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I'm lurking here because I'm trying to install Windows XP Pro and when it finishes copying the files from the CD and reboots, it fails to do so because of a corrupt WINDOWS\system32\l_intl.nls

I've found some helpful advice here. I tried going into recovery mode and **copying** the file from the installation CD, but having read the advice here, I'd say I need to **extract** it rather than copying it, so I'm going to try that tomorrow. (I found that out from a link here into the MicroSoft site.)

I don't think there's anything wrong with my hard drive, as I've encountered a similar error on two! In fact, the old 17GB hard drive was the more helpful of the two because it actually gave me this error message. The new 300GB drive with a 20GB partition for WinXP just said "Disk error" which really wasn't helpful at all.

It could be worth my while checking my cables, and one poster here even said that replacing his DVD reader was helpful. That might be worth looking into as my DVD reader used to read both commercial and home burnt CDs, but now only reads the commercial ones, so it ain't what it used to be.

I also saw on a forum elsewhere that someone with this message installed WinXP into two partitions on their hard drive and it ran from the second one!

I do have some more playing around to do yet, so unless you can see anything obvious that I'm doing wrong, I don't need a reply just yet, but I could be back tomorrow with more questions if I exhaust all the possibilities to no avail.

Right now, having acquired an IDE card which enables me to run more hard drives, I'm seriously thinking about forgetting the Windows XP install and going for Windows 98 instead. That's what I've been using for about the past 8 years on the PC, although I should add that a bit over a year ago it had a **serious** upgrade and everything except the floppy drive, DVD reader, CD burner, sound card, 17GB hard drive, and possibly some re-used cabling is **not** from my original system. If only

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Windows 98 didn't suffer from so much memory leakage, I'd turn a permanently deaf ear to my other half's constant blandishments to upgrade to XP, and stick with the devil I know. Right now I've almost convinced myself that I'd rather live with a quirky 98 installation than a totally dead PC, which is what I've got right now:-(

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