

## Re: Scared to Death!

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they were not obscure programs listed  
my kingdom for a screenshot  
ugh  
here's another post by a friend from tonight:

"I was reading the top 10 reasons to download SP2, since I need extreme convincing (I enjoy it when my network works smoothly) to download it.

Funny enough, the 2nd reason to download SP2 was for compatibility. So, I read on, and was quite humoured by the first paragraph...

"Every IT pro knows it: there always seem to be a few unforeseen compatibility issues when service packs are deployed. Thereâ€™s already been wide trade-press coverage of compatibility issues discoveredâ€™ embarrassingly, rather late in the beta processâ€™ with Microsoftâ€™s own CRM software and the popular Halo game. Fortunately, these issues have already been resolved (see the productsâ€™ respective websites), as have a few other snags with third-party firewalls and other tools. But the lesson remains: IT pros need to be cautious and methodical when rolling out this, or any new software update. Fortunately, weâ€™ve put together a terrific library of documentation, Knowledge Base articles and deployment guides to help you roll out Windows XP SP2 efficiently. Be sure to check out the IT Pro Portal on TechNet, where these guides will help you get started."

(<http://www.microsoft.com/technet/prodtechnol/winxppro/maintain/sp2top.msp>)

Embarrassed, eh? :)"

Here's my reply:

"That looks like a David Letterman's Top Ten Reason!  
And it's so reassuring/convincing!  
What they didn't say is that there were more than 250 programs listed AFTER roll-out, they just referred to "late in beta testing"  
Ha Ha thank you for the belly laugh!"

OK I remember "the popular Halo game" on the list three days ago along with more than 40 microsoft programs ten of which were XP programs.  
Is that what you'd call obscure?

"root" wrote:

>  
> "Liz Murphy" <LizMurphy@discussions.microsoft.com> wrote in message  
> news:46788DDF-0E20-45AD-BF03-563B5855B2DC@microsoft.com...  
>> I've been reading it every day, my point was three days ago it had more  
> than  
>> 250 programs listed, after it was released.  
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> If you'd read it then you'd know it was 250 obscurities.  
>  
>> Have fun with SP2, I'll just wait over here, lol. ;}  
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>> "root" wrote:  
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>>> "Liz Murphy" <LizMurphy@discussions.microsoft.com> wrote in message  
>>> news:8EB9E95E-A417-49D2-9E72-875391F735FE@microsoft.com...  
>>>> Hi root!  
>>>>  
>>>> Here is a copy of a message I posted on another board August 18th  
>>>> \*please note that the page at the first link did indeed list more than  
>>> 250  
>>>> programs that day. That was three days ago. MS must have fixed a lot  
>> of  
>>>> issues with games compatibility, and issues with 30+ microsoft  
> programs  
>>> which  
>>>> were listed that day. At this rate (of daily revising the version and  
>>> fixes)  
>>>> I'll wait until the dust settles. I work on my computers every day,  
> and  
>>> can't  
>>>> risk a glitch which would cost me wages.  
>>>  
>>> Go back and study the list carefully. It's all obscure stuff as proven  
> by  
>>> the zillions of folks installing SP2 with NO problems.  
>>>  
>>>> Copy of a post from 8-18-04 follows:  
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>>>> Well, here's the latest from Microsoft about the new service pack.  
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>>>> It seems that in the last 24 hours the list of "programs that may  
> behave  
>>>> differently after you install Windows XP SP2" (read: won't work as  
>>> designed ~

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>>>> *or just plain won't work) has risen from around 40 to 257 (a friend  
>>> counted  
>>>> them, not me!)  
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>>>> Here's the link to the knowledge base article...  
>>>>  
> <http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx?kbid=884130&product=windowsxpsp2>  
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>>>> Note the extensive list of microsoft programs...  
>>>> particularly the programs with 'XP' in the titles...  
>>>>  
>>>> Here's the link to "Windows XP Service Pack 2 (SP2) Support Center"...  
>>>> <http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx?scid=fh;EN-US;windowsxpsp2>  
>>>> this page was last "reviewed" (updated?) "August 11"  
>>>>  
>>>> I wonder if they're still insisting on "you'll get SP2 automatically  
> as  
>>>> Microsoft releases it."  
>>>>  
>>>> I'd be laughing here if they weren't thinking about screwing up my  
>>>> computers, I don't remember agreeing to be a beta tester when I  
> registered  
>>> my  
>>>> OS.  
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>>>> Any thoughts? Anyone? I know, someone's going to say they checked  
> snopes  
>>> and  
>>>> it's all a practical joke, right?  
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>>>> Nature Lover  
>>>>  
>>>> everything in quotes in this message is Â© 2004 Microsoft Corporation.  
> All  
>>>> rights reserved.  
>>>>  
>>>> end of message  
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>>>> "root" wrote:  
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>>>>>  
>>>>> "Liz Murphy" <LizMurphy@discussions.microsoft.com> wrote in message  
>>>>> news:89ABF2E1-7861-45DD-9574-DEC72933C8D2@microsoft.com...  
>>>>>> If he's already downloaded it, what's the point in waiting?  
>>>>>> Won't he have the same potential problems in "a week" because it's  
>>>> today's  
>>>>>> version?  
>>>>>> When they quit fixing it every day, then I'll consider downloading  
> it.  
>>>>>>  
>>>>>> Download and install it today. It works great just like the OP*

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> *says.*  
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