

How can I align text directly beneath an image?

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I used to know how to put an image on top and then justify the text below the image so that it stays within the borders of the width of the image. However, now I have no idea how to do this. How is this accomplished?

html

css

text

justify

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Jason Berkan

8,695 ● 6 ● 29 ● 39

asked Aug 3, 2009 at 23:39



Andie

2 In what layout system? HTML? LaTeX? Give us a hint here. – [dmckee](#) --- [ex-moderator](#) [kitten](#) Aug 3, 2009 at 23:42

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Your HTML:

```
<div class="img-with-text">
  
  <p>Some text</p>
</div>
```

If you know the width of your image, your CSS:

```
.img-with-text {
  text-align: justify;
  width: [width of img];
}

.img-with-text img {
  display: block;
  margin: 0 auto;
}
```

Otherwise your text below the image will free-flow. To prevent this, just set a width to your container.

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answered Aug 4, 2009 at 0:20



Jason

51k ● 37 ● 133 ● 185

- 2 ▲ If you want to be sure the text is **centered**, you can change the css to: `.img-with-text { text-align: center; }` – [Joey Baker](#) Aug 4, 2009 at 0:38
- ▲ If you would float the `div` itself to the left or right you do not need to set the width and the content is still **centered**. Html/css should **center** automatically according to the biggest component and not to the full-width. – [djmj](#) Aug 26, 2013 at 1:28 ✎
- 1 ▲ and to get the image width, a couple of approaches: stackoverflow.com/a/5633302/227926 and stackoverflow.com/a/623174/227926 In turn these need the image source path, how to get that, here: stackoverflow.com/a/2765186/227926 – [therobyounknow](#) Feb 5, 2014 at 11:47
- ▲ how do you position the image using this format? when i set `position: absolute` so that I can put the image where I want to, the text just hides behind the image. – [Nick](#) Jul 13, 2016 at 21:07
- 1 ▲ this is because you're pulling the image out of the document flow by setting `position: absolute`, meaning the text has no concept of the image. you're better off positioning the image using margins or padding or even `position: relative` – [Jason](#) Jul 14, 2016 at 16:00

▲ You can use HTML5 `<figcaption>`:

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```
<figure>
  
  <figcaption> Your text </figcaption>
</figure>
```

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🕒 [Working example.](#)

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edited May 23, 2019 at 13:47

answered May 16, 2015 at 8:54



Majid

13.6k ● 15 ● 77 ● 111

- 1 ▲ The link is dead, and the code does not work to align the text to me, the image just ends up left justified above the text – [NibblyPig](#) May 23, 2019 at 13:40
- 1 ▲ @NibblyPig Thanks for attention. I fixed the link. See the example and try again. – [Majid](#) May 23, 2019 at 13:49
- ▲ I think that I misunderstood the original question, I was expecting the text to be **centered** underneath. But I see this can easily be achieved by adding CSS to text-align **center** on the figure. Many thanks! – [NibblyPig](#) May 23, 2019 at 14:16

▲ This **centers** the "A" below the image:

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```
<div style="text-align:center">
  <asp:Image ID="Image1" runat="server" ImageUrl="~/Images/opentoselect.gif" />
  <br />
  A
</div>
```

That is ASP.Net and it would render the HTML as:

```
<div style="text-align:center">

<br />
A
</div>
```

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answered Aug 3, 2009 at 23:47



JBrooks

9,756 ● 2 ● 27 ● 32

- 1 ▲ -1 of course it didn't work, it uses asp, the server side language. The question wasn't tagged asp, we want a plain html solution. :D – [Gordon Gustafson](#) Aug 4, 2009 at 0:16
- 1 ▲ @CrazyJugglerDrummer right below the ASP.Net is the HTML that it creates - that was my point. – [JBrooks](#) May 7, 2013 at 0:56



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In order to be able to justify the text, you need to know the width of the image. You can just use the normal width of the image, or use a different width, but IE 6 might get cranky at you and not scale.



Here's what you need:



```
<style type="text/css">
#container { width: 100px; //whatever width you want }

#image {width: 100%; //fill up whole div }

#text { text-align: justify; }
</style>

<div id="container">
  <img src="" id="image" />
  <p id="text">oooh look! text!</p>
</div>
```

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answered Aug 4, 2009 at 0:22



Gordon Gustafson

39.6k ● 25 ● 113 ● 157



careful setting the width of an img... you'll end up stretching the image out... yikes – [Jason](#) Aug 4, 2009 at 0:24



I am not an expert in HTML but here is what worked for me:

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```
<div class="img-with-text-below">
  
  <p><center>Your text</center></p>
</div>
```



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answered May 12, 2020 at 11:21



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