

# The problem with Gentoo

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Gentoo is a relatively technical Linux distribution. It was also the first distro (though I did play with PuppyLinux before) that I used. Compared to most geeks I am rather illiterate. My technical background lies in the internet and as a result I treat the desktop world much like an average joe.

Before we all assume that therefore I'm not the target market, I'd like to say that I see Gentoo as a distribution that should allow me to easily use my computer whilst keeping configuration as flexible as possible. Of course with customisation we often get a tradeoff in usability, but nevertheless there are a couple areas where this tradeoff shouldn't occur:

## 1) Hardware

Things like sound, internet, webcam, wireless, and suspend/hibernate should work out of the box. Tweak it later if you want, but it should work first. Please don't just say it's the kernel developers problem.

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