1. Select **Start**, and then select **Run**.

2. In the **Open** box, type *Regedit.exe*, and then press `Enter` .

3. Locate the `HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Windows NT\CurrentVersion\Winlogon` subkey in the registry.

4. On the **Edit** menu, select **New**, and then point to **String Value**.

5. Type *AutoAdminLogon*, and then press `Enter` .

6. Double-click **AutoAdminLogon**.

7. In the **Edit String** dialog box, type **1** and then select **OK**.

8. Double-click the **DefaultUserName** entry, type your user name, and then select **OK**.

9. Double-click the **DefaultPassword** entry, type your password, and then select **OK**.

   If the **DefaultPassword** value doesn't exist, it must be added. To add the value, follow these steps:

   a. On the **Edit** menu, select **New**, and then point to **String Value**.

   b. Type *DefaultPassword*, and then press `Enter` .

   c. Double-click **DefaultPassword**.

   d. In the **Edit String** dialog, type your password and then select **OK**.

   > ⓘ **Note**
   >
   > If no DefaultPassword string is specified, Windows automatically changes the value of the `AutoAdminLogon` key from **1** (true) to **0** (false), disabling the AutoAdminLogon feature.

10. If you have joined the computer to a domain, you should add the **DefaultDomainName** value, and the data for the value should be set as the fully qualified domain name (FQDN) of the domain, for example `contoso.com.` .

11. Exit Registry Editor.