

EJECTING A STUCK CD/DVD FROM THE CD/DVD DRIVE TRAY

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If you have ever had a CD or DVD get stuck in the drive tray, you know how frustrating it can be in attempting to extract it.

Before you take out the drive and try to surgically remove the disk, or worse, buy a new drive, try this simple little trick to manually open your disk drive tray.

1. Unwind a paperclip.
2. Stick it in the little hole on the drive tray, usually near the eject button. It's the manual release for the drive tray.

But even after going through the two steps above, if you are still having trouble getting that stubborn CD to come out, give these alternative tricks a try

- First, try adding something to the CD. If you put an extra file or another song on it, that might be enough to coax it out.
- Also, when you're using a CD, make sure you eject it before you start up another program. If you leave the CD in its tray while you use other programs, it could cause some problems.
- Another thing to try is a simple reboot. Sometimes when you shut down your computer and then turn it back on, the CD will eject.
- From within Windows Explorer (Windows key + E key), right click your CD/DVD drive and choose Eject. If you try it more than once, it could finally open.