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How else can I express it that your floppy disk is damaged? The only chance you have to read your file is to try it on some other machines – and it is a slim chance. The noise your disk makes lasts longer because Windows tries several times to read the bad patch before giving up.

Throw it away!

"Rahul Singh" <rasingh@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message
<news:D51CE4B5-A6FE-4FC6-8F60-7D82773A5490@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>

I get the following error when I open the file.

Cannot open the A:\notes\crypto.txt file

Make sure a disk is in the drive you specified

The floppy makes noise even while functioning properly. The only difference is that the noise is for a longer period because it is searching for the file.

Thanks.

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Rahul Singh

"Rahul Singh" wrote:

How can I execute scandisk? Thanks.

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Rahul Singh

"sali" wrote:

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if you desperately need that file [and it is large enough], try copy

from

cmd prompt.
copy from floppy [drive letter a:] to hard disk [drive letter c:]
if part of file is unreadable, cmd prompt copy may offer you to skip

damaged

part and copy the rest.
if your file is long, missing cluster [1000chars] and restoring the

rest,

may be reasonable compromise.
as a last resort, try scandisk [it is a part of win98], maybe it may

restore

even lost cluster, in case cluster is not completely damaged [cluster is a volume unit on disk, if just one cluster damaged, usually system refuses to read the rest]

from the past century, when floppy were widely used, there are tools

to

recover data from damaged discs. but again, try this only if file is

really

important.
in most cases it is easier to re-type text file from printout than

waste

time trying to recover damaged floppy!

"Rahul Singh" <rasingh@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in

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message

news:6F6926F7-62BB-4FBF-B477-DE074D11049A@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

I can access the remainingr files on the floppy.

When I click on this file, there is lot of noise reading the floppy. After a while, the noise stops.

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Rahul Singh

"Pegasus (MVP)" wrote:

"Rahul Singh"
<rasingh@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>
wrote in message
news:AFD0108F-9339-4C92-8BD5-AD1BD55041AE@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

I saved a txt file using notepad. Now I get the name of the file, its size and time it was saved. However, it can not read the file.

Please help!!
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Rahul Singh
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Maybe the floppy disk is unreadable. We can't really tell you unless you report the exact error message you see when opening the file. Note that floppy disks are notorious for failing. Use

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a flash disk instead!