

HTML <caption> Tag

Description, syntax, usage, attributes and examples of the HTML <caption> tag
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The <caption> Tag in HTML 5

The <caption> tag is used to create a table caption in HTML as shown the this demo of an HTML table.

	Multiple Column Heading	
First Column Heading	Second Column Heading	
Row 1	Row 1 Column 1	Row 1 Column 2
Row 2	Row 2 Column 1	Row 2 Column 2
This is an example of an HTML table footer.		

This is an actual working demo of the [table caption example code](#) below. (Do *View Source* to verify that this page is using the [HTML 5 DOCTYPE](#). You can also verify it is [Valid HTML 5](#) using the [HTML Validator](#). Try using it to validate URLs with HTML examples from other places that claim to be HTML 5 web sites!)

See the tutorial on [Creating HTML Tables](#) for full details on [how to create an HTML table](#) using the [HTML table tags](#) together.

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<caption> Tag Syntax

Rules for coding HTML [caption](#) elements

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<caption> Tag Attributes

Attributes of the <caption> tag

global attributes	In addition to the personal attributes of the <caption> tag below, any of the common HTML attributes can also be coded.
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<caption> Tag Examples

Examples of the `<caption>` tag in HTML 5

Here is the HTML code for the [table demo](#) above:

```
<table>
  <b mode="pre"><caption>Table Caption</caption></b>
  <colgroup>
    <col style="width: 20%"/>
    <col style="width: 80%"/>
  </colgroup>
  <thead>
    <tr>
      <th rowspan="2"></th>
      <th colspan="2">Multiple Column Heading</th>
    </tr>
    <tr style="vertical-align: bottom">
      <th>First Column Heading</th>
      <th>Second Column Heading</th>
    </tr>
  </thead>
  <tfoot>
    <tr><td colspan="2">This is an example of an HTML table footer.</td></tr>
  </tfoot>
  <tbody>
    <tr>
      <td>Row 1 Column 1</td>
      <td>Row 1 Column 2</td>
    </tr>
    <tr>
      <td>Row 2 Column 1</td>
      <td>Row 2 Column 2</td>
    </tr>
  </tbody>
</table>
```

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Changes in HTML 5 - <caption> Tag

What's new in HTML 5

Differences between HTML 5 and earlier versions of HTML

The following attributes should *not* be coded on the <caption> tag because they either have been deprecated or were never officially supported:

- `align`

The [2000-2010 Recommendations from the W3C HTML Working Group](#) defined the [HTML namespace](#) for the `caption` element type name along with the names of all [HTML element types](#). In older (pre-2000) [versions of HTML](#), element type names were not associated with a namespace.

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