

Re: For a friend – PC Crashed

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Thanks, I'll pass that on. It's a bit difficult acting as a relay!!

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Peter.

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"Rich Barry" <rbarry@Notsocal.rr.com> wrote in message
news:LGxfd.23093\$hN1.6248@twister.socal.rr.com...

> Peter, first thing to check is a floppy in the A: drive. That will give
> you the message. The recovery console always asks for
> a password but if you never had any then just continue with the process.
> Here are two sites that a very helpful

> <http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx?scid=kb;EN-US;314058>

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> <http://www.michaelstevensstech.com/XPrepairinstall.htm>

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> "Peter" <Ex-Brit AT rogers DOTcom> wrote in message
> news:%23gylw64uEHA.3228@TK2MSFTNGP12.phx.gbl...

>>A friend of mine has a problem... here is an excerpt from two messages:

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>> Due to a sequence of actions I did last night, I can no longer boot up.
>> It sticks on the first boot screen (the DOS one) saying "NTLDR is
>> missing. Hit any key to continue". Hitting any key or re-booting doesn't
>> let me continue.

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>> Does anyone know what NTLDR is referring to? If so, how can I re-install
>> it?

>> Well it looks like I'm screwed - to get into the recovery console it asks
>> for an administrator password. I never put one in and hitting return
>> doesn't work. After 3 tries it restarts and I'm back at square one.

>> I tried the new install, but I never get a screen offering to repair
>> anything. It wants to overwrite whatever is there and states I will lose
>> all data and anything in the My Documents folder, as well as elsewhere

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>> Anyone any ideas?

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