

# New everything, Old hard drive, No windows xp home

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After fruitless attempts to repair my old computer I decided to start from scratch.

I purchased a new case with a power supply, then i got a new mother board specifically the MSI K7N2 Delta – L Ultra400/SPP . After installing it in the new case i thought i would use all my old hardware. WRONG. Different Pin Socket. Back to the store to get a new Processor. With help in selection i purchased the AMD AXP AXDA3200+ made by Barton. FSB 400, 0.13 u AMD CPU 512k L2. Thinking ahead I said to me, with all this new power and speed i better go ahead and upgrade my memory so it could keep up. Got a Dual Channel Module from Geil, DDR 512MB 3200 DUAL GE (2X256MB) SPEED 400 Mhz. Hooked all that up and went to plug in the peripherals , oh oh no where to plug in the monitor. Back to the store for a Gainward MX4000 64MB 8x – 4x APG nVIA. All that is now left from my old system is the hard drive with my files and windows pre-installed software upgraded from M.E. to XP Home.

At boot up is said it could not find operating system. Put in the xp upgrade disk and off it went. till i get to three choices. 1. install xp home 2. repair xp home. 3 quit

option 1 goes through a bunch of set up and ends up telling me there is no previous copy of windows and to insert the windows full version disk, which since all the computers i have had were preloaded with windows. option 2 deadends asking me for my administrators password. none of my passwords work and i end up at the dos prompt with no direction on where to go from there, although i have tried many. The web site based help for all these new parts seem to point toward a bios problem. Which i have explored to the extend of my knowledge, ability, or bravery. The other night after trying some other avenues i kept ending up int the boot sequence with Media test failure, check cable / Exiting Nvidia boot agent / DISK\_BOOT\_FAILURE Made it past that and got to a screen asking me which operating system i wanted to use listing 2 choices both of which were the same. Tring both of them ends in a message about a corrupt or missing file HAL.DLL

I found the file in my computer at work i Installed my home drive as a slave and copied the file from one hard drive to the other. This is where i am stuck now be cause it still tells me the file is mising or corrupted. I'm getting a pretty big bruise from banging my head against the wall. I hope someone out there can help me with this. I'm Going Insane

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