

# Re: Power Outage, Changed Language

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- *From:* "Rick Rogers" <[rick@xxxxxxxx](mailto:rick@xxxxxxxx)>
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Hi Dave,

I would try Safe Mode (from that same menu), then once loaded click start/run and type "sfc /scannow" (just ignore whatever might show up on the screen) and hit <enter>. The power surge may have corrupted the font files, and this should detect and replace them. Otherwise, you may need to do a repair installation as there may also be damage to system files.

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Best of Luck,

Rick Rogers, aka "Nutcase" – Microsoft MVP

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Windows help – [www.rickrogers.org](http://www.rickrogers.org)

"Dave" <[Dave@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:Dave@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx)> wrote in message  
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Hello Folks, Well, the good news is that I followed all the instructions and did get it to come up to correct screen with the "tap, tap, tap, and hit the Last Configuration deal and it still came up the same with all the signs and so forth as Rick mentioned. So now I am back to needing some more assistance?? Any ideas? I have my CD but I already have the sp2 pack and so forth and need my files or would it lay over? I am open, will be gone a day or two so will take any advice. Thanks again to all!! I will advise what works, when it does??

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Dave

"Dave" wrote:

Rick, Thanks for info, you are correct about the symbols. Tried the F8 but a boot preference came up, no mention of last good configuration? Maybe not hitting the F8 key at the right time??

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Dave

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"Rick Rogers" wrote:

> Hi,  
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> Different language or a collection of unintelligible symbols? Try > hitting  
> F8  
> at the initial startup and choosing the Last Known Good Configuration >  
> from  
> the menu.  
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> -- > Best of Luck,  
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> Rick Rogers, aka "Nutcass" – Microsoft MVP  
> <http://mvp.support.microsoft.com/>  
> Windows help – [www.rickrogers.org](http://www.rickrogers.org)  
>  
> "Dave" <Dave@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message  
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> [news:CB890516-2C54-4374-B5E7-1AE12D07EB68@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:news:CB890516-2C54-4374-B5E7-1AE12D07EB68@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx)  
>> Hello, New user here, tonight we had quick storm and electric went >>  
>> off and  
>> when rebooted came up in some other language. How do I fix. On >>  
>> different  
>> machine now. Thanks??  
>> -- >> Dave  
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