

# Re: Need Serius help

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On Sat, 1 Apr 2006 10:08:01 -0800, hugo wrote:

ok i have come across many things in my PC years but this is brand new and i don t even know where to start.

since about 2 months i am having problems to install basically anything in my pc generally when i run a setup exe file or a zip file somewhere in the way i get the lovely file corrupted message and as u can understand there isn t much u can do about it, this happens to me when i download from the net files to my computer( i have a external and internal hard drive doesn t work in both), from CD/DVD (i have two drives and it happens in both) and even coming from any USB storage devices. The problem is that this files work fine in other computers and only "hang" on mine although most of the files downloaded from the net using my PC don t work in other PCs also.

So i got tired and decided to just clean everything and setup xp again surely it was a software prob. i started installing xp decided to do 3 partitions in my internal drive and left my external USB drive disconnected right after that it starts formatting partition c: to install xp everything fine till now. It starts copying the setup files to disk soon after file corrupted cannot copy I retry & didn t work I had to cancel the setup o reboot everything all over again and again started to copy files this time I got stuck half way done with a different file it seems the file that previously didn t work was fine now. So I decide to go to my house mate and ask his laptop recovery cd guess what got the same problem in another file so I just quitted.

Yesterday I tried again with my own cd got stuck again so I decided to call my friend that is a technician while I am in the phone I decided to press retry once again and it worked!/? So the files that was corrupted just 5m ago is fine now?

Finally I was able to install xp and all the drivers needed I was pretty happy and thought my problems where gone. After I install my anti virus I downloaded sp2 and & during sp2 setup file corrupted and I had to cancel.

I have downloaded sp2 5 times now none worked my problem isn t sp2 itself

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but all other stuff that might not work in the future right now I cant use AutoCAD requires sp1 or sp2 so can anybody tell me what is going on if it isn t a software problem what is wrong?

My PC

Intel motherboard  
P4 2.4 (512 bus)  
2\*256M ram (ddr333)  
Asus V7100PRO (32M) Graphics card  
Liteon DVD drive  
Lg 52X cd burner  
Maxtor 80GB internal hard drive  
Western digital 160GB external drive

It is an oldie but it is only for work  
sorry folks i know it is a big post but it is an anoying problem.

Hugo, I'm not sure that I follow the whole story but the gist of it seems to be that you are having repeated trouble with file corruption and it's happening somewhere between reading from a disk or download file and doing something with that information. Sounds like a hardware problem. Check that the data cables for the drive are 40 pin/80 wire cables. Check that the connections are snug on both ends. Probably should run chkdsk (clean up temp files first). And run a memory test on your RAM. Some references for memory testers for you:

<http://oca.microsoft.com/en/windiag.asp>

<http://www.memtest.org/>

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