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Subject: Laptop speakers malfunctioning?  
Posted by [Monolime](#) on Sat, 13 May 2017 22:41:25 GMT  
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Hello. I'm using a cheap HP laptop running Windows 10. It's about a year-and-a-half old. At some point within the past year, I've noticed that the built-in speakers have gotten very inconsistent with the quality of the sound that they produce.

At its worst, it'll sound as if the audio has been bass boosted to a ridiculous degree, and you'll hear lots of crackles. Sometimes, it'll sound completely normal.

Could the issue be with the hardware? Or did I accidentally ruin my settings at some point without noticing? I'm not knowledgeable about this sort of thing at all, so I would appreciate some help.

Thanks.

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Subject: Re: Laptop speakers malfunctioning?  
Posted by [bcharlton](#) on Sun, 14 May 2017 05:50:43 GMT  
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I wouldn't really call it cheap but I get your point. I have been there before but I'm not sure if it is the same thing. Whenever I'd hear anything at a high volume, the sound would be so pathetic. Have you ever connected your laptop to an external speaker and listened to it at a high volume? This often ruins the speakers.

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Subject: Re: Laptop speakers malfunctioning?  
Posted by [gofar99](#) on Sun, 14 May 2017 20:15:33 GMT  
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Hi, A high probability is that it is either set wrong (look for the audio control panel) or the audio driver is outdated (maybe corrupted as well) and needs to be updated or fixed. If the speaker ever work OK then they are unlikely to be the problem.

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Subject: Re: Laptop speakers malfunctioning?  
Posted by [Ssal](#) on Fri, 19 May 2017 23:06:34 GMT  
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I've had the same problem with my laptop and I even asked that same question in this forum some time ago. I tried everything that others here suggested but in the end I just had to admit defeat and the speakers are still the same. I guess I'll just have to put up with them till I get a new laptop.

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