



# Simple PopUp – Users Guide

## Ground rules...

Ok, first off, I am glad you are willing to go for my extension Simple PopUp... I do this as a hobby and share what I build that I have found to come in handy in my own projects...

I would like to ask you to keep in mind that you got this for free and that I don't ask for anything in return. I will make modifications per request but not per demand and of course if I have the time!

If you, God forbid, find a bug, let me know and I'll try to fix it as soon as I can, ok?

Please also help me out in buying new cool stuff by sending me a buck or two through PayPal:



<http://wasen.net/donate.html>

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## How to use it...

Firstly download Simple PopUp from:

<http://wasen.net/index.php/projects/simple-popup>

Install it like any other plugin and **enable** it through the Plugin manager. See picture below!



The screenshot shows the Joomla! Plugin Manager interface for the 'Content - Simple Pop-Up' plugin. The interface includes a top navigation bar with the Joomla! logo and the title 'Plugin Manager: Content - Simple Pop-Up'. Below the navigation bar are three buttons: 'Save', 'Save & Close', and 'Close'. A 'Help' button is also visible in the top right corner. The main content area is divided into two tabs: 'Plugin' and 'Advanced'. The 'Plugin' tab is active, showing the plugin's name 'Content - Simple Pop-Up' and its status 'Enabled'. The status 'Enabled' is highlighted with a red circle. Below the status, there is a description of the plugin: 'Simple Pop-Up - It will display a FancyBox Pop-Up on any page where added in an article...'. The 'Access' section shows the plugin is set to 'Public'.

## Joomla backend settings

There are only a few basic settings:

- 1) how to align the text in the box \*
- 2) the width and height \*
- 3) If you chose Auto Dimensions the box will size to its content and width and height settings will be overridden. \*
- 4) Use cookie; this will only show the pop-up once to each user (=computer and browser). You must set the cookie persistence on the popup! (see below) \*
- 5) Language and labels for LightBox style
  - a. "Image # of #" for text in a gallery
  - b. The text on the CLOSE button
  - c. If to show the gallery image text: "Show label 'Image # of #'"
- 6) Donate; please use this feature frequently... ;)

\*(setting can be overridden using parameters)

Under Advanced you'll find jQuery settings:

- 7) "Load jQuery through Joomla", this would normally be set to "Joomla" which will load jQuery through the Joomla framework. If you have jQuery problems you can set it to load as "Include"
- 8) "Prevent jQuery 1.4.3 loading" should normally be set to "Load all" which will allow Joomla to control jQuery. In some installs you might need to set it to "Fancybox only" and if you are already loading FancyBox in some other extension then set it to "NONE".
- 9) "jQuery version" should be as high as possible but some extensions require older versions and this setting is for Simple PopUp to work if you are using older jQuery versions.
- 10) "Fancybox fix Joomla 3 (jQuery 1.10.2)",** if you use Joomla 3 (or above) and you see problems with **the whole page loading into the popup** or if you **can only open the popup once** you need to set this to "Yes"!
- 11) Debug Mode will help you find your settings in the article if you can get it working the way you like.

## SETUP - Getting it going...

If you only want a basic simple pop-up and no extra functions:

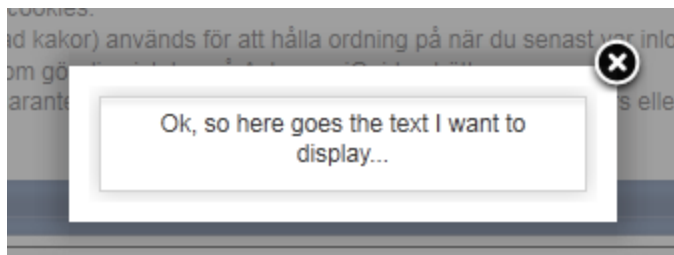
- 1) Goto Article Manager and open up the Article you want to add the PopUp in edit mode.
- 2) Add the following code anywhere in the article text:

```
{simplepopup}
```

Ok, so here goes the text I want to display...

```
{/simplepopup}
```

This will result in a PopUp looking like this:



To be able to link to your pop-up (i.e. open it using a link) or if you are using it in “cookie mode” you should give your pop-up a name using the name parameter. Then the above pop-up would be created like this instead:

```
{simplepopup name=popUpNumber1}
```

Ok, so here goes the text I want to display...

```
{/simplepopup}
```

You can give it any name you want as long as you only use the letters A-Z (UPPER or lower-case is fine) and numbers 0-9. Do NOT use any special characters or spaces!

A few samples:

- 1) “My Pop Up” = BAD name!
- 2) “MyPopUp” = Good name
- 3) “I’ll-get-it-going” = BAD name!
- 4) “IwillGetItGoing” = Good name

More on linking below in the advanced section!

## \* Cookie usage...

If you have a message you only want to show once to a user you can enable cookie usage. "User" in the sense of cookies is actually the same computer and browser which means that the person accessing your site might see the message several times if he/she uses another computer or browser to access your page.

**Please note that you must give your pop-up a name and the persistence time if you want to use a cookie!**

(See more about the name parameter below!)

The cookie will be created using the name of the pop-up so if you don't give a name to it, it won't pop up again until the cookie persistence time has run out.

If you give it a name and you then want to change your message you also change the name of the pop-up and it will be shown again (once to each user).

So if you have an original text like below that you want to show once, enable cookie in settings and add:

```
{simplepopup name=popUp20110730 cookie=1}
```

```
Hi, welcome to my site! This will only show once a day because cookie=1
```

```
{/simplepopup}
```

This will show the pop-up once. If you then want to change your message and everyone should see the new message again, just change it and also change the name, like so:

```
{simplepopup name=popUp20110803 cookie=1}
```

```
Hi, welcome to my site!
```

```
Please note I now support cookies!
```

```
{/simplepopup}
```

This will show the new pop-up once again to all users!

## **IMPORTANT!**

**The first popup in the article is the only one that can popup at page load!**

**If you add multiple popups in the same article you MUST move the one for auto-load (at page load) to be first in the article (=at the top of the text) even if a cookie prevents the first popup.**

## Supported properties...

The properties are the “settings” that you can set for each popup. Some settings are set in the backend and will be used as default if no other setting has been set to override it for the individual popup.

E.g. if you have set the width of the popup in the Joomla Plugin Manger to 400 pixels then all popups will be 400 pixels wide unless you “override” it using the “width” property like this:

```
{simplepopup name=mywidth width=600}
```

This popup will be 600 pixels wide instead

```
{/simplepopup}
```

Above is a sample how you can override the defaults.

**NB! ALL PROPERTIES AND ENUMERATIONS MUST BE IN LOWERCASE!**

**VALUES CAN BE IN MIXED CASE. ENUMERATIONS (=STATIC VALUES) ARE MARKED AS UNDERLINED BELOW.**

This means that for example:

**Textalign=LEFT (No good, capital “T” in textalign and LEFT is an enumeration that should be “left”**

**textAlign=left (No good either)**

**textalign=left (This is good!)**

### Known issues:

When adding a Youtube video you MUST provide the “true” URL for the page in the browser. Any URL cloaking may cause a redirect instead of playing the Youtube video!

E.g. these URL’s will work:

```
http://www.youtube.com/v/eFysVOBriHk
```

```
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eFysVOBriHk
```

This shortened URL WON’T work:

```
http://www.youtu.be/eFysVOBriHk
```

## Property list:

name	A unique name for the popup, this is required for several functions (cookie, links, gallery, etc.) and recommended to always set. A name must only contain alphanumerical characters, e.g. "myName" or "thisIsMy1stPopUp". The name must not contain any special characters or spaces!
textalign	Will align the text in the popup. Default is "left". Enumeration: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- <u>left</u></li><li>- <u>center</u></li><li>- <u>right</u></li></ul>
width	The width of the box. Default is "auto". The value "auto" will set the width automatically. Note that "auto" can't always find the correct width of objects in the popup. Possible values: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- A positive integer, e.g. 100</li></ul>
height	The height of the box. Default is "auto". The value "auto" will set the height automatically. Note that "auto" can't always find the correct height of objects in the popup. Possible values: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- A positive integer, e.g. 100</li></ul>
autodimensions	Sets the width and height automatically.
scrolling	Show scrollbars. Default is "auto". Enumeration: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- <u>auto</u></li><li>- <u>yes</u></li><li>- <u>no</u></li></ul>
cookie	Use cookie to not show the same popup more than once in a number of days. Default value "not set". Use a negative value to delete the cookie. Set it to zero to override if the backend setting is set to create one. Possible values: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- An integer, e.g. 30</li></ul> <i>NB! If you want to delete the cookie it won't be deleted until the user visits your site again so to make a popup appear anew just rename it instead which will create a new cookie.</i>
popup	This sets if the popup will show up at page load or not. Default is "true". To prevent the popup from showing at page load set this to "false". NB! There can only be one automatic popup which will be the first one found in the article where popup is set to "true" or not set at all! If you set it to "false" you must include some other means of opening the popup, like a link (see below). Enumeration: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- true</li><li>- false</li></ul>
link	This adds a clickable link to the named popup. This only creates a link and not any popup and must be linked to an existing popup. Usage: <code>{simplepopup name="popupFromLink" popup="false"}</code> <i>Show when link is clicked</i> <code>{/simplepopup}</code> <i>Click {simplepopup link="popupFromLink"}HERE{/simplepopup} to open a popup!</i>

url	<p>Loads external content or Youtube (see video property) into the popup. E.g.:  <code>{simplepopup url="http://www.google.com"}/simplepopup}</code></p> <p>If you set "boxstyle" (see below) to "iframe" this property must be set!  You can load any URL in as iframe but it is up to the browser to determine if the content is displayed correctly or not!  See "mime" attribute below if your content is not displayed properly when using iframe.</p>
mime	<p>To use external content in "iframe" style you might have to tell the browser what it is you are loading into the iframe. PDF's and images are detected automatically by your browser (for HTML5).  If the content can't be identified you can set the mime type, e.g.  "mime=application/pdf" for PDF viewer if the browser can't detect the true content. A few common examples:</p> <p>PDF = application/pdf  JPG = image/jpeg  GIF = image/gif  PNG = image/png  TXT = text/plain</p> <p><b>NB! This is ONLY needed for iframe style and should not be used with boxstyle=pdf!</b></p>



gallery	<p>This can be used to create an image gallery. You must load each image into its own popup first and add the same gallery name for them. This will add Next/Previous arrows to the popup to scroll through images and/or text/articles. E.g in HTML view:</p> <pre>{simplepopup name="img1" gallery="gallery1"} &lt;img src="images/img1.jpg" border="0"/&gt; {/simplepopup} {simplepopup name="img2" gallery="gallery1"} &lt;img src="images/img2.jpg" border="0"/&gt; {/simplepopup}</pre> <p>(See advanced usage below for more information)</p>
cssclass	Set your own CSS class for the internal popup.
articleid	<p>Set this to load a Joomla Article into the popup. You can find the ID of an article in the Article list in the Joomla back-end or in edit mode of an article in the Joomla back-end.</p> <p>NB! External URL has priority over article so if URL has been given it will be used and not the article.</p>
title	<p>Title will be shown in the box. If your title contains spaces you must include it within quotes. E.g.:</p> <pre>title="This is a title"</pre> <p>To include a quote, single or double, in the text you must use HTML escaped chars, i.e.:</p> <pre>double-quote = &amp;quot; single-quote = &amp;apos; E.g.: title="Don&amp;apos;t try this at home!" will print "Don't try this at home!"</pre>
titleposition	<p>Where to show the title in/under the box. Default is "inside". Enumeration:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- inside</li> <li>- outside</li> <li>- over</li> </ul>
hideonoverlayclick	<p>If set to "true" the Popup box will be closed if the user clicks on the overlay. Default "false". Enumeration:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- true</li> <li>- false</li> </ul>
hideoncontentclick	<p>If set to "true" the Popup box will be closed if the user clicks on the box. Default "false". Enumeration:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- true</li> <li>- false</li> </ul>

closebutton	Show the close button in the upper right corner. Default is "true". Enumeration: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- true</li> <li>- false</li> </ul>
transitionin / transitionout	Show different animations on the box appearance. Default "elastic". Enumeration: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- elastic</li> <li>- fade</li> <li>- none</li> </ul>
speedin / speedout	How fast/slow will the transition go. Default is 300 milliseconds . Value in milliseconds: A positive integer, e.g. 300
overlayshow	Show or hide the overlay. Default "true". Enumeration: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- true</li> <li>- false</li> </ul>
overlayopacity	The opacity of the overlay. Default is 0.3. Values: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- positive decimal between 0-1, e.g. 0.3</li> </ul> 0 is transparent and 1 is completely solid.
overlaycolor	The color of the overlay. Default "#666". Values: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Any valid HTML colorcode or color, e.g. "red" or #FF0000</li> </ul>
video	Show a Youtube video. Default "true". Enumeration: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- true</li> <li>- false</li> </ul> <b>NB! The URL to the video is given in the "url" property!</b>
autoplay	Start playback of video automatically. Default "false". Enumeration: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- true</li> <li>- false</li> </ul>
boxstyle	Set this to mimic a "lightbox" style of the popup, an iFrame to load external content or PDF viewer. Default is "fancybox". Enumeration: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>fancybox</b> (default box)</li> <li>- <b>lightbox</b> (mostly for image galleries)</li> <li>- <b>iframe</b> (<b>NB!</b> MUST be used together with a "url" property)</li> <li>- <b>pdf</b> (<b>NB!</b> MUST be used together with a "url" property and will open a PDF viewer (pdfjs) to show a PDF file)</li> </ul>
jqueryloading	Use this to override the default jQuery loading settings from the back-end settings for any page that already have jQuery loaded. You must add this on the FIRST popup in the article! Default "all". Enumeration: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- all</li> <li>- fancybox</li> <li>- none</li> </ul>
delayopen	Set a delay in milliseconds (1 sec = 1000 milliseconds) before the initial popup is opened. You can't set a delay on popup from links, only if the popup is loaded automatically on page-load!
delayclose	Set a delay in milliseconds (1 sec = 1000 milliseconds) until the popup box is automatically closed. You can set "delayclose" on any popup box, also on popups opened from links.

## Advanced features...

- The first instance of {simplepopup} in the Article that is not a “link” (see below) will be the one popping up at page load!
  - To prevent the pop-up at page load add the following:
    - `{simplepopup popup=false}The PopUp text here...{/simplepopup}`
      - For this to have any real function though you should also give it a name and use it as “linked pop-ups” (see below). Else you will never be able to open the pop-up.

- Using a link to populate the content:

```
{simplepopup url=http://www.google.com}{/simplepopup}
```

This will open a pop-up with the content from Google.com in it.


**NB! Your server (PHP) must allow to load external content else you can only load local resources!**

- Using linked pop-ups, i.e. adding a link in the Article text that will open the pop-up window:
  - For the **link**:
    - `{simplepopup link=nameOfPopUp}Link Text{/simplepopup}`
  - For the **pop-up box**:
    - `{simplepopup name=nameOfPopUp}The PopUp text here...{/simplepopup}`

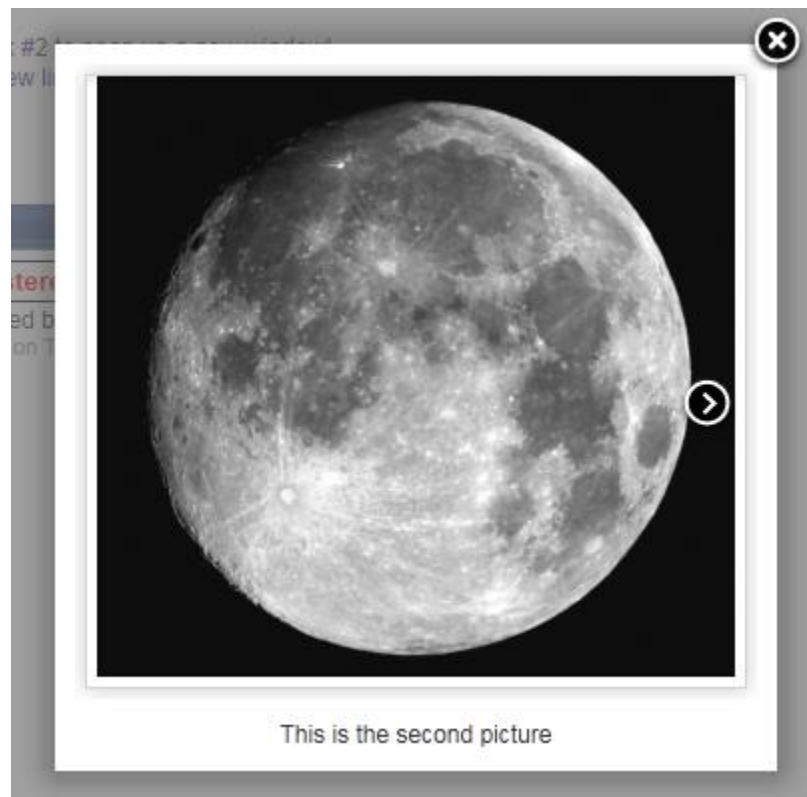
As you notice above you must use the same name in the link as in the pop-up. This will add a clickable link in your article text and clicking on it will open the pop-up showing the text “The PopUp text here...”.

- Adding an **image**:



- `{simplepopup name=spulmage} {/simplepopup}`
  - Use the Article editor to add the image just like you would in a regular Article.
  - The HTML code would look like this:
    - `{simplepopup name=spulmage}`  
``  
`{/simplepopup}`
- If you want to pop-up the image using a link simply add a “link” item, like:
  - `{simplepopup link=spulmage}PopUp Image{/simplepopup}`

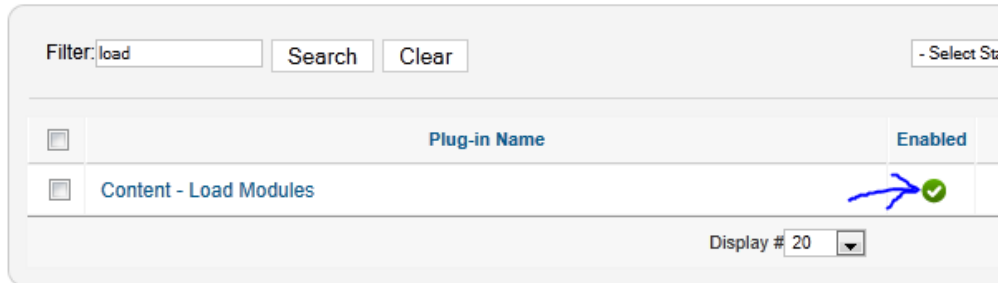
- Adding an “image gallery”:
  - Add images just like above, each image must have a unique name!
  - Add links for each image and use a “rel” attribute to “relate” images to each other, like below:
    - `{simplepopup link=spuImage1 gallery=gallery1}PopUp Image{/simplepopup}`
    - `{simplepopup link=spuImage2 gallery=gallery1}PopUp Image{/simplepopup}`
  - This will add a “gallery” with two linked images in it, i.e. you will have “next” and “previous” buttons to click in the pop-up.
  - If you only want to display one link for the Gallery, use “hidden” on the other links (not the first one though):
    - `{simplepopup link=spuImage2 gallery=gallery1 hidden=true}PopUp Image{/simplepopup}`
  - You can also add a title to the images, like below:
    - `{simplepopup link=spuImage2 gallery=gallery1 hidden=true title= ' This is the second picture ' }PopUp Image{/simplepopup}`



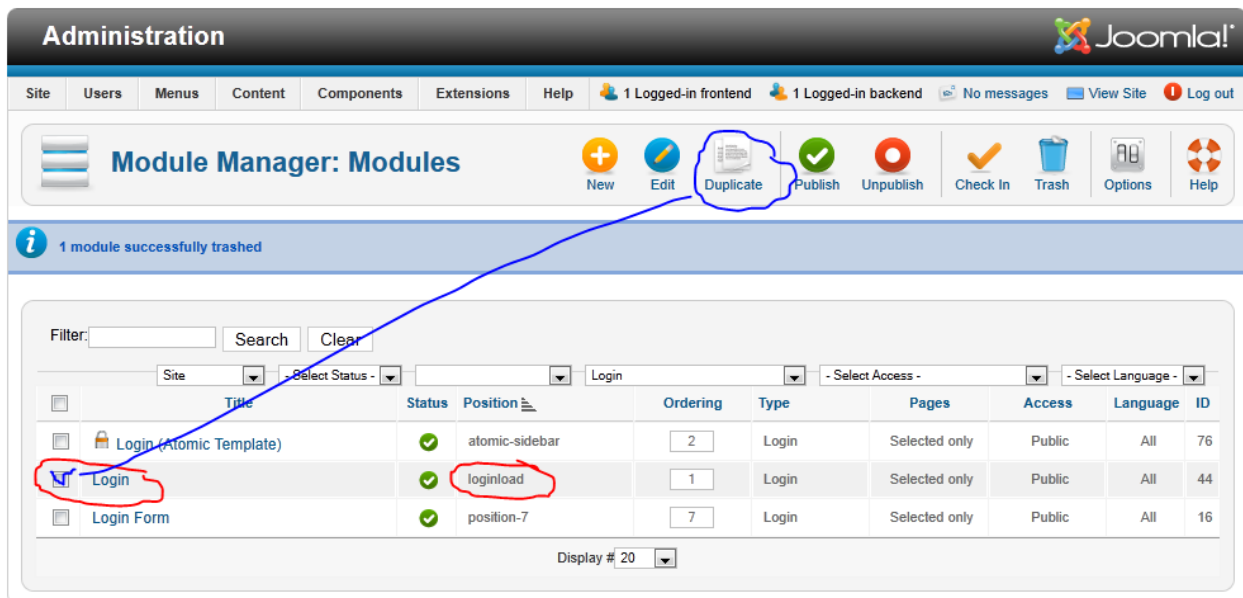
## PopUp a Login Form...

Ok, I have gotten a lot of questions on how to get the Login Form stuffed into SPU... It is really fairly easy and you can use the Joomla Login module straight off...

Start by making sure that the Joomla plugin "Content - Load Modules" is enabled ("loadposition" for Joomla 1.5)!



First you need to prepare (or steal) the Joomla Login Module. Head over the Module Manager in the back-end settings and find "Login" in the list.



Either you just use the Login Module already there or you can "duplicate" it. If you duplicate it you need to give it a new position, do NOT select a position from the list! Just type a custom position, e.g. "spuloginform".

Then take note of the position, in my case it is "loginload" as I use the standard Module, as you are going to need it in a short while...

If you use the existing one, which I did, you need to enter the settings and chose where it should be shown, in my case the I show it only on a page called “Login”.

**Menu Assignment**

Module Assignment: Only on the pages selected

Menu Selection: Select All Clear Selection Toggle Selection

About Joomla! Australian Parks Fruit Shop Main Menu Top User Menu

<input type="checkbox"/> - Getting Started	<input type="checkbox"/> ----- Related Items
<input type="checkbox"/> - Using Joomla!	<input type="checkbox"/> ----- Article Categories
<input type="checkbox"/> -- Using Extensions	<input type="checkbox"/> ----- Article Category
<input type="checkbox"/> --- Components	<input type="checkbox"/> ----- User Modules
<input type="checkbox"/> ---- Content Component	<input type="checkbox"/> ----- Latest Users
<input type="checkbox"/> ----- Single Article	<input type="checkbox"/> ----- Who's Online
<input type="checkbox"/> ----- Article Categories	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ----- Login
<input type="checkbox"/> ----- Article Category Blog	<input type="checkbox"/> ----- Display Modules

Save and close your Login Module.

Then head over to the Article Manager and find the article loaded on the page you need the pop-up on.

**Article Manager: Articles**

Articles Categories Featured Articles

Filter: login Search Clear

- Select Status -

<input type="checkbox"/>	Title	Status	Featured
<input type="checkbox"/>	Login Module (Alias: login-module)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

I am going to use an Article called “Login Module” from the samples pages. Open the Article for editing.

In the Article you first add the Login Module:

```
{loadposition loginload}
```

Then save the Article and make sure it is working by going to your site and load the article. You should now see the login form loaded in the Article you edited.

When you have verified that the Login form is correctly displayed go back into the article you edited previously and surround the "loadposition" with the Simple PopUp statement:

```
{simplepopup name=spulogin}
```

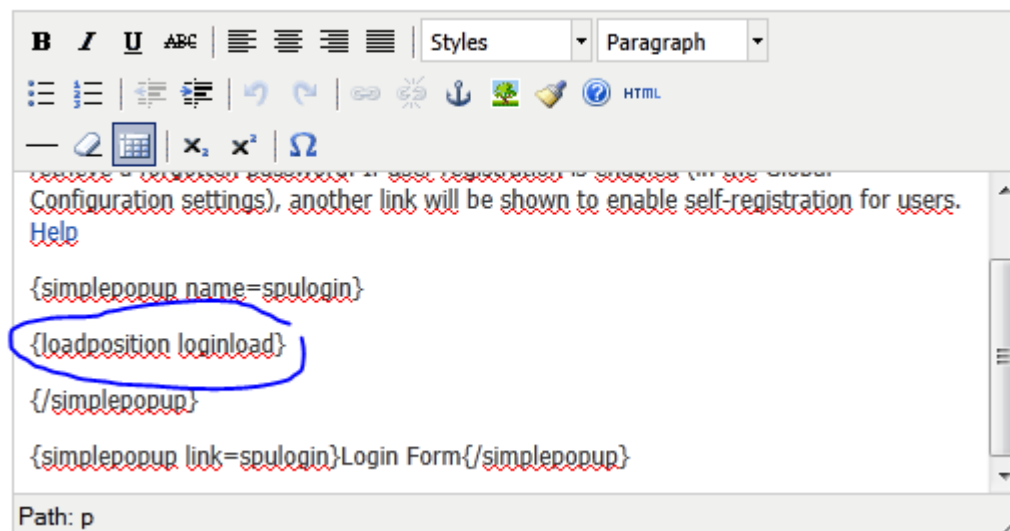
```
{loadposition loginload}
```

```
{/simplepopup}
```

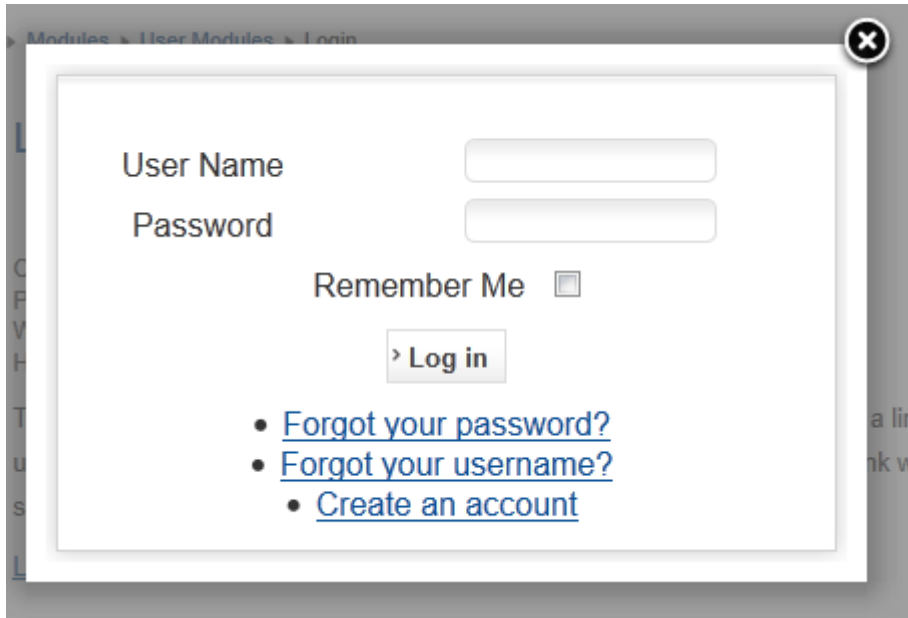
```
{simplepopup link=spulogin}Login Form{/simplepopup}
```

In the above sample I have also included a link to the pop-up which will be shown in the article. The link is optional but without it the user will only see the pop-up at page load and not have the option to open it later.

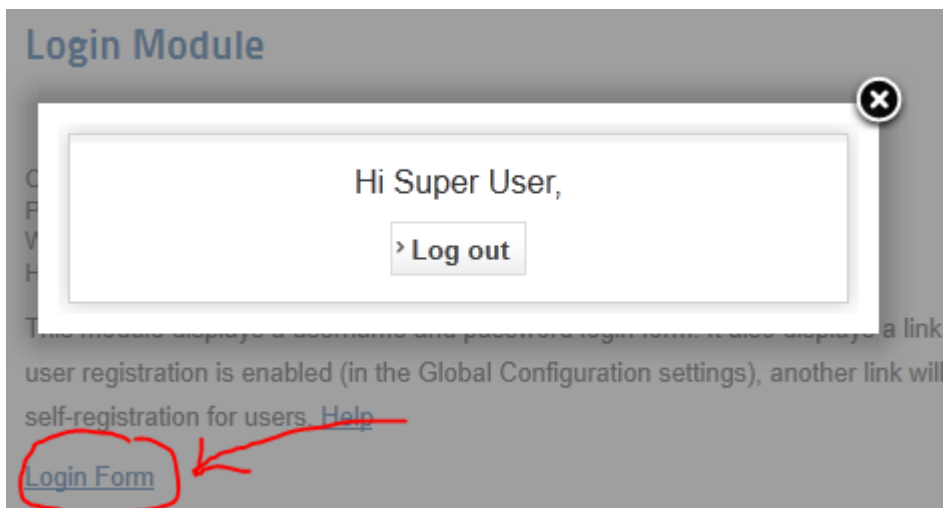
Article Text



Now, save the article and go back to your site and you should get the PopUp.



The Login form loaded inside the PopUp.



Here the user is already logged in. Please also note the "Login Form" link created on the page which will open the PopUp again.



## Load a PopUp from a Module

Go to Module manager and select to create a new "Custom HTML Module" and name it (don't worry, we'll hide the name later on).

Next select a position for the module (it must be in a "visible" position on the page) and before moving on, go to the page and make sure you can see the empty module (it will show the name you set for it).

If you can't find it make sure it is enabled and that you use a position that is visible on the page, e.g. "Left", "Right" or "Top" is normally displayed but it depends on your Template.

Once you know it is visible set it to hide the title and it won't show any content.

Now in the source for the Custom HTML module you add the Simple PopUp tags, e.g:

```
{simplepopup}TEXT TO SHOW{/simplepopup}
```

Now set the option "Prepare Content" to "Yes" and that should be it!

Now when you reload the page with the Module you should see the popup.

To create additional popup's on other pages just copy the Custom HTML Module into other pages/menus.

*Beware though that loading the module on different pages can mean different jQuery settings loaded so the popup might work on some pages but not others. In that case you might have to deal with jQuery conflicts. The easiest is then normally to get a "conflict remover" plugin and set SPU to load as "FancyBox Only" and load as "Include".*