

Re: Linux just won't load on my system!

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Got to the st Principle ...check the HCL on Linux.com to determine hardware compatibility first before you try to load Red Hat. Disk, Monitor and Motherboard must at least be on this HCL list. and if you have USB device note the resources (Mem, IRQ) on Win 98 since the worked on it.

Good luck !

"JamesB" <anon@yahoo.com> wrote in message

news:5jPfb.2315\$Qy2.695@newsread4.news.pas.earthlink.net...

> *Redhat 9 won't install (it says it can't find the CD ROM after booting and trying to start and install), and Redhat 8 installs, but can't show the GUI.*

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> *I also tried two CD based versions (Adios and Knoppix). They can't load the*

> *GUI either.*

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> *Here's my system info (I loaded Windows 98). Is there anything I can do?*

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> *I just need to surf the net.*

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> *Thanks.*

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> Manufacturer : Compaq

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> Host Name : CDL04

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> Processor

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> Model : Intel(R) Pentium(R) II

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> Speed : 349MHz

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> Performance Rating : PR419 (estimated)

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> Type : Standard

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>
> L2 On-board Cache : 512kB ECC Synchronous Write-Back (4-way, 32 byte line
> size)
>
> Mainboard
>
> Bus(es) : ISA AGP PCI USB i2c/SMBus
>
> MP Support : No
>
> MP APIC : No
>
> System BIOS : Compaq 686T3
>
> Mainboard : Compaq 0400h
>
> Total Memory : 128MB SDRAM
>
> Chipset 1
>
> Model : Intel Corporation 82443BX/ZX 440BX/ZX CPU to PCI Bridge (AGP
> Implemented)
>
> Front Side Bus Speed : 1x 100MHz (100MHz data rate)
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> Total Memory : 128MB SDRAM
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> Memory Bus Speed : 1x 100MHz (100MHz data rate)
>
> Video System
>
> Monitor/Panel : ViewSonic 17GS-2
>
> Adapter : ATI 3D Rage Pro (atir3)
>
> Physical Storage Devices
>
> Hard Disk : GENERIC NEC FLOPPY DISK
>
> Hard Disk : GENERIC IDE DISK TYPE01
>
> CD-ROM/DVD : COMPAQ CD-ROM CR-589
>
> Logical Storage Devices
>
> 1.44MB 3.5" (A:) : N/A
>
> Tested (C:) : 6.0GB (5.6GB, 93% Free) (FAT32)
>
> CD-ROM/DVD (D:) : N/A
>
> Peripherals
>
> Serial/Parallel Port(s) : 2 COM / 1 LPT
>
> USB Controller/Hub : Intel 82371AB/EB PCI to USB Universal Host Controller
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> USB Controller/Hub : USB Root Hub
>
> Keyboard : Standard 101/102-Key or Microsoft Natural Keyboard
>
> Mouse : PS/2 Compatible Mouse Port
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> MultiMedia Device(s)
>
> Device : ES1869 Control Interface (WDM)
>
> Device : ES1869 Plug and Play AudioDrive (WDM)
>
> Device : Microsoft Kernel System Renderer
>
> Device : Microsoft Kernel GS Wavetable Synthesizer
>
> Device : Microsoft Kernel Audio Mixer
>
> Device : Microsoft DirectMusic SW Synth (WDM)
>
> Operating System(s)
>
> Windows System : Microsoft Windows 98 (Win32 x86) 4.10.2222 ( A )
>
> DOS System : Microsoft MS-DOS Version 7.10 A
>
> Network Services
>
> Network Drivers Enabled : Yes
>
> Adapter : Dial-Up Adapter
>
> Adapter : Compaq NC3121 Fast Ethernet NIC
>
> SiSoftware Sandra
>
> System
>
> Manufacturer : Compaq
>
> Model : Deskpro EN Series
>
> System Chassis
>
> Manufacturer : Compaq
>
> Type : Desktop
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