Subject: Re: My computer got nuked, what should I do? Posted by Sir Phoenixx on Fri, 02 Dec 2005 15:07:30 GMT

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Quote:1. He had to have let his friend on the PC, I'm not condoning what was done, but he has to take some responsibility for it.

- 2. I know it's the real world, and to that end, his PC should be protected.
- 3. I'm not saying it wasn't wrong, believe me, I KNOW it was wrong, but i'm sure it can be reconciled in a better way that reporting him to the police. (Perhaps talking to him?)
- 4. Trust me, I want to keep all my files intact, to that end I backup regularly and secure my data.
- 1. No, he doesn't, rather or not he let his friend use his computer is irrelevant, he isn't responsible at all for his friend damaging his computer. If you let your friend use your car, and he (admitted that he) intentionally drove it into a tree just to destroy it as a prank on you, the fact that you let him use it is completely irrelevant to if you'd be even the least bit responsible.
- 2. Yes, protected from intruders, hackers, etc. But not from someone you let use it. Plus, if his computer was hacked and he did nothing to protect it, like no password or firewall, etc., then that too is irrelevant, it doesn't suddenly become less illegal for the hacker if he doesn't protect it. Car example again... If you leave your car unlocked, does it suddenly become alright or not illegal for someone to steal it because you didn't lock it?
- 3. No, it can't. He destroyed his property, what he did was illegal, it's not revenge, or taking a base ball bat to someone because they made a remark about your mother. Going to the police and/or suing him is necessary. If he doesn't, his friend will know that he can get away with more on him. He owes him however much it would cost to get it repaired, and/or the problem removed, and about a couple weeks or whatever in jail.
- 4. And I'm sure he didn't want his files because he didn't back them up...