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Subject: Trying to have a new hardrive....  
Posted by [Renegade](#) on Wed, 11 Oct 2006 03:57:57 GMT  
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I just recently bought a new hardrive, a 160 GB and when i try to use it, my computer goes the the setup, yadda yadda, then it says its gotta reboot.

So then, when it does, it says hardrive not detectable, any helps?

Btw, its an HP compaq ME edition, the fat ugly ones that by the end of this year, i will be upgrading.

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Subject: Re: Trying to have a new hardrive....  
Posted by [light](#) on Wed, 11 Oct 2006 06:46:19 GMT  
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Right click on "My Computer" and select "Manage".

From the left, select "Disk Managment". It should show in there.

Now, before I recommend formatting anything, was the drive blank when you got it and can you safely format it?

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Subject: Re: Trying to have a new hardrive....  
Posted by [jnz](#) on Wed, 11 Oct 2006 06:47:39 GMT  
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what rofl, you dont have to "install" a hdd, most operating systems detect it.

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Posted by [Renegade](#) on Wed, 11 Oct 2006 16:06:01 GMT  
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its brand new nothign on it.

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Subject: Re: Trying to have a new hardrive....  
Posted by [light](#) on Thu, 12 Oct 2006 03:25:59 GMT  
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cheekay77 wrote on Thu, 12 October 2006 05:06im not trying to format it its brand new nothign on it.

Can you see it in Disk Management? Did you set the jumper properly?

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Posted by [jnz](#) on Thu, 12 Oct 2006 09:25:58 GMT  
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you need to format it, to create a partition table that windows can read

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Subject: Re: Trying to have a new hardrive....  
Posted by [Renerage](#) on Thu, 12 Oct 2006 14:51:35 GMT  
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Posted by [light](#) on Fri, 13 Oct 2006 01:04:46 GMT  
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cheekay77 wrote on Fri, 13 October 2006 03:51Is the "Manage" in control panel?  
No, read what I wrote, you Right Click on 'My Computer'.

cheekay77 wrote on Fri, 13 October 2006 03:51And why does it need to be formatted if its brand new.  
Because it could be used in a Windows PC/Linux/Unix/Mac etc. and they all like different file systems.

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You shouldn't be installing XP on 2 drives on the same machine unless you REALLY know what you're doing.

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It's inside the Management section.

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Posted by [Renegade](#) on Fri, 13 Oct 2006 04:20:35 GMT  
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When i right click my computer, theres no Manage option. Serioulsy, the options dont even come close to manage.

And i dont want it on both drives. I want a brand new drive. Thats twice ive said this now.  
One drive.  
One drive.  
One drive.

I took out my old drive, slapped in teh NEW one. Now you get it?

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Subject: Re: Trying to have a new hardrive....  
Posted by [danpaul88](#) on Fri, 13 Oct 2006 06:33:31 GMT  
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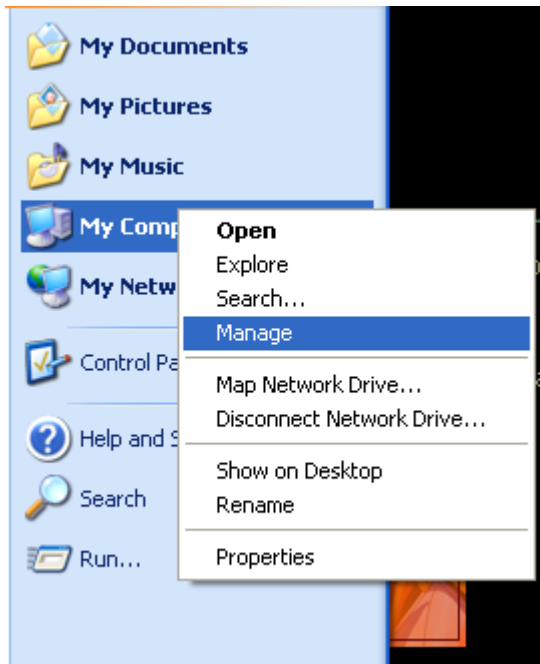
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Posted by [Goztow](#) on Fri, 13 Oct 2006 06:37:09 GMT  
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No, it goes through some options, like setup and shit. You know, to put XP on it. Then after i put into the serial in it, load to XP and what not, nothing. It dies on me.  
To clear this up, i have the boot floppy and boot disk.

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Subject: Re: Trying to have a new hardrive....

Posted by [Zion](#) on Fri, 13 Oct 2006 07:30:06 GMT

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Make sure the jumper settings are corret and that BIOS (F2 or DEL at startup) can detect the drive. If not then set the jumper settings to something reasonable like Cable Select (CS) or Master.

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Subject: Re: Trying to have a new hardrive....

Posted by [danpaul88](#) on Fri, 13 Oct 2006 12:06:16 GMT

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Posted by [Renegade](#) on Fri, 13 Oct 2006 17:06:59 GMT

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How many times have I said my main omputers ME?

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Posted by [jnz](#) on Fri, 13 Oct 2006 18:39:23 GMT

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I know, And i asked how to create a partition table.  
Still waiting for that response....

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this should do nicly: [http://www.soft32.com/Download/free-trial/Partition\\_Magic/4-151-1.html](http://www.soft32.com/Download/free-trial/Partition_Magic/4-151-1.html)

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Subject: Re: Trying to have a new hardrive....

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use fdisk, it's on any windows boot disk. (I have my Windows 98 boot disk from ages ago)

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Subject: Re: Trying to have a new hardrive....

Posted by [jnz](#) on Sat, 14 Oct 2006 00:56:15 GMT

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Yeah, true. He could just use the one built into the XP installer.

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i was going to suggest that but couldn't be botherd typing the know-how

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