

# Re: Hard drive gets no power

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On Dec 9, 5:07 am, "meja...@xxxxxxxxxx" <[meja...@xxxxxxxxxx](mailto:meja...@xxxxxxxxxx)> wrote:

Hi all,

I have a Western Digital WD800 80 GB drive. I am not sure why the drive will not power up. Here are the specs on the drive:

LBA 156301488  
80.0GB

MDL: WD800JB - 00FMA0  
DATE: 21 APR 2004  
DCM: HSBANAJAB

What would I need to be able to fix this drive? Do I know an "exact" drive to be able to fix it? Is there anything else I could try that might bring the drive back? Please any suggestions would be greatly appreciated. Thanks

Jasiu

In your description of the problem, does "power up" really mean "spin up"?

If so, and you're out of other options and ready to replace the drive anyway, try the following: remove the drive from the chassis. Hold it with your fingertips and apply power. With power applied, give the drive a little horizontal bump with the heel of your hand, see if it spins up then. I've had drives get "stuck" in the past, and more than once this has worked for me to get them spinning again. You want to slightly jar the drive in the same plane as the platter(s) in the drive.

Of course, if it does work, immediately make a copy of the contents

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of the drive, then replace it. Chances are it'll just stick again if  
you try  
to keep using it.

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