**Windows Troubleshooting Checklist**

**Hardware & Power**

* [ ] Check all cable connections (power, HDMI, USB)
* [ ] Ensure monitor is powered on and set to correct input
* [ ] Try alternate ports or cables if available

**Restart & Power Cycle**

* [ ] Restart the computer via **Start > Power > Restart**
* [ ] Power cycle external devices (printer, router, etc.)

**Network & Internet**

* [ ] Check network icon in taskbar for connectivity
* [ ] Run ipconfig in Command Prompt to verify IP address
* [ ] Ping a known site: ping google.com
* [ ] Restart router or switch networks if needed

**System Cleanup**

* [ ] Run **Disk Cleanup** or **Storage Sense**
* [ ] Clear %temp% folder manually

**Built-in Troubleshooters**

* [ ] Go to **Settings > System > Troubleshoot > Other troubleshooters**
* [ ] Run relevant tools (Internet, Audio, Printer, Windows Update)

**Windows Updates**

* [ ] Check for updates: **Settings > Windows Update**
* [ ] Install and restart if updates are pending

**Task Manager Review**

* [ ] Open Task Manager (Ctrl + Shift + Esc)
* [ ] Check for high CPU/memory usage
* [ ] End unresponsive or suspicious processes

**Antivirus & Malware Scan**

* [ ] Run a quick scan with Windows Defender or installed antivirus
* [ ] Check for quarantined threats

**Event Viewer**

* [ ] Open **Event Viewer**
* [ ] Review logs under **Windows Logs > System/Application**

**Command Line Tools**

* [ ] sfc /scannow – Scan system files
* [ ] chkdsk /f – Check disk for errors
* [ ] netsh winsock reset – Reset network stack