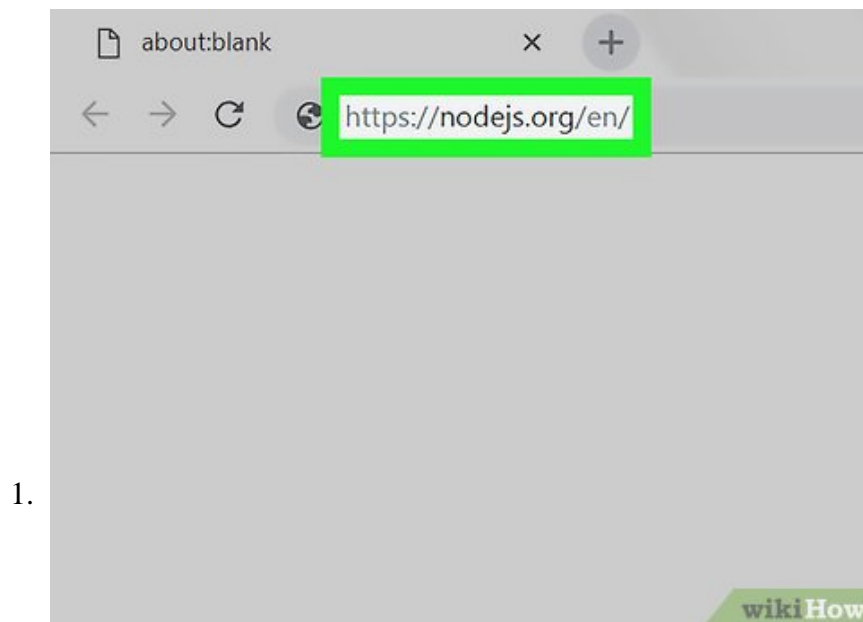


# How to Install Node.Js on Windows

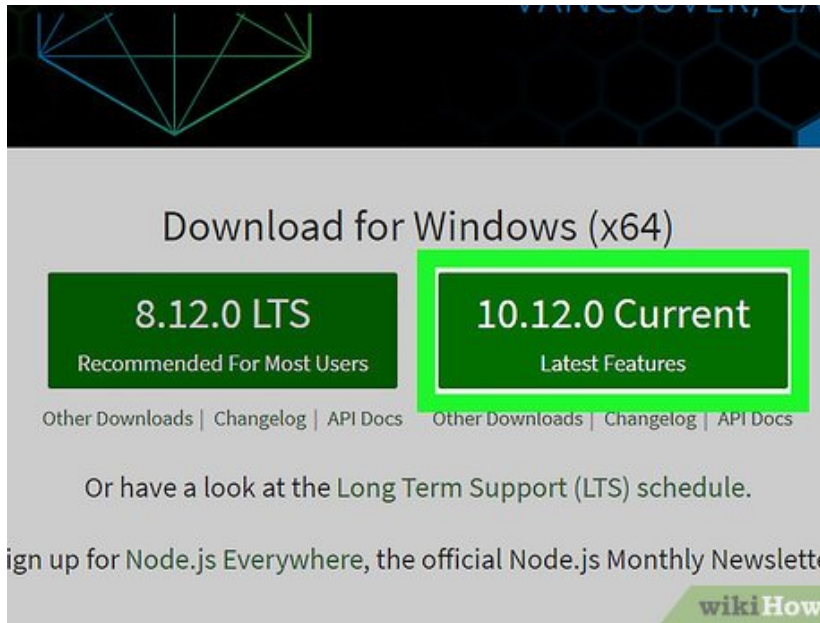
This wikiHow teaches you how to download and test Node.Js on a Windows computer. Open the Node.Js download site. Go to <https://nodejs.org/en/> in your computer's web browser.

Part 1 of 2:

## Installing



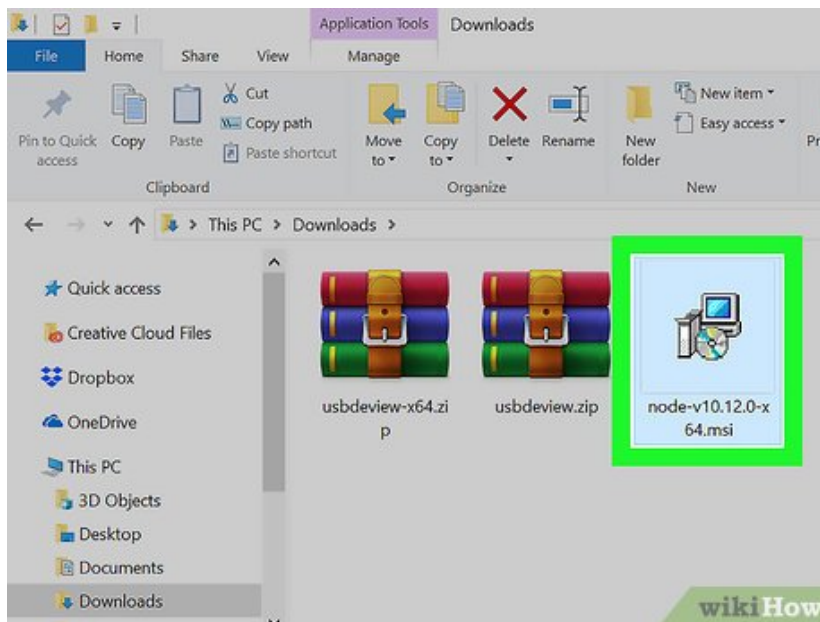
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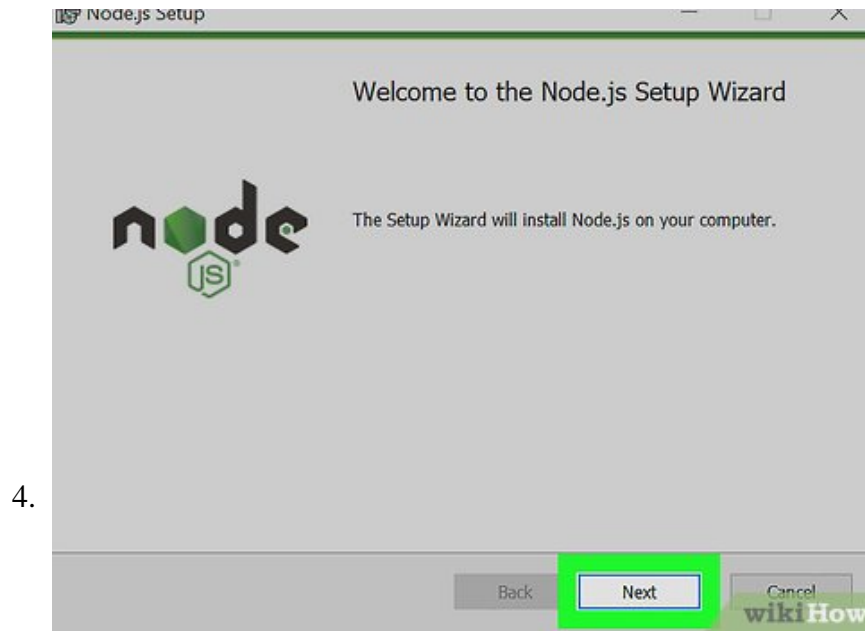
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Click the **Current** option. It's a green box on the right side of the page. Doing so prompts the Node.js setup file to download onto your computer.

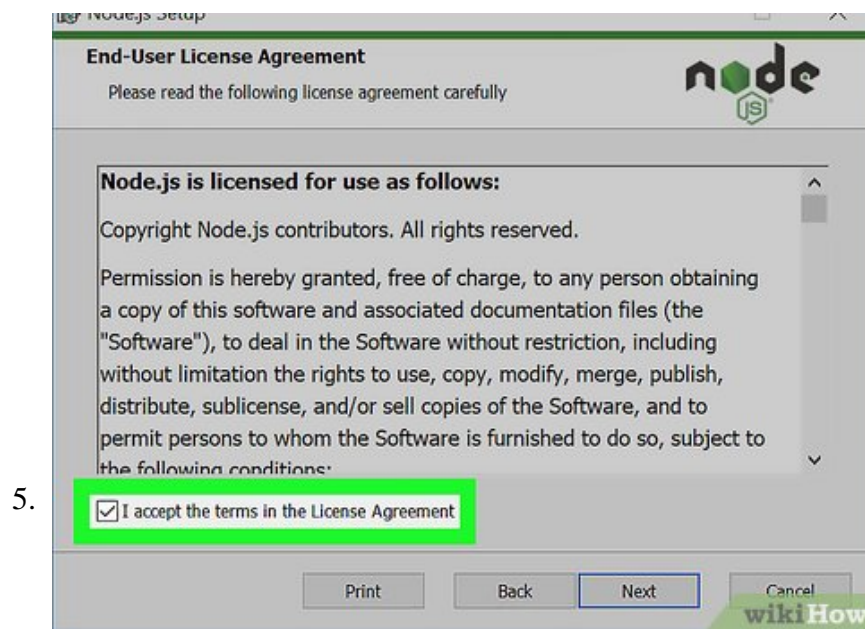


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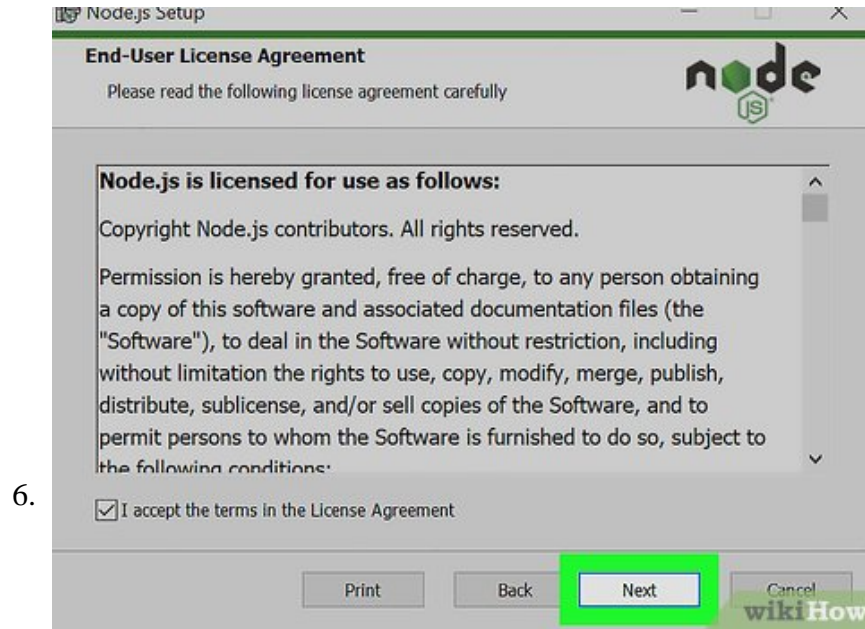
Double-click the setup file. You'll find it in your computer's default downloads folder.



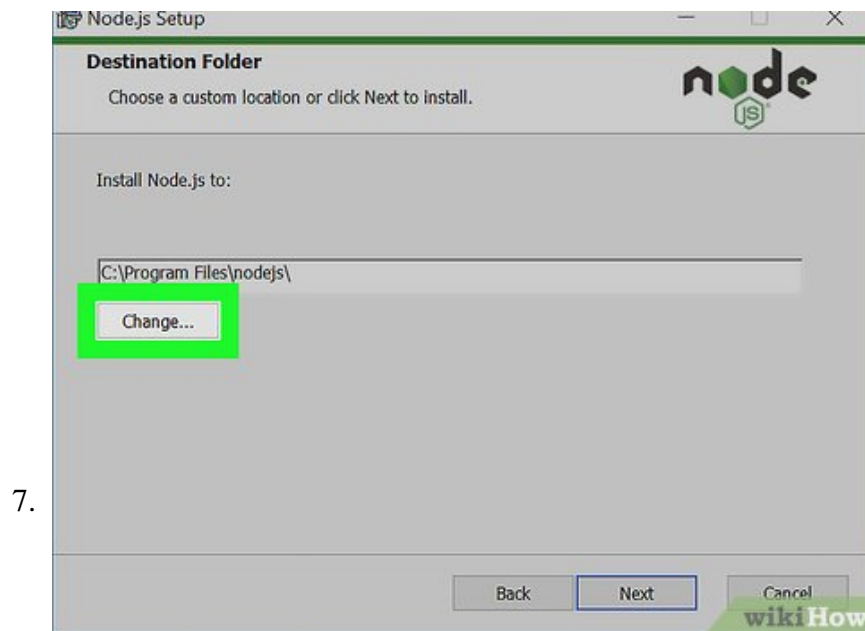
Click **Next**. It's at the bottom of the setup window.



Check the "I accept" box. You'll find this below the terms of use.

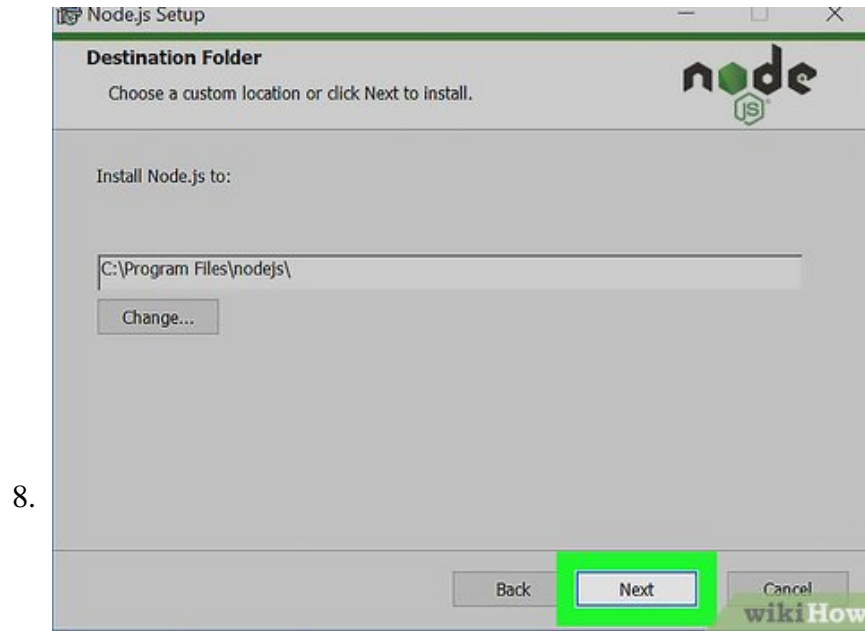


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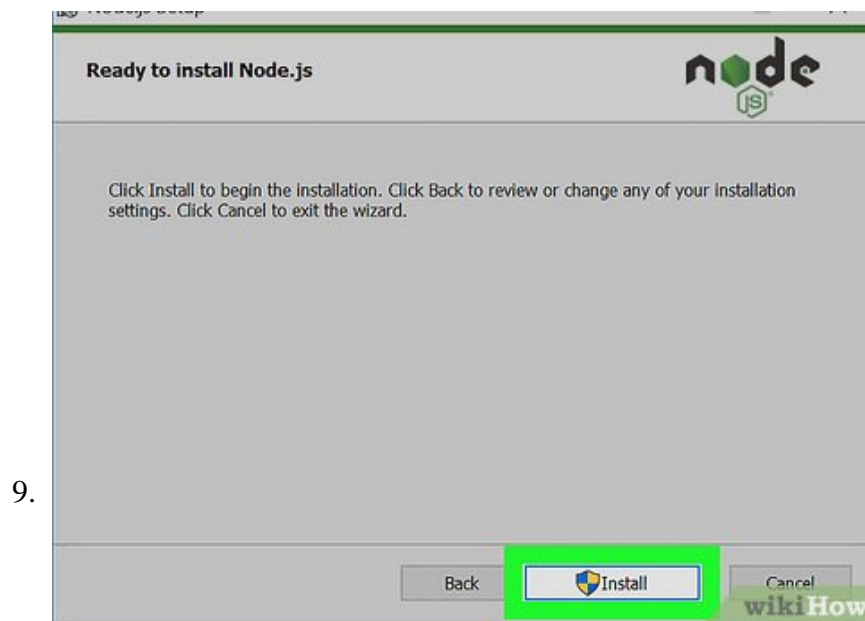


**Specify an installation location.** If you want to change the default installation location (which is C:\Program Files\nodejs), do the following:

1. Click **Change...** below the current installation path.
2. Click the "Look in" drop-down box.
3. Click **Program Files**.
4. Select the folder in which you want to install Node.Js.
5. Click **OK**.

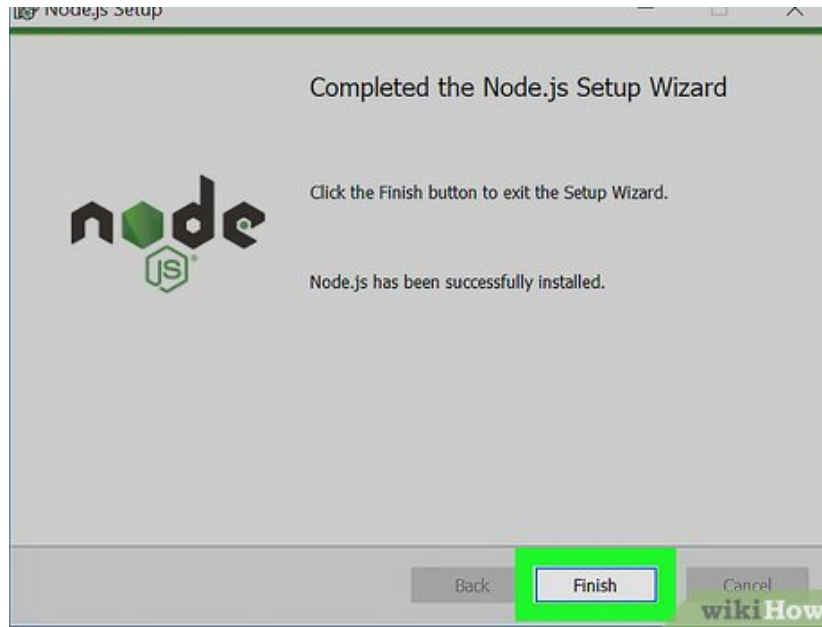


Click **Next** twice. It's at the bottom of the window.



Click **Install**. You'll see this option at the bottom of the window. Node.js will begin installing.

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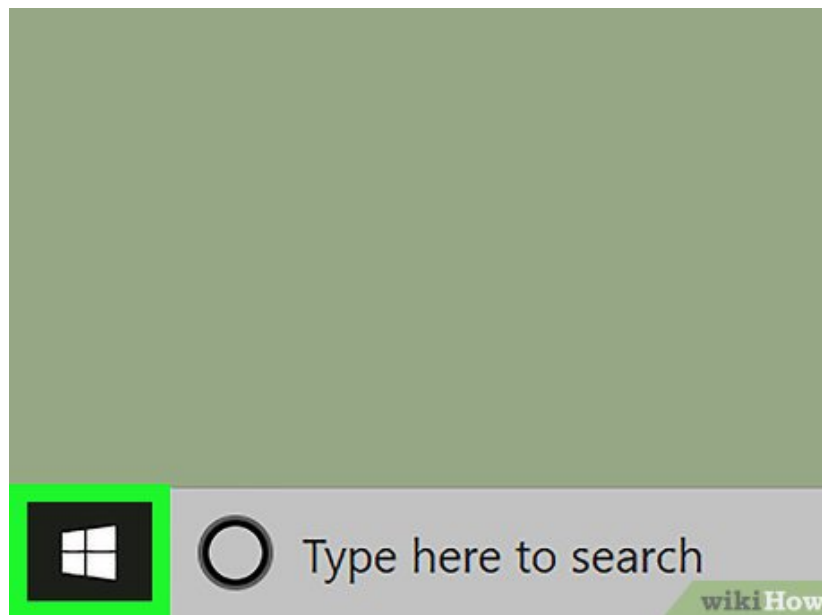


Click **Finish** when prompted. At this point, Node.js is installed. You can check its installation success by using Command Prompt.

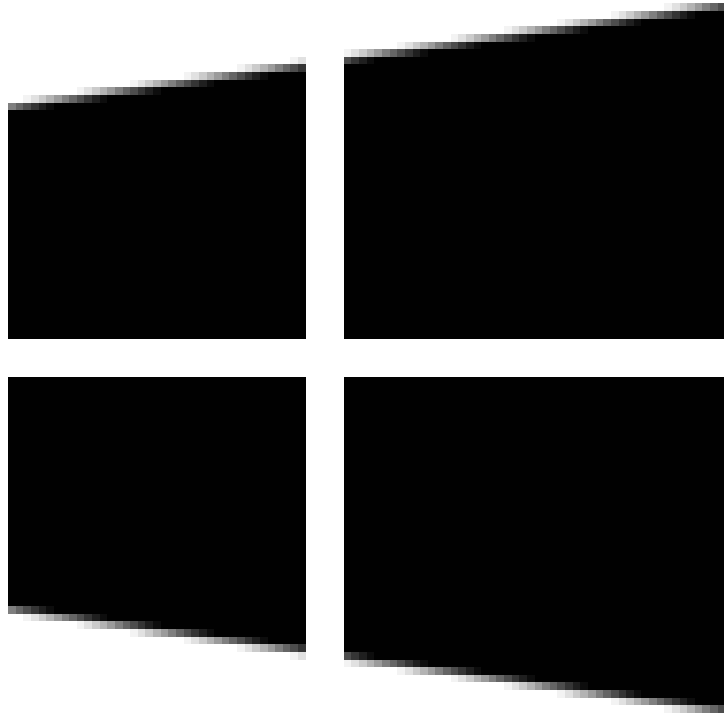
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## Testing Your Installation

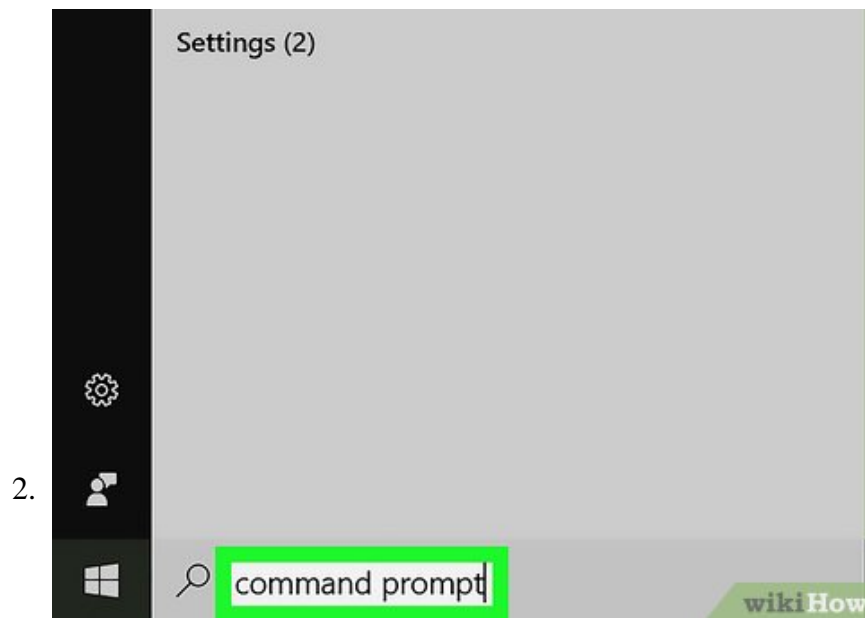
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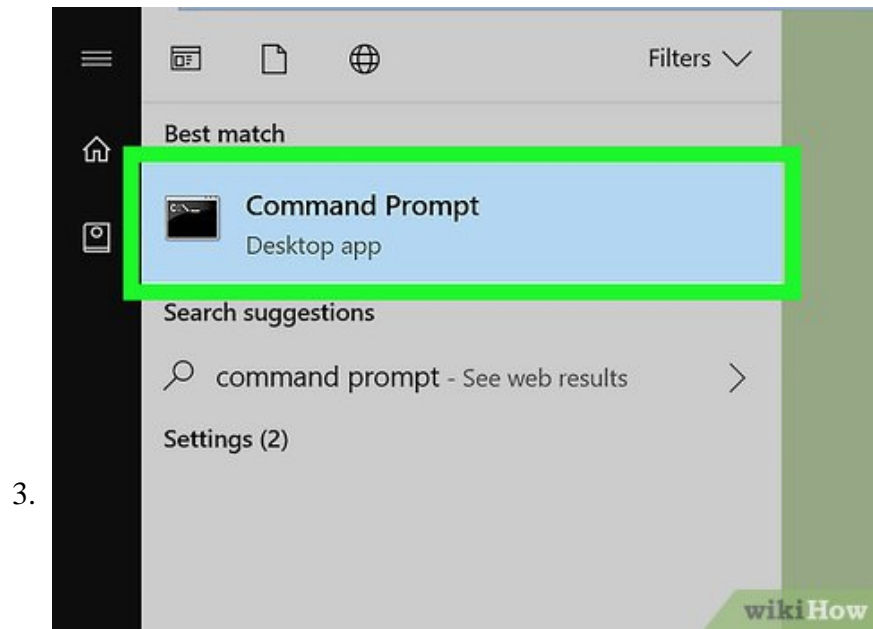
Open Start



. Click the Windows logo in the bottom-left corner of the screen.



**Search for Command Prompt.** Type in `command prompt` to do so.

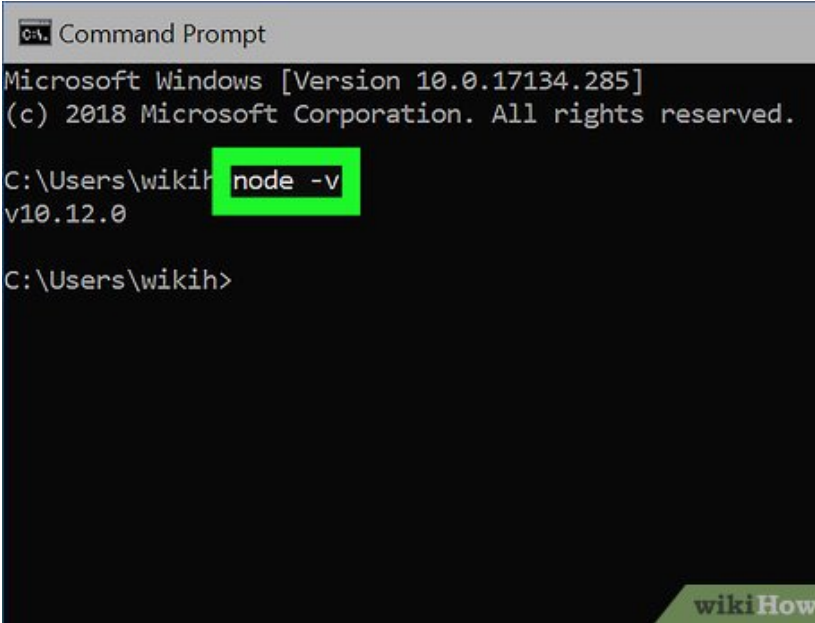


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**Command Prompt.** It's at the top of the Start menu. Doing so opens the Command Prompt window.

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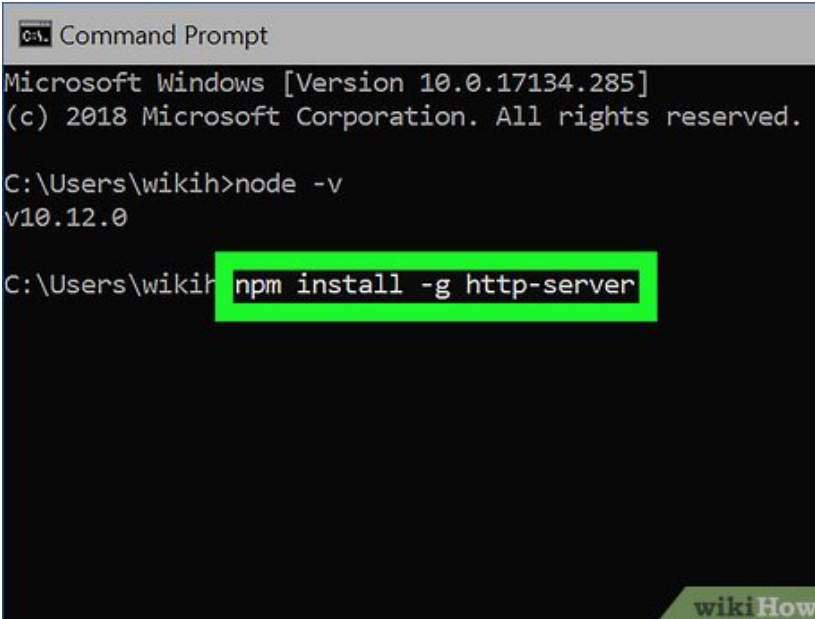
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**Enter the "version" command.** Type in `node -v` and press `Enter`. You should be greeted by a message that says "v Number" where "Number" is the version number of the Node.js program you downloaded.

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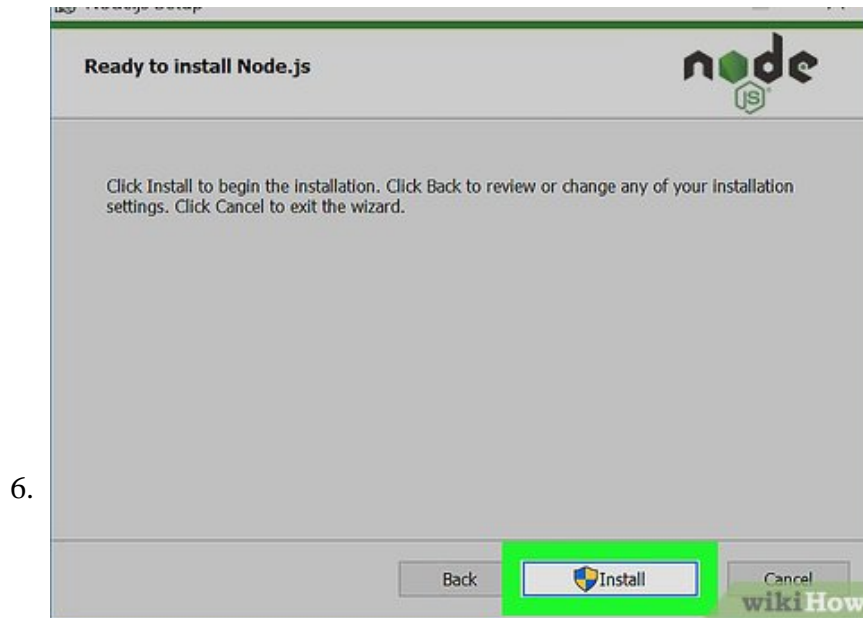
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C:\Users\wikih> node -v
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C:\Users\wikih> npm install -g http-server
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**Install a package if necessary.** If you want to try testing Node.js' ability to install a package, type `npm install -g http-server` into Command Prompt and press `Enter`. You should see a progress bar appear in Command Prompt, and the "http-server" extension should be installed to your Node.js installation folder.



**Troubleshoot a bad installation.** If you can't get Node.js to work on your computer, do the following to reset it:

1. Open the installation folder.
2. Find the "nodejs" folder and delete it.
3. Double-click the Node.js installation file to restart the installation.
4. Use the default settings to install Node.js.
5. If this process doesn't work, try using the **LTS** installation file instead of the **Current** installation file. You can find it on the Node.js download site.

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