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Thread: [Oops! Something was spilled.](#)

MuggleStruggles - April 26, 2015, 4:49 am

I allowed a coworker to borrow my laptop for a project they needed to look over. Well they were eating ramen and spilled the noodle juice all over my laptop's keyboard and the surrounding table. They left the power on and continued to hunt for stuff to clean it. It turned off on its own right then and there. I got ahold of it shortly after, cracked open the casing and dried out the juices. I now have the problem of figuring out why the keyboard and mouse(pad) does not work. I've checked and they are plugged in, but it is as if they aren't registering.

Any ideas? I managed to power it on and use a USB mouse to login

Mr. Robot - April 26, 2015, 4:50 am

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MuggleStruggles - April 26, 2015, 4:52 am

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