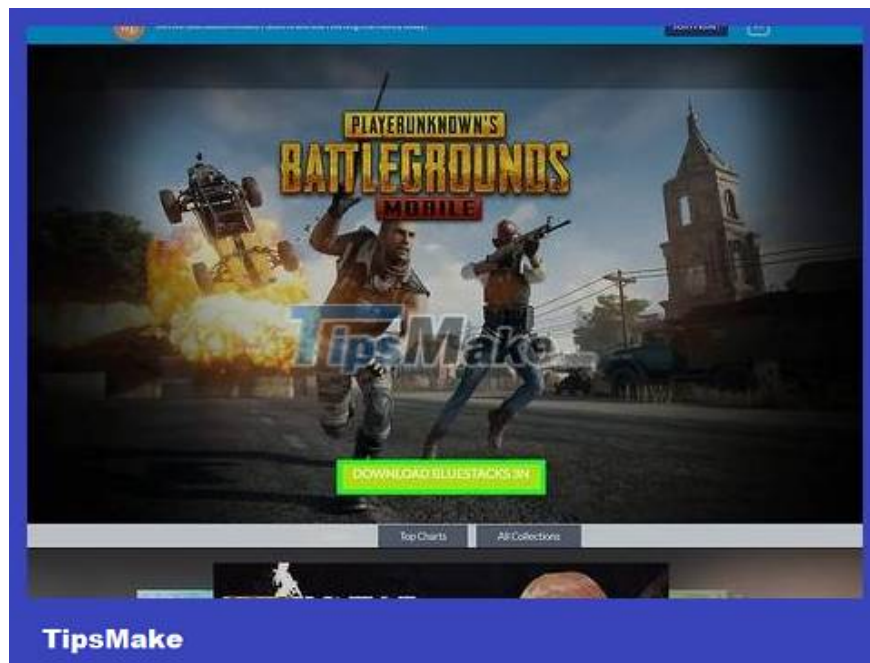


How to Install Android Apps on Bluestacks

Today's TipsMake will guide you how to download and install Android applications to Bluestacks (Android platform emulator) on Windows and Mac computers. Similar to Android devices, you can install applications directly from the Google Play Store right on Bluestacks. Additionally, you can also download and install the app's APK file directly if the app is not available on the Play Store.

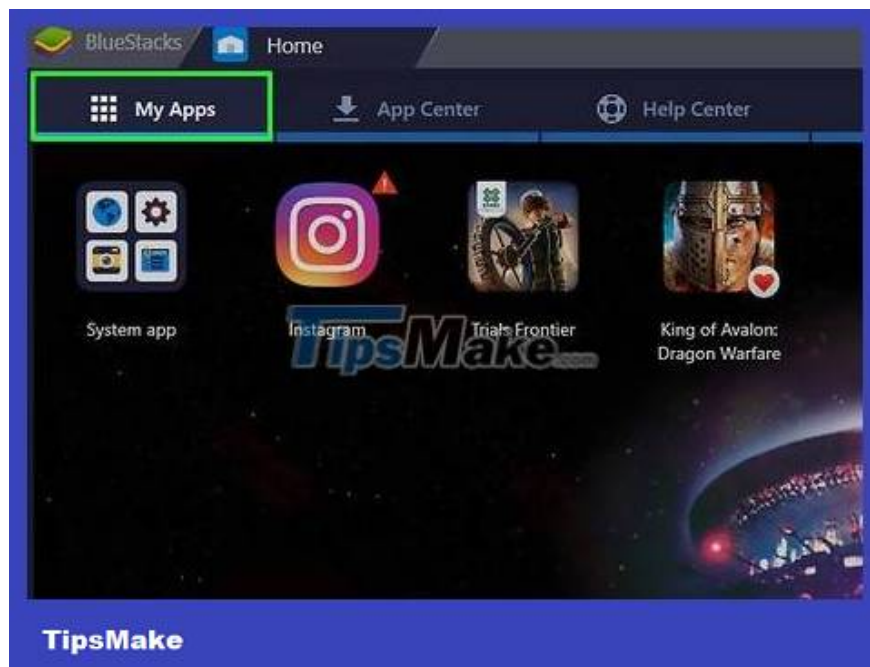
Use Play Store



Install and set up Bluestacks. If your computer does not have Bluestacks yet, visit <https://www.bluestacks.com>, click the green **DOWNLOAD BLUESTACKS** button in the middle of the page, click the green **DOWNLOAD** button at the top of the next page and proceed with the installation. Set depending on your computer's operating system:

On Windows — Double-click the downloaded EXE file, click **Yes** when prompted, click **Install now**, click **Complete** when applicable, then open Bluestacks (if the program does not start automatically) and follow the on-screen instructions to sign in to your Google account.

Mac — Double-click the downloaded DMG file, then double-click the Bluestacks icon, click **Install** when prompted, confirm the installation if asked, click **Continue** when possible, and finally open Start Bluestacks (if the program does not start automatically) and follow the on-screen instructions to log in to your Google account.



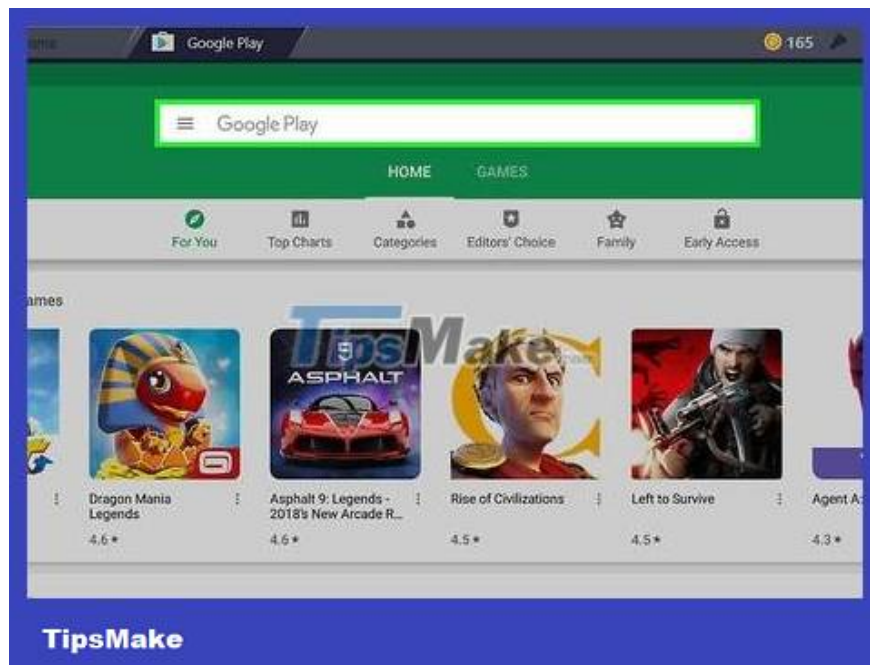
Click the My Apps tab in the upper left corner of the window.



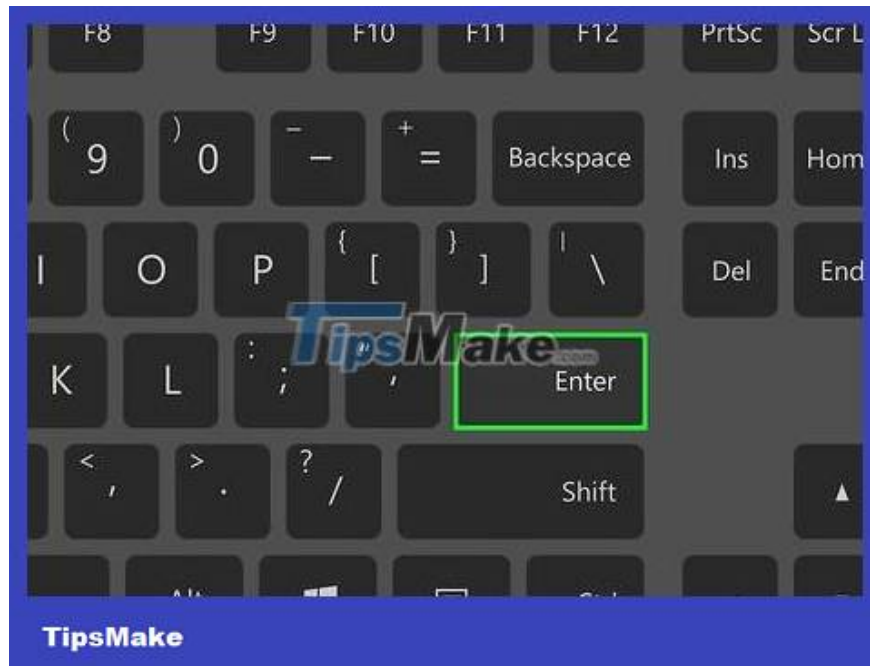
Click the System app folder . This option is at the top left of the My Apps page . A folder containing available Bluestacks applications will appear.



Click Google Play. The app has a multicolored triangle icon on the "System app" page. The Google Play Store will open.

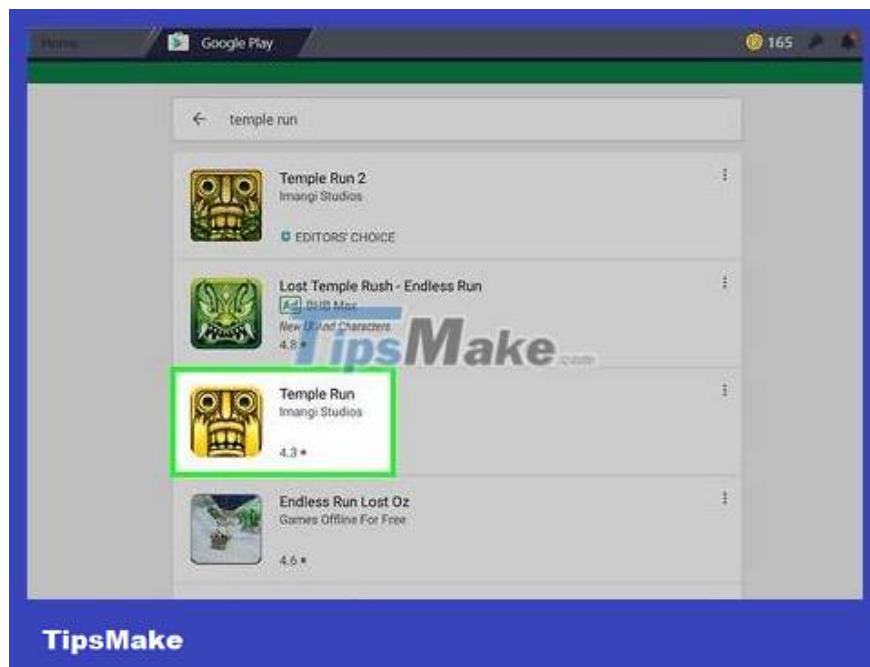


Click the search bar. This text box is at the top of the Google Play Store page.



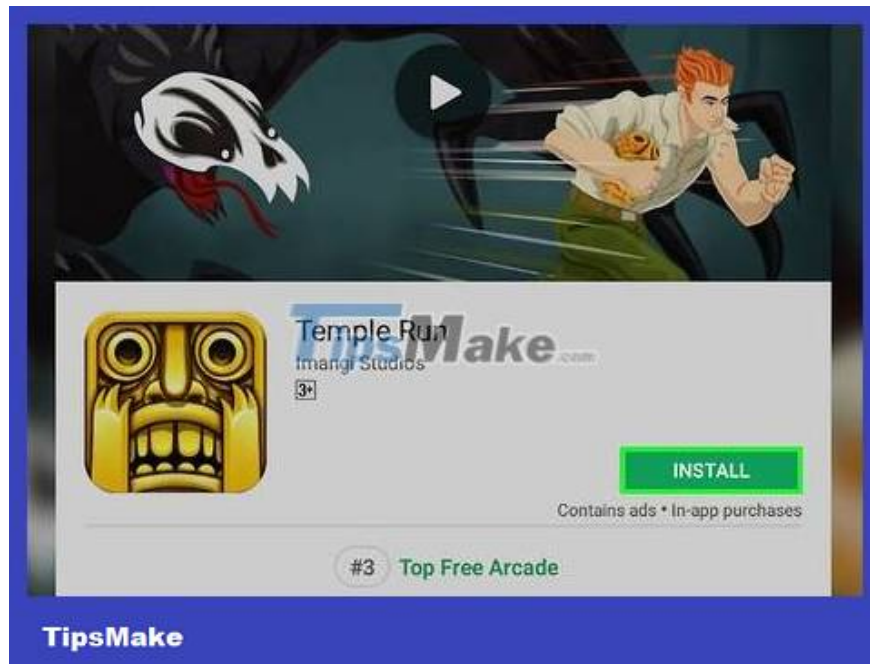
Find apps. Enter the app name (or keywords to search if you don't remember the specific app name), then tap ? Enter.

As you type in the app name, the icon along with the app name will appear in the drop-down menu below the search bar. Once there, click the name next to the app icon and skip to the next step.

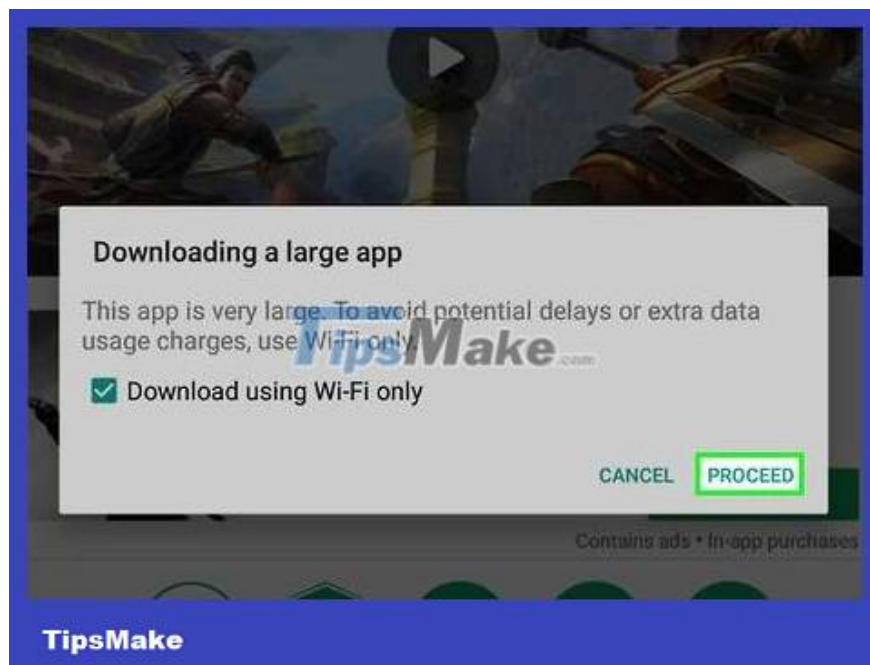


Select application. Scroll down until you find the app you want to install, then click the icon to open the app's page.

The Google Play Store will often display the app that best matches your search at the top of the results list. You can click **INSTALL** below this application to start the installation; If you choose this method, skip the next step.

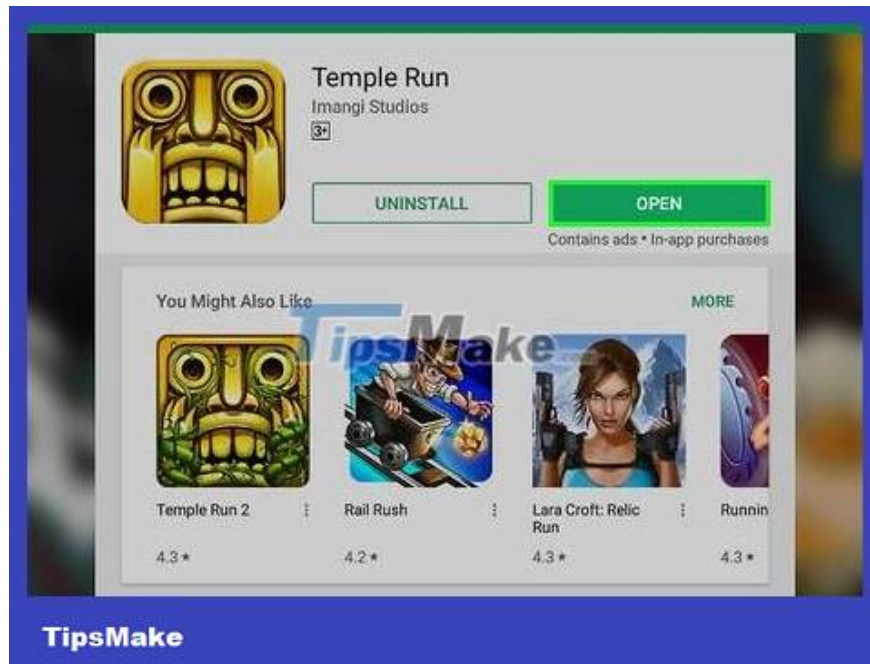


Click **INSTALL** . This green button is at the top right of the page.



Click **ACCEPT** when prompted. The application will begin installing.

Depending on the application, you may not need to click **ACCEPT** as above.

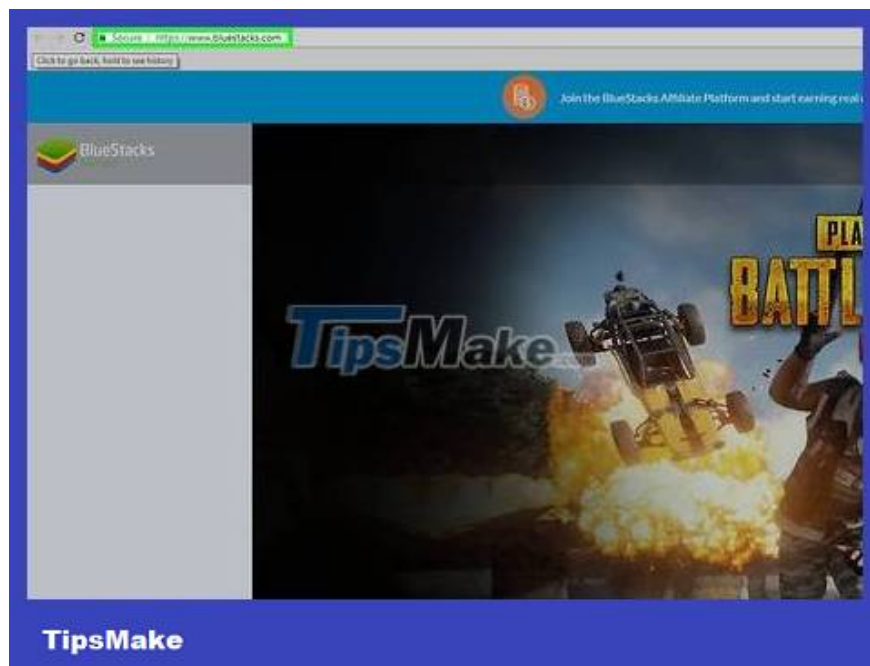


Open the app. After installation is complete, you can open the application in two ways

Click **OPEN** on the app's page in the Google Play Store to open it immediately.

Click the app icon in the **My Apps** tab at any time.

Use APK file



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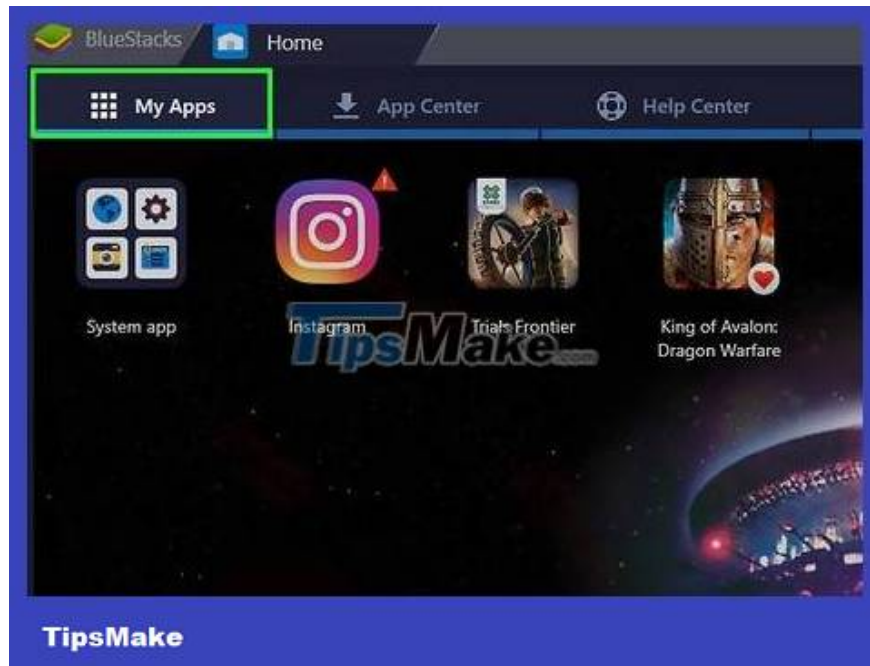
Windows — Double-click the downloaded EXE file, click **Yes** when asked, click **Install now**, click **Complete** when possible, then open Bluestacks (if the program does not start automatically) and proceed as directed. on-screen instructions to set up your account.

Mac — Double-click the downloaded DMG file, double-click the Bluestacks icon, click **Install** when prompted, confirm the installation when prompted, click **Continue** when possible, keep Bluestacks open (if the program program does not start automatically) and follow the on-screen instructions to set up your account.



Download the APK file to your computer. APKs are installation files; Usually used to install certain third-party applications that are not available on the Play Store, you can also use this file to quickly install versions of some applications available in the store such as Chrome. To download an app's APK file, search for keywords including the app name apk(such as "facebook apk"), then select a website and click the **Download** or **Mirror** link .

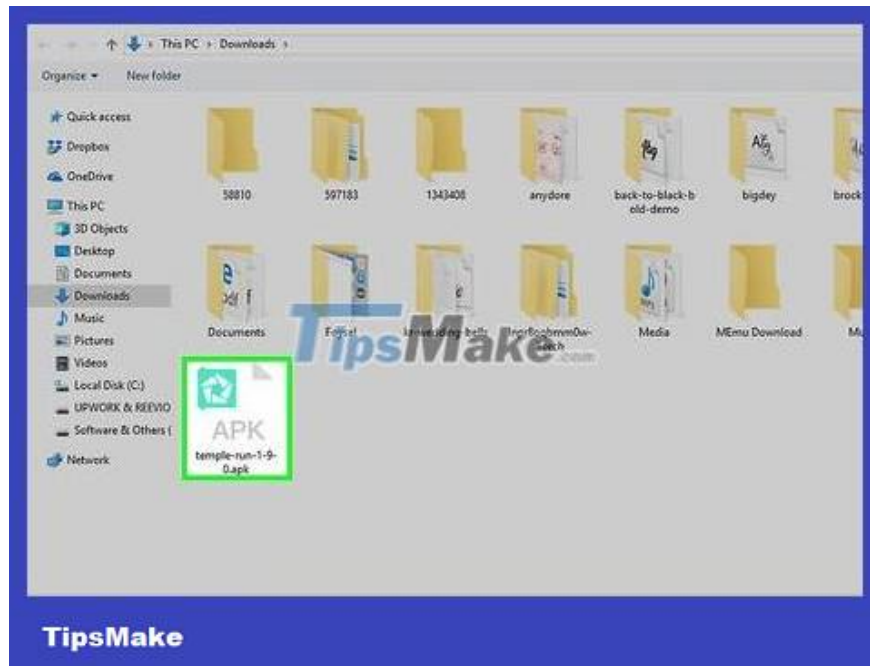
APKMirror, AppBrain, and AndroidAPKsFree are reputable sites where you can download APK files.



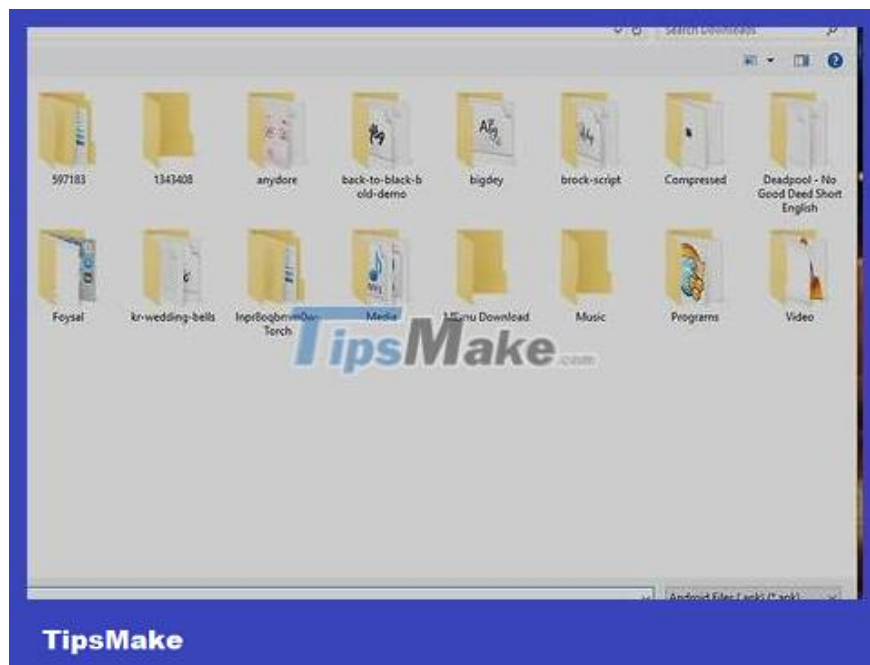
Click the My Apps tab in the upper left of the Bluestacks window.



Click Install apk in the lower right corner. A File Explorer (Windows) or Finder (Mac) window opens.



Select the downloaded APK file. Go to the folder containing the downloaded APK file, then click to select it.



Click Open . Tasks are in the lower right corner of the window. The APK file will open on Bluestacks and the app installation will begin.



Open the app. Once the app icon appears on the **My Apps** tab , you can click it to open the app.

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