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Redmond's Windows is an important part of your computer that transcends life into the virtually dead components. Launch of every new version of the Windows operating system creates a sense of zeal in you to know what is actually new this time. Windows XP can be termed as a benchmark in the era of system software. It showcased brand new features in terms of user-interface and appearance (ClearType, Start menu, Taskbar, Windows Explorer, Task pane, Navigation pane, Grouping and sorting, Search, AutoPlay, etc.), performance and kernel improvements (Processor support, Memory management, Registry, Debugging, File System, etc.), user data and settings management (Roaming user profiles, Offline Files, Folder Redirection, etc.) and reliability improvement (System Restore, Windows Error Reporting, Device Driver Rollback, etc.), device support improvements (USB 2.0 support, Windows Image Acquisition, CD burning, Power management, audio hardware support, and other hardware and driver improvements), System administration (Windows Script Host, Remote Desktop, Remote Assistance, Windows Installer, Disk Defragmenter, Windows Task Manager and other management features), and security features (PKI support, Encrypting File System, Password Reset Wizard, Credential Manager, Software Restriction Policies, Memory protection, Windows Firewall, Windows Security Center, etc.). The world witnessed an innovative way to network, communicate and share with the induction of Wi-Fi, Bluetooth support, IPv6 support, Background Intelligent Transfer Service, Faxing and Simple File Sharing. Since XP, there is a non-stop journey towards simplifying technology and making it more accessible, stable and reliable through service packs 1, 2 and 3, then further extending it to Windows Vista, Windows 7 and Windows 8.

In the timeline of Windows, one thing still remains unchanged, and is as stagnant as the Mount Everest. Wondering what it could be? Needless to say, this is "the commitment to deliver smooth upgrade from one version to another." Without any external computer technical support you can do it yourself. There are a few things that should be taken into account. First affirm the system compatibility. How to do that? Just navigate to the Windows Upgrade Advisor, the free utility that is available from Microsoft. It scans your PC for potential issues with your hardware, devices, and installed programs, and recommends what to do before you upgrade. For hardware related problems, there is no other alternative than to upgrade your system, however, if the concern is regarding software, then the scope is still there with the alternative of custom installation. Have in mind that custom installation doesn't retain your previous installed software, programs, and settings with respect to user account, email, browser and others. Hence, you need a reliable medium to have backup of your data and settings. Windows Easy Transfer is a useful utility to accomplish the job in a pretty fair way. The utility comes intact with the Windows installation CD/DVD. Insert the CD and when the Install Windows page appears, click the "Transfer files and settings from another computer link". Next complete the setup, and then restore your favorite files and settings on the new machine. At the end, you are supposed to install all device drivers.

Online PC Help services can ease your job. Despite all, if you are getting errors related to copying files, invalid product key, or if your machine hangs or directs you to blue or black screen meanwhile the process then it's time to seek experts' advice. Get in touch with your reliable tech support provider over the Internet or phone. Besides installation and activation, experts can also counteract post-activation issues related to the accessibility and compatibility of programs and files and sharing and networking of internal resources and peripherals. They can help you to configure the security settings of the system so that you stay safe while banking, shopping and surfing online.

Discover modules to fix computer problems on your own; it's easy, and saves time and money both. Either go with the automated Microsoft Fix It or make use of the manual troubleshooting tools like

System Restore, Windows Error Reporting, Device Driver Rollback, Power management, Windows Installer, Disk Defragmenter, Windows Task Manager and others as per demand.

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