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### 1. Slow Performance

**Possible Causes:** Too many startup programs, low memory, malware, outdated software, or fragmented disk.

**Steps to Fix:** 

- 1. Check CPU and memory usage open **Task Manager** (**Ctrl** + **Shift** + **Esc**).
- 2. End unnecessary background processes.
- 3. Run **Disk Cleanup** and delete temporary files.
- 4. Scan for viruses or malware using **Windows Defender** or **Malwarebytes**.
- 5. Update software, drivers, and Windows.
- 6. Defragment hard drive (HDD only).
- 7. Consider upgrading RAM or switching to SSD.

**Key Tools:** Task Manager, Disk Cleanup, Windows Security, Resource Monitor.

# **2.NO BOOT**

**Possible Causes:** Power failure, corrupted OS, hardware issue, BIOS misconfiguration. **Steps to Fix:** 

- 1. Check power supply and cables.
- 2. Remove all external devices (USBs, drives).
- 3. Boot into **Safe Mode** or **BIOS**.
- 4. Use **Startup Repair** or **System Restore** from Windows Recovery Environment.
- 5. Reinstall Windows if necessary.

**Key Tools:** BIOS/UEFI, Windows Recovery Environment, Bootable USB installer.

# 3. Application Crash or Not Responding

**Possible Causes:** Software bugs, outdated app, corrupted files, low memory. **Steps to Fix:** 

- 1. Close app via **Task Manager** and reopen.
- 2. Update or reinstall the application.
- 3. Check **Event Viewer** for error logs.
- 4. Clear app cache or temporary files.
- 5. Run Compatibility Troubleshooter if it's an older app.

**Key Tools:** Task Manager, Event Viewer, Control Panel  $\rightarrow$  Programs.

### 4. No Internet Connection

**Possible Causes:** Router issue, incorrect IP settings, driver issues, or ISP outage. **Steps to Fix:** 

- 1. Restart PC and router.
- 2. Run Network Troubleshooter.
- 3. Check Wi-Fi or Ethernet cable connection.
- 4. Flush DNS and reset TCP/IP stack.
- 5. Reinstall or update network adapter driver.

**Key Tools:** Command Prompt, Network Troubleshooter, Device Manager.

# 5. Blue Screen (BSOD)

**Possible Causes:** Faulty drivers, hardware failure, corrupted system files. **Steps to Fix:** 

- 1. Note down the **error code** (e.g., "IRQL NOT LESS OR EQUAL").
- 2. Boot in **Safe Mode**.
- 3. Update or roll back recent drivers.
- 4. Run System File Checker and DISM.
- 5. Check RAM and hard drive for errors.
- 6. Use **System Restore** if issue started recently.

**Key Tools:** Event Viewer, Device Manager, Memory Diagnostic Tool.

# **Procedure**

### 1. Setting up the Virtual Machine:

I created a Windows 10 virtual machine using **Oracle VirtualBox**. Before making any changes, I took a **snapshot** of the system to ensure I could restore it later if necessary.

# 2. Breaking the Boot Process:

Inside the virtual machine, I opened **Command Prompt as Administrator** and went to the System32 folder by typing:

After restarting the computer, Windows displayed an error message saying that it could not start because a required file was missing.

### 3. • Entering the Windows Recovery Environment:

I inserted the **Windows installation ISO** and booted from it. On the installation screen, I clicked **Repair your computer**  $\rightarrow$  **Troubleshoot**  $\rightarrow$  **Advanced Options**, which opened the **Windows Recovery Environment**.