

# debian distro on a floppy

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previously, i had a working system w/ linux on /dev/hdc and windblows on /dev/hda. since my bios didn't allow me to boot from /dev/hdc, i had to use a boot disk to get to boot linux. i upgraded the kernel and proceeded to make a new boot disk. well, like a dumba\$\$, i didn't ensure i was using a new floppy and overwrote my old bootdisk. to make matters worse, i did not properly generate a root filesystem on the floppy so now the kernel panics during the boot process.

years ago, when trying to fix a hdd problem, i came across floppy images that had all things necessary to run from a floppy. my hope is i can move the linux drive to /ved/hda, boot/run w/ one of these images, change lilo.conf to reflect /dev/hda (right now, that disk reflects /dev/hdc ... kinda useless), run lilo, and reboot. after this, i will recreate a boot disk and hopefully not mess up the root filesyetem information.

does anyone have a HOWTO or image to recommend? i will continue to google looking for it in the meantime.

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