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How to Install Telnet on Windows 11

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This post shows students and new users steps to install and use Telnet when using Windows 11. Telnet is a network protocol that provided access to a command-line interface on a remote host. It has since been replaced by a more secure SSH protocol on most systems.

However, Telnet isn't dead. Although the protocol is insecure and very old, there are some use cases for Telnet, especially in test situations. It can be used to test remote SQL connections as well as firewall connectivity.

If you're working in a test environment and quickly want to use Telnet to test connectivity, then use the steps below to learn how to install Telnet on Windows 11.

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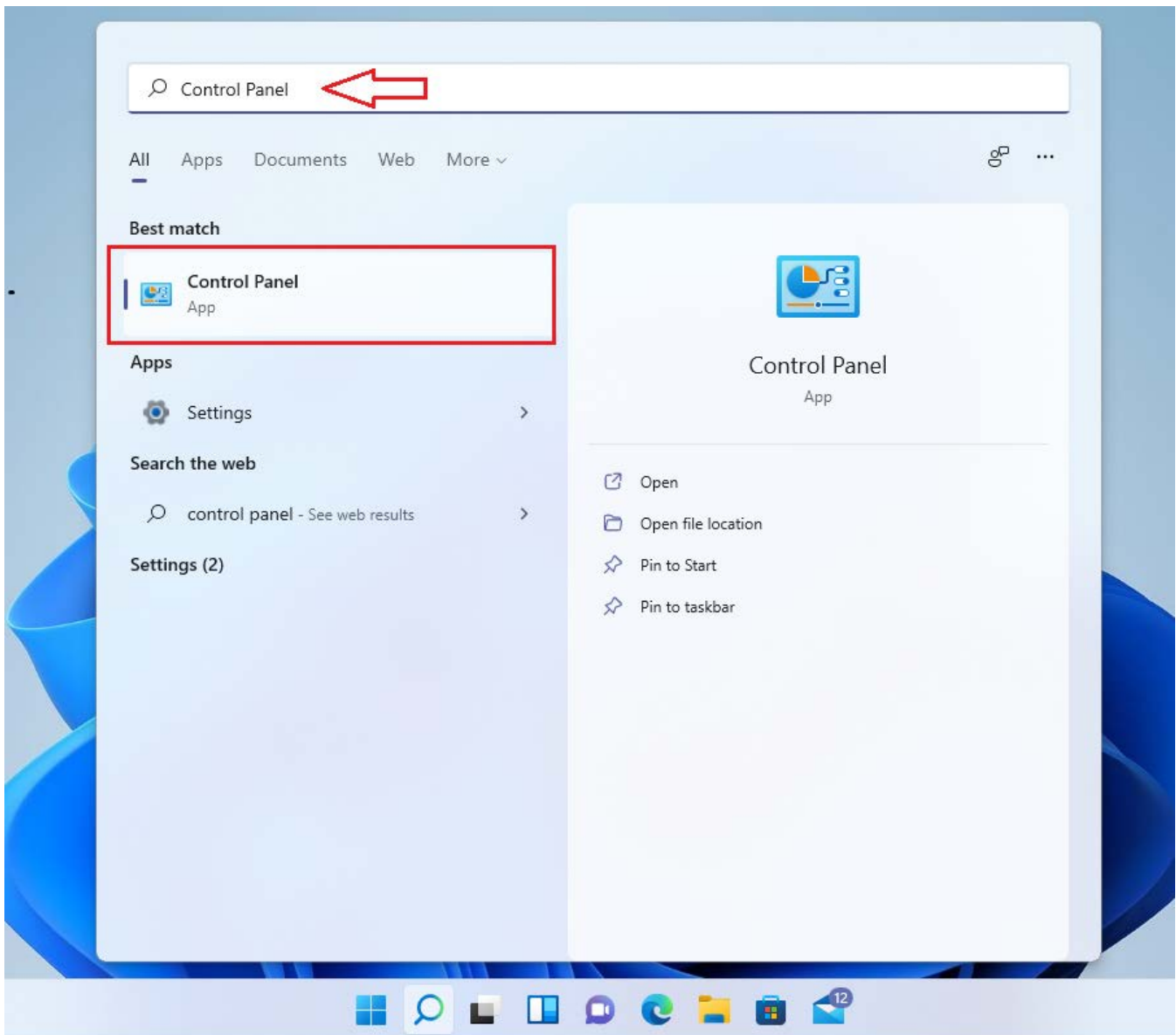
To get started with installing Telnet on Windows 11, follow the steps below.

How to enable Telnet on Windows 11

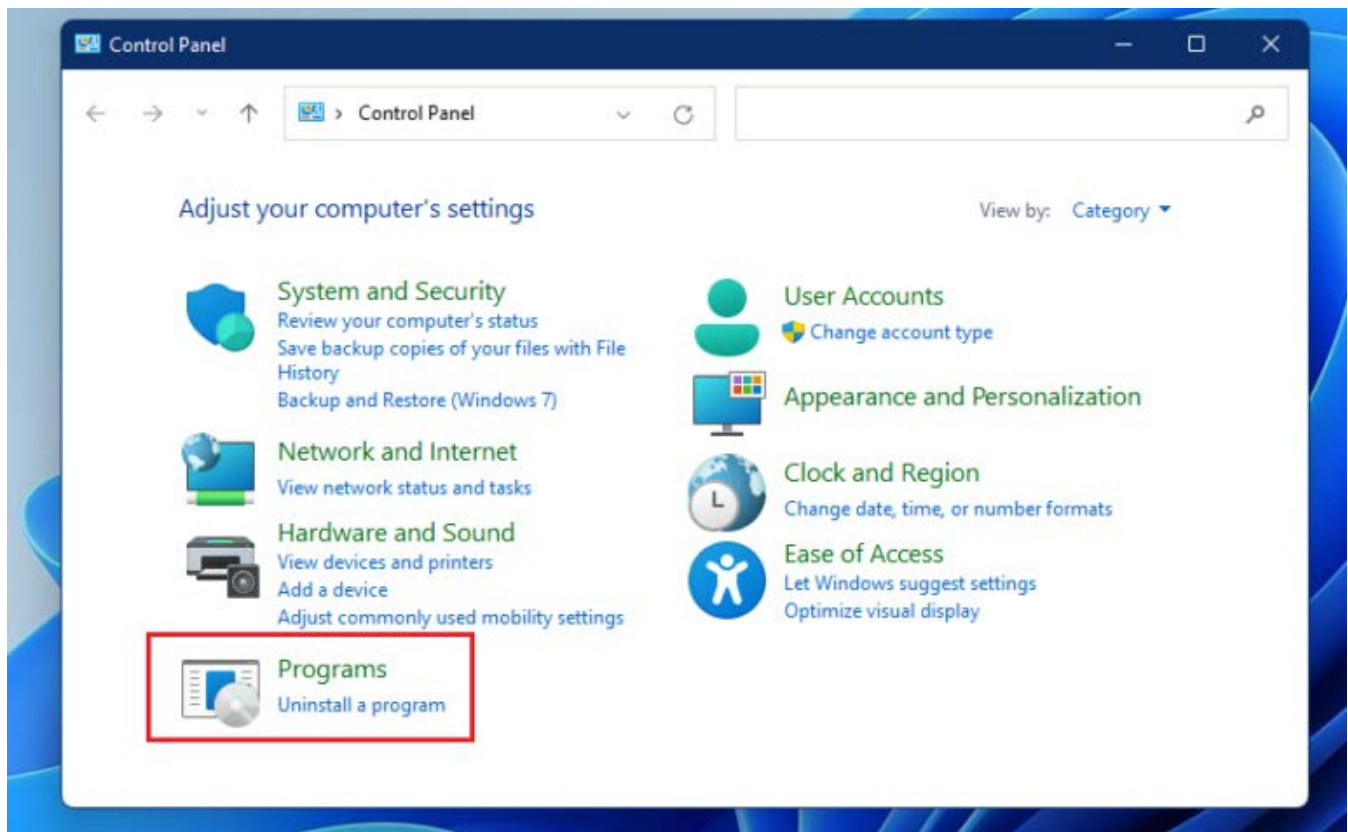
As mentioned above, Telnet is still useful in limited situations. If you quickly want to test connectivity, one can use Telnet to do so.

The steps below show you how to enable it on Windows 11.

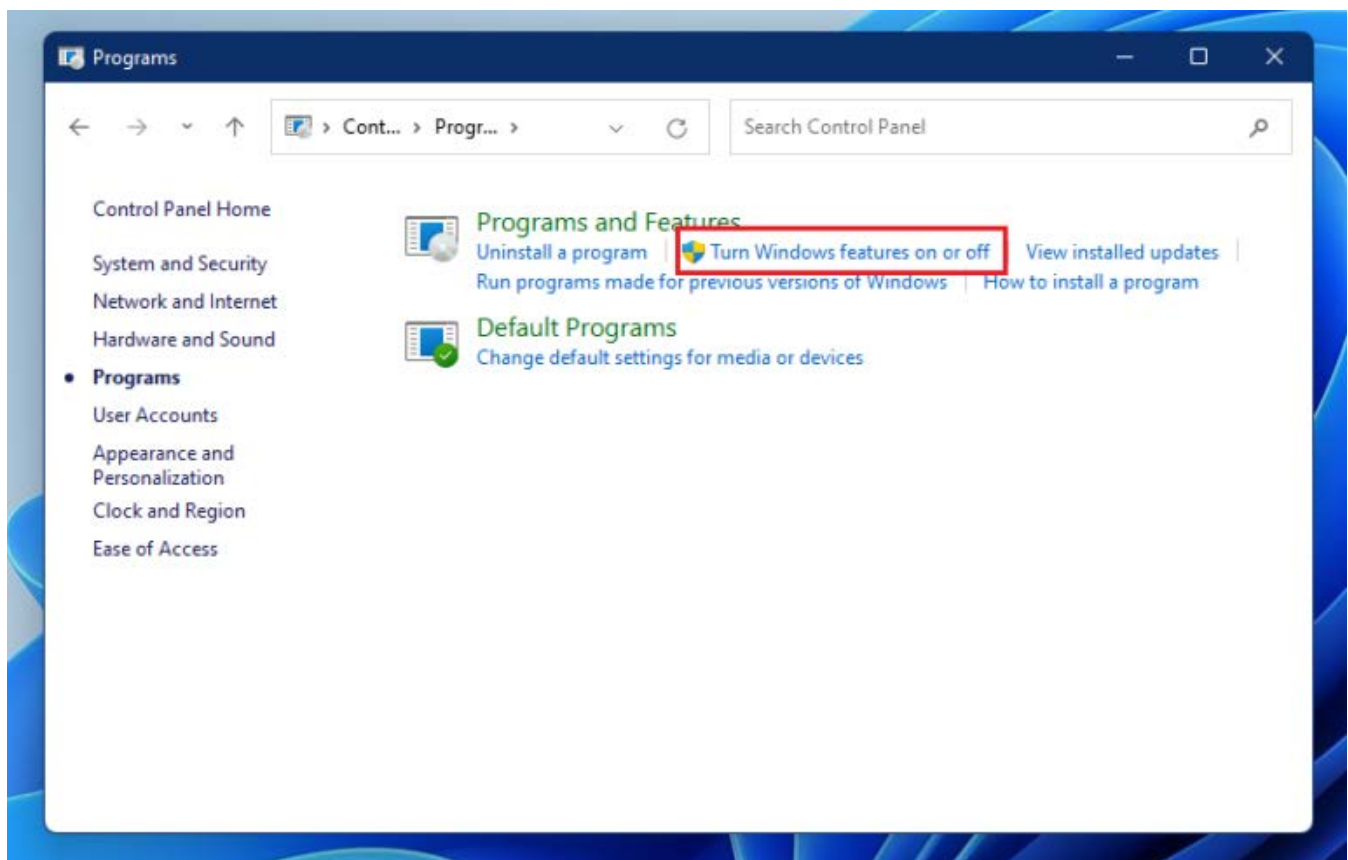
First, go to the **Start Menu**, then search for and open the **Control Panel** app as shown below.



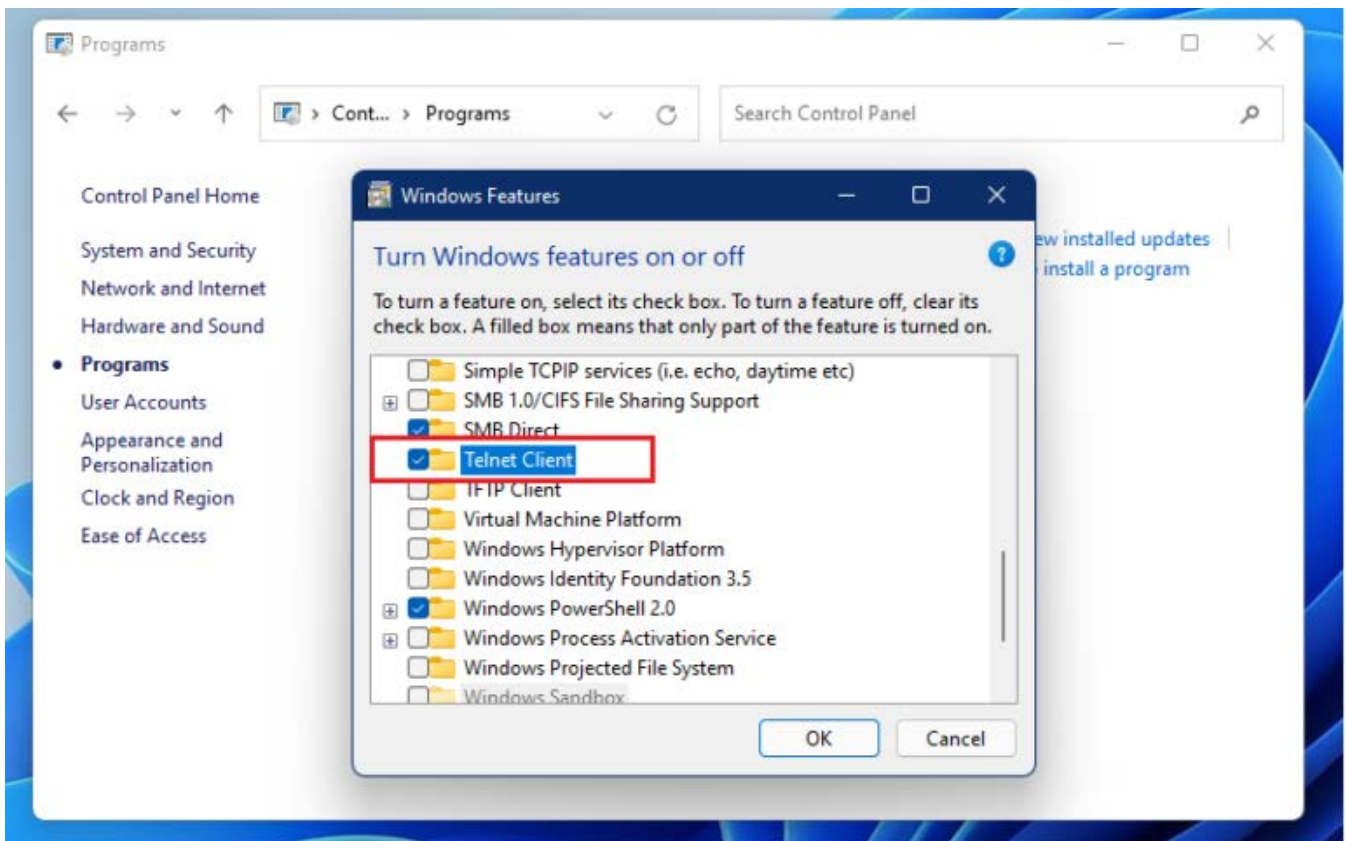
When the app opens, click on the **Programs** category as highlighted below.



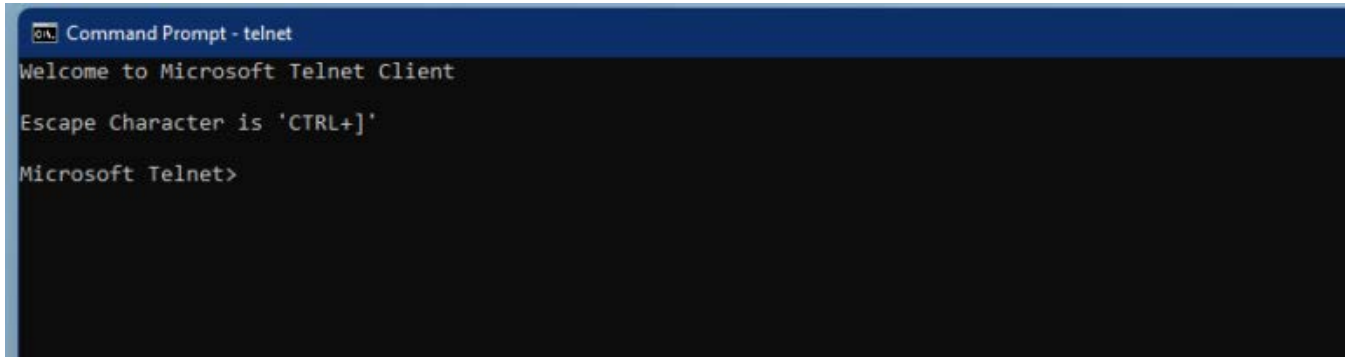
Next, click on the link for **Turn Windows features on or off** as shown below.



On the Windows features list, click **Telnet Client** as highlighted to install. Click **OK** to begin the installation.

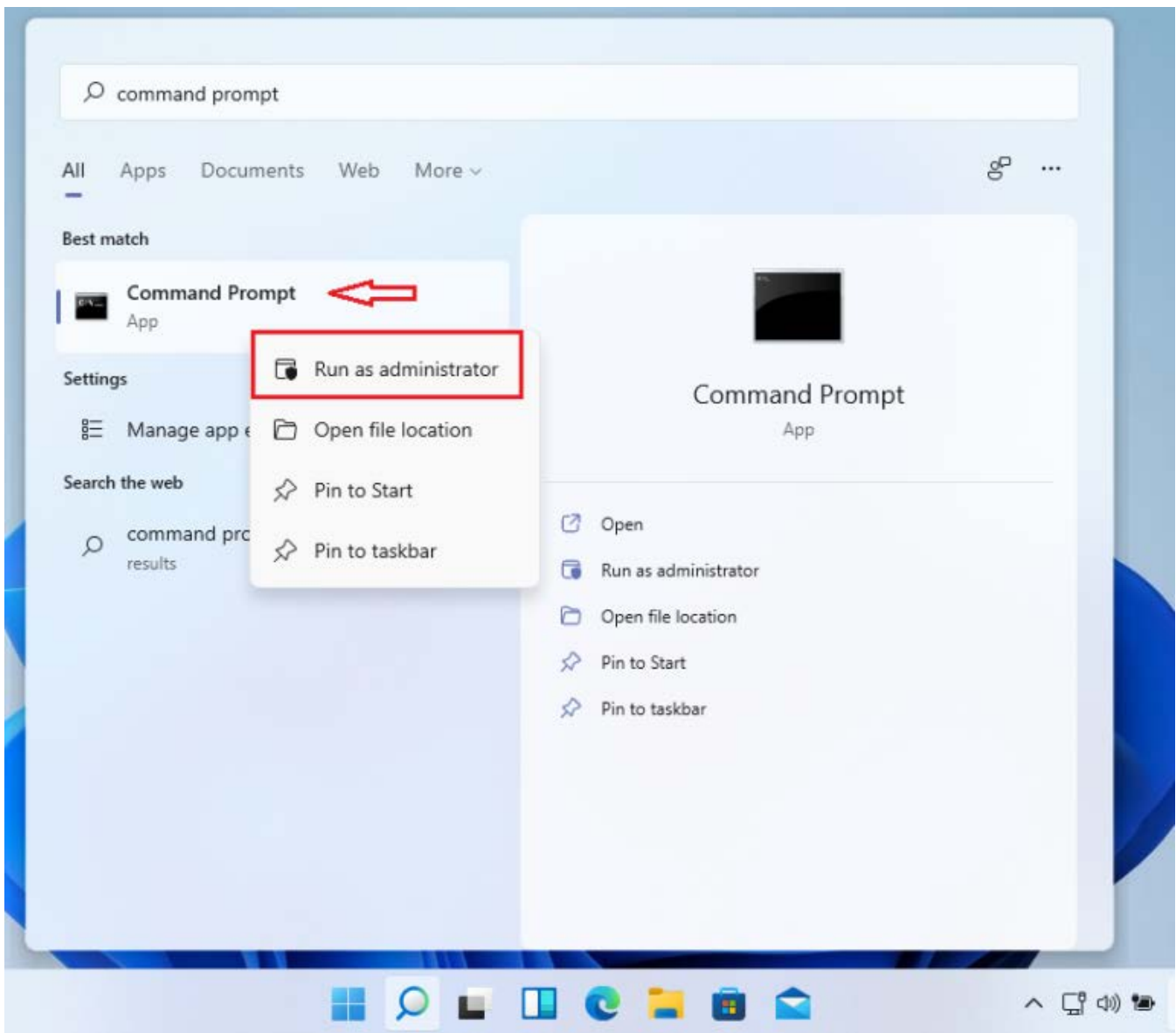


After a brief moment, Windows should install Telnet. Once installed, open the command prompt and begin using it.



How to install Telnet via Command Prompt

If you can also install Telnet using the Command Prompt on Windows 11. To do that, simply click the Start menu, then search for **Command Prompt**. Right-click the Command Prompt app and select **Run as administrator**.



When the Command Prompt app opens, run the commands below to install Telnet.

```
dism /online /Enable-Feature /FeatureName:TelnetClient
```

How to install Telnet via PowerShell

You can also use PowerShell to install Telnet. Same as with the Command Prompt, search for PowerShell, then right-click it and Run as administrator.

When the PowerShell app opens, run the commands below to install Telnet.

```
Install-WindowsFeature -name Telnet-Client
```

That should do it!

Conclusion:

This post showed you how to install and use Telnet when using Windows 11. If you find any error above or have something to add, please use the comment form below.

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