

Re: Sims 2 played for months but now crashes

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Afloridagal <guest@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in
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Hi everyone

I've been playing Sims 2 for about a few months on Vista Desktop and all of a sudden it just decided to crap out on me. It now quits at the title screen and doesn't respond after that.

I've been told to upgrade my graphics card and RAM. Was also told that the graphics card was supposedly not upgradeable b/c it was attached

to

the mother board? Here is my DxDiag ...

System Information

Machine name: HOLLI-PC
Operating System: Windows Vista? Home Premium (6.0, Build 6000)
(6000.vista_ldr.071023-1545)
System Manufacturer: HP-Pavilion
System Model: GN568AA-ABA s3223w
Processor: AMD Athlon(tm) 64 X2 Dual Core Processor 4400+ (2
CPUs), ~2.3GHz
Memory: 894MB RAM
DirectX Version: DirectX 10

Display Devices

Card name: NVIDIA GeForce 6150SE nForce 430

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Manufacturer: NVIDIA
Chip type: GeForce 6150SE nForce 430
DAC type: Integrated RAMDAC
Device Key: Enum\PCI\VEN_10DE&DEV_03D0&SUBSYS_2A66103C&REV_A2
Display Memory: 313 MB
Dedicated Memory: 122 MB
Shared Memory: 191 MB
Current Mode: 1024 x 768 (32 bit) (60Hz)
Monitor: Generic PnP Monitor
Driver Name: nvd3dum.dll
Driver Version: 7.15.0011.6222 (English)
DDI Version: 9Ex
Driver Attributes: Final Retail
Driver Date/Size: 7/7/2007 00:15:00, 4788224 bytes
WHQL Logo'd: Yes

If your game worked before, but now it is crashing, it was either something you did to the game (corrupted save is the most common thing with Sims 2), or something you did to your OS (installed a program that messes around while Sims 2 is trying to do something).

Search your start menu for System Restore. It's a program to undo changes to your OS without mucking with data files like documents, game saves, etc.

Tell the program you want to choose a different restore point, then from the calendar that appears choose a bold date that was the last date you remember the game working correctly.

This should rewind your system to before your system started messing up Sims 2, run the game after the system reboots and says "all done". If the game doesn't run, go into my documents, find your Sims 2 save game folder and "rename" the folder to something like "The Sims 2.bak"

When you run the game it'll re-make the default save files (takes a while, but it'll work). Of course the problem here is your saves won't be accessible, so hopefully the first suggestion will fix the problem.

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