## Shortcut Keys for Windows 10

This guide lists shortcut keys that you can use from the desktop in Windows 10.

Shortcut	Description
Windows key <b>#</b>	Open and close the <b>Start</b> menu.
<b>■</b> +1, <b>■</b> +2, etc.	Switch to the desktop and launch the $n$ th application in the taskbar. For example, $+1$ launches whichever application is first in the list, numbered from left to right.
<b>■</b> +A	Open the action center.
<b>■</b> +B	Highlight the notification area.
<b>■</b> +C	Launch Cortana into listening mode. <sup>1</sup> Users can begin to speak to Cortana immediately.
<b>■</b> +D	Switch between <b>Show Desktop</b> (hides/shows any applications and other windows) and the previous state.
<b></b> +E	Switch to the desktop and launch File Explorer with the <b>Quick Access</b> tab displayed.
<b>■</b> +H	Open the <b>Share </b> charm.
<b>4</b> +1	Open the <b>Settings</b> app.
<b>■</b> +K	Open the <b>Connect</b> pane to connect to wireless displays and audio devices.
<b>4</b> +L	Lock the device and go to the <b>Lock</b> screen.
<b>■</b> +M	Switch to the desktop and minimize all open windows.
<b>4</b> +0	Lock device orientation.
<b>■</b> +P	Open the <b>Project</b> pane to search and connect to external displays and projectors.
<b>■</b> +R	Display the <b>Run</b> dialog box.
<b>■</b> +S	Launch Cortana. <sup>2</sup> Users can begin to type a query immediately.
<b></b> +T	Cycle through the apps on the taskbar.
<b>■</b> +U	Launch the Ease of Access Center.
<b>■</b> +V	Cycle through notifications.
<b>■</b> +X	Open the advanced menu in the lower-left corner of the screen.
<b>■</b> +Z	Open the app-specific command bar.
#+ENTER	Launch Narrator.
<b>■</b> +SPACEBAR	Switch input language and keyboard layout.
<b>■</b> +TAB	Open Task view.
<b>4</b> +,	Peek at the desktop.
+Plus Sign	Zoom in.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> If Cortana is unavailable or disabled, this shortcut has no function.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Cortana is only available in certain countries/regions, and some Cortana features might not be available everywhere. If Cortana is unavailable or disabled, this command opens Search.

■ +Minus Sign	Zoom out.
## +ESCAPE	Close Magnifier.
#+LEFT ARROW	Dock the active window to the left half of the monitor.
#+RIGHT ARROW	Dock the active window to the right half of the monitor.
■ +UP ARROW	Maximize the active window vertically and horizontally.
#+DOWN ARROW	Restore or minimize the active window.
+SHIFT+UP ARROW	Maximize the active window vertically, maintaining the current width.
+SHIFT+ DOWN ARROW	Restore or minimize the active window vertically, maintaining the current width.
+SHIFT+LEFT ARROW	With multiple monitors, move the active window to the monitor on the left.
+SHIFT+RIGHT ARROW	With multiple monitors, move the active window to the monitor on the right.
<b>■</b> +HOME	Minimize all nonactive windows; restore on second keystroke.
#+PRNT SCRN	Take a picture of the screen and place it in the <b>Computer&gt;Pictures&gt;Screenshots</b> folder.
+CTRL+LEFT/RIGHT arrow	Switch to the next or previous virtual desktop.
<b>■</b> +CTRL+D	Create a new virtual desktop.
<b>■</b> +CTRL+F4	Close the current virtual desktop.
<b>#</b> +?	Launch the Windows Feedback App.

## Resources

- Microsoft IT Showcase Productivityhttp://microsoft.com/itshowcase/Productivity
- Windows <a href="http://windows.microsoft.com">http://windows.microsoft.com</a>
- Lynda.com <a href="http://lynda.com/portal/sip?org=ippl.info">http://lynda.com/portal/sip?org=ippl.info</a>
- GCF Learn <a href="http://www.gcflearnfree.org/windows/windows10">http://www.gcflearnfree.org/windows/windows10</a>