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>From a command prompt you can expand the file. An example;

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expand E:\I386\calc.ex_ %windir%\system32\calc.exe
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would expand a new copy of calc.exe to the \system32 directory.

Also you'll want to use the correct version for the service pack level you're at. So you may need to extract the file from a service pack.

To extract the service pack files without installing them, execute

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J:\W2kSP4\W2KSP4.exe /x
```

Then when prompted, specify a directory to hold the extracted files.

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Regards,

Dave Patrick ...Please no email replies - reply in newsgroup.

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"RC" wrote:

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| One of our computers runs a 16 bit (dos based) program.  
| The computer OS was upgraded to Win 2000 Pro, and this  
| program ran o.k.for months. Now it will not run. We get a  
| message that NT can't run 16 bit programs (paraphrase).  
| Searched ther knowledge base and found a couple of answers  
| that required expanding files on the installation CD to  
| replace possibly corrupted or missing files. However, I  
| can't get the files to expand. Neither can I get Win 2000  
| to reinstall. Any help or suggestions would be appreciated.
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