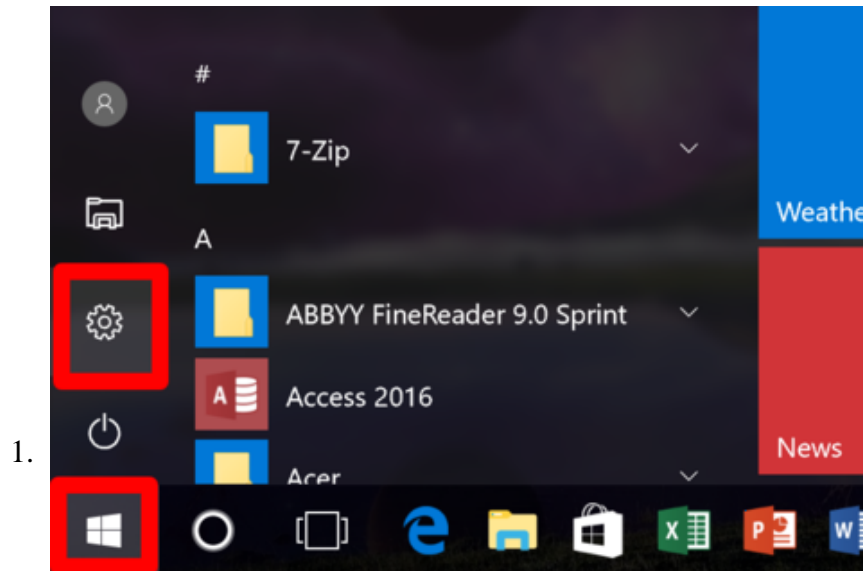


How to Disable Animations in Windows 10

Animations add eye candy to the clean and modern design experience that Windows 10 provides. Unfortunately, they negatively affect some people and devices. People who need to remain focused on a task or people with certain mental/visual...

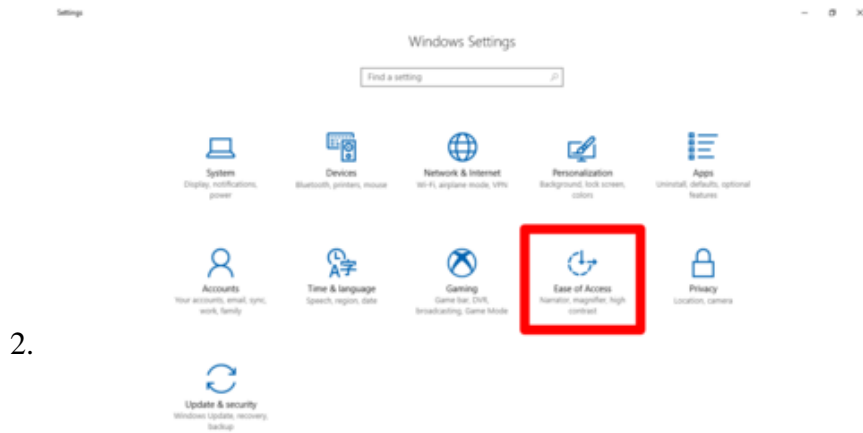
Method 1 of 2:

Disabling All Animations Through Settings



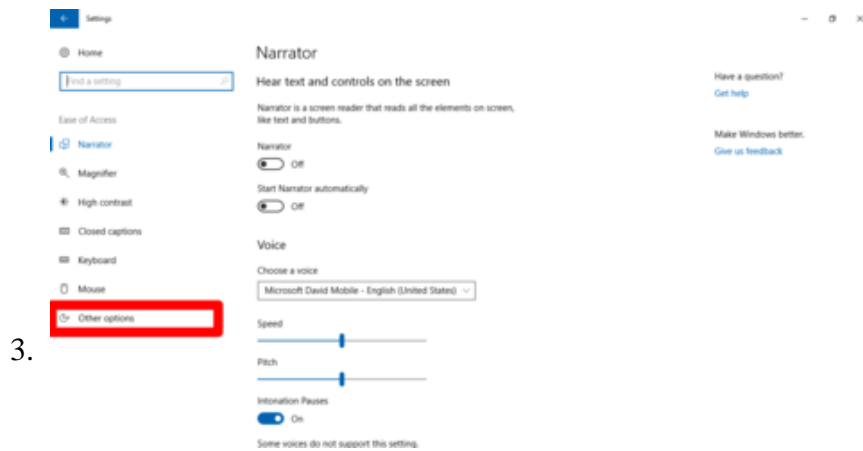
Open the Settings app. Press the Start button in the lower-left corner of your screen and select the settings gear.^{[1][2][3]}

1. You can also use the keyboard shortcut. Simply press the ? Win + I keyboard keys together.^{[4][5][6]}



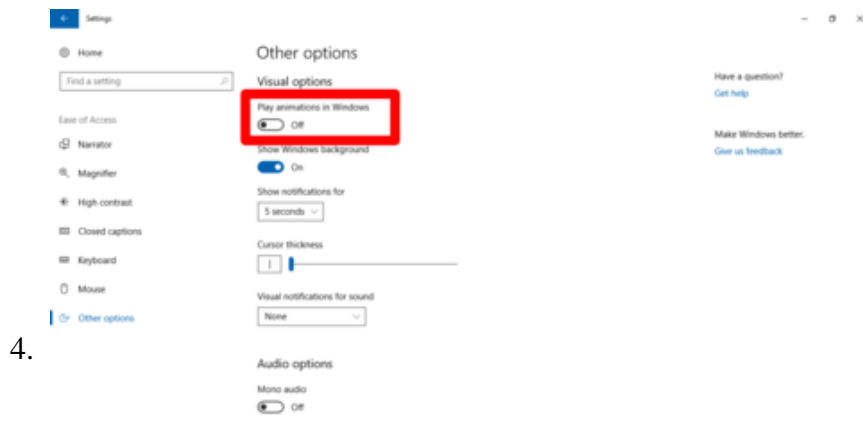
2.

Navigate to the **Ease of Access** category.^[7] Turning off animations is considered to be an "Ease of Access/accessibility" setting because it helps some people focus better.



3.

Select the **Other options** tab from the left pane. This section is basically a miscellaneous collection of accessibility settings that do not belong in any of the other "Ease of Access" subcategories.



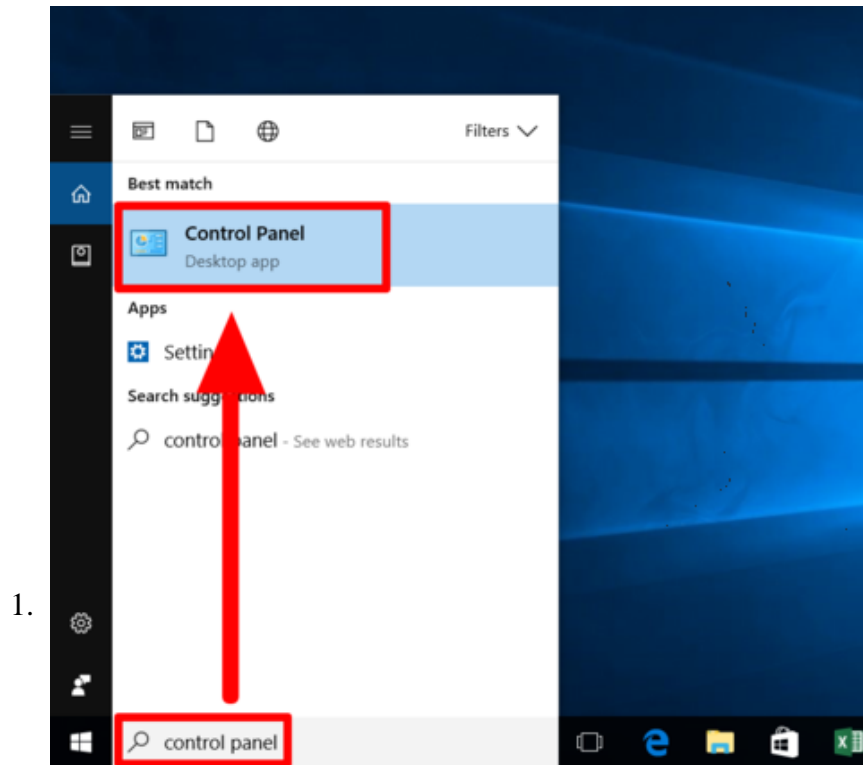
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Toggle the slider under "Play animations in Windows" to "Off". This will disable all animations.^{[8][9]} The toggle switch should turn white and a black dot should be in the left side of it.^[10] This setting is located under the "Visual options" header at the top of the page.^[11]

1. To re-enable animations, simply slide the slider to "On" (right).

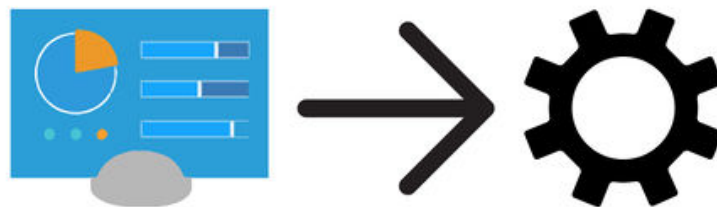
Method 2 of 2:

Selectively Disabling Animations Through Control Panel

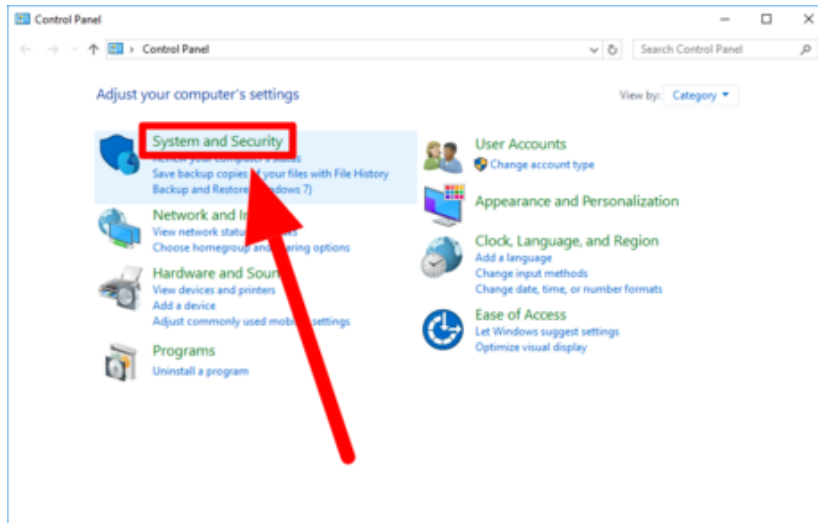


Open the Control Panel. You can launch it through the search feature by typing `control panel` and hitting `?Enter` or selecting the matching result.^{[12][13]}

1. As Microsoft is trying to migrate away from the Control Panel, settings are being moved and added to the Settings app.^{[14][15][16][17]} Many settings including advanced ones are still present in the Control Panel,^{[18][19]} such as the ability to specify which animations you see.



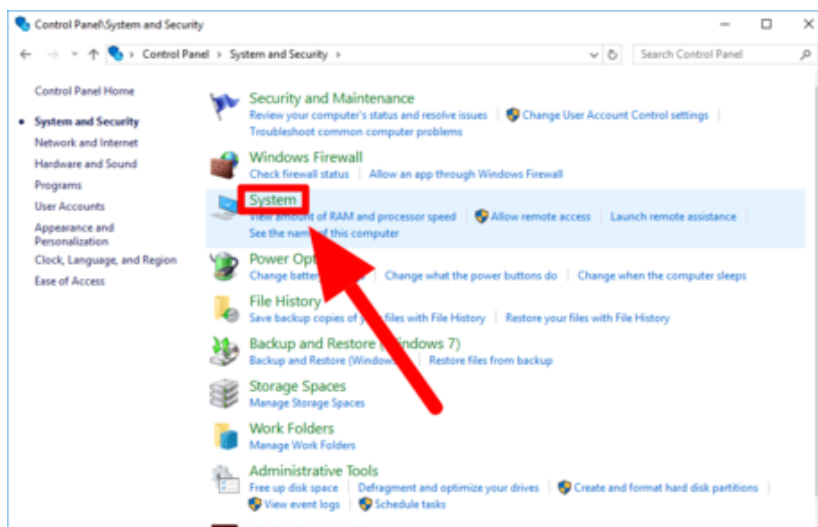
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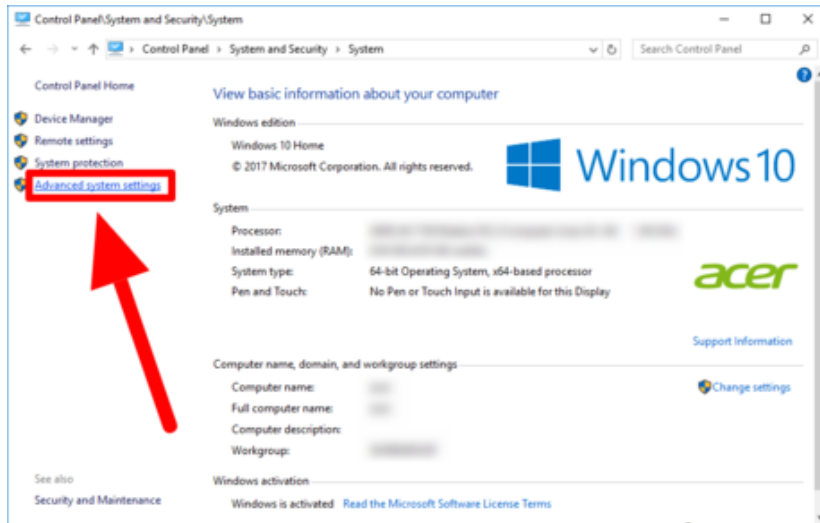
Click or tap the "**System and Security**" header.^{[20][21]} Do not select the links below the header as they will take you to a completely different page.

1. If Control Panel is configured to use the icons view, choose the icon labelled as "System"^[22] and skip to step #4.

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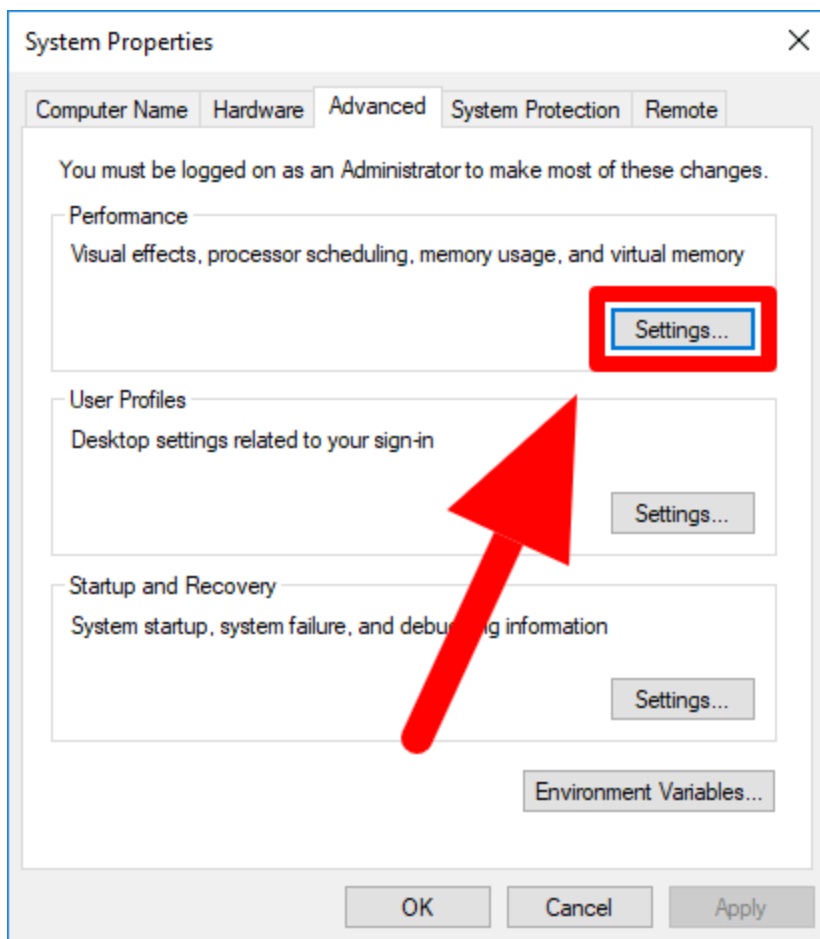


Select the "**System**" header to open the **System Properties** page.^{[23][24]} You can also select "**View amount of RAM and processor speed**"^{[25][26]} or "**See the name of this computer**"^[27] from below the header. Both links will take you to the same destination.



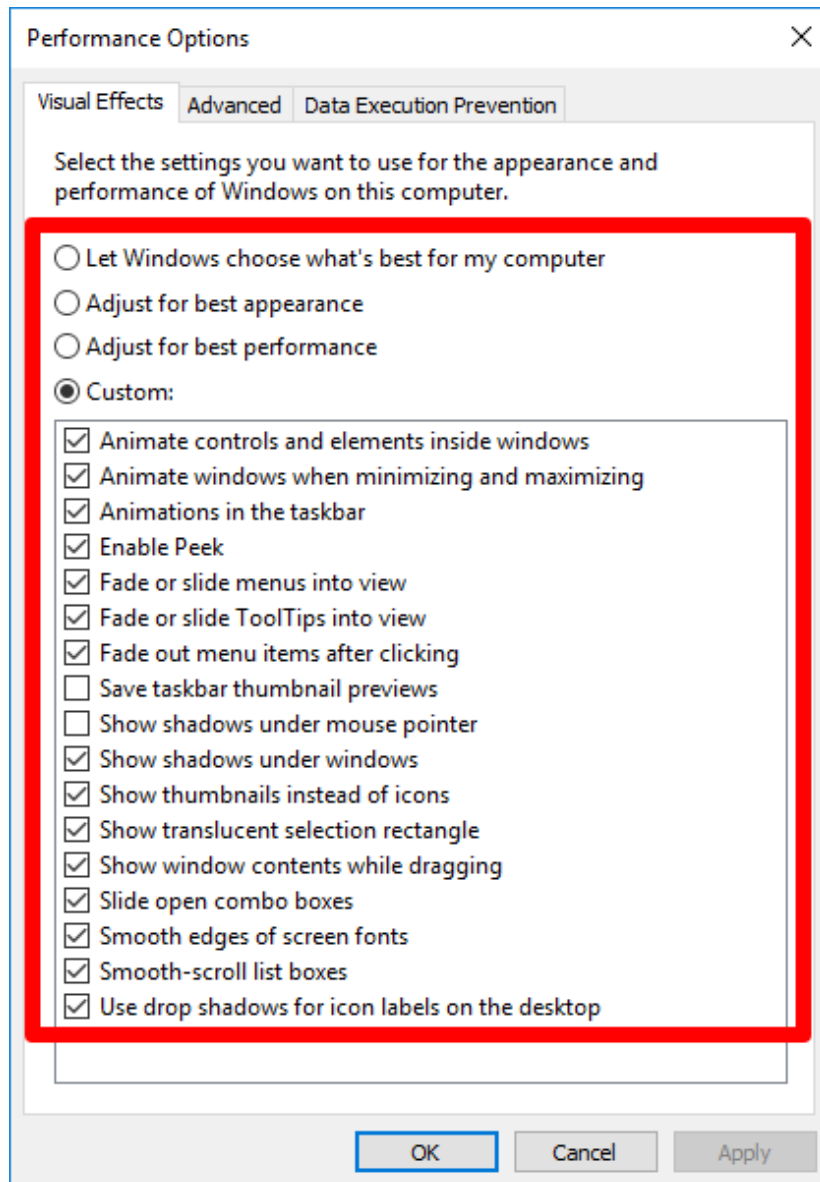
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Open Advanced system settings. Select "Advanced system settings" from the upper part of the left pane. It is the last in the list.^{[28][29]}



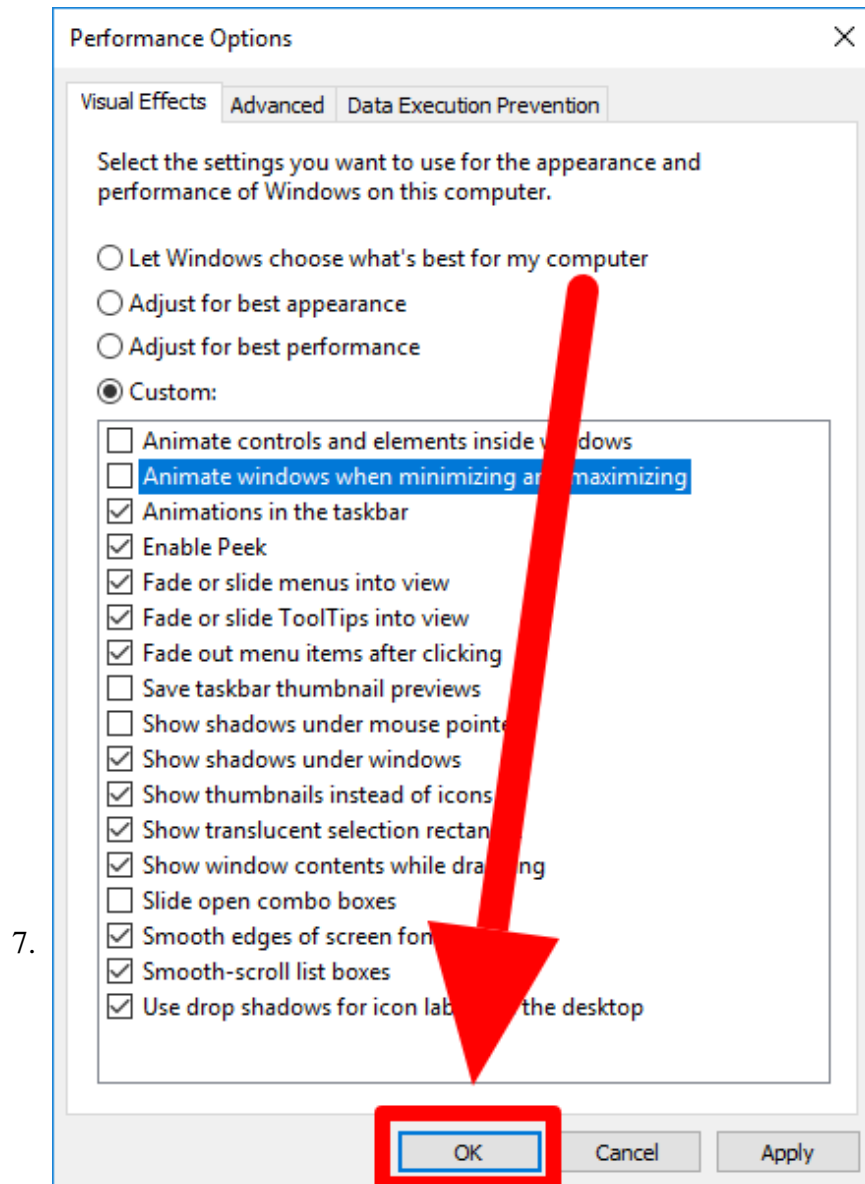
5.

Go to the Performance Settings. Press the **Settings...** button under the "Performance" section of the window. The button is located under the **Advanced** tab of the System Properties window.



Select the settings you want. It will be under the **Visual Effects** tab, which the window opens to by default.

1. **For complete control**, customize which animations (and visual effects) you want to see. Click the radio button next to "Custom:". Right below, uncheck the boxes of effects that you would like to disable, and put a check in the boxes of the ones you would like to enable.
 1. Animation options are the sentences that start with the following words: animate, fade, and slide.
2. **To enable all animations** (and visual effects), click the radio button next to "Adjust for best appearance". Note that this might reduce performance on low-power devices.
3. **For the best performance**, click the radio button next to "Adjust for best performance". All animations (and visual effects) will be turned off.
4. **To balance performance and appearance**, click the radio button next to "Let Windows choose what's best for my computer". Windows will automatically enable or disable specific settings to balance good performance and appearance.



Save your changes and exit. Click or tap the gray **OK** button at the bottom of the Performance Options window to save your new settings and close it. The new settings you chose will apply immediately.

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