

How to detect strangers opening your computer

Sometimes your computer contains important data, and you don't want anyone else to use it or want to control your children's use of it. The following article will guide you on how to detect strangers opening your computer when you are not around, especially when you don't set a password.

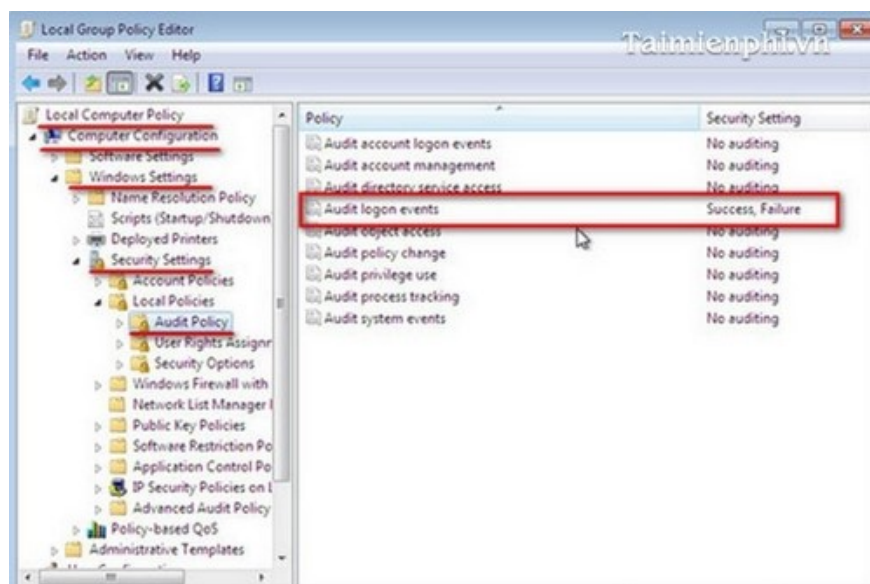
Detecting strangers using your computer when you are not around will help you manage your computer more effectively. To do this, follow these steps.

Instructions for detecting strangers opening your computer

Step 1 : Go to **Start** , type **Gpedit.msc** in the search box, then press **Enter**

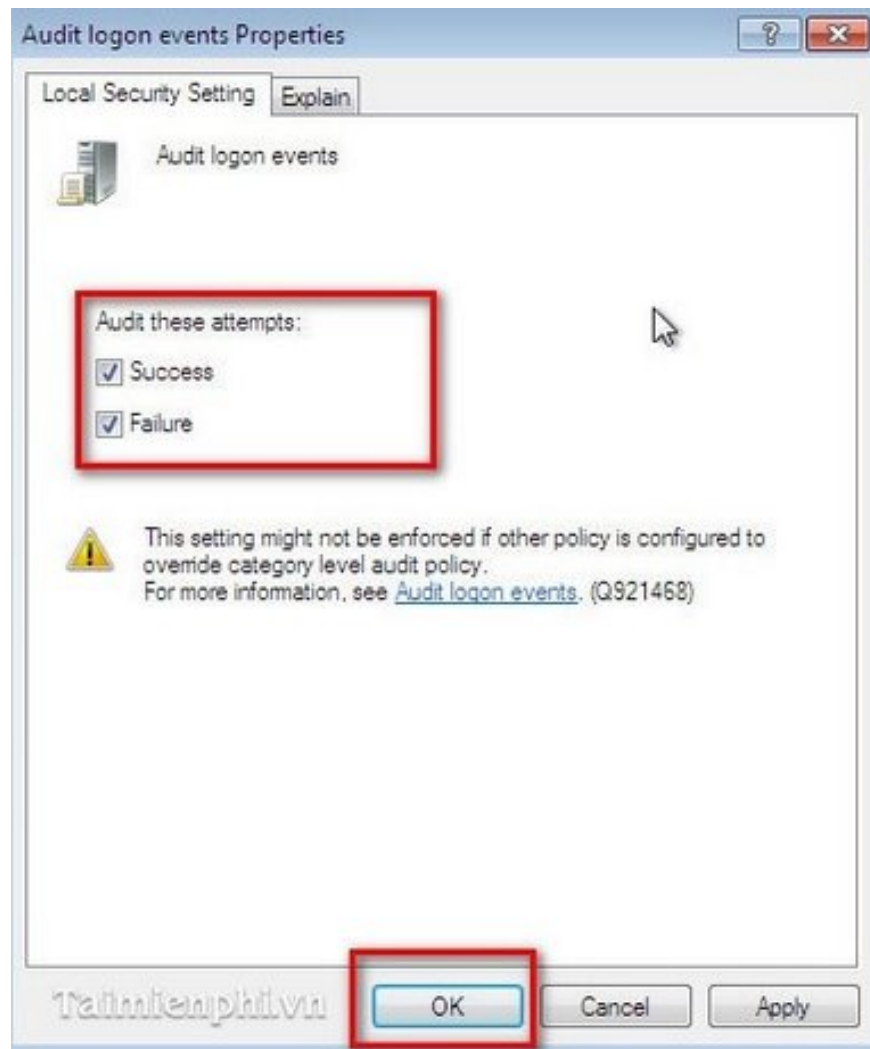


Step 2 : The Local Group Policy Editor window will open. Access the path: **Local Computer Policy > Computer Configuration > Windows Settings > Security Settings > Local Policies > Audit Policy.**



- In the **Policy** frame on the right, select **Audit logon Events**

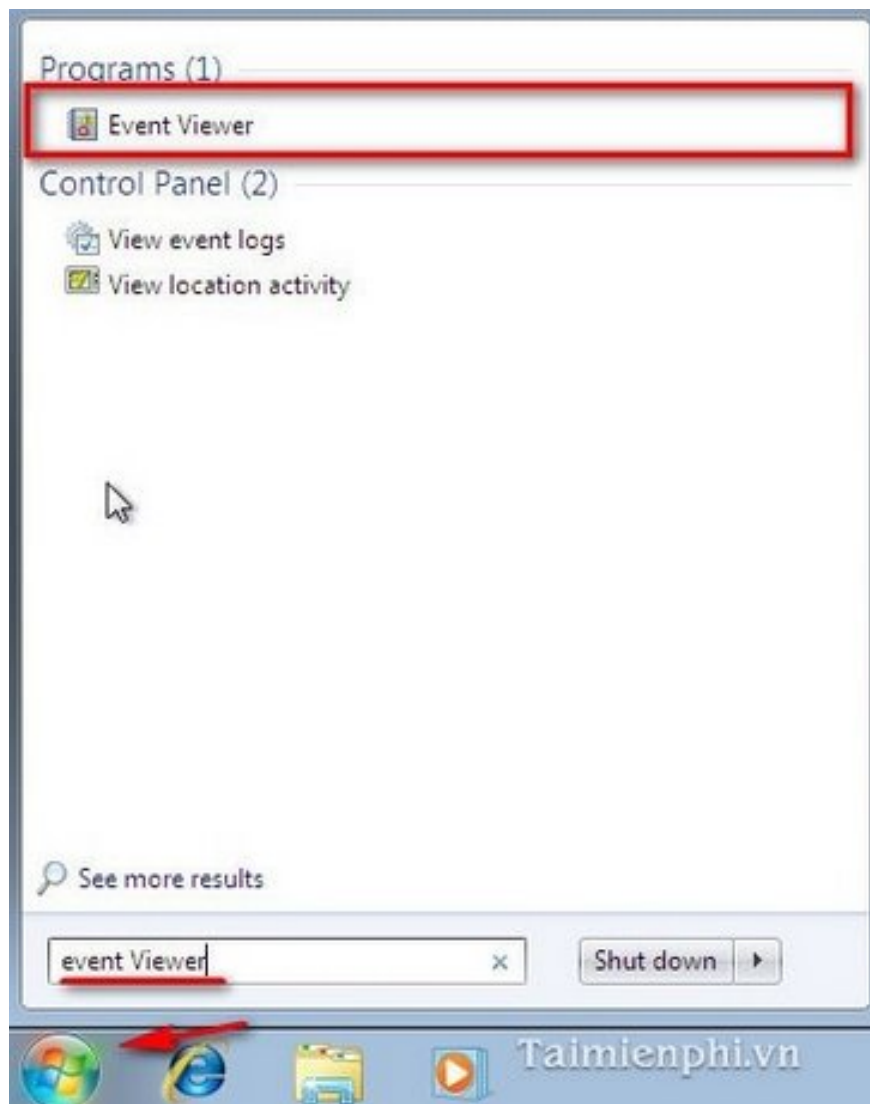
Step 3 : In the **Audit logon events Properties** window, in the **Local Security Setting** tab , select both **Success** and **Failure** in the **Audit these attempts** section . Click **OK** to save the changes.



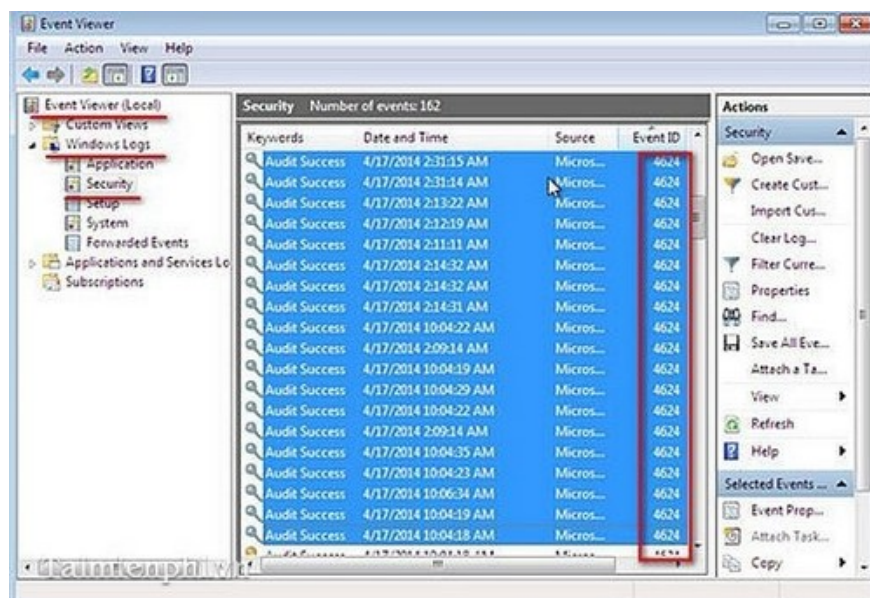
- From now on, Windows will record all login sessions to the system, whether successful or not.

Step 4 : Check login sessions

- Go to **Start** , type **Event Viewer** in the search box , press **Enter**



- In the Event Viewer window , access the path **Event Viewer (Local) > Windows Logs > Security**



- Event ID 4624 indicates that Windows has logged the login sessions into the system. Accessing it will tell you the login time and whether it was successful or not.



After setting up your computer following the steps above, you can control who can access and use your computer when you are away, helping you manage your children effectively. In addition, you should set a password to prevent strangers from accessing your computer. Whether you are using Windows 7, 8 or 10, you can set a password. Refer to how to set a password for Windows 7 or Windows 10 if needed.

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