

Re: Telephone Dialer?

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No, I do not have hide system files turn one.

I would suspect that as with Sharon, you are probably using a computer that had an earlier OS on it, that you later upgraded to XP, and command.com was still there.

"Mark Dormer" <markd@mvpsx.org> wrote in message
news:OVX2ZhPHEHA.2668@TK2MSFTNGP10.phx.gbl...

> *It is definitely there.*

> *I think you have hide systems files turned on.*

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> *Regards*

> *Mark Dormer*

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> "MS" <ms@nospam.com> wrote in message

> news:uiOKi1OHEHA.3144@TK2MSFTNGP10.phx.gbl...

>> *David, which version of Windows are you using?*

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>> *Are you aware that all three newsgroups that this thread is in are
Windows*

>> *XP newsgroups? Your shortcuts do not work in Windows XP.*

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>> *First of all, there is no file anywhere in Windows XP called
command.com.*

> *I*

>> *did a search for it, it exists nowhere on the drive. The command for*

> *getting*

>> *the command prompt in Windows XP is \Windows\system32\cmd.exe. This is a*

> *DOS*

>> *emulator, as Windows XP, like NT, is not based on DOS any more, unlike
Win*

>> *3.1, 95, 98, and ME.*

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>> *So, I tried your shortcut with the substitution above, instead of your*

>> *\Windows\command.com. Still didn't work. I then opened a command prompt,*

>> *typed in ATDT, pressed Enter, and got the error message "no such
command".*

> > *Modem strings are obviously not recognized as commands at the Windows XP
> > command prompt.*
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> > *"David Candy" <david@myps.org> wrote in message
> > news:u9%23X6I2GEHA.4008@TK2MSFTNGP10.phx.gbl...*
> > *Most people call a some numbers quite frequently. These are usually
quite
> > few, a best friend from home or a partner from work. A Windows shortcut
> > can
> > dial a phone. This tip lists two ways of easily dialing frequent
numbers.*
> >
> > *Windows includes a phone dialer but it's a few mouse clicks to use (6 to
> > start and click the number, 1 to talk, 1 to exit). This allows two mouse
> > clicks if it's on the desktop, three if on the Start Menu.*
> >
> > *Before going on you'll need to know what com port your modem is
connected
> > to. Open Control Panel and choose Modems. Select your modem and click
> > Properties. Your Comm Port is listed under Port.*
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> > *Method 1 – Using Shortcuts*
> > *a.. Right click the desktop and choose New then Shortcut.*
> > *b.. Rename (F2 renames a selected item) the Shortcut Dial Mum (or
> > whoever
> > it is)*
> > *c.. Right click the shortcut and choose Properties*
> > *d.. On the Program tab enter Dialing Mum in the top textbox and
> > C:\WINDOWS\COMMAND.COM /c echo ATDT 99999999 > com2 into the Cmd Line
> > textbox, replacing 99999999 with the phone number you're dialing and
com2
> > with the com port you're modem is conected to. Make sure the Close on
Exit
> > checkbox is checked.*
> > *e.. On the Screen tab make sure that Window is selected.*
> > *f.. Repeat the above steps and call the second shortcut Answer and use
> > this Cmd Line – D:\WINDOWS\COMMAND.COM /c echo ATH > com2.*
> > *g.. Either leave the two shortcuts where they are, or Shift + Drag
onto
> > the Start Menu.*
> > *h.. To ring, Double Click the Dial Mum shortcut (or select it on the
> > Start
> > Menu) and when the other party answers pick up the phone and Double
Click
> > the Answer shortcut.*
> > *Method 2 – Using a Batch File*
> > *a.. Right click the desktop and choose New then Text Document.*
> > *b.. Rename (F2 renames a selected item) the Text Document Dial Mum.bat
> > (or*

> > *whoever it is)*
> > *c.. Right click the MS-Dos Batch File and choose Edit*
> > *d.. Add the following lines changing the phone number, name and comm*
> *port*
> > *to suit.*
> > *@echo off*
> > *echo Dialing Mum*
> > *echo ATDT 99999999 >com2*
> > *Echo.*
> > *Echo Press any key when Mum answers or you want to hang up.*
> > *pause*
> > *echo ATH >com2*
> > *a.. Save the file and exit Notepad. Move the file into*
C:\windows\command
> > *folder. Right click the file and choose Properties. Make sure Close on*
> *Exit*
> > *and Window is checked (see Method 1). A new shortcut file will have been*
> > *created with the same name. Move this file onto the Desktop or Start*
Menu.
> > *Click the batch file to dial and press any key when it answers.*
> > *Notes on Phone Numbers*
> > *a.. The modem command string listed above ATDT means dial using tone*
> > *dialing. Use ATDP if you have a pulse phone.*
> > *b.. If you need a pause while dialing use a comma. E.g, 9,99999999.*
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> > <http://www.g2mil.com/Dec2003.htm>
> > *"MS" <ms@nospam.com> wrote in message*
> > *news:%239kVb61GEHA.2004@TK2MSFTNGP12.phx.gbl...*
> > > *Using Windows XP Professional, SP1, all the latest updates on Windows*
> > > *Update.*
> > >
> > > *What is the Telephone Dialer app used for?*
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> > > *I thought it could come in handy for something, but couldn't get it to*
> > > *work*
> > > *right for that purpose. That is, when one tries to dial a number on*
the
> > > *telephone, and it is constantly busy. If one keeps trying to get*
through
> > > *with a telephone, one gets the busy signal, press the "off" button (on*
a
> > > *cordless phone) to hang up the line, wait a few seconds, press the*
"on"
> > > *button again, press "redial". If it's still busy, one has to go*
through
> > > *that*
> > > *process again. If it's busy for a long time, that could be a tedious*
> > > *process.*
> > >

> > > *I thought that perhaps with the telephone dialer, the computer could*
> *keep*
> > > *dialing the number over and over (redialing when it gets a busy*
signal).
> > > *When it finally connects, I would hear the other party's voice on the*
> > > *computer speaker, perhaps some kind of connect tone from the app, then*
I
> > > *could pick up my telephone to speak.*
> > >
> > > *But I couldn't get it to work that way. When the other line is busy, I*
> > *would*
> > > *get an error message (I don't even think an indication that the line*
is
> > > *busy, perhaps just "no answer".) Just like with the phone, I would*
have
> *to*
> > > *manually click "Redial" to try again. Isn't there a way to set it to*
> > *redial*
> > > *automatically, until it connects?*
> > >
> > > *Is there a way to fix this in the settings?*
> > >
> > > *I tried the "Terminal" app for this purpose as well. It does have a*
> > *setting*
> > > *for "automatic redial", but I couldn't get it to work for my purpose*
> > *either.*
> > >
> > > *Is it possible to get any Windows app to work for the purpose I*
> *specified?*
> > > *If not, how about a third party app one can download? Anyone know of a*
> > > *dialer app that will do this?*
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