10 ways to speed up Windows 10

1. Change your power settings - Changing your power plan from "Power saver" to "High performance" or "Balanced" will give you an instant performance boost.

2. Disable programs that run on startup – If you have too many programs running in the background like programs that you rarely or never use, you can stop them from running all the time to speed up your PC.

3. Use ReadyBoost to speed up disk caching - If you have a traditional hard disk instead of an SSD, there is a way that can help speed up your cache: use Windows' ReadyBoost feature.

4. Turn off search indexing - Slower PCs that use indexing can see a performance hit, turning off indexing can help increase the performance.

5. Clean out your hard disk – A full hard drive can slow down your PC. Cleaning it out can give you a speed boost.

6. Disable shadows, animations, and visual effects – These features don't usually affect system speed. But on older PCs, they can cause a performance decrease.

7. Turn on automated Windows maintenance - There's a chance that the feature has been accidentally turned off or you haven't had your PC turned for a long time, so the maintenance hasn't been performed. You can make sure it's turned on and runs every day or run it manually.

8. Kill bloatware - bloatware or adware that takes up CPU usage and system resources. Running a system scan can identify and remove them.

9. Defrag your hard disk - Windows 10 has a built-in defragmenter. It can be setup to run automatically so it stays constantly defragmented.

10. Shut down and restart Windows – Rebooting can remove any additional use of RAM. It also kills processes are no longer needed, but that continue running and slow your PC.