

# How to Use the New Interface of Adobe InDesign CS5

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**Application (Version):** Adobe InDesign CS5

**Task Description:** How to familiarize yourself with the new interface of InDesign CS5

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1 - Regular Menu

2 - Application Bar - "Widgets"- pull-down menus for quick access to things we would normally find in the regular menu at the top.

3 - Control Panel

4 - Toolbar

5 - Dropdown list of workspaces

6 - Search field for online help

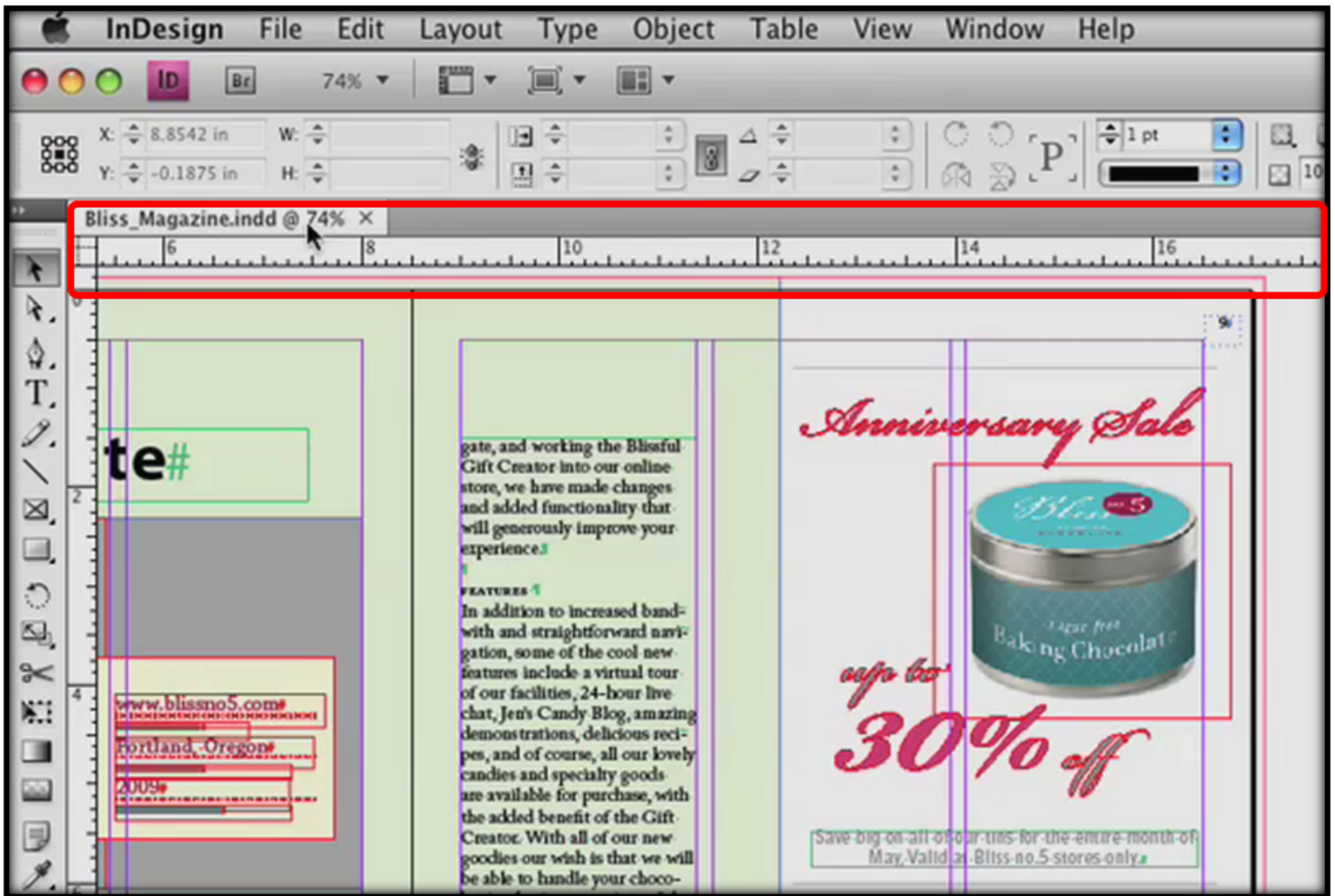
7 - Panel dock

## New Workspaces



A dropdown menu of new workspaces under the "Essentials" button.

## Tabbed View



You can switch back and forth between a regular window view or a tabbed view of multiple documents by clicking and dragging the top of your document. To return to a tabbed view, click your window and drag upward until you see a bluish outline around your window. This will then convert the area under your control panel to a document "dock."

## New Application Bar



- 1 - Shortcut to Bridge
- 2 - Zoom Level
- 3 - View Options (Frame Edges, Rulers, Guides, Smart Guides, Baseline Grid, Hidden Characters)
- 4 - Screen Mode (Normal, Preview, Bleed, Slug)
- 5 - Arrange Documents (Creating a new window, arranging windows, etc.)

All of these options are available from the View, Window, and Type menus; the application bar simply provides shortcuts for these commonly used features.