

What is the error of not displaying files on hard drive? How to fix it?

Your frequently used files suddenly disappear from your hard drive! What causes this problem? How to fix it?

Your computer is still working normally but suddenly your data files suddenly disappear from the hard drive without a trace. Stay calm, most likely your data files are just hidden. Let's solve this problem with Hacom in the article below!

Reasons why files do not appear on hard drive

If you are sure that you did not move or delete those files but they still suddenly disappear from your hard drive, it is very likely that you have fallen into one of the following causes:

Hidden files: On Windows, important files are sometimes automatically hidden to avoid accidental deletion.

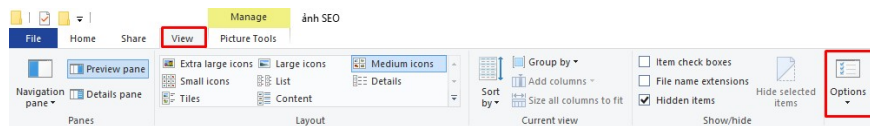
Virus infected files: When downloading files from the Internet, the computer is accidentally infected with trojans, malicious software that spreads viruses that encrypt files.

How to show hidden files on Windows

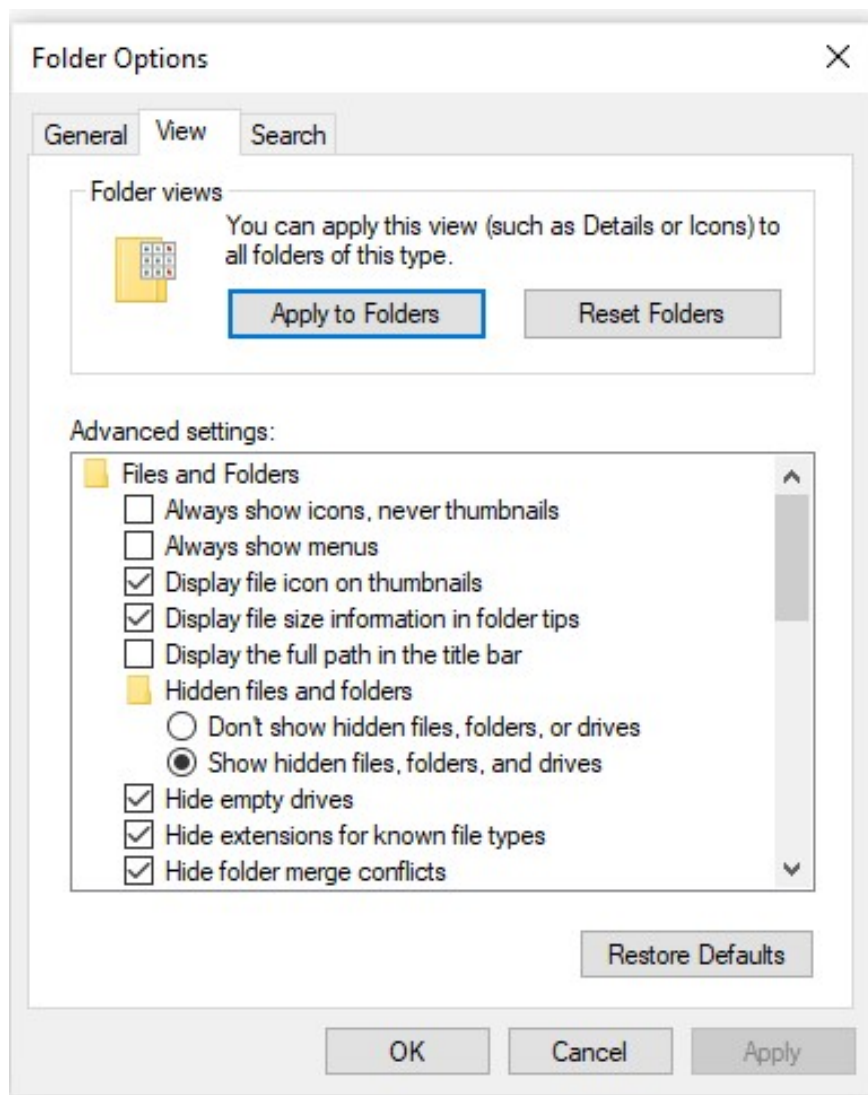
1. Show hidden files in File Explorer

Step 1: Open File Explorer by selecting **This PC (on Windows 10)** or **clicking on the File Explorer icon** on the Task bar (you can use the shortcut **Windows + E**)

Step 2: In the File Explorer window, select the **View** tab > select **Option** (or click the arrow under the Option box and select Change folder and search option)



Step 3: When the Folder options window appears, switch to the View tab, in the Hidden files and folders section, select Show hidden files, folders and drivers.

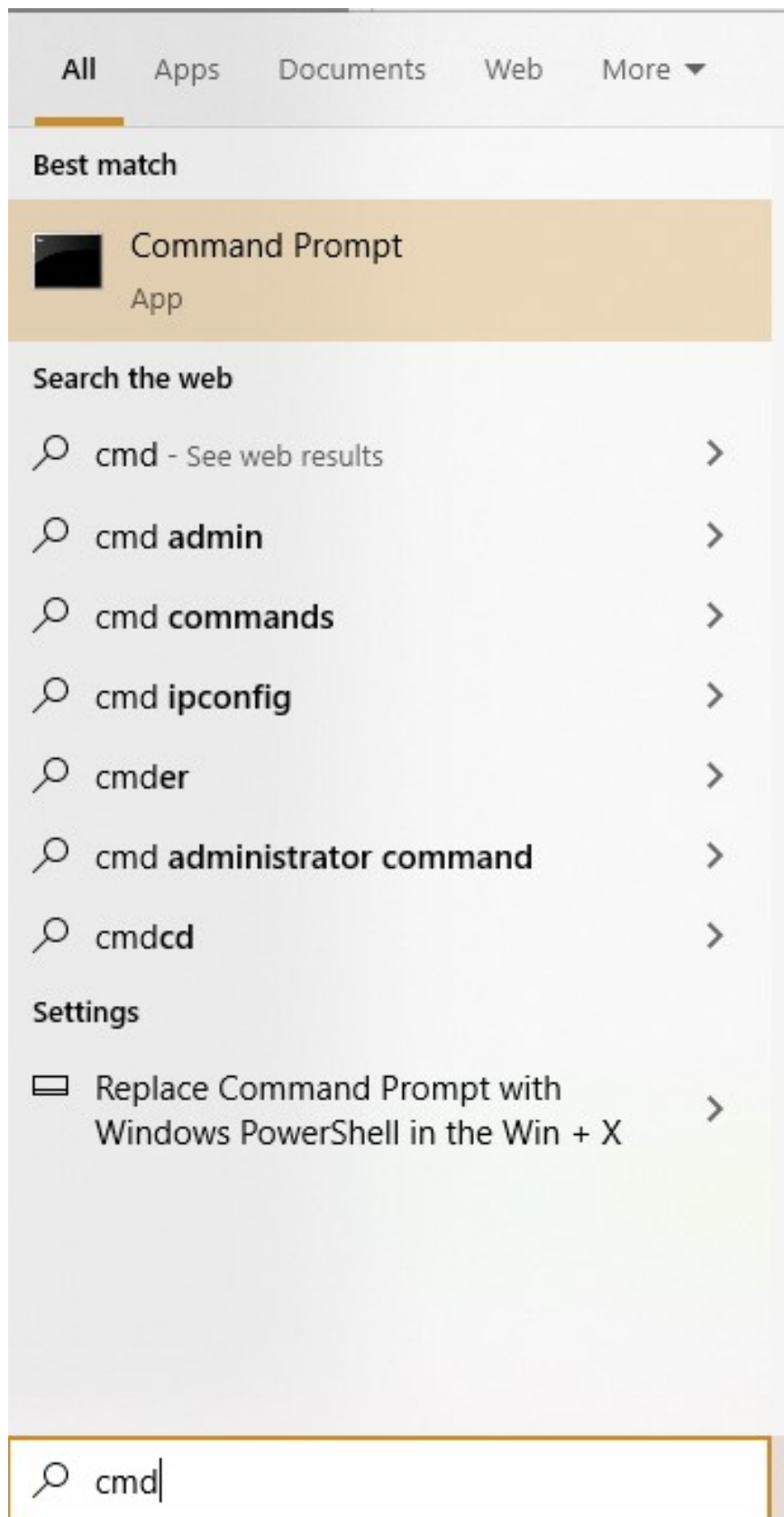


Step 4: Click **Apply** > select **OK** to confirm

2. Show hidden files on hard drive in CMD

In addition to the above method, you can also perform the operation of showing hidden files in the hard drive with the command in CMD. This operation is also quite simple, easy to perform but you will look more pro like a real hacker.

Step 1: Open the command window by typing **cmd** in the search box then press **Enter**



Step 2: Identify the hard drive containing the hidden file, for example, my drive is drive G, I will enter G: and press Enter (for drives with other characters, you enter the corresponding letter)

Step 3: Then type **attrib -s -h /s /d** and press **Enter** . Wait until the operations are completed and you can immediately display hidden files.

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Command Prompt
Microsoft Windows [Version 10.0.19044.1645]
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C:\Users\Hieu> MKT>C:
C:\Users\Hieu> MKT>attrib -s -h /s /d
The target of the symbolic link C:\Users\Hieu\MKT\AppData\Local\Microsoft\WindowsApps\Microsoft.DesktopAppInstaller_8wekyb3d8bbwe\python.exe does not exist
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3. Show hidden files due to virus

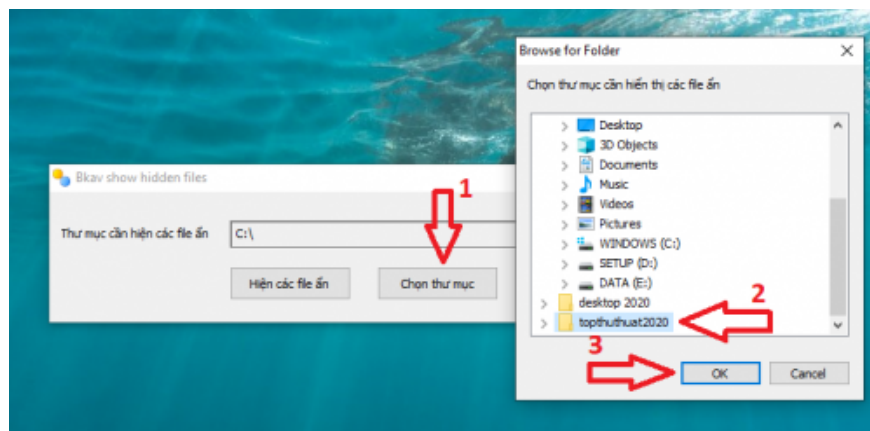
Fixattrb software is a pretty good software to fix hidden files caused by viruses.

Step 1: Download FixAttrb tool to your computer

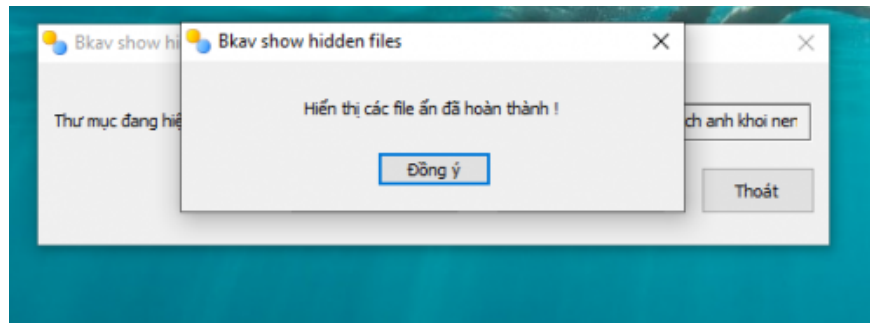
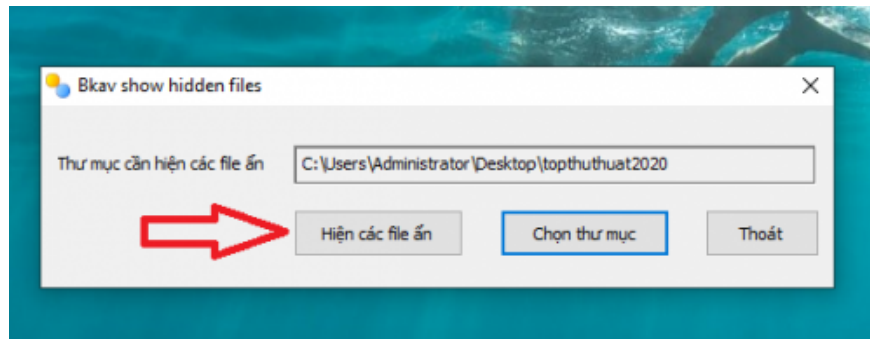
Download link: <https://bb.com.vn/pro/d/FixAttrb.exe/index.html>

Step 2: Launch FixAttrb software immediately without installation

Step 3. By default, FixAttrb will scan drive C: containing the operating system. If you want to scan another folder, click Select folder => then select the location to scan and show hidden files => and click OK.



Step 4. After selecting the folder, click Show hidden files to start scanning and restoring hidden files.



Then a message will appear showing hidden files completed.

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