# VirtualBox won't start with the Hortonworks Sandbox?

Here's a few things to try.

#### Make sure virtualization is enabled in your BIOS.

How to do this varies depending on your motherboard manufacturer, but when you boot your PC you should see a key to press to get into your BIOS settings. Look for one about "virtualization technology."

### Disable Hyper-V acceleration in Windows.

Under Windows 10, you'll see this option in the "Turn Windows Features On and Off" control panel.

## Make sure you have enough RAM.

Hortonworks requires at least 8 GB of physical RAM on your PC – more is better.

#### Stick to the recommended setup.

Tempted to go through this course using some existing Hadoop installation you have access to, or using VMWare? Please don't. There will be lots of little administrative differences that will trip you up as you go through the course, and we can't help you with an environment we haven't seen.