37:42] That's why is this case. I only caught them with wet flies.

Theo Atanasov [00:37:47] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:37:48] Because they were not active.

Theo Atanasov [00:37:52] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:37:52] And then he also changed it.

Theo Atanasov [00:37:55] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:37:59] And in the end, I had 26 trouts.

Theo Atanasov [00:38:03] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:38:05] And as I was not allowed to release them again...

Theo Atanasov [00:38:08] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:38:10] Thanks to God, the man of the restaurant.

Theo Atanasov [00:38:16] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:38:17] He was a fisherman.

Theo Atanasov [00:38:19] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:38:20] And then we smoke them.

Theo Atanasov [00:38:22] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:38:24] He smoked all fishes.

Theo Atanasov [00:38:25] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:38:28] But.

Theo Atanasov [00:38:29] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:38:31] I promise to myself.

Theo Atanasov [00:38:33] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:38:34] When I come back to Berlin.

Theo Atanasov [00:38:36] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:38:39] I will stop with any other types.

Theo Atanasov [00:38:42] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:38:47] Such an embarrassing situation with a fly fisher I don't want to experience again.

Theo Atanasov [00:38:54] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:38:56] And then I started right now.

Theo Atanasov [00:39:06] [Speaking German].

Interpreter [00:39:08] I consulted to all the people who had participated in a fly tying course.

Theo Atanasov [00:39:15] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:39:17] I bought two rods, reels. And then I started!

Interpreter [00:39:33] Yes.

Theo Atanasov [00:39:34] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:39:35] And no.

Theo Atanasov [00:39:41] [Speaking German].

Interpreter [00:39:41] I love anything that is called water.

Theo Atanasov [00:39:45] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:39:46] Where there is meadow, where there's forest, where there are insects. Where there are fishes.

Theo Atanasov [00:39:55] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:40:00] In Franken.

Theo Atanasov [00:40:02] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:40:03] Which is...

Theo Atanasov [00:40:04] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:40:06] near Nuremberg.

Theo Atanasov [00:40:08] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:40:14] I...

Theo Atanasov [00:40:16] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:40:18] Hid myself near a stream behind a wall from various times. And I observed the behavior of graylings and trouts.

Theo Atanasov [00:40:36] [Speaking German].

Interpreter [00:40:38] Without making any cast.

Theo Atanasov [00:40:40] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:40:42] My friend.

Theo Atanasov [00:40:43] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:40:45] From time to time. We bought some bread.

Theo Atanasov [00:40:49] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:40:51] And then from 10 meters away from me, from a bridge he made casts.

Theo Atanasov [00:40:57] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:40:58] And I observed.

Theo Atanasov [00:41:01] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:41:04] What was going on. It was possible to see a real big grayling.

Theo Atanasov [00:41:07] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:41:09] With a big brown trout

Theo Atanasov [00:41:11] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:41:12] They actually don't want to meet each other.

Theo Atanasov [00:41:19] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:41:23] But parts of bread which were swimming

Theo Atanasov [00:41:26] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:41:28] The small one, they go and try to get it.

Theo Atanasov [00:41:32] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:41:34] And then I told him try to make small balls out of the bread.

Theo Atanasov [00:41:40] [Speaking German].

Interpreter [00:41:41] And then they go down on the ground

Theo Atanasov [00:41:45] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:41:46] And then the big ones came.

Theo Atanasov [00:41:49] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:41:51] You're just observing the behavior.

Theo Atanasov [00:41:54] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:41:59] Also means that I love anything that is called water.

Theo Atanasov [00:42:09] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:42:09] In May.

Theo Atanasov [00:42:10] April, April.

Interpreter [00:42:11] Or April.

Theo Atanasov [00:42:13] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:42:15] I was in Austria, on Gosau town.

Theo Atanasov [00:42:21] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:42:27] These are really great waters.

Theo Atanasov [00:42:29] Last year I wasn't here for the first time.

Interpreter [00:42:33] Last year, it was not for the first time, but I was also...

Theo Atanasov [00:42:36] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:42:38] On the Gmunden Traun.

Theo Atanasov [00:42:41] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:42:48] And on the Ager which is run by Moser.

Theo Atanasov [00:42:52] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:42:56] Worldwide known also in American museums.

Theo Atanasov [00:43:03] [Speaking German].

Interpreter [00:43:05] He is a great person in the field of fishery.

Theo Atanasov [00:43:07] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:43:09] I was in Slovenia.

Theo Atanasov [00:43:11] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:43:12] I've sitted many waters there.

Theo Atanasov [00:43:15] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:43:18] I was twice on these waters in Bosnia. Ribnik

Theo Atanasov [00:43:24] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:43:27] It's the name and Sanne, as I mentioned before.

Theo Atanasov [00:43:30] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:43:32] But in Germany as well.

Theo Atanasov [00:43:34] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:43:35] The only problem is...

Theo Atanasov [00:43:37] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:43:41] If you don't know somebody.

Theo Atanasov [00:43:43] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:43:45] Or if you're not that known.

Theo Atanasov [00:43:49] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:43:51] Then you have difficulties to get to these waters.

Theo Atanasov [00:43:55] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:43:56] Because everything is privately owned.

Theo Atanasov [00:43:59] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:44:01] Or there are claps.

Theo Atanasov [00:44:05] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:44:10] And it's only by people I knew.

Theo Atanasov [00:44:11] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:44:13] That I was able to get to a very famous river, Wesenitz.

Theo Atanasov [00:44:19] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:44:21] And there I had the chance to fish.

Theo Atanasov [00:44:27] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:44:35] It's become a little bit easier, until some years ago, it was not possible to get any guest cards.

Theo Atanasov [00:44:44] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:44:46] But for men he is also fished in Denmark.

Theo Atanasov [00:44:50] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:44:52] There are beautiful streams near meadows.

Theo Atanasov [00:44:57] I've been to Norway several times, once or twice, with the Palo Feren, on the Mandalf River, on Flaxfishing.

Interpreter [00:45:05] For various times I was in Norway, on the Mandal River for salmon fishing.

Jim Thull [00:45:10] That's great.

Theo Atanasov [00:45:15] [Speaking German].

Interpreter [00:45:15] Sea trout on the Baltic Sea.

Theo Atanasov [00:45:23] [Speaking German]. No.

Jim Thull [00:45:29] Are there differences between rainbow trout and brown trout?

Interpreter [00:45:32] [Speaking German]

Theo Atanasov [00:45:38] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:45:41] You have fun with both.

Theo Atanasov [00:45:43] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:45:51] The brown trout, when it has just caught the hook, then it goes [Speaking German], it dives [Speaking German].

Jim Thull [00:46:03] Rainbow trout.

Theo Atanasov [00:46:04] Rainbow Trout.

Interpreter [00:46:05] And the rainbow trout jumps out of the water.

Theo Atanasov [00:46:10] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:46:22] I fish all types, I like to take the dry fly for fishing.

Theo Atanasov [00:46:33] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:46:34] The eating can be observed then, but there are so many components you can observe.

Theo Atanasov [00:46:42] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:46:43] The smaller the fish is, the higher it jumps out.

Theo Atanasov [00:46:48] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:46:49] The big ones.

Theo Atanasov [00:46:50] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:46:52] They just take it.

Jim Thull [00:46:53] And run.

Interpreter [00:46:54] Yeah.

Theo Atanasov [00:46:55] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:46:56] Also the graylings.

Theo Atanasov [00:46:58] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:47:06] [unintelligible] has made quite beautiful records of that kind.

Theo Atanasov [00:47:14] From Montana, Spring Creek, Plusey, [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:47:21] There are beautiful pictures he has taken.

Theo Atanasov [00:47:25] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:47:26] He is a very good movie maker.

[00:47:30] Yes, yes, yes. Yeah, we're a little bitter about A River Runs Through It in Montana because more people come to fish.

Interpreter [00:47:39] [Speaking German]

Offscreen Speaker [00:47:45] [Speaking German]

Theo Atanasov [00:47:53] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:47:58] But I also noticed that these activities...

Theo Atanasov [00:48:04] Fly fishing.

Interpreter [00:48:04] And that's something I'm happy about regarding fly fishing.

Theo Atanasov [00:48:13] [Speaking German] women's fly fishing club.

Interpreter [00:48:16] There's a...

Theo Atanasov [00:48:17] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:48:20] Women fly fishing club in America even if I have always founded.

Theo Atanasov [00:48:22] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:48:24] I have a good friend over there.

Theo Atanasov [00:48:26] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:48:29] Her name is Kate Blubaugh.

Theo Atanasov [00:48:29] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:48:34] She is acting as a guide, but she is also the head of the women's fly fishing club.

Jim Thull [00:48:41] Yes, we have many great American women anglers.

Interpreter [00:48:43] [Speaking German]

Jim Thull [00:48:48] Whenever I've asked a guide...

Interpreter [00:48:50] [Speaking German]

Jim Thull [00:48:53] About whether it's easier to teach a man or a woman to cast.

Interpreter [00:48:57] [Speaking German]

Jim Thull [00:49:03] They all say a woman.

Interpreter [00:49:04] [Speaking German]

Theo Atanasov [00:49:07] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:49:10] This is a problem for all of us.

Theo Atanasov [00:49:11] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:49:14] Many are afraid of starting.

Theo Atanasov [00:49:18] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:49:19] Even men.

Theo Atanasov [00:49:23] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:49:31] Unjustified is always told that this is really difficult.

Theo Atanasov [00:49:36] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:49:38] To play guitar is also not easy.

Theo Atanasov [00:49:40] [Speaking German].

Jim Thull [00:49:41] I know.

Interpreter [00:49:41] Some of the most difficult instruments.

Theo Atanasov [00:49:44] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:49:46] And they are good guitar players.

Theo Atanasov [00:49:50] [Speaking German]

Interpreter [00:49:52] You cannot learn it if you don't start.