

Re: word corrupting files?

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I think what we are doing is saving to one computer, copying the files to a CD or USB thumb drive, then copying them to the new computer. The weird thing is, it looks like the files got more corrupted on the new computer as time goes on.

I recently upgraded this computer from 2000 to XP and uninstalled and reinstalled office xp. What else can i try? I open the file and it says i need a converter but everything i try only shows boxes. I guess that file is toast, but what can i do for future files?

BTW, the computer is virus free...

>-----Original Message-----

>Sounds like you are saving from Word directly to a floppy disk. Don't

>do that. Word will quickly corrupt files if you save directly to

>removable media. Instead, save your document to the hard drive, close

>the document, and then use My Computer or Windows Explorer to copy the

>document to a floppy disk. On the second computer, copy the document

>from the floppy disk to the hard drive, and open the copy that is on the

>hard drive. The files you have on the floppy disk are probably toast.

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>Marc wrote:

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>> On certain files, when i open them in word 2002, it

>> prompts me for which converter i want to use to open it.

>> The preview of the text document shows a bunch of boxes

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>> *and the actual document is not readable. This is
happening
>> from taking an office document from one computer and
>> putting it on another. Other files are displaying
content
>> from different files – opening 1.doc will show the
>> contents of 2.doc and 2.doc will show the contents of
>> 3.doc. What is going on? I've tried reinstalling,
virus
>> scan, all the updates. Im all out of ideas. What could
be
>> causing this strange behavior and corruption of files?
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