

Can't escape to loader prompt

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Hi,

I'm trying to install 5.3, via CD, on a system with a USB keyboard only. Once I boot from the CD, I lose the keyboard and, after the first menu times out, I see the main install menu but I can't make any selections.

I've seen the instructions to "escape to loader prompt" and do

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> set hint.atkbd.0.flags="0x1"
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> boot
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However, I am unable to even escape to the loader prompt. The only thing I can do with my keyboard once I boot from the CD is toggle the num lock and caps lock. I haven't been able to find any reports of similar trouble on Google, so was wondering if anyone on this list has had trouble with a keyboard so early on in the install, and what, if anything, they did to fix it.

Thanks,

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