

## Re: Hard Drive in BIOS, but not My Computer

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Brian

I strongly suggest that you leave data recovery on this drive to a professional.. the more you mess with it, the less chance there is of getting anything meaningful from it..

One presumes that the owner of the computer is beginning to realise the importance of back ups..

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- > Its ok in the bios, its listed differently in Disk Management everytime I
- > look
- > at it... and it won't show up at all in My Computer.
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- > It worked great the first time, but now I can't get in...
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- > (the long story to follow)
- > Had a crashed computer from a friend. Kept getting "NTBTLDR.EXE is
- > missing"
- > or something like that... I took out the HDD and I connected it to my PC
- > using my CD drive cables since I have a very small system with very
- > limited
- > hardware resources... I can't run 3HDD and CD ROM at same time.
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- > HDD worked fine... I pulled some files off it that she needed for school,
- > all in .wps format.
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- > In order to check that they were the correct files I had to download a
- > .wps
- > viewer for WordXP. Do I downloaded it, and tried to install it. At this
- > point, despite my Custom Install request of Run All From HDD, I am told to
- > insert the OfficeXP CD to install the feature I am trying to run... WTF is

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> that?????  
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> My CD drive is out. I have to shutdown and reconnect the CD drive, get the  
> plugin installed, and we check little girl's files... Wrong ones... So  
> great  
> I just plug the HDD back in and grab the rest of the files for her report  
> on  
> Baroque Art...  
>  
> I do a "Run all from HDD" type install and I am so frustrated and pissed  
> off  
> that I am constantly being asked for the CD to install whatever feature it  
> might be that I need... So of course this is what happened this time... I  
> tried to install the download and I was told I had to put in the CD...  
> well  
> of course I had disconnected the CD drive... so I shut down, reconnected  
> the  
> CD and ran the disk like asked. Checked the files