# Creating Live Captions and Viewer Capabilities with Big Blue Button

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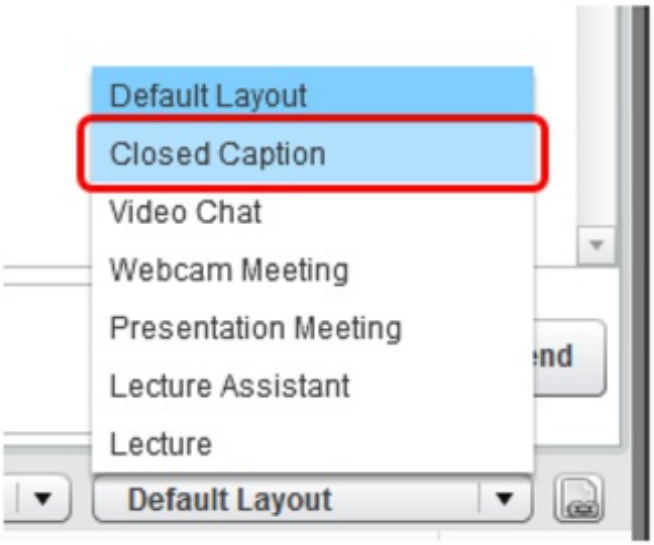
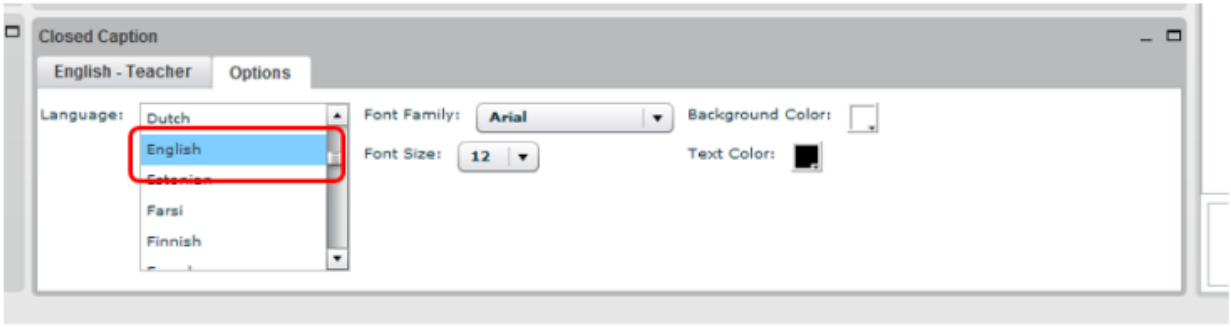
## Creating Live Captions

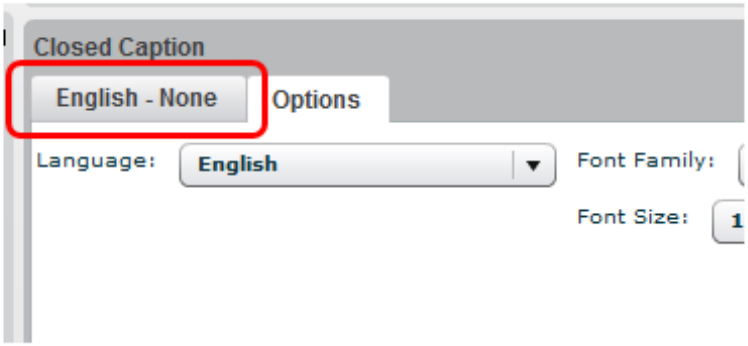
A moderator first selects `Closed Caption` layout.




and then selects the language to provide captions

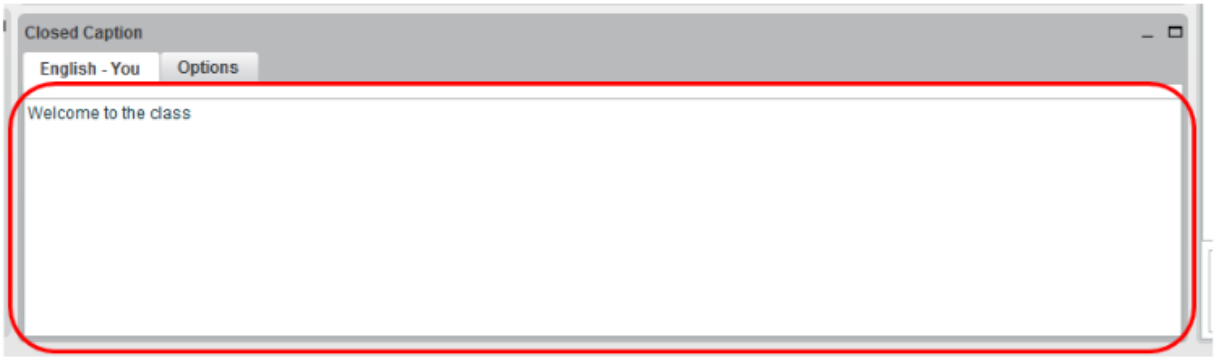



and then selects the first tab (it will have the name of the selected language).




Once selected, the moderator clicks `Take Ownership` (this ensures only one moderator at a time is entering captions for the given language).

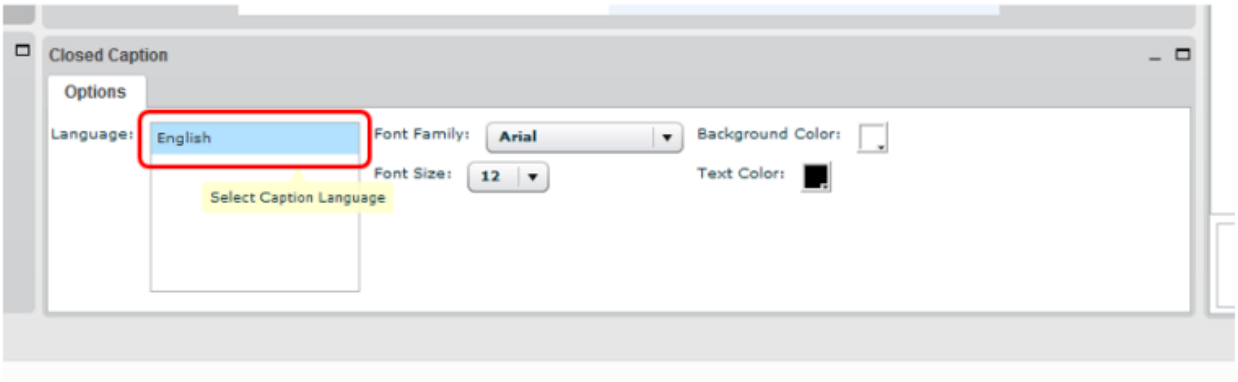
At this point, the moderator can begin typing text (or using a stenography machine to inject text) into the text area.



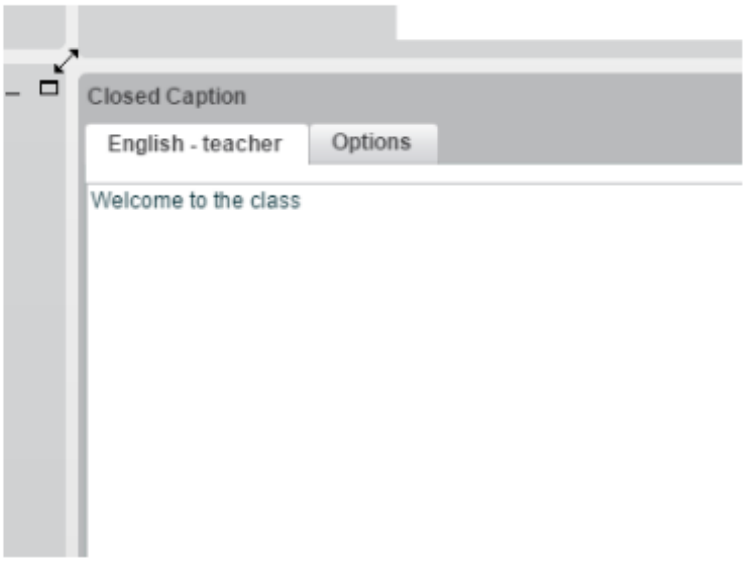

As they type, the text is visible to viewers (see below).

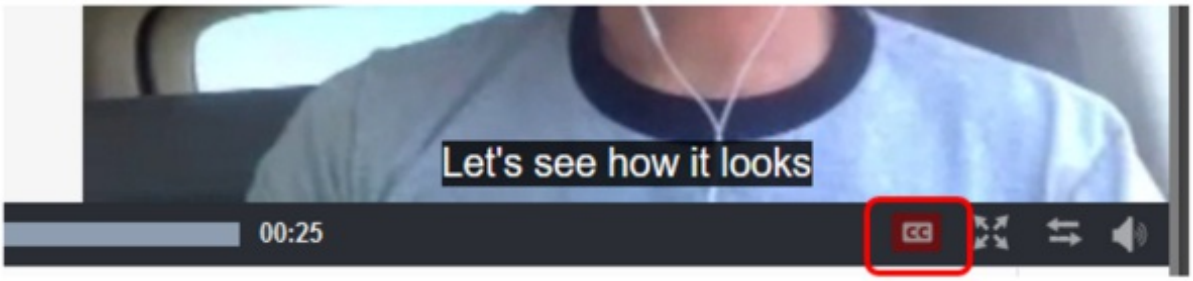
## Viewer Capabilities

When a viewer (student) selects the `Closed Captioning` layout, The Closed Captioning dialog will display the active language streams.




Clicking a language opens a new tab. Clicking on the first tab shows the live captions as they are typed.




## Viewing captions in Playback Anchor link for: viewing captions in playback

Later, when viewing the recording, the playback bar will have a 'CC' button. Clicking on the 'CC' button will show the available captions.