

Major problems

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OK, here is the history of what happened.

My wife recently moved here from Mexico where she had a Spanish version of XP loaded on her laptop. She wanted to change it to English. We bought XP Pro and decided just to reformat and reinstall English XP Pro. Done. No problems. Worked awesome. I was downloading the Service Pack update and we lost power. Problem #1. Upon restart the machine kept recycling itself. (Turn on, turn off, turn turn off). Problem #2. I tried booting in safe mode, no luck. Decided to reformat again and reinstall again. This time the process went VERY VERY slowly. Problem #3. After what seemed an eternity it loaded and I was on my way. The problem is that after that reformat and reinstall and re-download service pack the machine crawls. Problem #4. I mean really really slow. It takes 10 minutes to boot up and probably 30-60 seconds to open any program. I have tried a complete reformat. A complete new installation. No luck. Same problems. I have run checkdisk, no luck. I have run anti-virus, no luck. I am in desperate need of some help and would be FOREVER indebted to whomever can help me out of this bind.

Thank you

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