

Re: Games missing

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Checking one of the boxes means you want to install the game listed to the right of the box. You need to Apply and OK your way completely back out of Control Panel, and then restart your system for it to take affect. The games are native to the XP operating system, and are not available for download separately. If this method fails, you may need to do a Repair installation as described here:

<http://www.michaelstevestech.com/XPrepairinstall.htm> Please note the warnings before attempting a Repair Install.

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"Damian" <Damian@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message news:05052D1C-9F3D-4097-8F53-565CA0F53AD0@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

- > Hi Chris
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- > I had the same problem and tried out what you recommended. It didn't
- > work –
- > the games folder is still empty. I didn't know whether I was installing or
- > removing components as the Add/Remove Windows Components function doesn't
- > differentiate between [adding] and [removing]. It just says, "To add or
- > remove a component, click the checkbox."
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- > So when I click the checkbox, am I adding or removing?
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- > This is all quite confusing – I do not want to accidentally remove
- > everything from Windows Accessories and Utilities just to install back the
- > games.
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- > If I'm not able to restore the old system settings (i.e. with the games
- > still intact), can I download those games (free cell, spider solitaire
- > etc.)
- > from any Microsoft website or are there Windows fixes out there? Please
- > help.

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> Thanks!
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> Damian
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> "Chris H." wrote:
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>> The games which come with Windows XP are "system" files. Even if one
>> were
>> to manually delete one of the files in Windows Explorer, the system will
>> replace them.
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>> "RobertVA" <robert_c72@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message
>> news:uJrkpVsEHA.820@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx
>>> Unless your computer has Windows XP installation files in a partition
>>> on
>>> your hard drive you will need your Windows XP installation or system
>>> Recovery CD.
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>>> Click the Start button on the tool bar. Then click the Control Panel
>>> link
>>> in the second column. Once the Control Panel window opens, open the Add
>>> or
>>> Remove Programs or Windows Components applet. Click on Accessories and
>>> Utilities to highlight it and click the Details button. In the
>>> Accessories
>>> and Utilities popup highlight Games and click that window's Details
>>> button. You can then activate the check boxes for the games you want to
>>> install. Click on OK buttons to close all those popups. If you need a
>>> CD
>>> the computer will ask for it.
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>>> Sometimes the games will become damaged and unable to run. Often you
>>> can
>>> uncheck the damaged game in the windows described above and close the
>>> windows with the OK button to remove the damaged installation. You can
>>> often reestablish a working installation by performing the add
>>> components
>>> procedure listed above.
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>>> J. C. Reim wrote:
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>>>> Due to virus, had to have Windows XP removed and reinstalled. The

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>> >> games
>> >> such
>> >> as free cell, solitaire, etc. that came with Windows XP are no longer
>> >> there.
>> >> When I click on Games, it says "Empty." Is there a way I, a
>> >> handicapped
>> >> senior citizen with little expertise in computers, can restore the
>> >> games?
>> >> Thank you very much in advance.
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• **References:**

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