

Re: Bootup takes 25 mins

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Yes, the idea of a Random Array of Inexpensive Disks (RAID) is that any one can be replaced without losing anything.

With the chance to get a new computer comes the opportunity to get Vista Business, or better, which has an autobackup feature.

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"dvd888" <dvd888@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message news:F4065C02-9559-4DEB-90D9-C1F1F22DBAA7@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

Thanks.

The only problem is that since my computer is 5-6 years old, it's unlikely that I can find my recovery disks.

At least I can get my data while in Safe Mode.

I was "lucky" that I only had to pay \$900 to recover the data. The unfortunate thing is that I could get a full Core 2 Duo computer with a monitor for only \$800.

I paid a heavy price for not backing up in 6 weeks (I was busy with other things). I figured it would take me about 60 hours of work to recover most of my files (which luckily I could do). Had I backed up a week prior, it would have only taken me 2 hours to recover because I didn't do too many changes in the past week.

Question: If I used a RAID 1 setup (eg, 2 HDs of 360GB each), would I be able to use one drive if the other dies? I've never used RAID before. Would Windows Vista inform me that I'm only operating with one HD instead of two?

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Yes, corrupt. The repair should rewrite whatever was damaged in the drive cloning process.

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"dvd888" <dvd888@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message news:B3C341B0-3A4D-45BA-9E29-1A377AEA6063@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

> Are you saying that my Windows is corrupted?

> Why does Safe Mode work?

> Would you mind answering the question I had below asking whether > Windows

> cares what HD I have or will an exact copy of my HD onto another HD > work?

> Or

> does Windows prevent that from working (hence crippling my bootup)?

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> "Mark L. Ferguson" wrote:

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>> How to Perform a Windows XP Repair Install:

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

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>> "dvd888" <dvd888@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message

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>> news:A4433696-C79D-42ED-89F8-E5766E406EAB@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

>> >I have Windows XP Pro on a 5-year old computer P2-2.4GHz.

>> > Normally it takes 2-3 mins to bootup. Recently my 80GB HD died. I

>> > paid

>> > for

>> > a

>> > data recovery firm to make an image of my drive and they put it on a

>> > 160GB

>> > internal HD so I can use it in my computer. They told me I have a >> >

>> few

>> > bad

>> > blocks but they are able to copy something like 99.9% of my blocks

>> > over.

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>>> If I boot up in Safe Mode, it takes 1 min.
>>> If I boot up in Normal Mode, it takes 25 mins to get to the user >>>
login
>>> screen. After I enter my password, it takes another 35 mins to start
>>> everything up.
>>>
>>> Question: Does WinXP expect to run on the original HD (ie, it >>>
detects
>>> any
>>> MAC ID of the drive)? Is it purposely booting up slowly because I >>>
am
>>> using a
>>> different HD?
>>>
>>> The second time I tried it, after the 35 mins, I couldn't start up >>> any
>>> programs.
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>>> The third time I tried it, after I put in the password, it doesn't >>> go
>>> past
>>> the login screen at all!
>>>
>>> I've only tried bootup 3 times.
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>>> I just tried Safe Mode again and it booted up in 1 min and I could
>>> start
>>> any
>>> program.
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