

6 ways to open virtual keyboard on Windows 10

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Virtual keyboard is quite useful and necessary feature in some cases with Windows users. This feature is first integrated on Windows XP, **On Screen Keyboard** (or still known as virtual keyboard) proved extremely useful when your hard keyboard is certain keys, suspected computer is infected or keylogger . in short, there are many reasons why we cannot use the keyboard, thanks to the virtual keyboard. In the following article, Network Administrator will guide you 6 ways to open the virtual keyboard On Screen Keyboard on Windows 10.

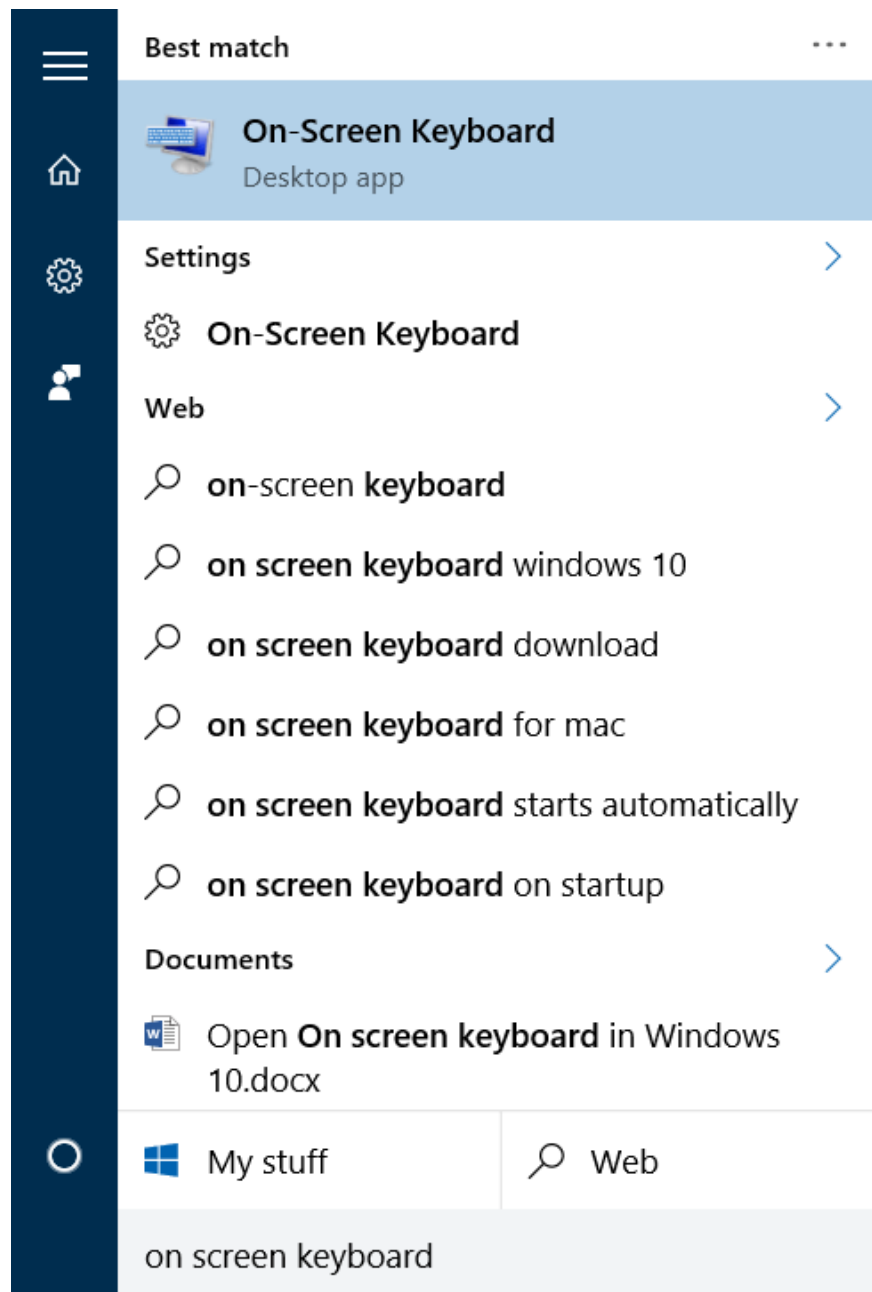
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1. Open the virtual keyboard on the Start Menu

Enter the keyword **On screen keyboard** in the Search box on the Start Menu or on the Taskbar and then press Enter to open the On screen board virtual keyboard on Windows 10. If your keyboard is broken and cannot enter text, see how to number 5, or ask someone to send you "osk" via the messaging application, use your mouse to copy and paste it into the search box.



2. Open the virtual keyboard from the Run command window

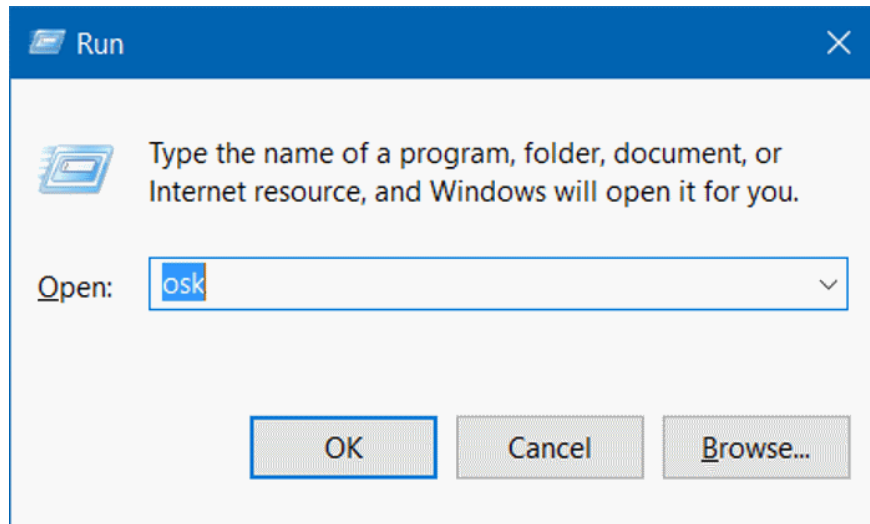
To open the virtual keyboard from the Run command window, follow the steps below:

Step 1:

Press the **Windows + R** key combination to open the Run command window.

Step 2:

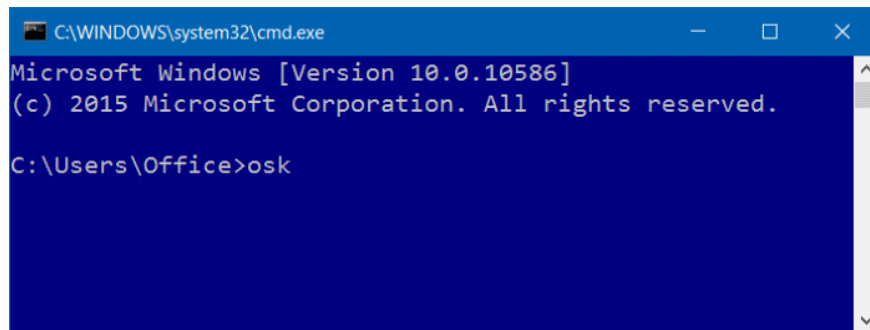
On the Run command window, enter **OSK** (without capitalization) on it and press Enter to open the virtual keyboard.



3. Open the virtual keyboard via Command Prompt or PowerShell

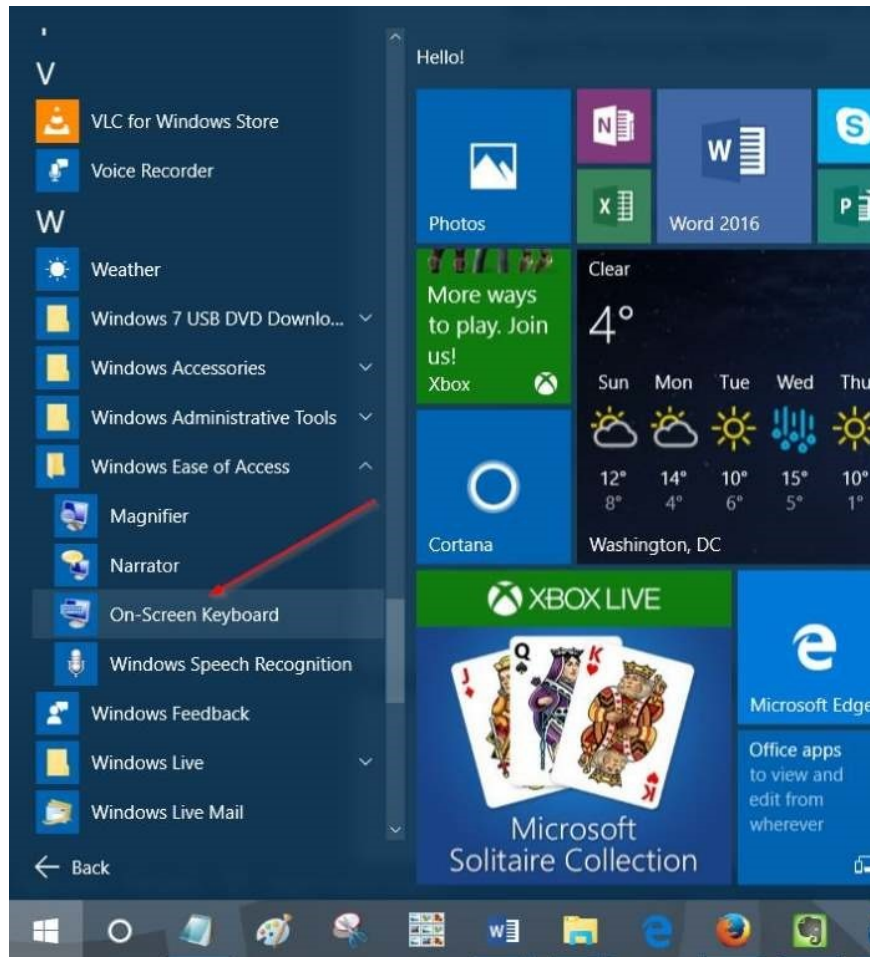
Follow the steps below to open the virtual keyboard via Command Prompt or PowerShell:

First open the Command Prompt window or PowerShell window, then type "OSK" into it and press **Enter** .



4. Open the virtual keyboard in Ease of Access via the Start menu

Open the Start Menu, then click on **All apps** and then click the folder icon **Windows Ease of Access** to expand the folder, then click **On Screen Keyboard** to open the virtual keyboard On Screen Keyboard.



5. Use Ease of Access Center in PC Settings

Step 1:

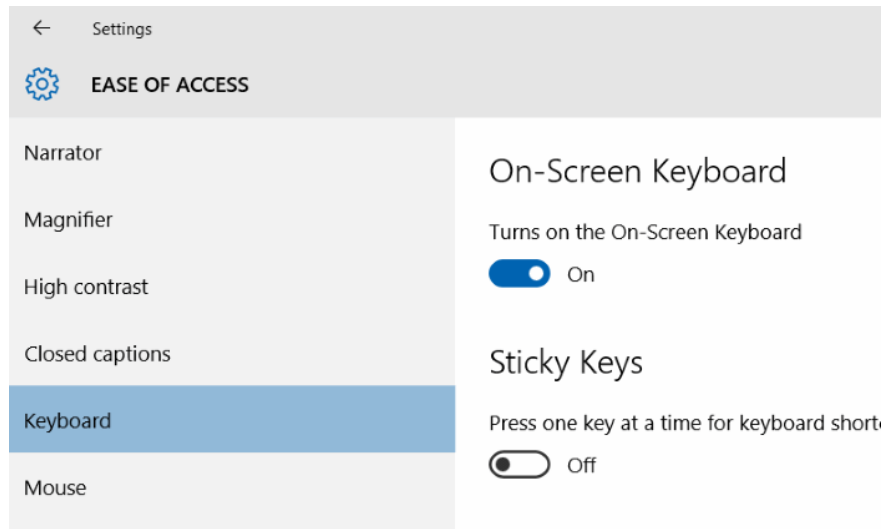
Open the Settings app by clicking the Settings icon in the left corner of Start Menu.

Step 2:

On the Settings window, find and click to select **Ease of Access**.

Step 3:

Click on **Keyboard**, then on **Turns on the on-screen keyboard** you switch the option state to **ON**.



6. Open the virtual keyboard via Control Panel

Step 1:

Open Control Panel by right-clicking on the **Start** button, then selecting **Control Panel** .

Step 2:

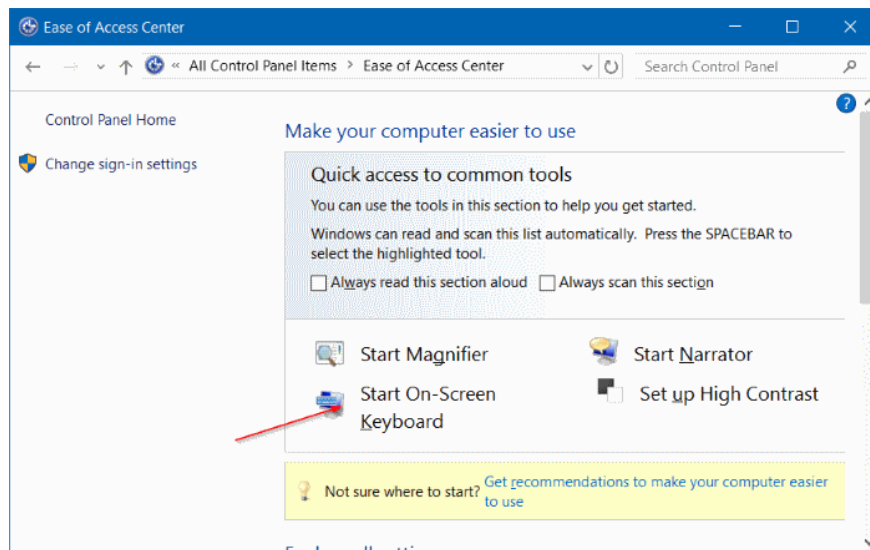
On the Control Panel window, find and click to select **Ease of Access** .

Step 3:

Click Select **Ease of Access Center**.

Step 4:

Finally click on **Start On-Screen Keyboard** to open the virtual keyboard.



Activate the virtual keyboard every time Windows starts

From Ease of Access Center, click **Use the computer without a mouse or keyboard** , in **Explore all settings** .



Use the computer without a mouse or keyboard

Set up alternative input devices

In **Type using a pointing device** , select the **Use On-Screen Keyboard** option , then click OK.

Use the computer without a mouse or keyboard

When you select these tools, they will automatically start each time you sign in.

Type using a pointing device

Use On-Screen Keyboard

Type using the mouse or another pointing device such as a joystick by selecting keys from a picture of a keyboard.

Configure virtual keyboard

When the keyboard is displayed on the screen, you can adjust it to suit your needs by clicking the **Options** button on the virtual keyboard, in the bottom right corner. Here you have several ways to use the virtual keyboard:

1. **Click on keys** or press **Alt + C** to access the keyboard with your mouse or other pointing device by clicking on the box you want to use.
2. **Hover over Keys** or press **Alt + H** to access the keyboard with your mouse or other pointing device, by moving through the box to select. You can select the hover time by using the **Hover duration** slider.
3. **Scan through keys** or press **Alt + S** to access the keyboard using access devices such as the spacebar, switch or gamepad.
4. Use the **Scanning Speed** slider to select the scanning speed.

In Windows 10, the virtual keyboard has an integrated text suggestion tool to speed up typing and spell checking. To turn on text suggestions: Select **Use Text Prediction** or press **Alt + T** , you can also choose to add a space for all selected words by clicking to select or pressing **Alt + W**.

7. Open the virtual keyboard Touch keyboard on Windows 10

In addition to the traditional virtual keyboard found on all Windows, Windows 10 also has a built-in touch keyboard for touch screens. To open this keyboard, right-click on the taskbar> select **Show touch keyboard button** > a **keyboard** icon will appear next to the speaker icon. This keyboard is integrated with the sticker. A special feature of the keyboard is that when you need to click on the icon to use it, when you don't use it, just hover your mouse away, type the word from the real keyboard, the touch keyboard will be hidden.

If using on touch device or using phone, touch screen controls Windows 10 remotely, you can go to Settings> Device> Typing> turn on option **Show the touch keyboard not in tablet mode and there's no keyboard**

attached then each when you point your mouse at the keyboard input area, it will automatically appear.

Refer to some of the following articles:

1. Fix keyboard error not working on Windows 10
2. Instructions for handling when the laptop keyboard key is broken
3. How to disable 1 or more any key on Windows 10 keyboard?

Good luck!

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