

Re: need help accessing my computer

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carlos70 wrote:

hi i need help i forgot my password to access my computer i even forgot the password hint, i use windows xp how do i get into my computer. i am the only one that uses the computer can you help me.
thanks carlos

In XP Home, boot the computer into Safe Mode. Do this by repeatedly tapping the F8 key as the computer is starting up. This will get you to the right menu. Navigate using your Up arrow key; the mouse will not work here. Once in Safe Mode, you will see the normally hidden Administrator account. The default password is a blank.

In XP Pro, you do not need to go into Safe Mode. At the Welcome Screen, do Ctrl-Alt-Del twice to get the classic Windows logon box. Type in "Administrator" and whatever password you assigned when you set up Windows.

If you reset the built-in Administrator account's password in Home or have Pro and don't remember the password, use NTpasswd to change the built-in Administrator account's password to a blank.

<http://home.eunet.no/~pnordahl/ntpasswd/>

Then go to the User Accounts applet in Control Panel and set passwords that you will remember and make other desired changes.

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