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<p>Hello,</p>

<p>I want to build the ultimate retro PC for gaming. My first PC was with

Windows</p>

<p>XP, so I've never owned a pre-XP era PC, and now I have

a modern PC with core i7 and</p>

<p>Windows 7, but I'm not quite satisfied with retro games

on this modern PC, no matter</p>

<p>how well can features be emulated, I came to the conclusion

that to get the best full</p>

<p>experience of old retro games, I'm gonna need to build a

retro PC.</p>

<p>I guess I should use</p>

<p>Windows 98SE or Windows ME as the OS of choice, I think I shall

have no problems at all</p>

<p>with DOS and Win95 games on a Win98SE machine, right?</p>

<p>I dug around the internet to</p>

<p>research the limitations of Win98 and found out that it doe

s not support</p>

<p>multithreading, so I guess anything more than a single core

CPU would be a waste. It</p>

<p>has stability issues with more than 512MB ram, so I guess I

should get 2 sticks of</p>

<p>256MB for dual channel. I think it cannot support more than 128GB HDD,

so I should</p>

<p>probably look for a 120GB HDD. Or is that 128GB partition? If I get, s

ay, 250GB HDD,</p>

<p>can I make 2 partitions 120GB each and have no issues? And

it doesn't support SATA so</p>

<p>everything should be IDE, and it doesn't support PCI Ex

press either.</p>

<p>Now, let me say</p>

<p>this, I don't want just a cheap budget retro PC, I want

to assemble the ultimate retro</p>

<p>PC with all the best parts possible. So don't pay that much attent

ion to the price of</p>

<p>parts.</p>

<p>First, choosing the motherboard. As far as I'm aware, AMD single co

re CPUs</p>

<p>outperform Intel single core CPUs, so I guess I should look

for AMD. From what I can</p>

<p>see, Socket AM2 and Socket 939 have useless PCI Express slo

ts. Then the choice is</p>

<p>between Socket A(462) and Socket 754. Probably a bit of a n

o-brainer, the 754 is newer</p>

<p>and should be better. Is there any reason to choose the 462 over the 7

54? I read</p>