

Re: Installing XP on Older Computer

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Kevin Turcotte wrote:

I just checked out the BIOS, it's a Pentium 2, running at 300 MHZ, 64 MB RAM. Would he maybe be better off installing Windows 98?

Absolutely! Those specs are completely unsuitable for Windows XP.

A 300MHz processor would be very slow, but even worse is the 64MB of RAM. How much RAM you need depends on what applications you run, but almost everyone needs at least 256MB for decent performance. Even with 256MB, performance would be poor with a 300MHz processor, but it would at least be usable. But with only 64MB, the machine would be so slow as to be unusable.

What are the requirements for that, and where can you get a copy now?

Try eBay.

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Ken Blake – Microsoft MVP Windows: Shell/User
Please reply to the newsgroup

Personally, I recommended just purchasing a whole new computer for \$300–\$400, but he doesn't really want to spend that.

"Fishman ><(((°>" wrote:

1.5 GB drive is minimum to install XP.

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30Gb drive to put on the security & critical updates.
That's this weeks :)