

Re: MS search function horrible

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"Kim" <Kim@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message
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How true. It seems MS programmers think we all want to waste our time learning how to program, so we can work with their products. The SEARCH function on my XP'd computer doesn't work at all. It just automatically locks up the computer. This site is not providing any help to fix that.

Their applications are not (never have been) user-friendly. I spend 8 hours a day at a computer getting about 3 hours of real work done – and I'm computer literate!

Part of the problem is the Gen X,Y attitude which is, according to indepth research: "learn how to 'work around' it". (instead of, FIX IT – because their attention spans are too short, to actually FIX IT).

"Brainless_in_Boston" wrote:

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Do you want a fix or just to rant?

You could "work around it" by installing Agent Ransack for searching, which would probably up your productivity (three hours' work done in an eight-hour day? Well done for managing to stay in your job!). But as it's a work-around, you wouldn't be interested.

Someone might take the trouble to garner details of your search function's problem and troubleshoot it with you. However, the solution might involve you doing technical stuff; if this is what you mean by learning how to "program", then it sounds like you won't be interested in that, either.

Even when XP's search is working as designed, it's still rubbish and doesn't

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find everything it "should". Again, someone could tell you how to "program" your computer to rectify that as well, but it's not clear from your diatribe to what lengths you are willing to go, if any, to fix your system.

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