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| 204down voteaccepted | You can create a new db then use the "Restore Wizard" enabling the Overwrite option or;  View the content;  RESTORE FILELISTONLY FROM DISK='c:\your.bak'  note the logical names of the .mdf & .ldf from the results, then;  RESTORE DATABASE MyTempCopy FROM DISK='c:\your.bak'  WITH  MOVE 'LogicalNameForTheMDF' TO 'c:\MyTempCopy.mdf',  MOVE 'LogicalNameForTheLDF' TO 'c:\MyTempCopy\_log.ldf'  To create the database MyTempCopy with the contents of your.bak.  Example (restores a backup of a db called 'creditline' to 'MyTempCopy';  RESTORE FILELISTONLY FROM DISK='e:\mssql\backup\creditline.bak'  >LogicalName  >--------------  >CreditLine  >CreditLine\_log  RESTORE DATABASE MyTempCopy FROM DISK='e:\mssql\backup\creditline.bak'  WITH  MOVE 'CreditLine' TO 'e:\mssql\MyTempCopy.mdf',  MOVE 'CreditLine\_log' TO 'e:\mssql\MyTempCopy\_log.ldf'  >RESTORE DATABASE successfully processed 186 pages in 0.010 seconds (144.970 MB/sec). |