

# Re: Floppy Drive

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Nick Bradbury wrote:

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| Hi

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| I am having problems with a Floppy Drive on my PC. On inserting a  
| disk (I know disk is OK) the LED on the drive does not come on, when  
| I try to open a file on the disk the drive LED comes on and stays on,  
| windows displays the hour glass icon but the windows cannot access the  
| floppy disk. I then have to end the program with a message "My Computer  
| is not responding". I have checked Device Manager and there doesn't  
| seem to be a problem with the installation, I have tried to update driver  
| but  
| XP says that the driver is up to date.

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| I have built the PC myself (1st attempt) and all other devices work OK,  
| I have Windows XP Pro installed and all Service Packs etc are installed  
| and up to date. If anyone has any suggestions please let me know.

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| Many thanks

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| Nick

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Hi Nick –

In addition to the above ..

Does your floppy cable have three connectors (or sets of connectors)?

If it does, the motherboard connector is obvious. The other end of the  
cable is for the A:\ drive. The connectors in the middle are for the now  
all but obsolete B:\ drive.

If you have the drive connected to the middle connector, the symptoms will  
be as you describe: the lights are on, but nobody's home.

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- **References:**

- ◆ **Floppy Drive**

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