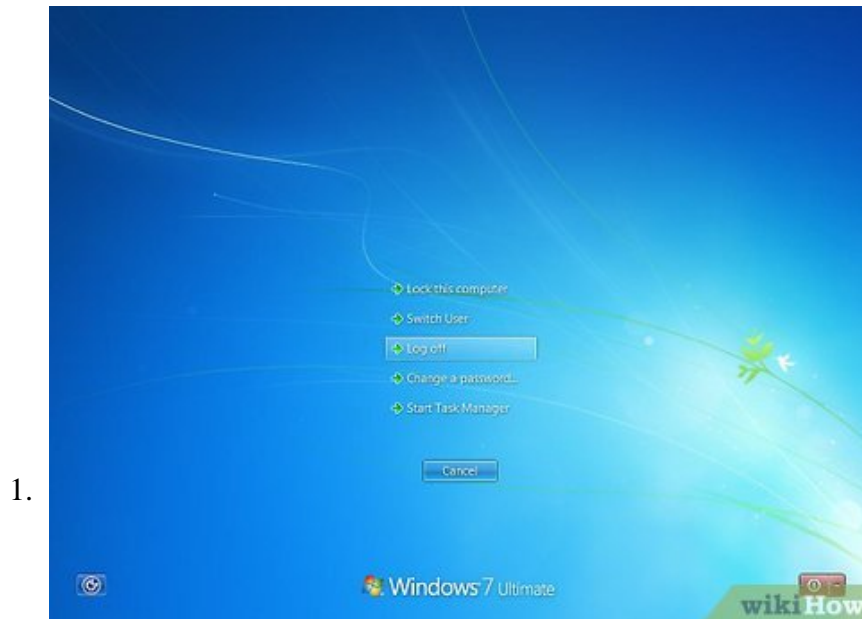


# How to Use a Password Reset Disk (Windows)

If you forget your password, you can log on to the computer by using a new password you created using the Password Reset Wizard and your password reset disk. In the Welcome to Windows dialog box, press CTRL+ALT+DELETE and log off.

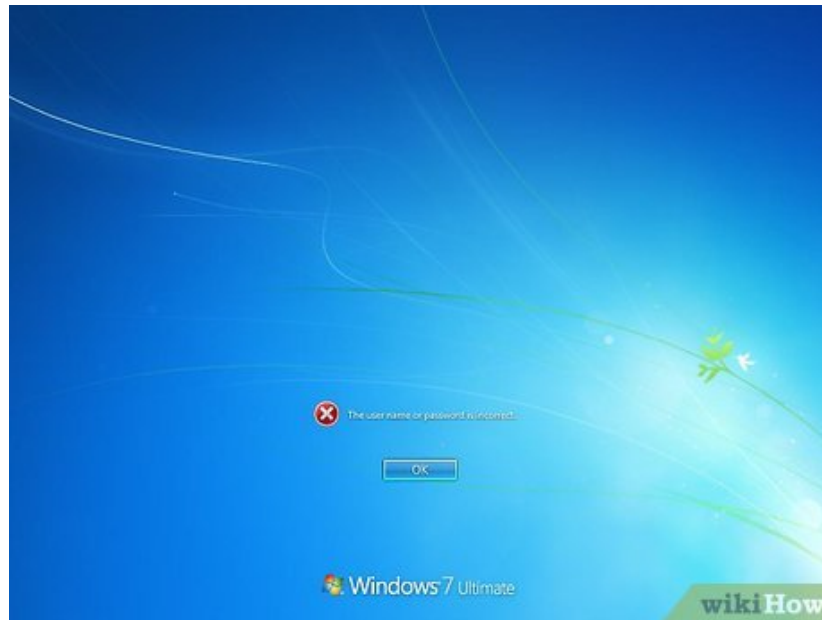
Method 1 of 3:

**To gain access to your local user account on a computer that is a member of a domain, or has been disconnected from a domain**



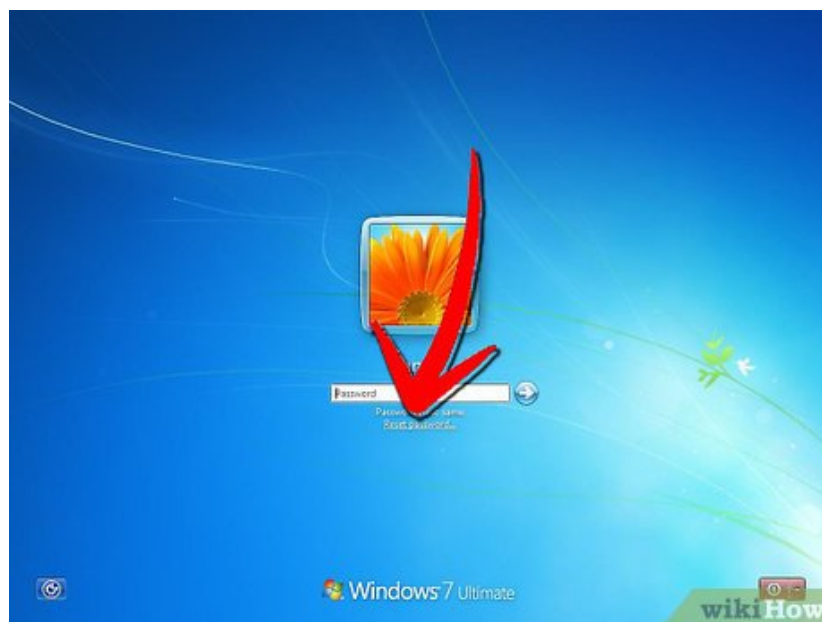
**In the Welcome to Windows dialog box, press CTRL+ALT+DELETE and log off.**

2.



**In the Log On to Windows dialog box, type an incorrect password in the Password box, and then click OK.**

3.



**In the Logon Failed dialog box that appears, click Reset.** The Password Reset Wizard starts. You can use the Password Reset Wizard to create a new password for your local user account.



**On the Welcome to the Password Reset Wizard page, click Next.**



**Insert the password reset disk in drive A, and then click Next.**



**On the Reset the User Account Password page, type a new password in the Type a new password box.**



**Type the same password in the Type the password again to confirm box.**



**In the Type a new password hint box, type a hint that will help you remember the password if you forget it.** Note this hint is visible to anyone who tries to log on to the computer by using your user account.



**Click Next, and then click Finish.** The Password Reset Wizard quits and you return to the Log On to Windows dialog box. The password reset disk is automatically updated with the new password information. You do not have to create a new password reset disk.

10.



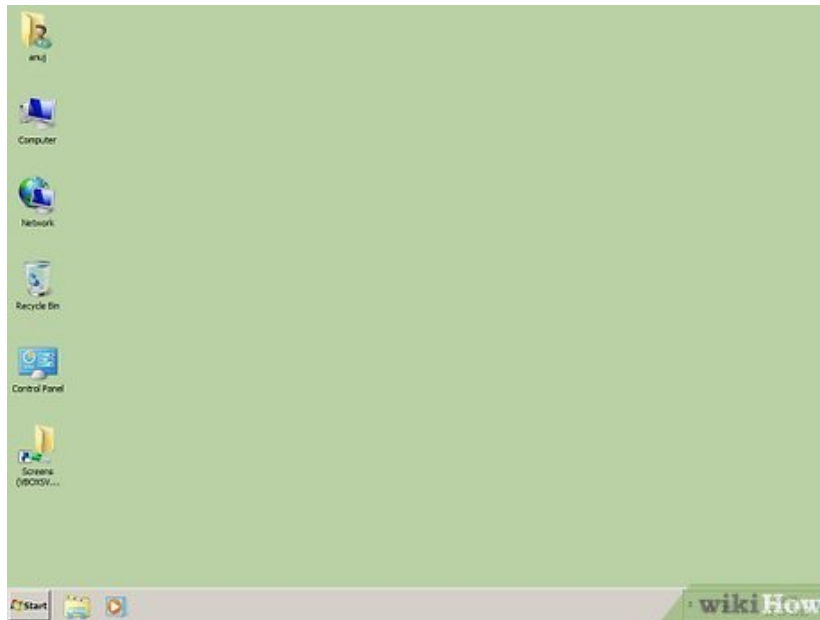
In the Log On to Windows dialog box, type your local username and new password in the Password box.

11.



In the Log on to box, (For XP) click the local computer and (For Vista/7) you may leave domain option empty for local account. click OK.

12.



You should be logged on to the local computer with your local account information.

Method 2 of 3:

## Reset windows password without data loss

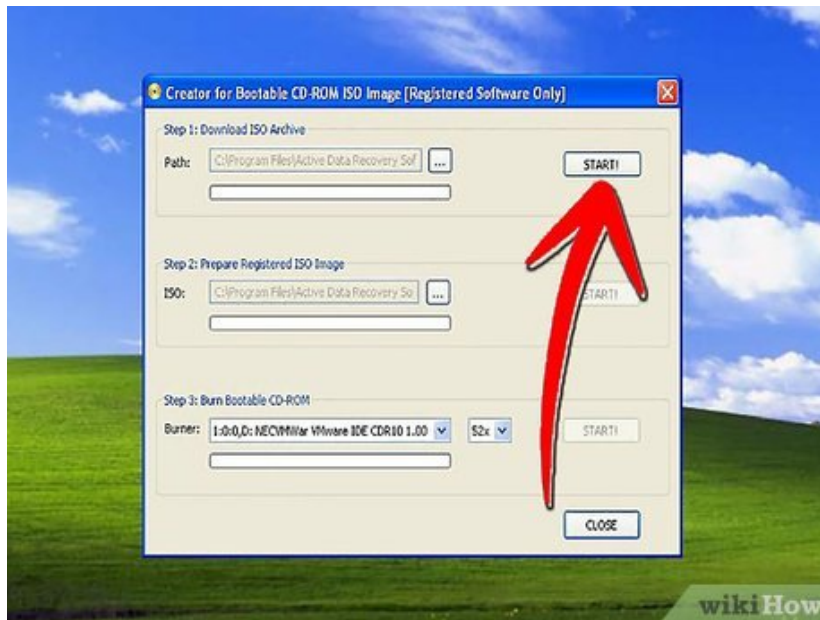
1.

If first option is not available to you, you can search for a password boot disk, which will disable the administrator password.



2.

**Download the windows password Recovery Tool 3.0/Active password changer.**



3.

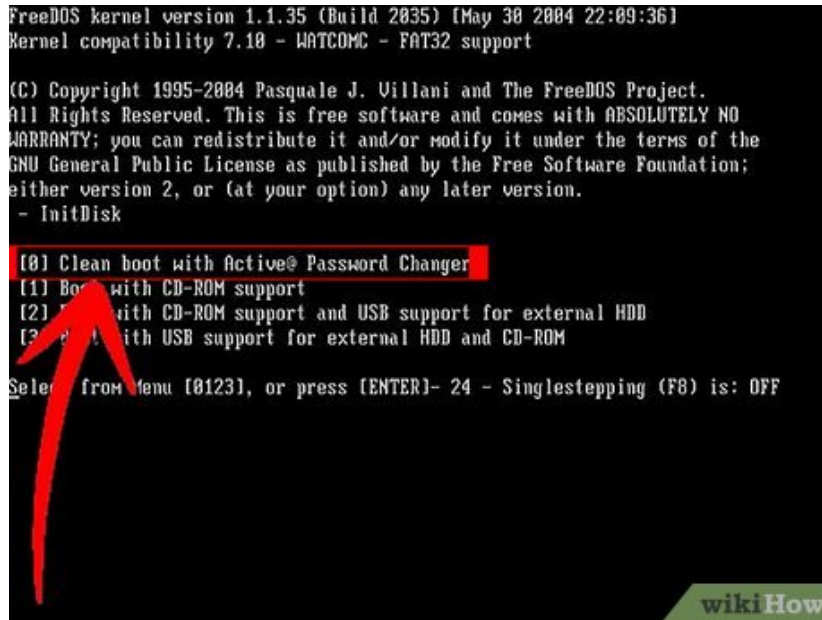
**Burn it to a disk to create the boot disk.**

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FreeDOS kernel version 1.1.35 (Build 2035) [May 30 2004 22:09:36]
Kernel compatibility 7.10 - WATCOMC - FAT32 support

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either version 2, or (at your option) any later version.
- InitDisk

[0] Clean boot with Active@ Password Changer
[1] Boot with CD-ROM support
[2] Boot with CD-ROM support and USB support for external HDD
[3] Boot with USB support for external HDD and CD-ROM

Select from menu [0123], or press [ENTER]- 24 - Singlestepping (F8) is: OFF
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4.

Configure your PC or laptop to boot in the CD drive.

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Active@ Password Changer v.3.0 (build 0420)

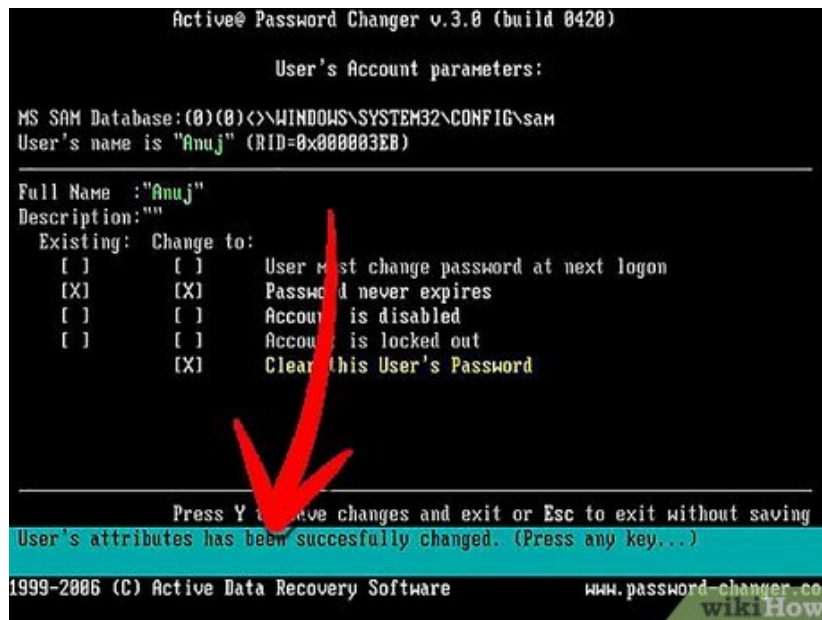
User's Account parameters:

MS SAM Database:(0)(0)C:\WINDOWS\SYSTEM32\CONFIG\sam
User's name is "Anuj" (RID=0x00003EB)

Full Name : "Anuj"
Description: ""
Existing: Change to:
[ ] [ ] User must change password at next logon
[X] [X] Password never expires
[ ] [ ] Account is disabled
[ ] [ ] Account is locked out
[ ] [X] Clear this User's Password

Press Y to save changes and exit or Esc to exit without saving
User's attributes has been successfully changed. (Press any key...)

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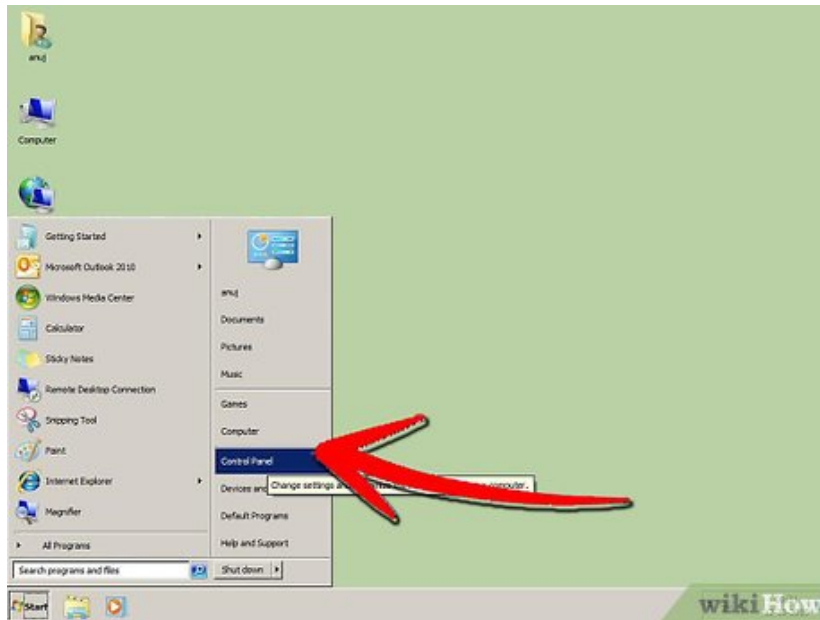
5.

Insert the CD and it would boot, then just disable the password and restart.

Method 3 of 3:

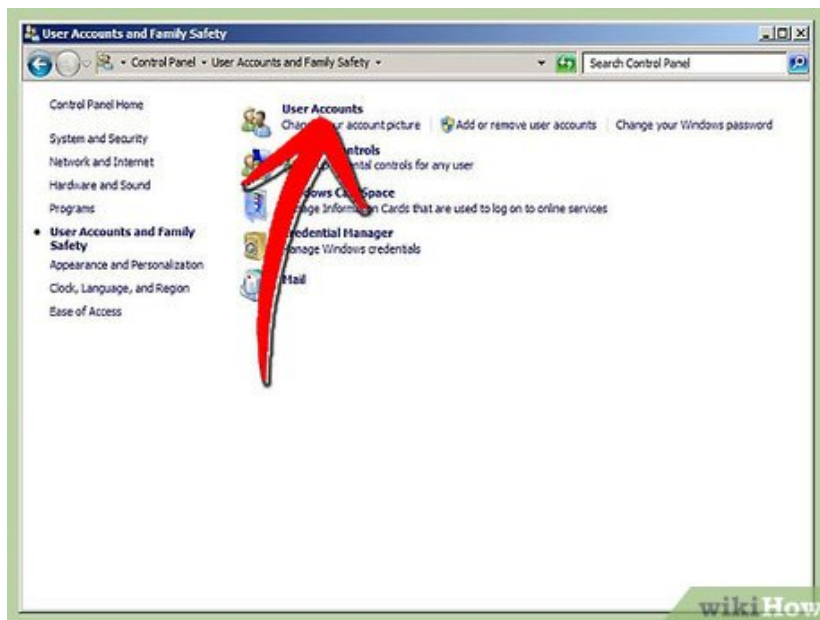
### Setting new password

1.



Open the "Control Panel".

2.



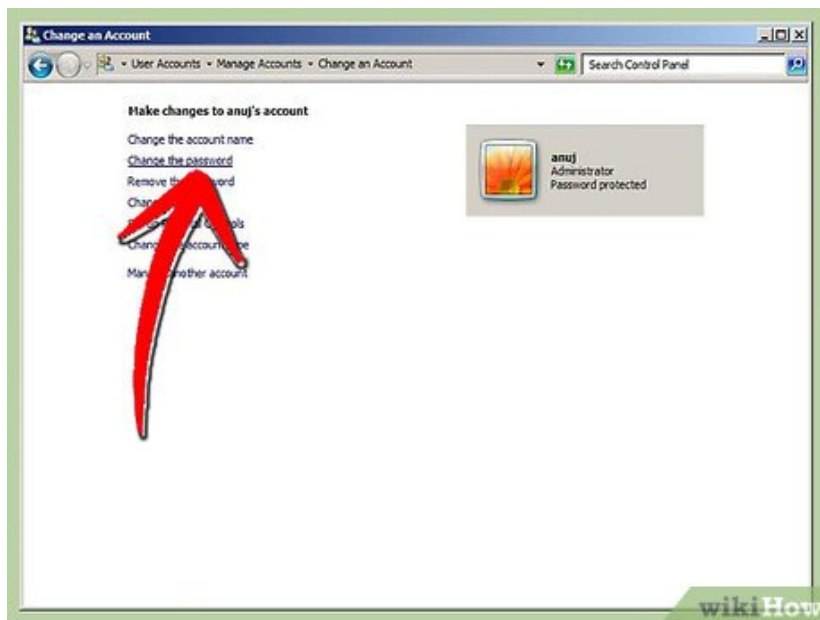
Click the "User Account".

3.



Select the account you want to set a new password.

4.



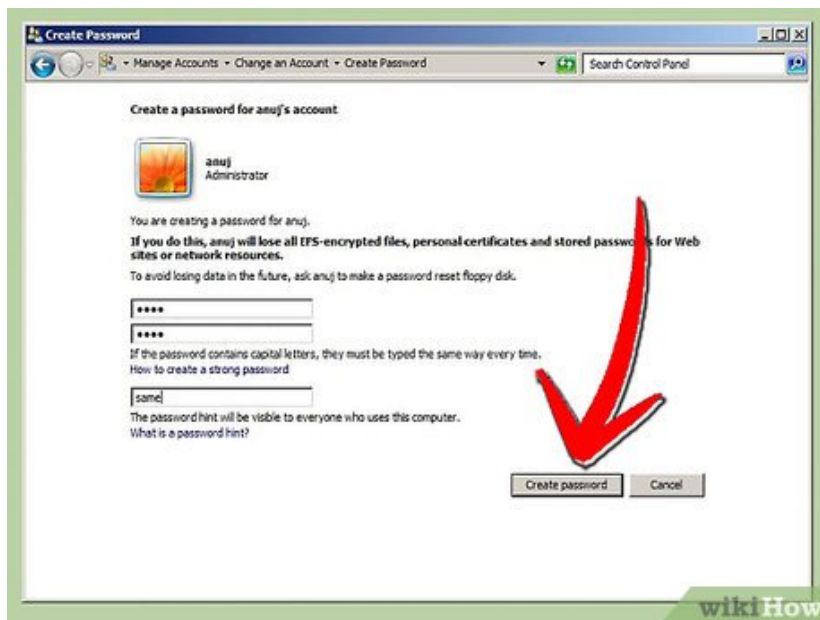
Click "Create a Password".

5.



Type new password, Confirm password and type hint.

6.



Click on "Create password". Your password has been changed successfully. Similarly, you can also reset the login password with Windows Recovery Tool, which supports CD/DVD, USB flash drive and floppy disk.

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