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**From:** Mark Hanna (*Mark.Hanna\_at\_FREEMANCO.COM*)

**Date:** 11/10/05

Date: Thu, 10 Nov 2005 15:41:37 -0600  
To: aix-l@Princeton.EDU

can you login as a normal user if the default shell is not ksh?

has /etc/passwd been modified recently? I've seen instances where any user "below" an error in /etc/passwd would not let them login.

of course, the obvious question is, when did it last work properly and did anyone change anything since then

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From: IBM AIX Discussion List [mailto:aix-l@Princeton.EDU] On Behalf Of SUBSCRIBE aix-l Tina N  
Sent: Thursday, November 10, 2005 3:30 PM  
To: aix-l@Princeton.EDU  
Subject: Re: Users can't login!!

It is not either of those either... this is very puzzling...

a) the /home directory was mounted, only 36% utilized.. I could cd into /home, I could write files to /home, I could delete files from /home and I could execute ksh programs out of my home directory (as root, since I could not login as myself of course).

b) As for it being program related.. the application users on the system run a /home/\*.profile that does give them application specific attributes.. however, my .profile does not have anything application related in it.. neither does the other two sys admins who are here.

Application specific was ruled out, since I was having the same problem and I have nothing related to any application in my .profile

Tks for all the input!

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That's not the case; /etc/nologin doesn't hang the session. The problem appears to be either a home directory not mounted or a program which runs upon users' login but doesn't work as expected.

Abraços,  
Marlon Borba, CISSP.

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Nova campanha:  
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>>> jcyanquen@SISA-SA.COM 11/10/05 7:03 PM >>>

rm /etc/nologin

----- Original Message -----

From: Martin Johnson  
Date: Thu 11/10/05 15:53  
To: aix-l@Princeton.EDU  
Subject: Re: Users can't login!!

We had a similar problem when the user directories couldn't be mounted because automount got hung. We had to reboot.

Marty

SUBSCRIBE aix-l Tina N wrote:

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> I have a system experiencing login problems....

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> Users can enter their ID and Password.. and then it hangs once the  
> MOTD message is displayed.

> Root can login with no issues....

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> Both telnet and rlogin are having the same symptom..

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> Any ideas?  
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> Tks  
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