Checklist

Note: this is not a full checklist, just one that contains services and stuff.

If you are having connectivity issues with the internet, ensure the DHCP Client service is enabled in services.msc

Firewall

* **Win+R**
* Type *services.msc* and press Enter
* Look for **Windows Defender Firewall**
* Double-click on it and set its status to **Disabled**
* Click **Apply** then **Okay**
* **Win**
* Type *Windows Firewall* and press Enter
* Select **Use Recommended Settings**

Updates for other Microsoft products ENABLED

* **Win**
* Type *Settings* and press Enter
* Go to **Windows Updates**
* Click **Advanced options**
* Turn **Receive updates for other Microsoft products when you update Windows.** On

Autoplay service DISABLED (GPEDIT)

* **Win+R**
* Type *gpedit.msc* and press Enter
* Click **Computer Configuration**
* Click **Administrative Templates**
* Click **Windows Components**
* Click **Autoplay Policies**
* Double-click **Turn off Autoplay** and set its status to **Enabled**
* Click **Apply** then **Okay**

Limit local use of blank passwords to local console ENABLED

* **Win+R**
* Type *secpol.msc* and press Enter
* Click **Local Policies**
* Click **Security Options**
* Double-click **Accounts: Limit local account use of blank passwords to console logon only** and set its status to **Enabled**
* Click **Apply** then **Okay**

Clear virtual memory pagefile: ENABLED

* **Win+R**
* Type *secpol.msc* and press Enter
* Click **Local Policies**
* Click **Security Options**
* Double-click **Shutdown: Clear virtual memory pagefile** and set its status to **Enabled**
* Click **Apply** then **Okay**

Smartscreen ENABLED

* **Win**
* Type *App & browser control* and press Enter
* Set everything to block or warn, whichever is possible.

Routing and Remote Access DISABLED

* **Win+R**
* Type *services.msc* and press Enter
* Double-click **Routing And Remote Access** and set its status to **Disabled**
* Click **Apply** then **Okay**

Net.Tcp port sharing DISABLED

* **Win+R**
* Type *services.msc* and press Enter
* Double-click **Net.Tcp Port Sharing Service** and set its status to **Disabled**
* Click **Apply** then **Okay**

RDP network level authentication ENABLED

* **Win+R**
* Type *gpedit.msc* and press Enter
* Click **Computer Configuration**
* Click **Administrative Templates**
* Click **Windows Components**
* Click **Remote Desktop Services**
* Click **Remote Desktop Session Host**
* Click **Security**
* Double-click **Require user authentication for remote connections by using Network Level Authentication** and set its status to **Enabled**
* Click **Apply** then **Okay**

Turn on UAC

* **Win**
* Type *Change User Account Control settings* and press Enter
* Make sure the slider is **all the way up**
* Press **OK**

Remove any programs not needed by the README file.