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1. Restore lost File Explorer icons on Windows 10 Start Menu
2. Fix Accessories missing on Windows 10 Start Menu

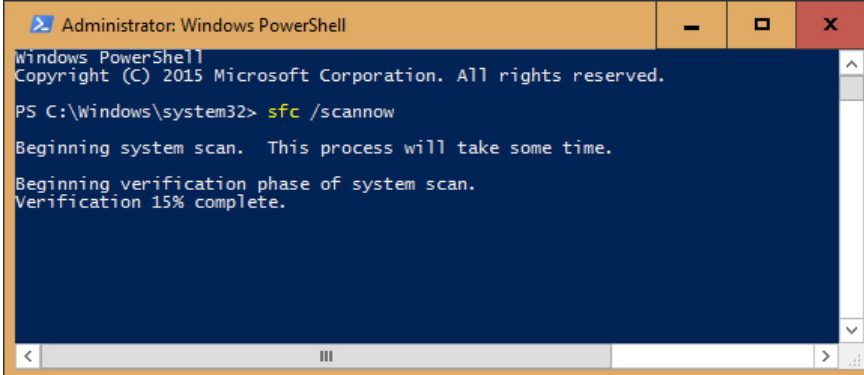
Here are 3 ways to fix errors you can apply.

1. Fix error files

If the Search bar is still active, search for **powershell**. Then right-click **Windows PowerShell** in the search results and select **Run as administrator**.

However, if the Search bar does not work, press the **Windows + R** key, type **powershell** and press **Enter**. Right-click the **PowerShell** icon on the taskbar and select **Pin to taskbar**. Close the PowerShell program again. Hold down **Shift + Ctrl** while right-clicking on the PowerShell icon again. Select **Run as administrator**.

Once you're in the Powershell command line environment, type **sfc /scannow** and press **Enter**. Then wait a few minutes.

A screenshot of a Windows PowerShell window titled "Administrator: Windows PowerShell". The window has a blue background and a white text area. The text in the window reads: "Windows PowerShell", "Copyright (C) 2015 Microsoft Corporation. All rights reserved.", "PS C:\Windows\system32> sfc /scannow", "Beginning system scan. This process will take some time.", "Beginning verification phase of system scan.", "Verification 15% complete." The window has standard Windows window controls (minimize, maximize, close) in the top right corner and a scroll bar on the right side.

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Finally, the program will tell you that it did not find the corrupted Windows file, found it and fixed it, or it found some but did not fix it. If you get a second response, try the command:

dism / online / cleanup-image / restorehealth

Hopefully it will download the replacement file.

2. Delete and reinstall the Metro or Modern applications

Don't worry, this is not as bad as you think. It only affects the Metro or Modern applications you get through Microsoft stores. Old Windows programs will not be affected.

Open **PowerShell** as the administrator described above. Enter the command below:

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Get-AppXPackage -AllUsers | Foreach {Add-AppxPackage -DisableDevelopmentMode -Register '$ ($_.InstallLocation) AppXManifest.xml'}
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When it has completed the task, restart the computer to complete the error correction process.

3. Reinstall

If the above two methods cannot fix the error, you may have to reinstall Windows 10 from the beginning to fix this problem.

First, make sure you have created the latest backup. If not, copy the contents of the folders and switch to the external hard drive. You probably won't need it, but you should do it to prevent risk.

Press **Windows + L** to exit Windows. Click the Welcome screen to access the login screen. Click the power button in the lower right corner of the screen, then hold down the **Shift** key when you select **Restart**.

This will take you to the Recovery window. Select **Troubleshoot > Reset this PC > Keep my files** and follow the on-screen instructions.

When finished, you will have to reinstall all programs that are not included with Windows.

Hopefully one of these three ways will help you fix the Start Menu error that doesn't work on your Win 10 device!

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