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# Shortcut Keys for Windows 10

This guide lists shortcut keys that you can use from the desktop in Windows 10.

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## Desktop shortcut keys

| Shortcut         | Description  |
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| Windows key 태    | Open and close the <b>Start</b> menu.  |
| ■ +1, ■ +2, etc. | Switch to the desktop and launch the <i>n</i> th application in the taskbar. For example, +1 launches whichever application is first in the list, numbered from left to right. |
| <b>■</b> +A      | Open the action center.  |
| <b>■</b> +B      | Highlight the notification area.   |
| <b>■</b> +C      | Launch Cortana into listening mode. <sup>1</sup> Users can begin to speak to Cortana immediately.  |
| <b>■</b> +D      | Switch between <b>Show Desktop</b> (hides/shows any applications and other windows) and the previous state.  |
| <b>■</b> +E      | Switch to the desktop and launch File Explorer with the <b>Quick Access</b> tab displayed.   |
| <b>■</b> +H      | Open the <b>Share 🖸</b> charm.   |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> If Cortana is unavailable or disabled, this shortcut has no function.



| <b>#</b> _+           | Open the <b>Settings</b> 🛱 app.   |
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| <b>■</b> +K           | Open the <b>Connect</b> pane to connect to wireless displays and audio devices.         |
| <b>■</b> +L           | Lock the device and go to the <b>Lock</b> screen.                                       |
| ■<br>+ M              | Switch to the desktop and minimize all open windows.                                    |
| <b>#</b> +0           | Lock device orientation.  |
| <b>■</b> +P           | Open the <b>Project</b> pane to search and connect to external displays and projectors. |
| <b>■</b> +R           | Display the <b>Run</b> dialog box.  |
| <b>■</b> +S           | Launch Cortana. <sup>2</sup> Users can begin to type a query immediately.               |
| <b>■</b> +T           | Cycle through the apps on the taskbar.  |
| <b>■</b> +U           | Launch the Ease of Access Center.   |
| <b>■</b> +V           | Cycle through notifications.  |
| <b>■</b> +X           | Open the advanced menu in the lower-left corner of the screen.                          |
| <b>■</b> +Z           | Open the app-specific command bar.  |
| +ENTER                | Launch Narrator.  |
| +SPACEBAR             | Switch input language and keyboard layout.  |
| <b>#</b> +TAB         | Open Task view.   |
| <b>II</b> +,          | Peek at the desktop.  |
| +Plus Sign            | Zoom in.  |
| Hinus Sign            | Zoom out.   |
| +ESCAPE               | Close Magnifier.  |
| +LEFT<br>ARROW        | Dock the active window to the left half of the monitor.                                 |
| +RIGHT<br>ARROW       | Dock the active window to the right half of the monitor.                                |
| +UP ARROW             | Maximize the active window vertically and horizontally.                                 |
| +DOWN<br>ARROW        | Restore or minimize the active window.  |
| +SHIFT+UP<br>ARROW    | Maximize the active window vertically, maintaining the current width.                   |
| SHIFT+<br>DOWN ARROW  | Restore or minimize the active window vertically, maintaining the current width.        |
| +SHIFT+LEFT<br>ARROW  | With multiple monitors, move the active window to the monitor on the left.              |
| +SHIFT+RIGHT<br>ARROW | With multiple monitors, move the active window to the monitor on the right.             |
| HOME +HOME            | Minimize all nonactive windows; restore on second keystroke.                            |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Cortana is only available in certain countries/regions, and some Cortana features might not be available everywhere. If Cortana is unavailable or disabled, this command opens Search.

| +PRNT SCRN                 | Take a picture of the screen and place it in the <b>Computer&gt;Pictures&gt;Screenshots</b> folder. |
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| +CTRL+LEFT/RIG<br>HT arrow | Switch to the next or previous virtual desktop.   |
| +CTRL+D                    | Create a new virtual desktop.   |
| +CTRL+F4                   | Close the current virtual desktop.  |
| <b>#</b> +?                | Launch the Windows Feedback App.  |

### For more information

#### Windows http://windows.microsoft.com

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