

Re: Copying "Soundtrack from the movie ..." CD

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Some cd's come with "bonus" files, games you can play on a pc, etc. That's probably what the .exe & .dxr and other unknown files are. Typically, when you simply view a commercial music cd containing only music in WE, you see a number of .cda files of 1k size, one for each tune. You need to rip the cd; you can't just copy its contents and expect it to play on a cd player (car, etc). If you just want to clone the disk, rip to .wav files (uncompressed, not mp3's etc). I use Exact Audio Copy for this, obtainable free here <http://www.exactaudiocopy.de/> You then burn the files using any number of programs; I use Nero Express. BTW I have a copy of this very disk I got from the library, been awhile, don't recall if the original had any non-audio nonsense on it, but the copy plays fine. There's no doubt a way to clone all the contents (mixed audio/data), but some commercial cd's are actually too large to fit on a cd-r in their entirety, again I don't recall if this was the case with the disk in question.

Dan

Bill Jeffrey wrote:

I bought a CD "Soundtrack from the Movie O Brother Where Art Thou". The disc plays fine in the DVD/CD player connected to my TV. I would like to make an audio CD copy to play in my car, but I'm having a LOT of trouble.

There are no recognizable audio files (i.e., *.mp3, etc) on the CD. Windows Explorer tells me there are a number of other files, some of which are executables (*.exe), as well as a huge one with a .DXR suffix. I imagine this is where the audio is stored, but I can't be sure.

On my computer, I can play the first 17 (of the 19) tracks using Winamp 5.08. I can also rip these tracks, and then later play the ripped files. The ripped files on my hard drive have an .m4a extension. But my computer won't play or rip tracks 18 or 19 - midway through the 18th track, it hangs up hard, and I

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have to pull the power cord to get control back. It won't even begin to rip the 19th track.

I guess I could plug the analog audio output from the DVD/CD player into my computer's sound card and capture it there, but this annoys me. And I would like to know what is happening.

Anyone got any info? Thanks.

Bill