

Speed Up a Computer

1. Remove Unnecessary Startup Programs:

- What it does: Disables programs from automatically launching when you start your computer, freeing up resources.
- How to do it:
 - o Press Ctrl + Shift + Esc to open Task Manager.
 - o Go to the "Startup" tab.
 - o Right-click on unnecessary programs and select "Disable".

2. Uninstall Unused Applications:

- What it does: Removes software you no longer use, freeing up disk space and reducing background processes.
- How to do it:
 - o Open "Settings" > "Apps".
 - Find applications you no longer use.
 - Click on the app and select "Uninstall".

3. Regularly Restart Your Computer:

• What it does: Clears temporary files and processes, often improving performance.

4. Keep Browser Tabs to a Minimum:

- What it does: Limits the number of open tabs to reduce memory usage.
- Tips:
 - o Close any unnecessary tabs.
 - Use a session manager or bookmark frequently used pages for later access.

5. Remove Unnecessary Temporary Startup Programs:

- What it does: Regularly deletes temporary files to reclaim disk space and improve speed.
- How to do it:
 - Press Win + R, type %temp%, and hit Enter.
 - Select all files in the folder (Ctrl + A), right-click, and choose "Delete".
 - Empty the Recycle Bin.

6. Run Disk Cleanup:

- What it does: Uses a system tool to remove unnecessary system files.
- How to do it:
 - o Open the Start Menu, type "Disk Cleanup", and select it.
 - o Choose the drive you want to clean and click "OK".
 - o Check the types of files to delete and click "Clean up system files".

7. Use an SSD Instead of an HDD:

• What it does: Solid State Drives (SSDs) offer significantly faster read and write speeds compared to traditional Hard Disk Drives (HDDs), leading to quicker boot times, ¹ application loading, and overall responsiveness.

8. Adjust Power Settings:

- What it does: Sets your power plan to prioritize performance.
- How to do it:
 - Open "Control Panel" > "Power Options".
 - o Select "High Performance" or adjust advanced settings if available.