

# How to enable/disable application access to Generative AI in Windows 11

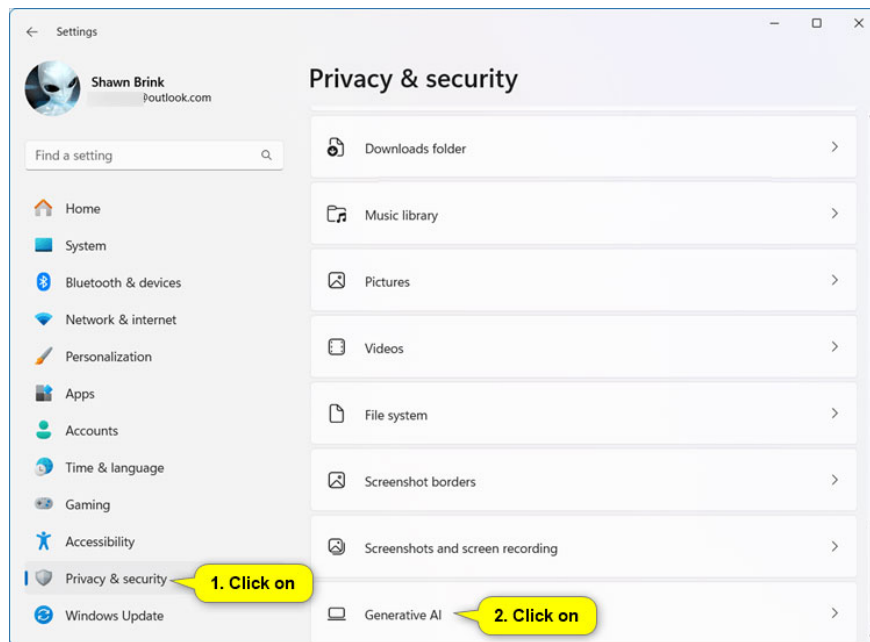
This guide will show you how to allow or deny apps access to Generative AI for your account or all users in Windows 11.

Starting with Windows 11 build 26236 (Canary), Microsoft has added a new Generative AI section to the **Privacy & security** settings page . The new Generative AI section allows you to see if your app can use Generative AI features.

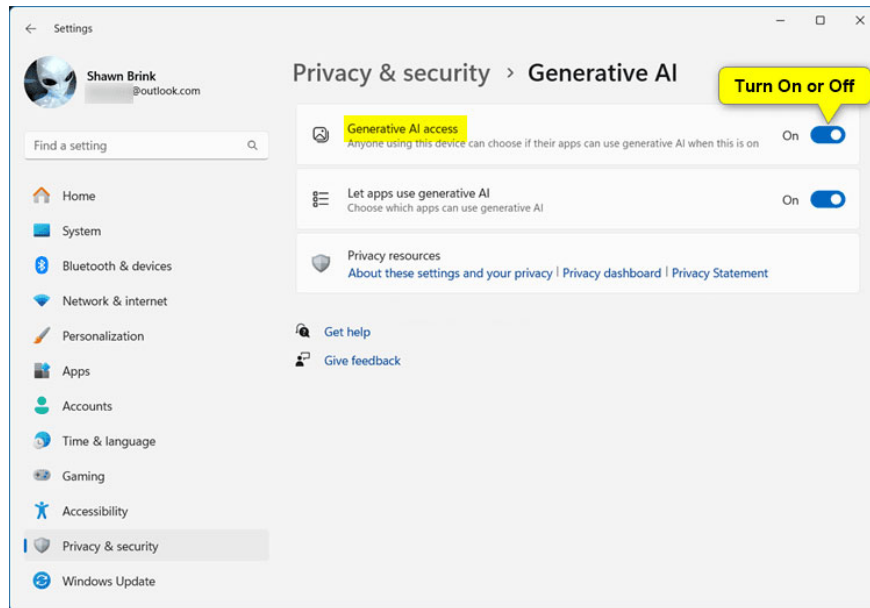
## Method 1: Enable/disable application access to Generative AI for all users in Settings

**Note** : Must be logged in with admin rights to use this option.

1. Open Settings ( **Win + I** ).
2. Click **Privacy & security** on the left and click **Generative AI** on the right in the **App permissions** section .



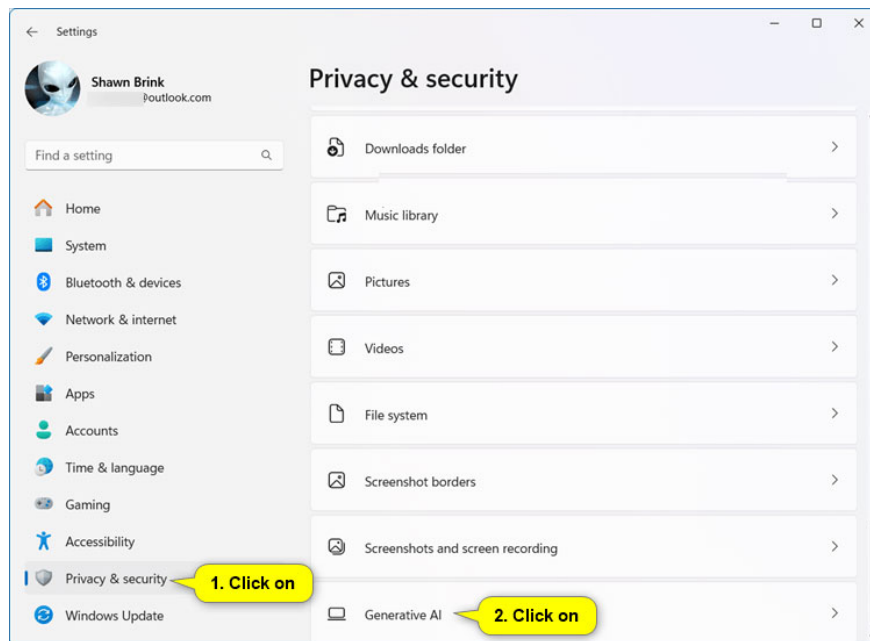
3. Enable (default) or disable **Generative AI access** depending on what you want.



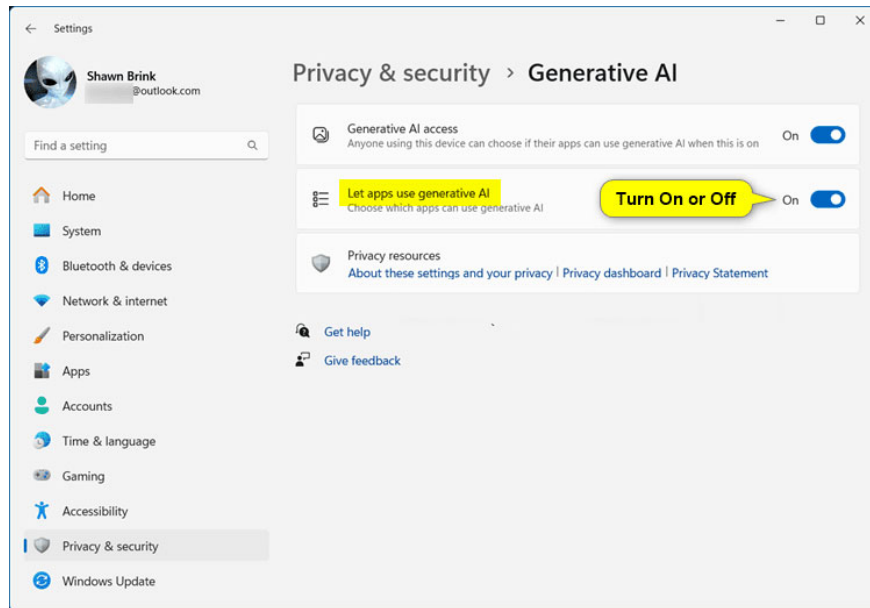
4. Now, you can close Settings if you want.

## Method 2: Enable/disable application access to Generative AI for the current user in Settings

1. Open Settings ( **Win + I** ).
2. Click **Privacy & security** on the left and click **Generative AI** on the right in the "App permissions" section.



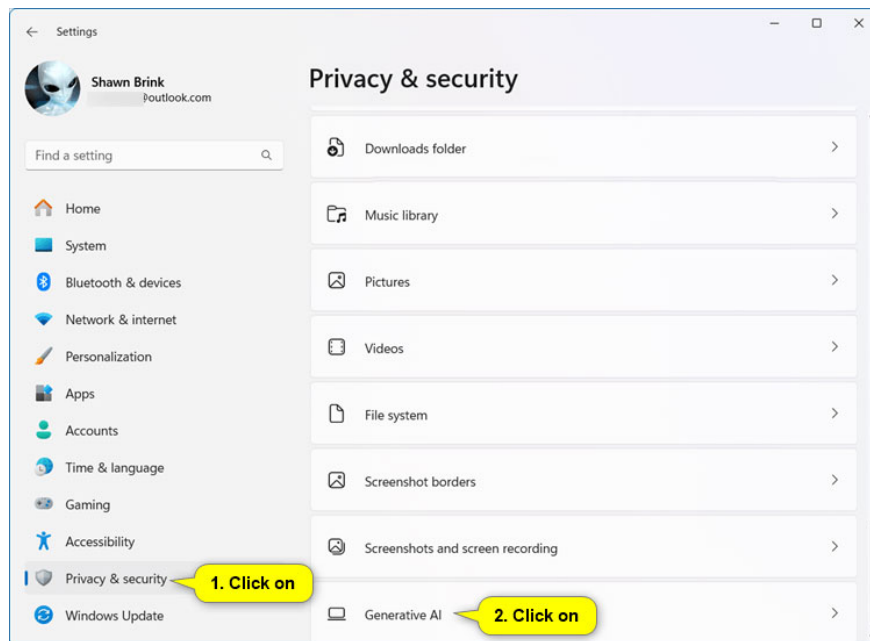
3. Turn on (default) or turn off **Let apps use generative AI** depending on what you want.



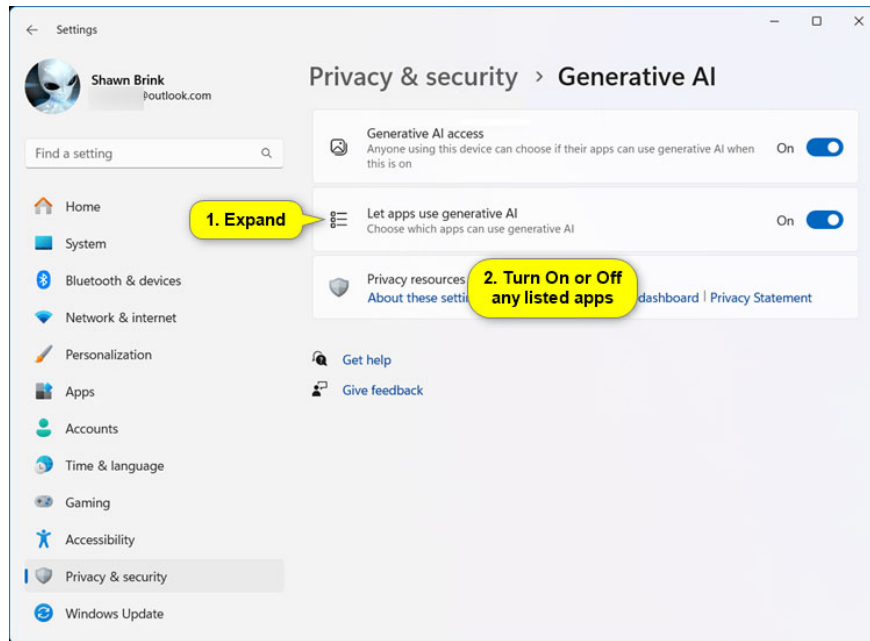
4. Now, you can close Settings if you want.

## Method 3: Enable/disable access to specific applications to Generative AI for the current user in Settings

1. Open Settings ( **Win + I** ).
2. Click **Privacy & security** on the left and click **Generative AI** on the right in the "App permissions" section.



3. Click **Let apps use generative AI** to expand if possible.
4. Enable (default) or disable any available applications you want.



5. Now, you can close Settings if you want.

## Method 4: Enable/disable application access to Generative AI for all users in Local Group Policy Editor

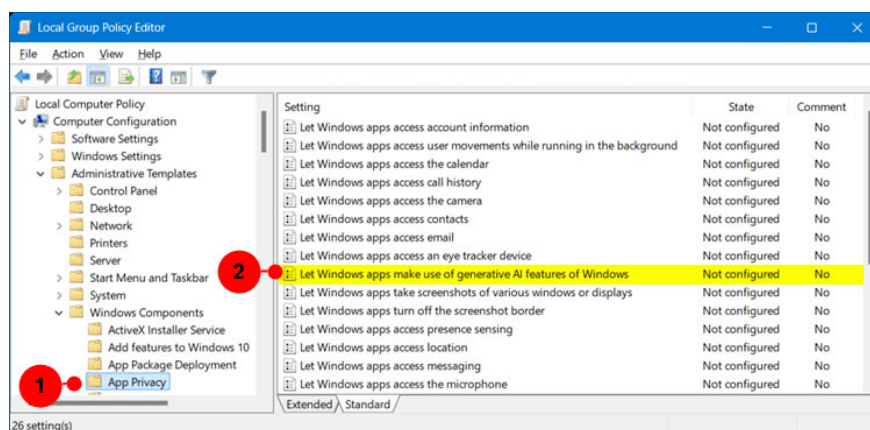
**Note :** Must be logged in with admin rights to use this option.

Local Group Policy Editor is only available in Windows 11 Pro, Enterprise, and Education editions.

1. Open Local Group Policy Editor (gpedit.msc).

2. Navigate to the policy location below in the left pane of Local Group Policy Editor.

**Computer Configuration > Administrative Templates > Windows Components > App Privacy**



3. In the right pane of **App Privacy** in Local Group Policy Editor, double-click the **Let Windows apps make use of generative AI features of Windows** policy to edit it.

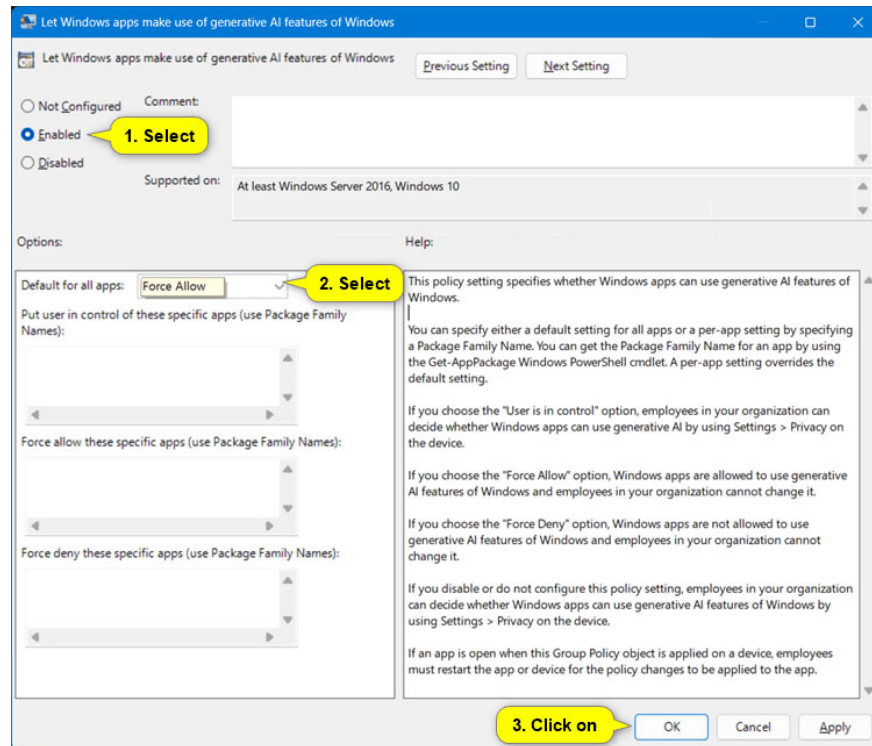
4. Perform step 5 (enable), step 6 (disable) or step 7 (default) below as desired.

5. Always allow applications to access Generative AI for all users

A) Select **Enabled**.

B) Select **Force Allow** in the "Default for all apps" drop-down menu in Options.

C) Click OK and go to step 8 below.?

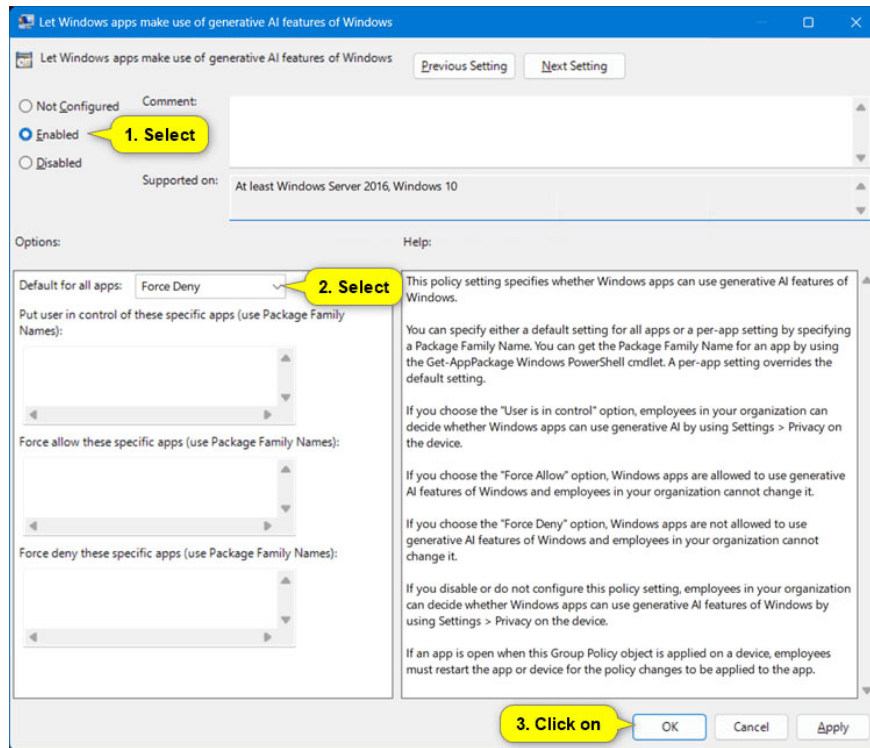


6. Disable app access to Generative AI for all users

A) Select **Enabled**.

B) Select **Force Deny** in the "Default for all apps" drop-down menu in Options.

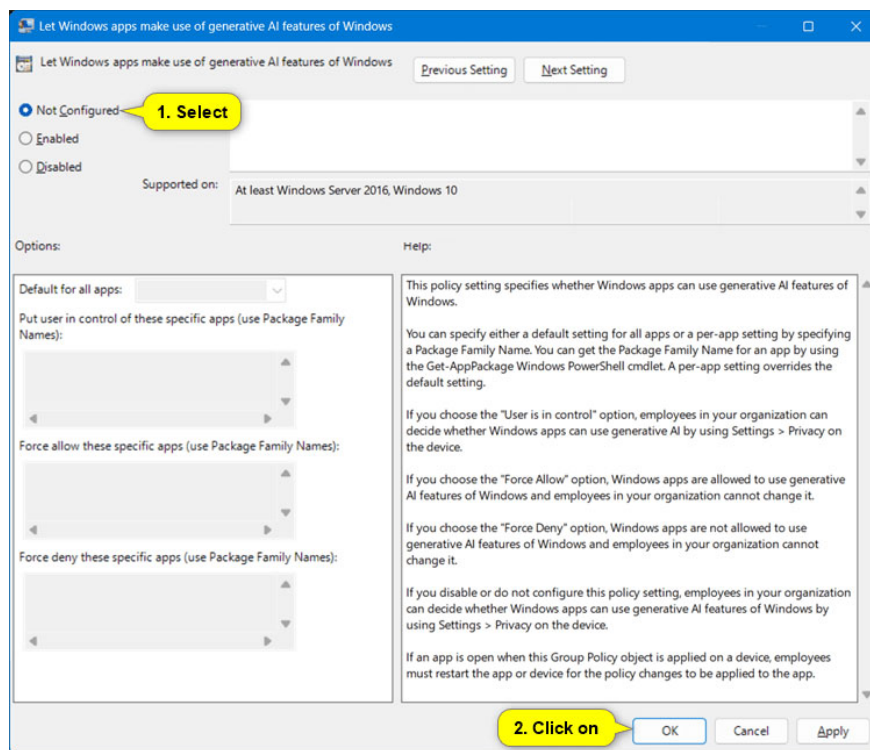
C) Click **OK** and go to step 8 below.



## 7. User-selected default applications access Generative AI

A) Select **Not Configured**.

B) Click **OK** and go to step 8 below.



8. Now, you can close the Local Group Policy Editor if you want.

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