

How to restart the computer using PowerShell

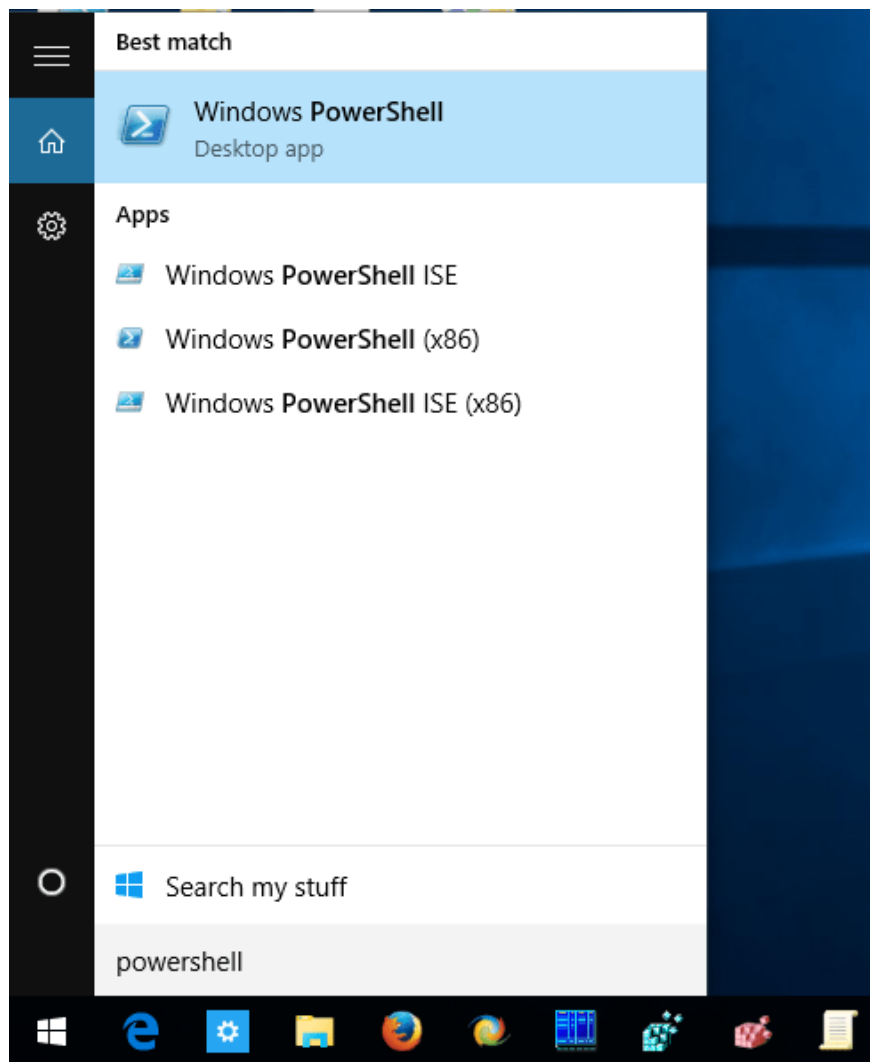
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To restart the computer with PowerShell, you first need to open PowerShell. There are many ways to open PowerShell on Windows on Windows 10, for example you can use Search (Cortana).

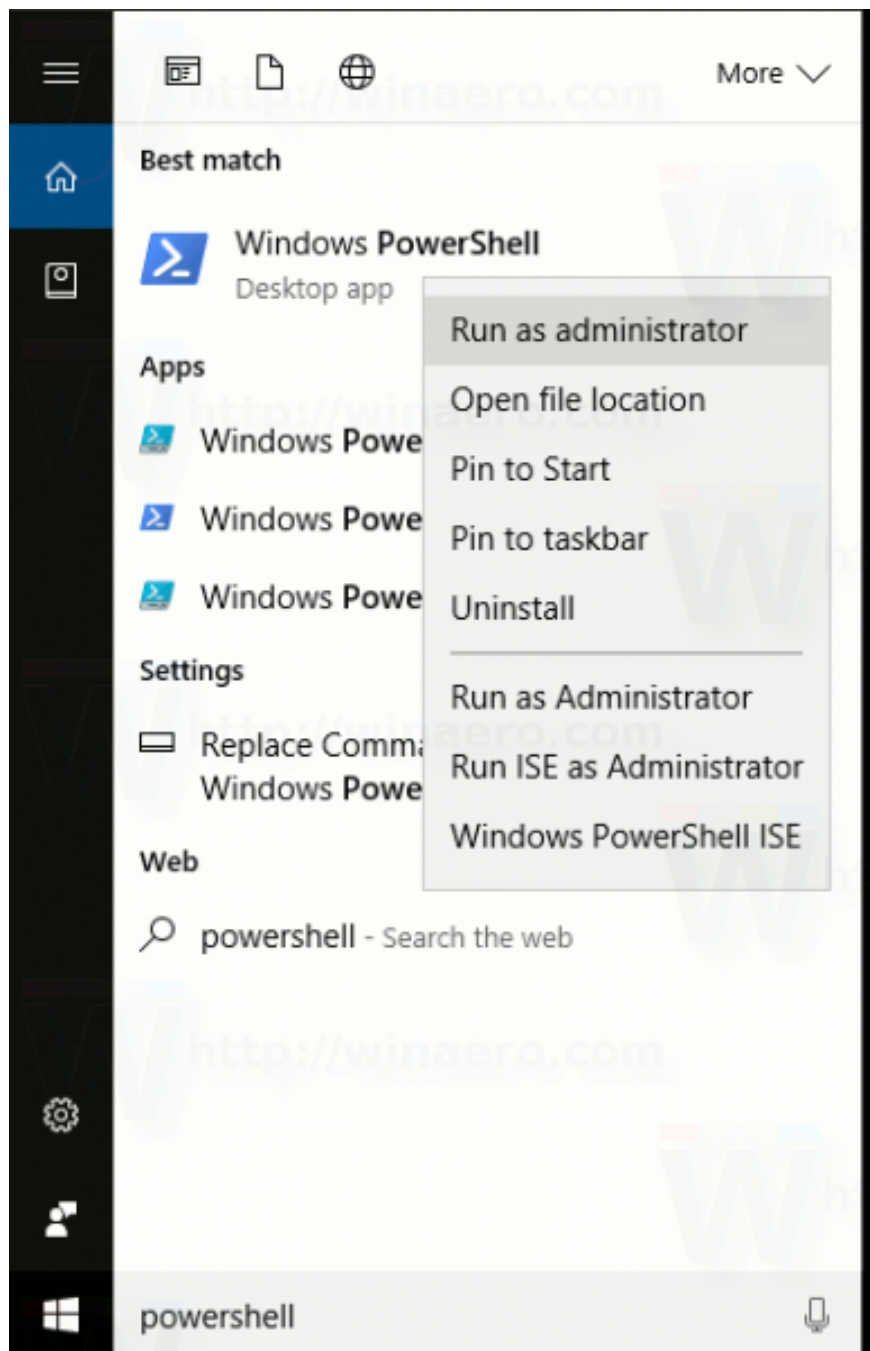
Open PowerShell on Windows 10 with Search

Open Start Menu or Start Screen by pressing Windows key, then enter " **powershell** " into the Search frame.



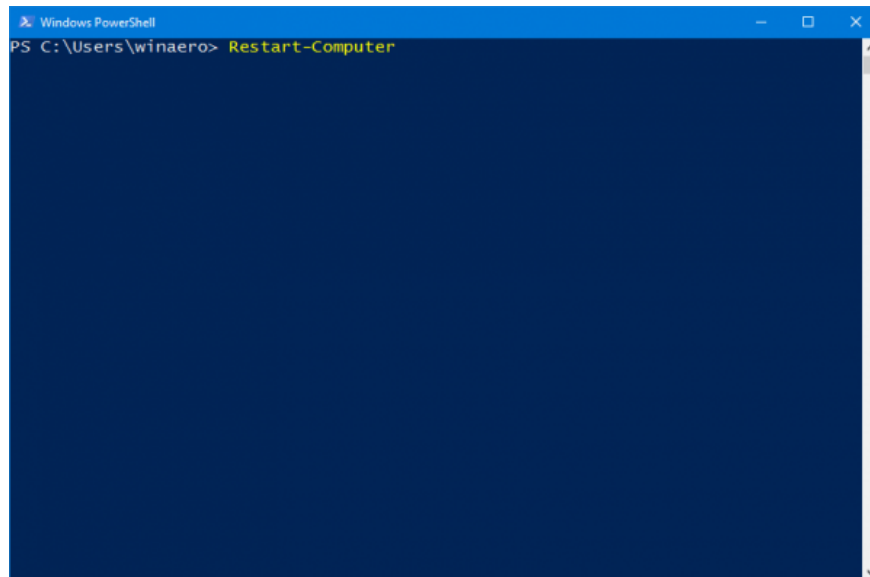
On the search results list, click **Windows PowerShell** or press **Enter** to open PowerShell.

If you want to open PowerShell under Admin, select **PowerShell** on the search results list and then press **Ctrl + Shift + Enter** or right-click **Windows PowerShell** and select **Run as Administrator** .



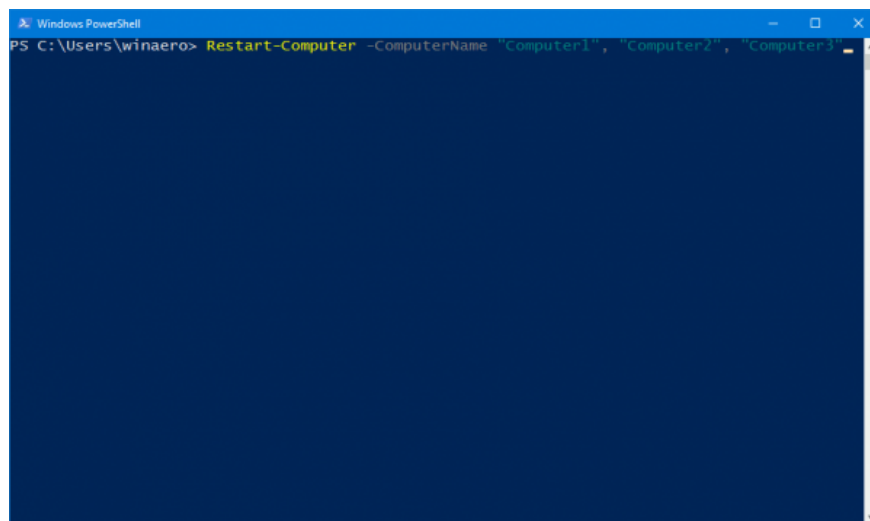
On the PowerShell window, enter the following command into:

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restart-computer
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A screenshot of a Windows PowerShell terminal window. The title bar reads "Windows PowerShell". The command prompt shows "PS C:\Users\winaero> Restart-Computer". The terminal background is dark blue, and the text is white.

This command will restart your computer immediately.

Also you can use to restart multiple computers at once, quite useful.

A screenshot of a Windows PowerShell terminal window. The title bar reads "Windows PowerShell". The command prompt shows "PS C:\Users\winaero> Restart-Computer -ComputerName "Computer1", "Computer2", "Computer3"". The terminal background is dark blue, and the text is white.

The command syntax will be:

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Restart-Computer -ComputerName "Computer1", "Computer2", "Computer3"
```

The next command below to restart the remote Computer1 computer and wait 10 minutes later (600s) for Windows PowerShell is available on the restarted computer before continuing the steps:

```
Restart-Computer -ComputerName "Server01" -Wait -For PowerShell -Timeout 600 -Delay 2
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Refer to some of the following articles:

1. Activate "God Mode" on Windows 10, 8 and 7
1. Instructions to enable / disable Windows Firewall with Command Prompt
1. What is Developer Mode on Windows 10? How to activate this mode?

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