

How to add system messages Joomla (version 0.2)

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This tutorial will guide you through adding system messages to [Joomla!](#).

This can be useful when you want to display an important message, alert or may be high light a new product or service you have to offer.

What will you need to complete this tutorial?

- Access to the Joomla Administrator area

What will the end result be after you have completed this tutorial?

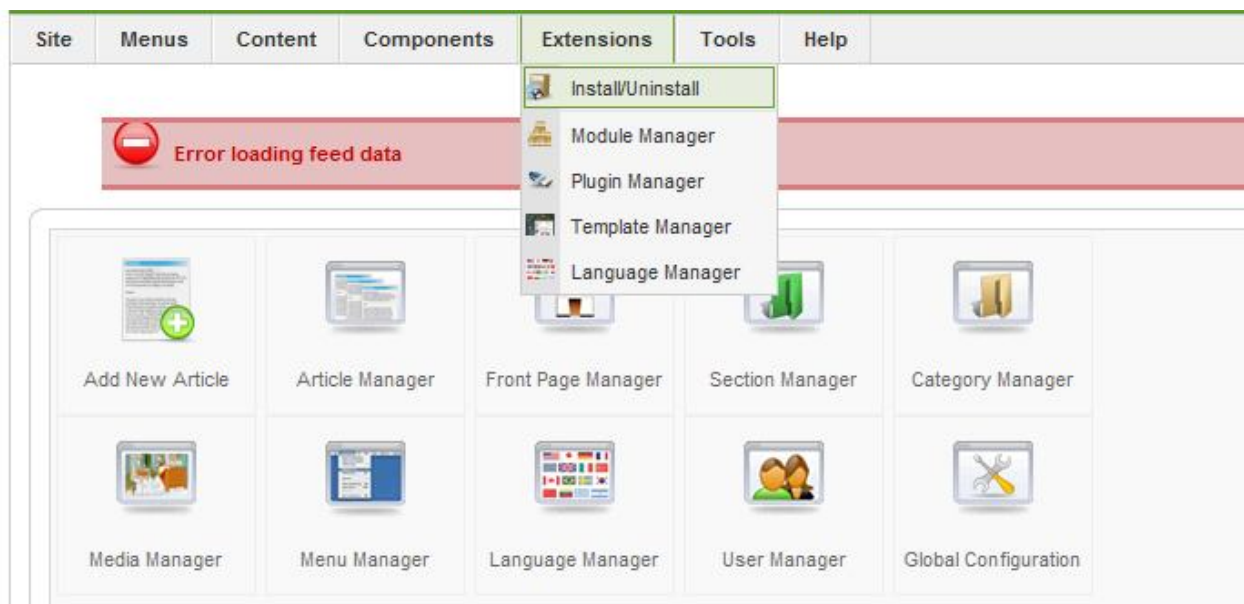
You can add three different system messages (**Error, Message and Alert**) to new or existing articles.

The system messages will look like the examples noted below.



Step 1: Install the module

To install a module, log into the administrative area, go the extensions menu as shown below and then install.



Step 2 : Add a new system message to Joomla

To add a new system message to an existing article or new article complete the following steps

1. Log into the Joomla Administrator area
2. Install the **mod_sys_message** module
3. Open the module as shown below:

Parameters

▼ Module Parameters	
Message Type	alert ▼
System Message	Please login to create

- Select the message type you want to display (alert/error/message).
 - Write the system message you wish to display
4. Select the area /location and pages you want to display this system message

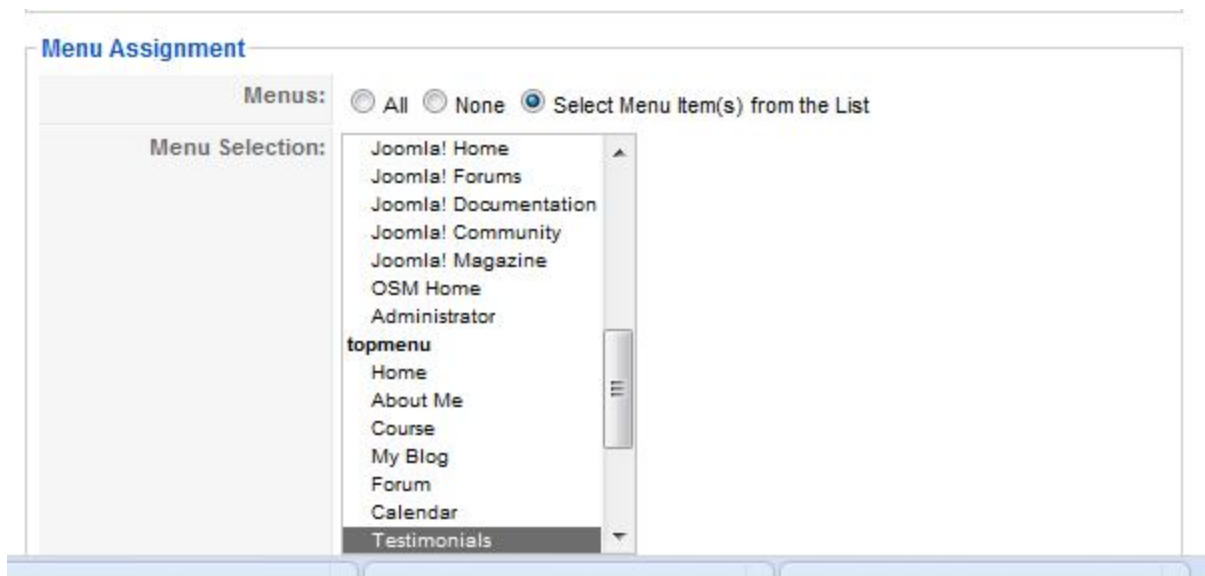
Step 3: Enable plugin

By default when a module has been installed it is not enabled. Enable the module by select yes radio button as shown below:

Details

Module Type:	mod_sys_message
Title:	System Message
Show Title:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Yes
Enabled:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Yes
Position:	top3 ▼
Order:	0::RokAjaxSearch ▼
Access Level:	Public Registered Special
ID:	62
Description:	The following message adds a system message to a page

After a module has been enabled a administrator may choose to assign the module to only specific pages, all or none as shown below:



The screenshot shows the 'Menu Assignment' window in Joomla!. It features a 'Menus:' section with three radio buttons: 'All', 'None', and 'Select Menu Item(s) from the List'. The 'Select Menu Item(s) from the List' option is selected. Below this is a 'Menu Selection:' area with a list of menu items. The list includes 'Joomla! Home', 'Joomla! Forums', 'Joomla! Documentation', 'Joomla! Community', 'Joomla! Magazine', 'OSM Home', 'Administrator', and a section titled 'topmenu' which contains 'Home', 'About Me', 'Course', 'My Blog', 'Forum', 'Calendar', and 'Testimonials'. The 'Testimonials' item is currently selected and highlighted.

5. Done!!!

Special Thanks to [joomladesigns.co.uk](http://www.joomladesigns.co.uk). The original idea was adapted from the website below and transformed into a module.

<http://www.joomladesigns.co.uk/Tutorials/Web-Design/How-to-add-system-messages-to-your-Joomla-articles.html>