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Subject: Re: Computer died -- Need advice on building new one!

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Well, I wound up keeping the machine, and brought it home today.

While it has a huge case full of bays for upgrades, the motherboard only has 1 spare PCI slot, and the power supply only has enough connections for two CD-ROM drives and a hard disk, lol Oh, and one word with regards to the video... Intergrated.

So, my old computer had a 500 watt power supply, with enough connections on it to power absolutely anything I could tuck into the computer's case, I'd like to install it, and a new motherboard into my computer, then I'll be plenty happy

All I need is a motherboard with the following capabilities:

- Be compatable with my Intel 2.66 (775 socket if I remember correctly) GHz dual core processor with good BUS speeds
- At least 3 PCI slots (my case has room for 5)
- An AGP slot for my video card (Radeon All-In-Wonder 9800)
- Intergrated sound, video and network components
- Fan speed control abilities (to quiet it down, a no-fan cooling system like ASUS offers would be fine with me)
- Spot for CD-ROM drive IDE ribbon, and a spot for the new style mini-plug the hard disk uses
- 4 RAM slots (DDR, or DDR2 doesn't matter to me, just so long as it is DDR. I have 1024 MB of DDR, and would have to buy DDR2)

The power supply is a 20 pin (2 x 10) connector along with a 4 pin (2 x 2) connector for the motherboard. I can post a pic if interested.

I want the intergrated video for my second monitor, so it doesn't need to be anything particularly fancy, and the sound is patched through my sound system, so no worries about it being all fancy either.

So, less the motherboard and power supply in this box, I'm actually pretty happy with what I picked up, and after I get a new motherboard in, with a new powersupply and I can get my old video card + PCI accessories re-installed, it should be good for many years to come

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