

# Add caption script

This script will add a frame for a caption below the selected frame. Specifically, it will:

1. Create an object style named *caption* if the document doesn't already contain the style. This frame will be set to auto-size in height, and will contain a 6 point top inset.
2. Create a paragraph style named *caption* if the document doesn't already contain the style.
3. Create a frame the width of the selected frame, positioned so the top of the caption frame is aligned with the bottom of the selected frame.
4. Apply the *caption* object style to the frame.
5. Add the placeholder text "Caption" to the frame.
6. Apply the *caption* paragraph style to the text.

I suggest that you run the script once, and let it create the object and paragraph styles in your document. Then you can customize the styles to achieve the caption appearance you prefer. When you run the script again in the same document, the script will use your revised styles and the captions will be formatted exactly to your specifications.

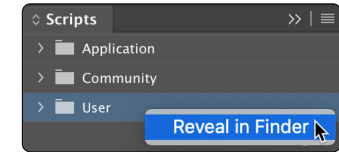
## Compatibility

This script has been tested to work with Macintosh and Windows InDesign 2025 and later. It will likely work with older versions but this has not been tested.

# Installation

Follow the steps below to copy the scripts to the correct location:

1. Run InDesign.
2. Display the Scripts panel on the screen (*Window > Utilities > Scripts*).
3. Right-click the *User* folder in the panel, and choose *Reveal in Finder* (Mac) or *Reveal in Explorer* (Windows).
4. Copy the *Add caption.idjs* file into the folder that is highlighted in the Finder/Explorer.
5. Return to InDesign, and you should see the script appear in the User folder in the Scripts panel.



More information on how to install scripts can be found at [adobe.ly/PgvxGB](https://adobe.ly/PgvxGB) and [creativepro.com/how-to-install-scripts-in-indesign/](https://creativepro.com/how-to-install-scripts-in-indesign/).

## Disclaimer

These scripts are provided “as is”. Use at your own risk. No technical support for these scripts is provided.

## Is this useful?

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