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Keaukaha Wahine wrote:

My 11yr niece wanted to get into my computer and I wasn't in the room. She kept entering what she thought was right many times (to many) now I am locked out and unable to enter the correct password. I know that there should be a way to reset the password. I have 2 user accounts mine (with administrator access) the original Administrator account which I have never touched and never put on the welcome screen. Please any advice on how to unlock the PC so I get back in. Thank you.

Simply log in using the built-in Administrator account (which cannot be deleted) and modify the desired account(s) and use Start > Run > "control userpasswords2" to modify the desired account(s).

By design, the only way to log into the Administrator account of WinXP Home is to reboot into Safe Mode. For WinXP Pro, pressing CTRL+ALT+DEL twice at the Welcome Screen will produce the standard login dialog box.

By the way, unless you've changed the default settings, the system should automatically "unlock" after 15 minutes, allowing you to log in using the correct password.

Bruce Chambers

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They that can give up essential liberty to obtain a little temporary safety deserve neither liberty nor safety.
-Benjamin Franklin

Many people would rather die than think; in fact, most do. -Bertrand Russell

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