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Follow Up

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- Computers and how they are used have changed quite a bit in the last 60 years
- What do you foresee coming in years to come?





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- There is so much activity in the computing world on so many topics.
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- Who do you regularly follow?
- What do you regularly read/monitor?



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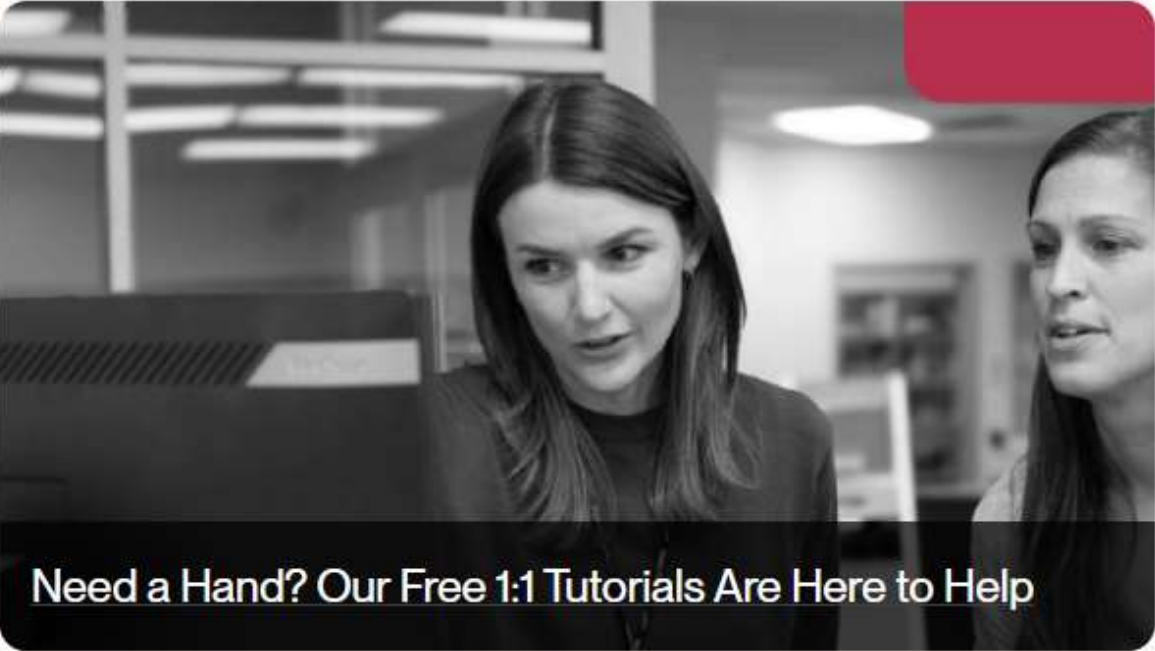
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on *YouTube*, *AskLeo* and *CyberCPU Tech*

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For Canadian specific info with an emphasis on mobile, *mobilesyrup.com* and, *iphoneincanada.ca*

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
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


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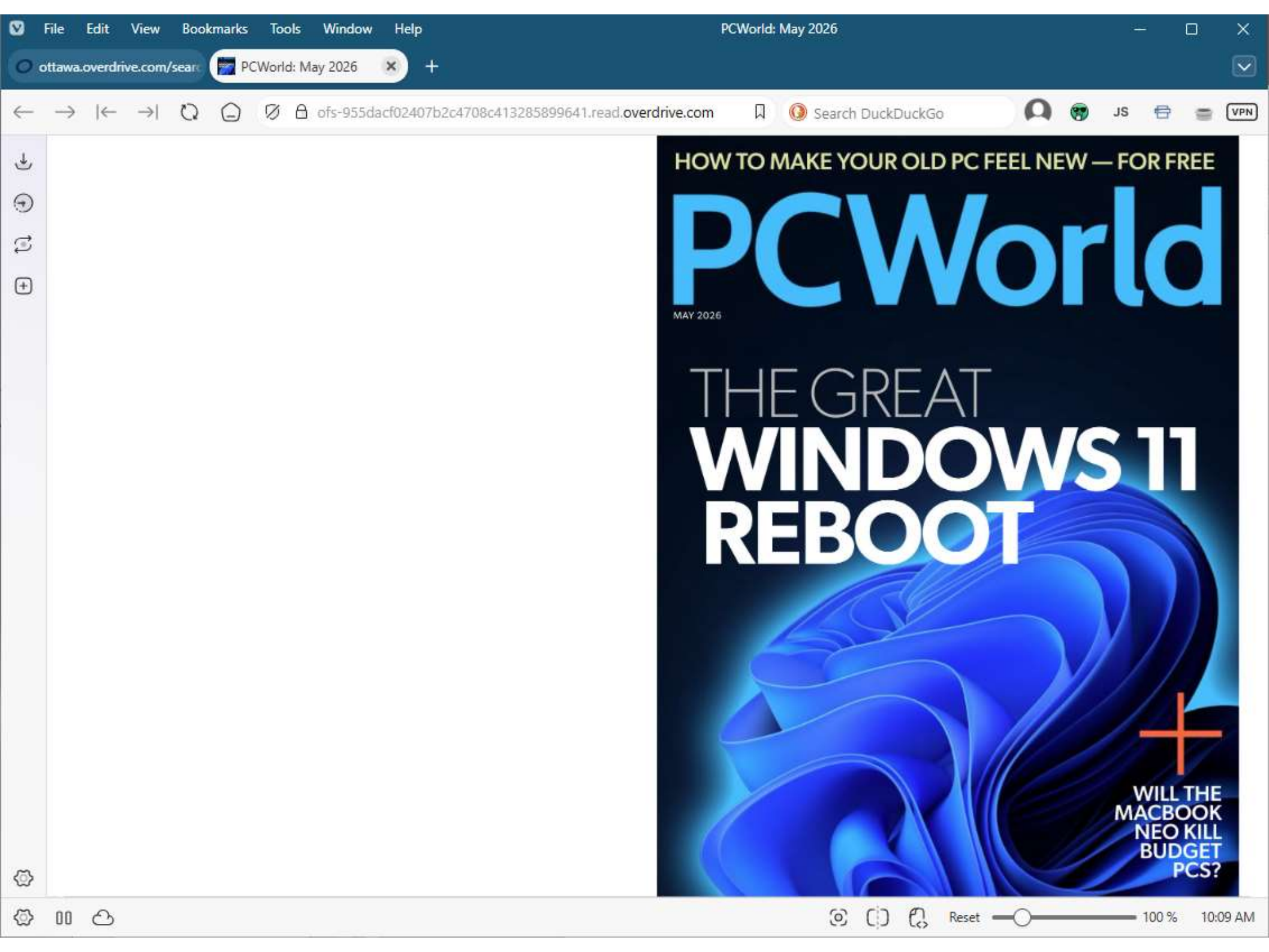
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REVIEWS

Adobe Acrobat Pro: Still the gold standard

It's still feature-packed but easier to use than ever. BY MICHAEL ANSALDO



PCWorld EDITORS' CHOICE
Adobe created the PDF more than three decades ago and its PDF editor has continued to rule the category, despite what many felt was an exorbitant price. But several years back, Acrobat adopted a cloud subscription model that now makes it more affordable for folks without an enterprise budget.

FEATURES

Acrobat Pro is less a single app than a document platform that works across desktop, web, and mobile. Along with its PDF editing and creation tools, it includes sharing, collaboration, and e-signature features, with access extending to Acrobat's online tools, the Reader mobile app, and Adobe Scan.

Acrobat's workspace has an easily navigable tabbed interface. The Home view is where you land if you don't have a PDF open. It gives you quick access to recent files; PDFs you've sent for review or signature; and files stored locally, in Adobe Document Cloud, or in third-party services like Box or Microsoft OneDrive. The All Tools view organizes Acrobat Pro's wealth of tools in a single pane, organized by function: Create & Edit, Share & Review, Forms & Signatures, Protect & Standardize, and Customize. Any of the individual tools can be added as a shortcut to a sidebar so you can get to them with a PDF open without having to toggle back here. Selecting a tool opens the commands specific to it, or to its associated toolbar if you are in an open document.

Each PDF file opens in its own tab in Document view, which displays an All Tools menu in the left panel, a Quickaction toolbar, and a right-side panel. Here you'll find commonly used editing options, and features like thumbnails, bookmarks, comments, and more. This context-aware design adapts to your workflow, making it simple to perform even complex tasks efficiently.

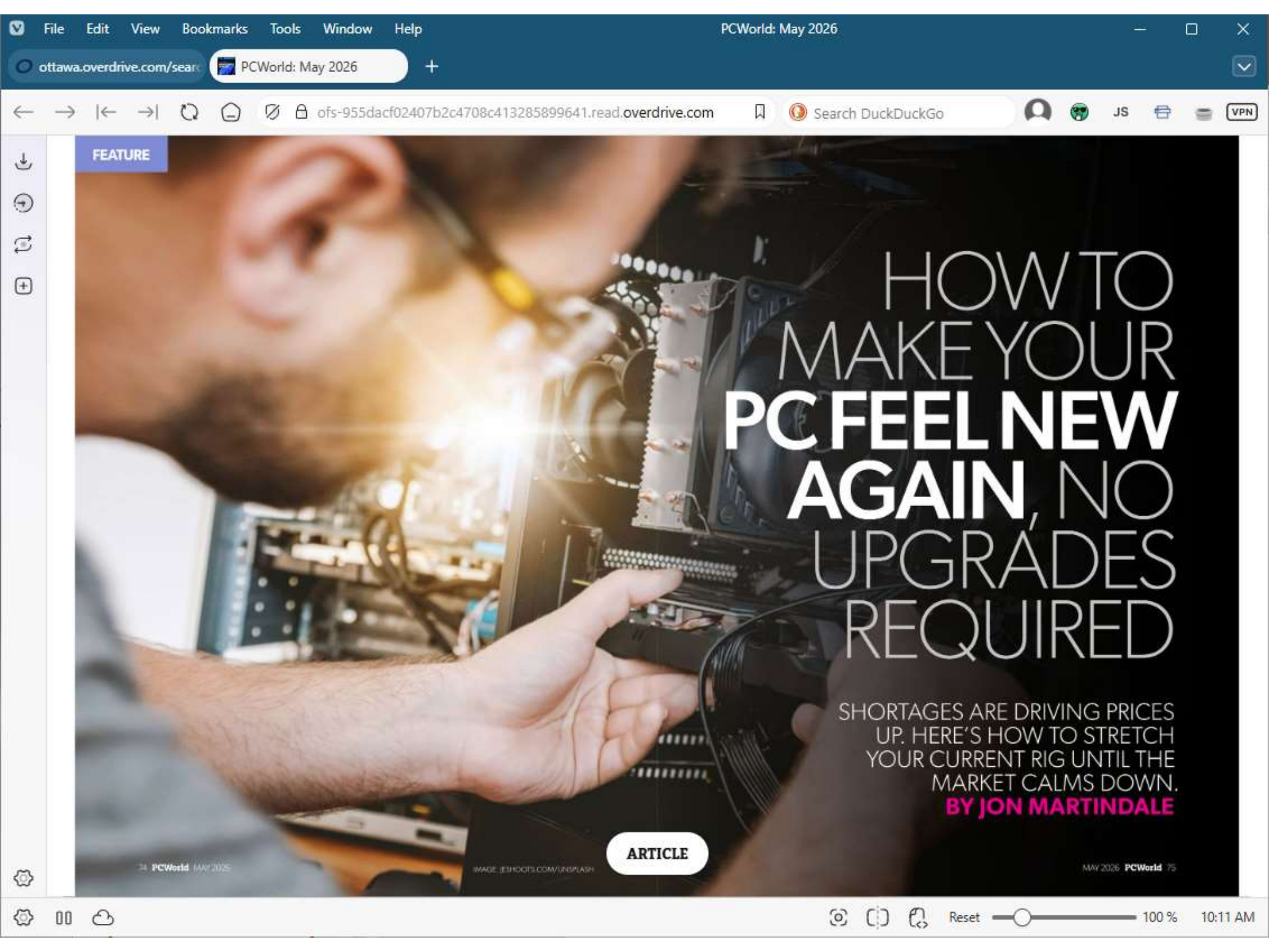
Adobe continues to offer everything you need to work with PDFs in a business environment. You can create PDFs from a variety of file types (Microsoft Office files, images, HTML, scanned documents), send them out for comments and electronic signatures, and safeguard sensitive information with encryption, password protection, and text redaction.

Acrobat's most recent addition is Acrobat AI Assistant, an AI-powered feature designed to make document-heavy work less tedious. It can summarize PDFs, answer questions about their contents, extract key points, and generate content such as emails, presentations, and meeting notes from source documents. The tool is integrated into the core PDF-editing experience, helping users read, analyze, and repurpose documents more quickly.



Adobe Acrobat Pro's Document view has an intuitive interface with tools neatly organized in a sidebar.

ARTICLE



FEATURE

HOW TO MAKE YOUR PC FEEL NEW AGAIN, NO UPGRADES REQUIRED

SHORTAGES ARE DRIVING PRICES UP. HERE'S HOW TO STRETCH YOUR CURRENT RIG UNTIL THE MARKET CALMS DOWN.
BY JON MARTINDALE

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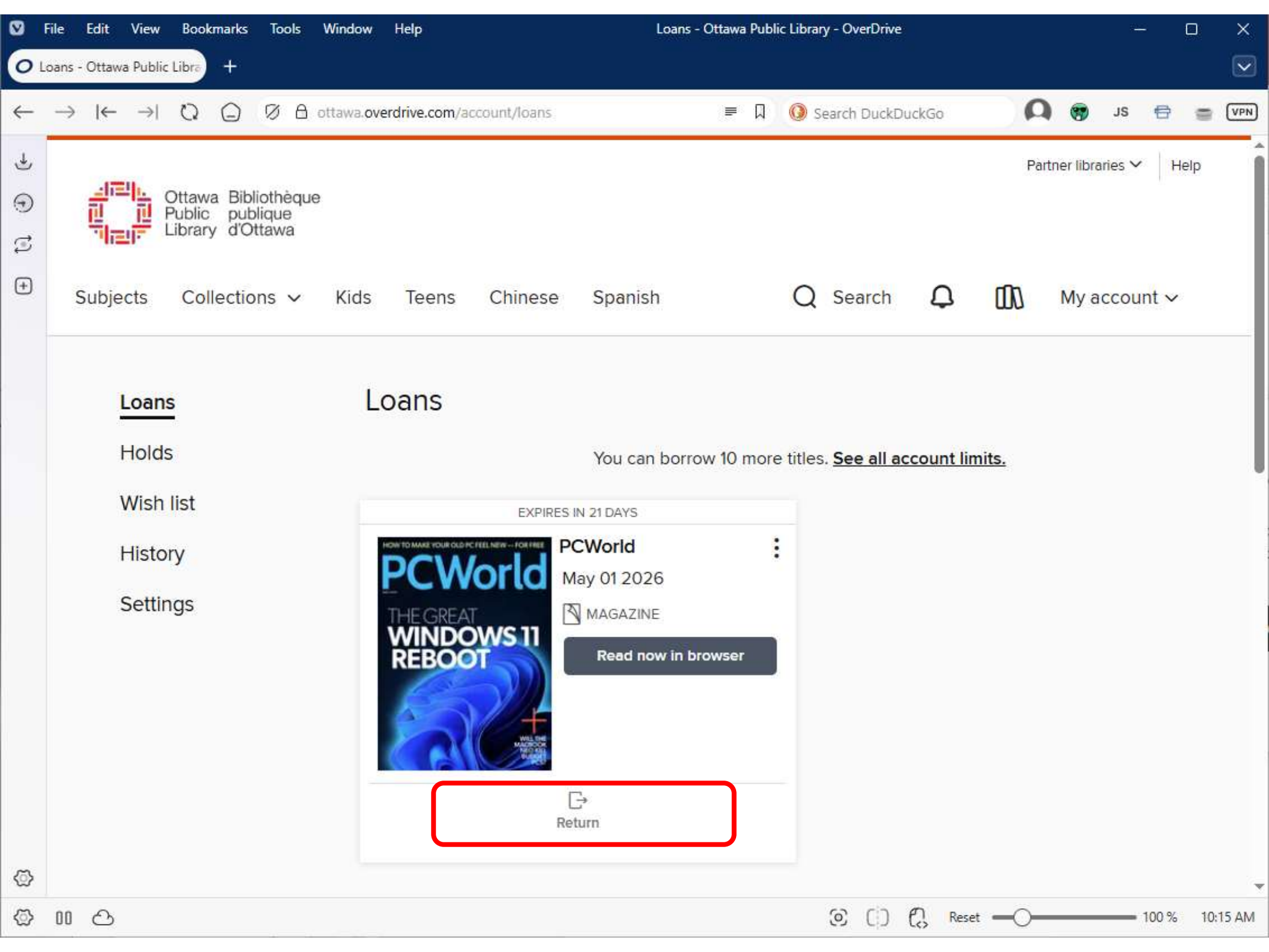


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
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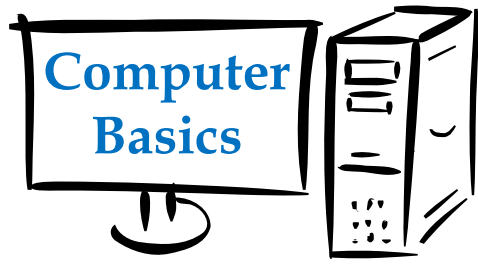
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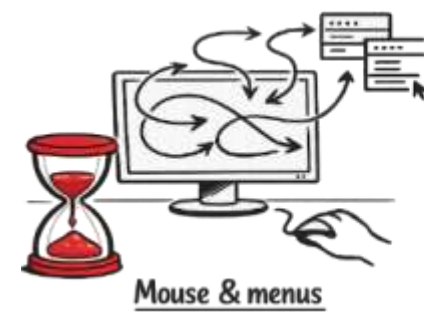
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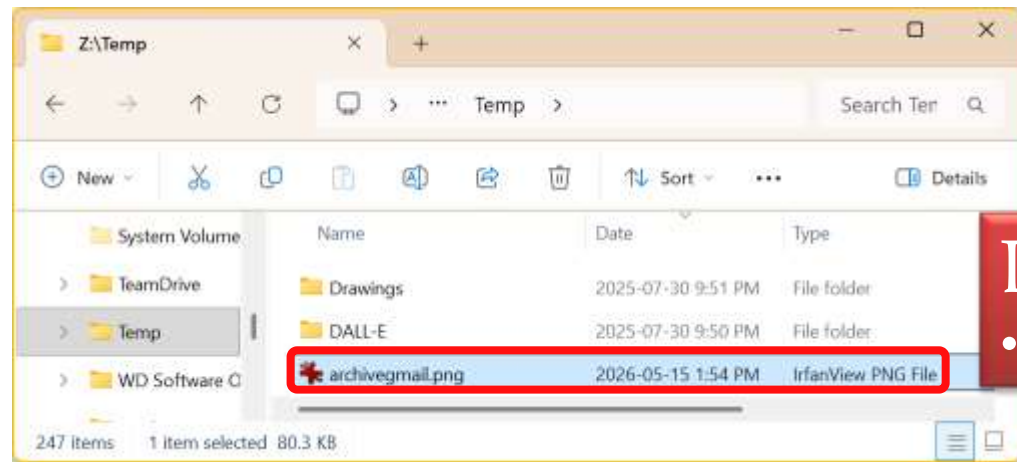
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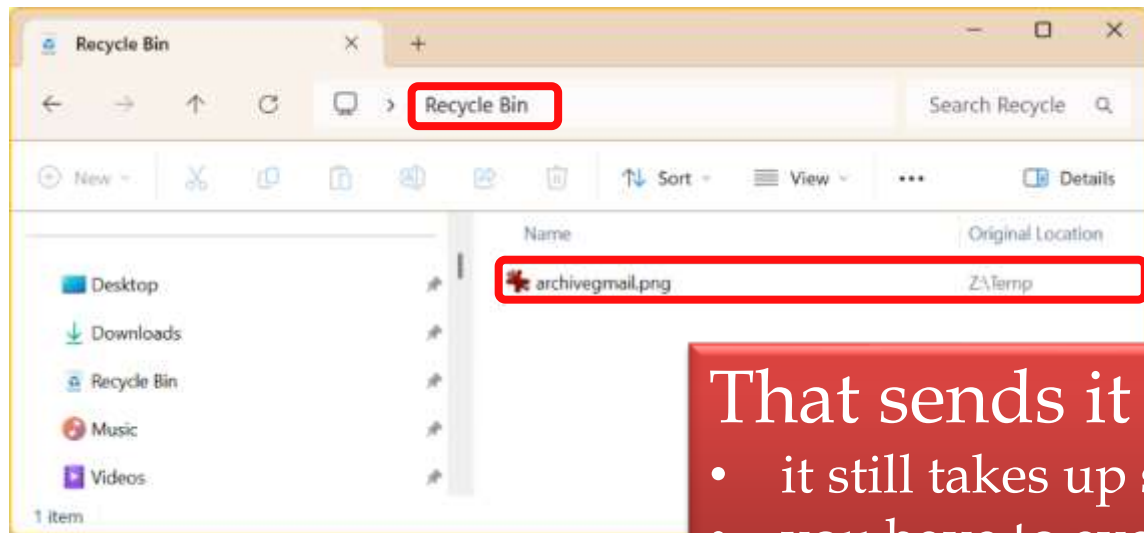


- Permanently delete files



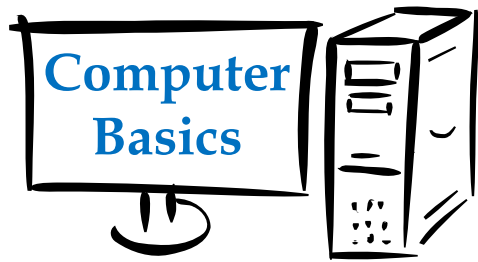
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- by pressing **Del** key

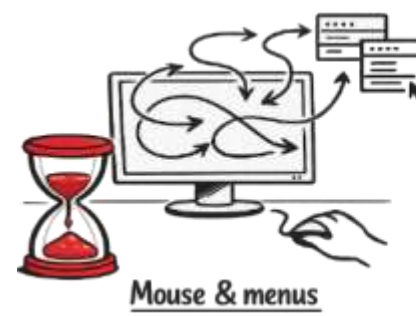


That sends it to the Recycle Bin

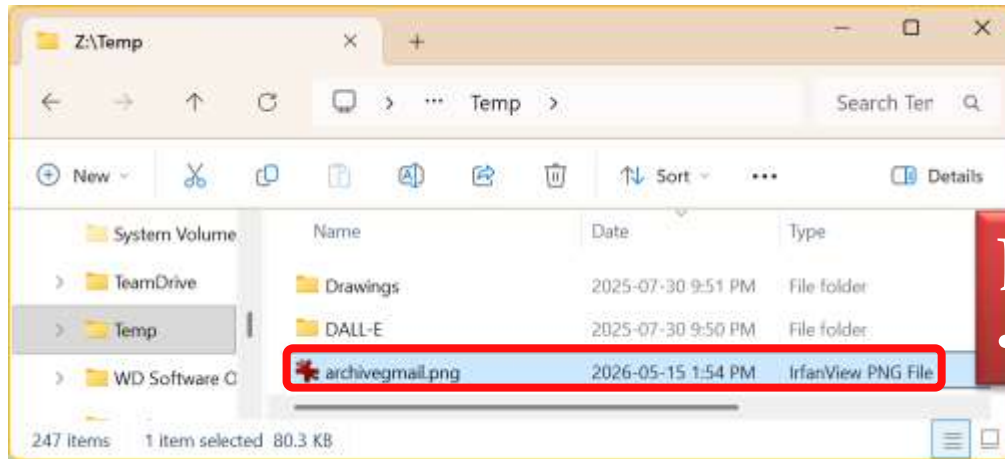
- it still takes up storage space
- you have to eventually deal with it again



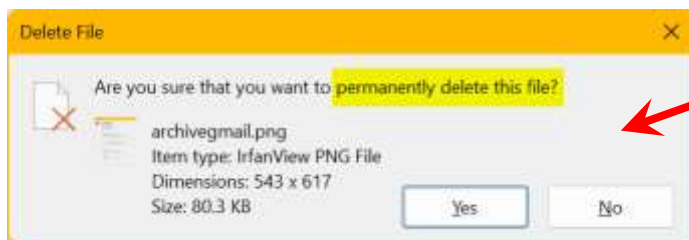
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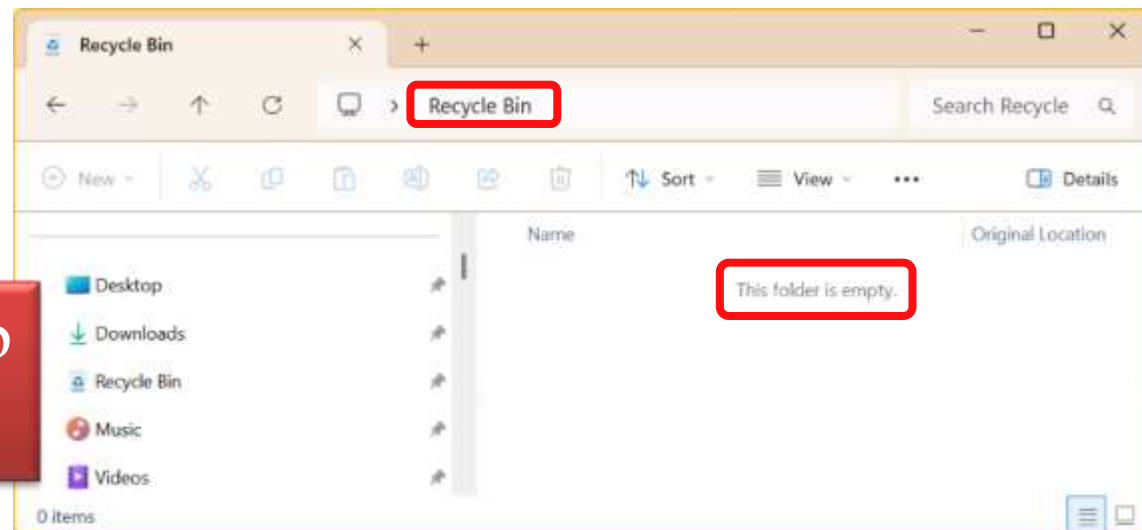
- If you are sure you never have to recover the deleted file



Delete file
• by pressing **Shift-Del** keys



File doesn't end up in Recycle Bin



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MailStore Home



- What if you could ...
 - archive **all** your email from **multiple email providers**?
 - major mail providers directly
 - any mail provider supporting POP or IMAP
 - mail clients Outlook, Thunderbird, & SeaMonkey
 - Exchange Server
 - PST, EML/MSG, & MBOX files
 - access archived emails for reading & printing and access all file attachments just as if you were accessing the live mailbox?
 - search your archived emails across all mailboxes?
 - including wildcards * & ?, exclusions, phrases, and in attachments
 - restore missing or corrupted emails in your original email store from your archive?
 - **easily move email from one email provider to another?**
 - use as a regular installable program or portable app?
- And do it all for free???

<https://www.mailstore.com/en/products/mailstore-home/>

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Initial setup

The screenshot shows the MailStore Home Portable application window. The main area displays the 'Start Page' with a search bar and version information (26.2). A sidebar on the left contains navigation options like 'Archive E-mail', 'Search E-mail', and 'Export E-mail'. A 'Dashboard' section shows system statistics such as 'Total Size' (0 messages / 127 MB) and 'Available Disk Space' (2.55 TB free of 3.64 TB). A red box highlights a message: 'Indexing of email attachment content is not configured.' An arrow points from this message to an 'Attachments' dialog box. The dialog box has a title bar 'Attachments' and a close button. It contains the text: 'If you would like to add attachment contents to the index, specify the file extensions here.' Below this, there are several checked options: 'Plain Text Files' (File extensions: txt csv), 'Portable Document Format (PDF)' (File extensions: pdf), 'Microsoft Office (97-2003)' (File extensions: doc dot ppt pot pps xls xlt), 'Microsoft Office (2007 and later)' (File extensions: docx dotx pptx xlsx), and 'Open Document Format (Libre/Open Office)' (File extensions: odt ods odp). There are also unchecked options for 'Also index attachments of a PDF' and 'Extensible Markup Language (e-invoice)' (File extensions: xml). At the bottom, there is a field for 'Other File Extensions' and a note: 'Add additional file extensions below. Example: pub rtf html'. The dialog box has 'OK', 'Cancel', and 'Help' buttons.

If you want to be able to search contents of attachments click here

- can ignore if using MailStore only for email migration

Indexing of email attachment content is not configured.

Attachments

If you would like to add attachment contents to the index, specify the file extensions here.

- Plain Text Files
File extensions: txt csv
- Portable Document Format (PDF)
File extensions: pdf
- Also index attachments of a PDF
- Microsoft Office (97-2003)
File extensions: doc dot ppt pot pps xls xlt
- Microsoft Office (2007 and later)
File extensions: docx dotx pptx xlsx
- Open Document Format (Libre/Open Office)
File extensions: odt ods odp
- Extensible Markup Language (e-invoice)
File extensions: xml

Other File Extensions: _____
Add additional file extensions below. Example: pub rtf html

OK Cancel Help

Any IFilter installed on computer

- filters for TXT, HTM/HTML, & PDF files already included

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Archiving

The screenshot shows the MailStore Home Portable application window. The interface is divided into several sections:

- Left Sidebar (Archive):** Contains navigation options: Start Page, My Archive, Search E-mail, Archive E-mail (highlighted with a red box), Export E-mail, Recent Results, Administrative Tools, and About MailStore Home.
- Main Content Area (Start Page):** Features a search bar, the title "MailStore Home Portable", and status information: "Type Your Name Here", "0 messages archived", and "Version 26.2". The MailStore logo is also present.
- Quick Access:** A central panel with icons and labels for: Archive E-mail (highlighted with a red box), Search E-mail, Export E-mail, Backup to HDD or USB, Password Protection, and Administrative Tools.
- Dashboard:** Provides system details: MailStore Home version 26.2.0.24007 (Build Date 2026-04-22), a Facebook link, and archive statistics: Total Size (0 messages / 127 MB), Location (Z:\MailStore Home), and Available Disk Space (2.55 TB free of 3.64 TB).
- Messages:** A notification states: "Indexing of email attachment content is not configured."
- License:** A note reads: "MailStore Home is free for non-commercial usage."
- Helpful Links:** A list of links including MailStore Home Help, Website, Support Community, Facebook, and Business Products.

Two red arrows originate from a red text box at the bottom left, pointing to the "Archive E-mail" option in the sidebar and the "Archive E-mail" icon in the Quick Access panel.

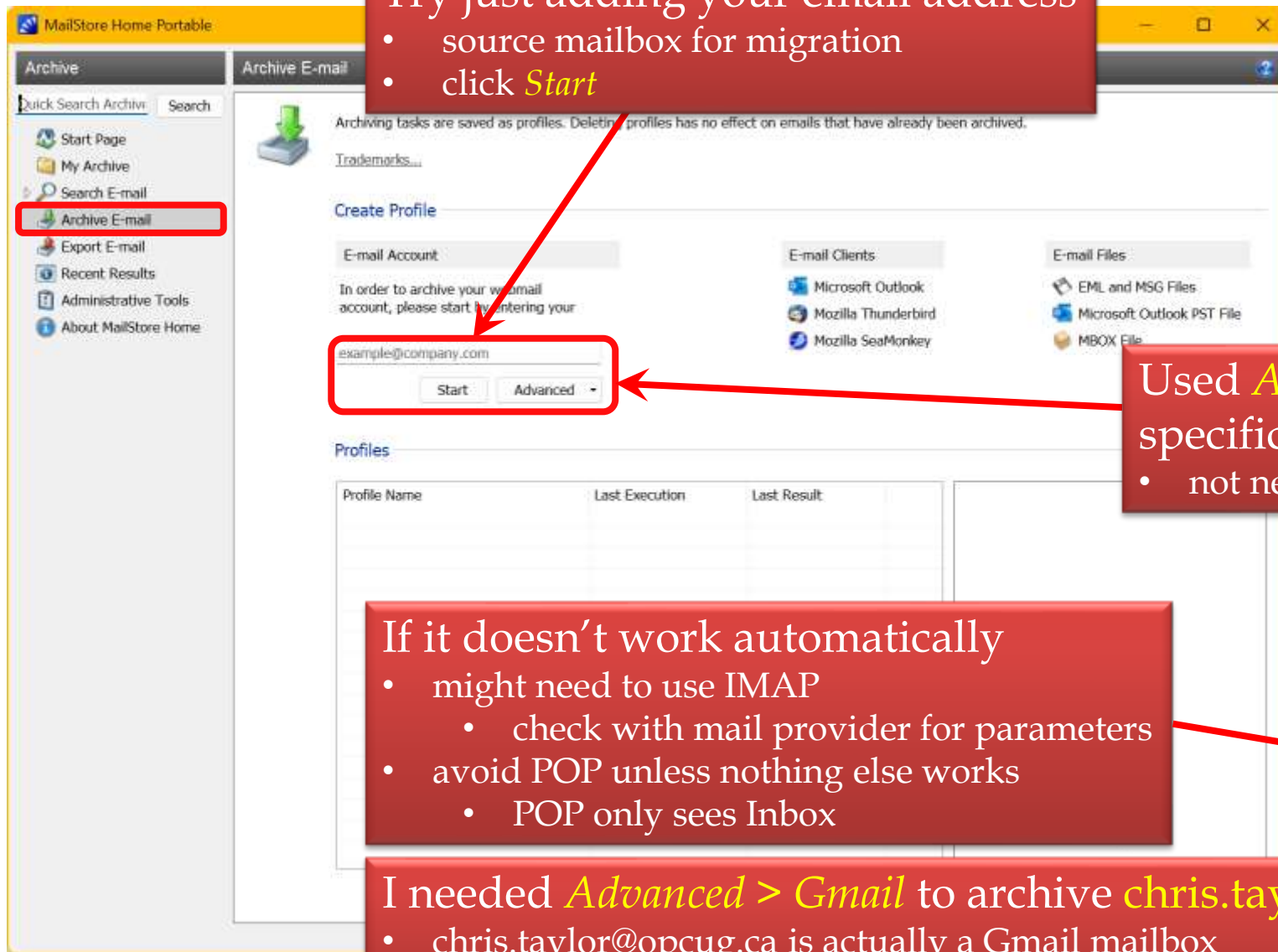
To begin process of bringing in email from a mail source

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Archive from an email account

Try just adding your email address

- source mailbox for migration
- click *Start*

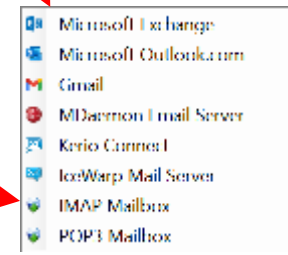


Used *Advanced* to choose specific source

- not needed in most cases

If it doesn't work automatically

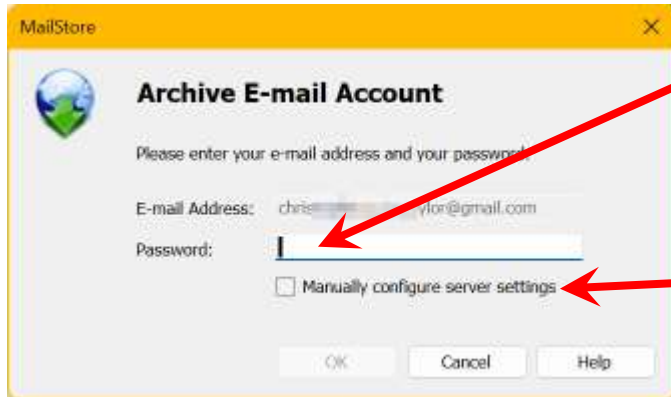
- might need to use IMAP
 - check with mail provider for parameters
- avoid POP unless nothing else works
 - POP only sees Inbox



I needed *Advanced > Gmail* to archive *chris.taylor@opcug.ca*

- chris.taylor@opcug.ca is actually a Gmail mailbox
- Gmail requires you grant permission for programs to access your mailbox

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Archive E-mail Account

Please enter your e-mail address and your password.

E-mail Address: chris...@gmail.com

Password:

Manually configure server settings

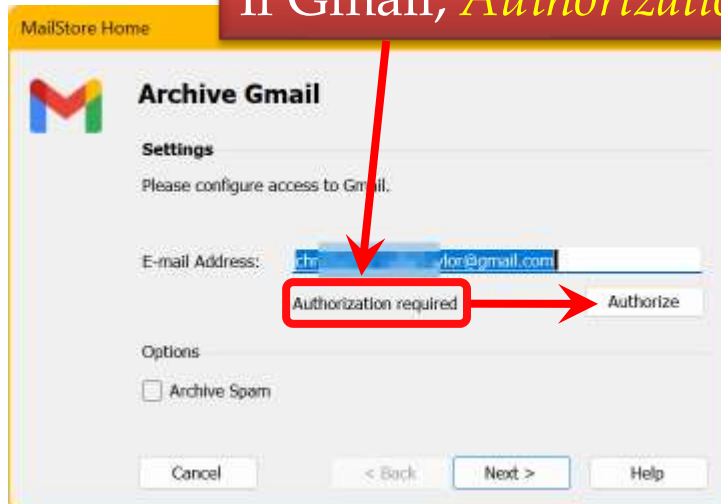
OK Cancel Help

Enter password for your email

Most likely don't need to manually configure

- if auto fails will need to manually configure
- see <https://help.mailstore.com/>

If Gmail, *Authorization required* to allow access to mailbox



MailStore Home

Archive Gmail

Settings

Please configure access to Gmail.

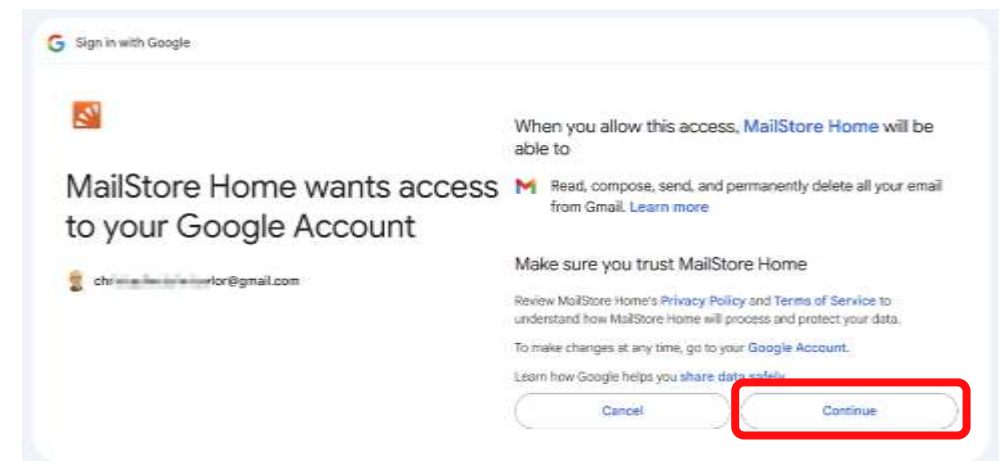
E-mail Address: chris...@gmail.com

Authorization required Authorize

Options

Archive Spam

Cancel < Back Next > Help



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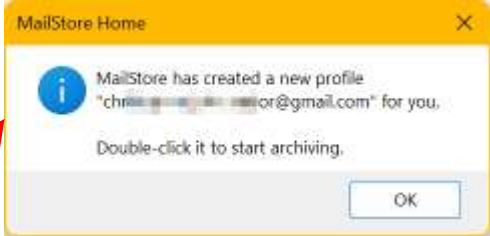
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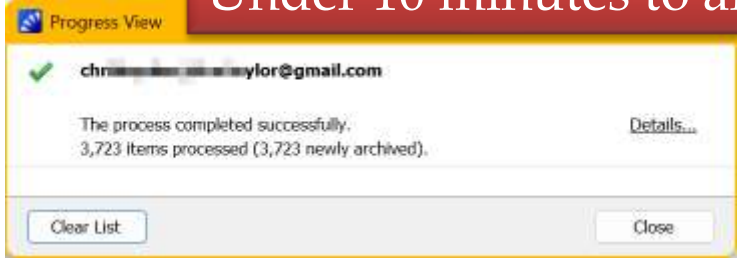
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Customize what to archive as required

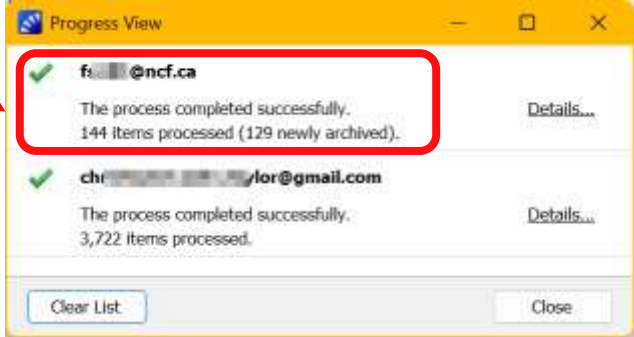


Under 10 minutes to archive



Click *Finish*

Created a 2nd archive for my *National Capital Freenet* email



Some email servers require an **App Password** to allow a program to access your email

- e.g. AOL Mail: <https://help.aol.com/articles/create-and-manage-app-password>

Ask Perplexity.AI **How to create an App Password for <your mail provider>**

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Archiving from other sources

The screenshot displays the MailStore Home Portable application window. The left sidebar contains a navigation menu with the following items: Start Page, My Archive, chi...r@opcug.ca (with sub-items Inbox and Sent Items), ch... (with sub-items Inbox and Sent Items), fs180@ncf.ca (with sub-items Inbox, Sent, and Trash), Search E-mail, Search Result, Archive E-mail (highlighted with a red box), Export E-mail, Recent Results, Administrative Tools, and About MailStore Home. The main window area is titled 'Archive E-mail' and contains the following text: 'Archiving tasks are saved as profiles. Deleting profiles has no effect on emails that have already been archived.', 'Trademarks...', and a 'Create Profile' section. The 'Create Profile' section includes an 'E-mail Account' field, a text box with the placeholder 'example@company.com', and 'Start' and 'Advanced' buttons. Two red boxes highlight the 'E-mail Clients' and 'E-mail Files' sections. The 'E-mail Clients' box contains 'Microsoft Outlook', 'Mozilla Thunderbird', and 'Mozilla SeaMonkey'. The 'E-mail Files' box contains 'EML and MSG Files', 'Microsoft Outlook PST File', and 'MBOX File'. Two red arrows originate from the 'Archive E-mail' menu item and point to these two sections. A red box at the bottom center contains the text 'Email clients or mail files'. The 'AQUILA' logo is visible in the bottom right corner of the application window.

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Accessing archives

Navigate to archive you want and specific folder

Search box for quick search

The screenshot displays the MailStore Home Portable application window. On the left, a sidebar shows a folder tree with 'My Archive' expanded to show an 'Inbox' folder. A search box is located at the top of the sidebar. The main pane shows a list of emails with the following details:

| Subject | Date | Time |
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| h...2024-10-27 8:06 AM | Download Your "Ca... | 8:06 AM |
| S...2024-10-24 8:28 AM | @Complete Our Ca... | 8:28 AM |
| N...2024-10-23 3:35 PM | Reminder: member ... | 3:35 PM |
| S.2024-10-22 10:27 AM | @Frenzied discount... | 10:27 AM |
| N...2024-10-17 5:12 PM | NCF newsletter: fibe... | 5:12 PM |
| C...2024-07-31 7:14 PM | This week's top tips | 7:14 PM |
| C...2024-07-31 7:14 PM | Your 7-second brow... | 7:14 PM |
| C...2024-07-31 7:14 PM | Some top-notch tips... | 7:14 PM |
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| C...2024-07-31 7:14 PM | Quick question... | 7:14 PM |
| C.2024-07-12, 10:31 AM | A weather tool you ... | 10:31 AM |
| C.2024-07-12 10:31 AM | 10 easy ways to boo... | 10:31 AM |
| C...2024-07-03 4:07 PM | This week's top tips | 4:07 PM |
| C...2024-07-01 9:19 AM | Verify your Creative ... | 9:19 AM |
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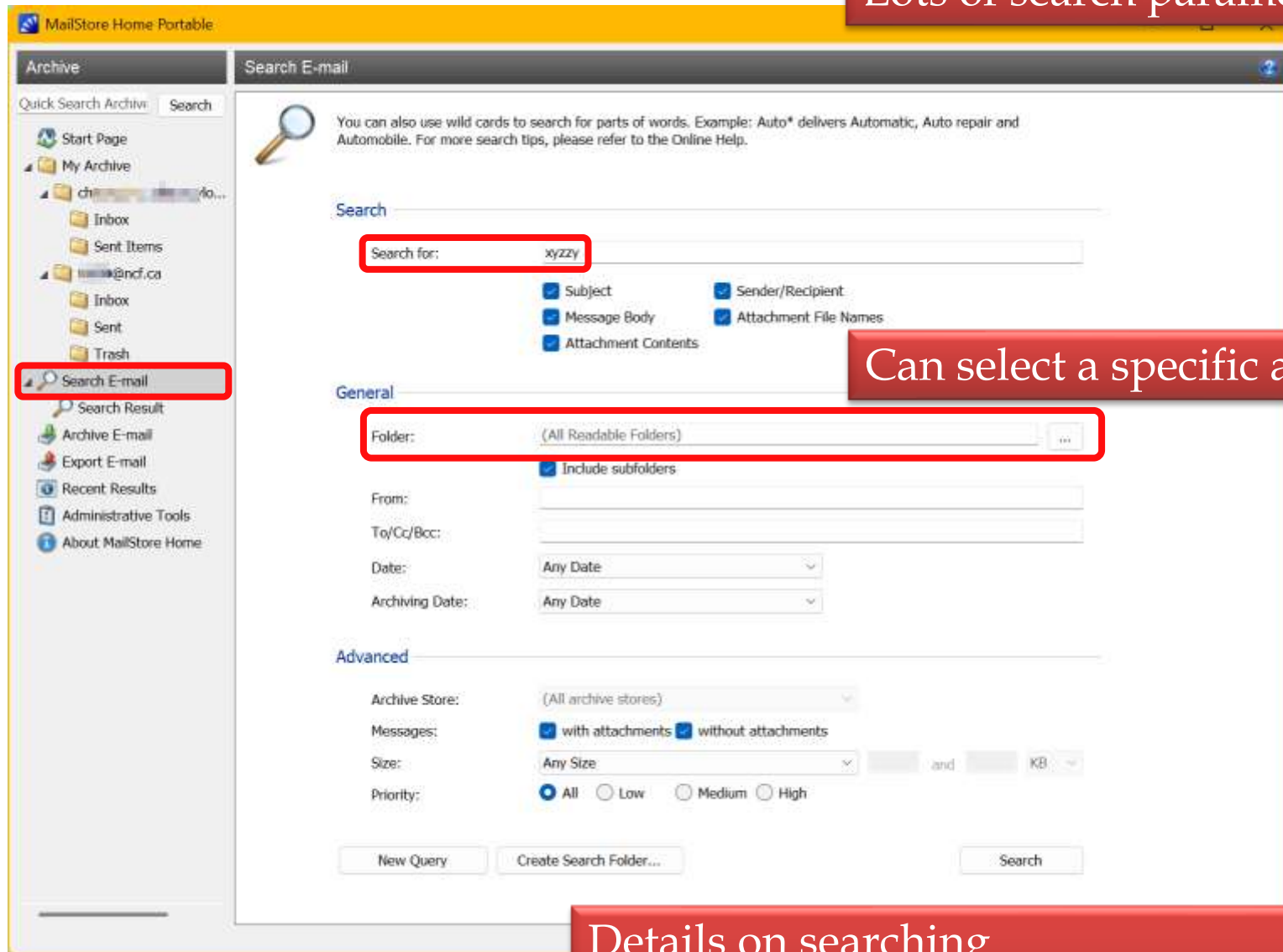
The selected email is titled "A weather tool you need to know about" from "Cool Tools from The Intelligence <cooltools@theintelligence.com>". The email content includes a graphic with a lightbulb and the text "the intelligence COOL TOOLS" and "Brought to you by: esper". Below the graphic, it says: "Most weather apps aren't ideal for road trips. Sure, you can see the weather in a particular city, but what will the weather be like along your driving route?"

Read & print emails

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Searching

Lots of search parameters



The screenshot shows the MailStore Home Portable interface. On the left is a sidebar with a tree view of the archive structure. The 'Search E-mail' option is highlighted with a red box. The main window is titled 'Search E-mail' and contains several sections: 'Search' with a search input field containing 'xyzz' (highlighted with a red box), a list of search criteria checkboxes (Subject, Message Body, Attachment Contents, Sender/Recipient, Attachment File Names), 'General' with a 'Folder:' dropdown set to '(All Readable Folders)' (highlighted with a red box), and 'Advanced' with various filters like 'Archive Store', 'Messages', 'Size', and 'Priority'. At the bottom are buttons for 'New Query', 'Create Search Folder...', and 'Search'.

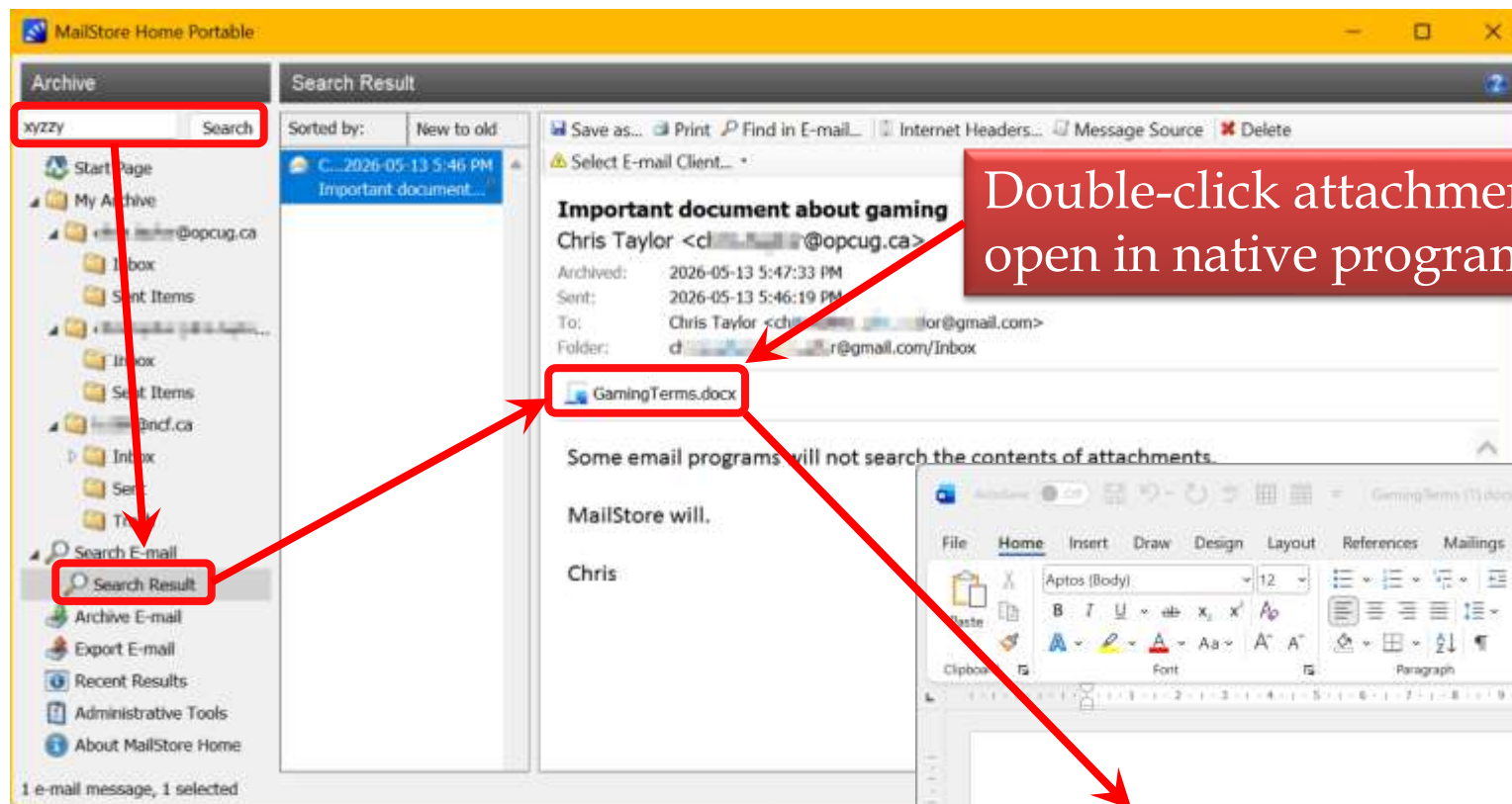
Can select a specific archive/mail folder

Details on searching

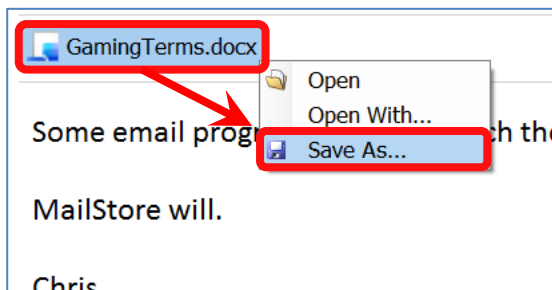
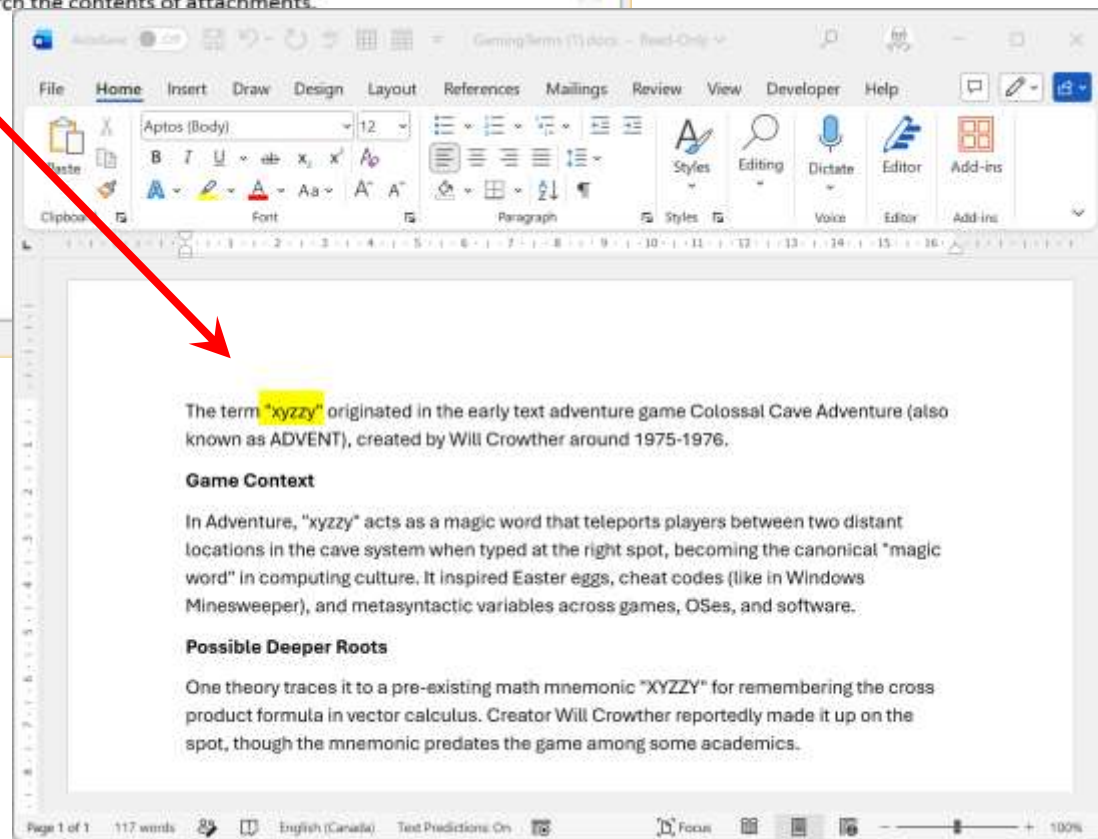
- word fragments, wildcards, phrases, exclusions, etc.
- https://help.mailstore.com/en/home/Accessing_the_Archive

Share

File attachments



Double-click attachment to open in native program



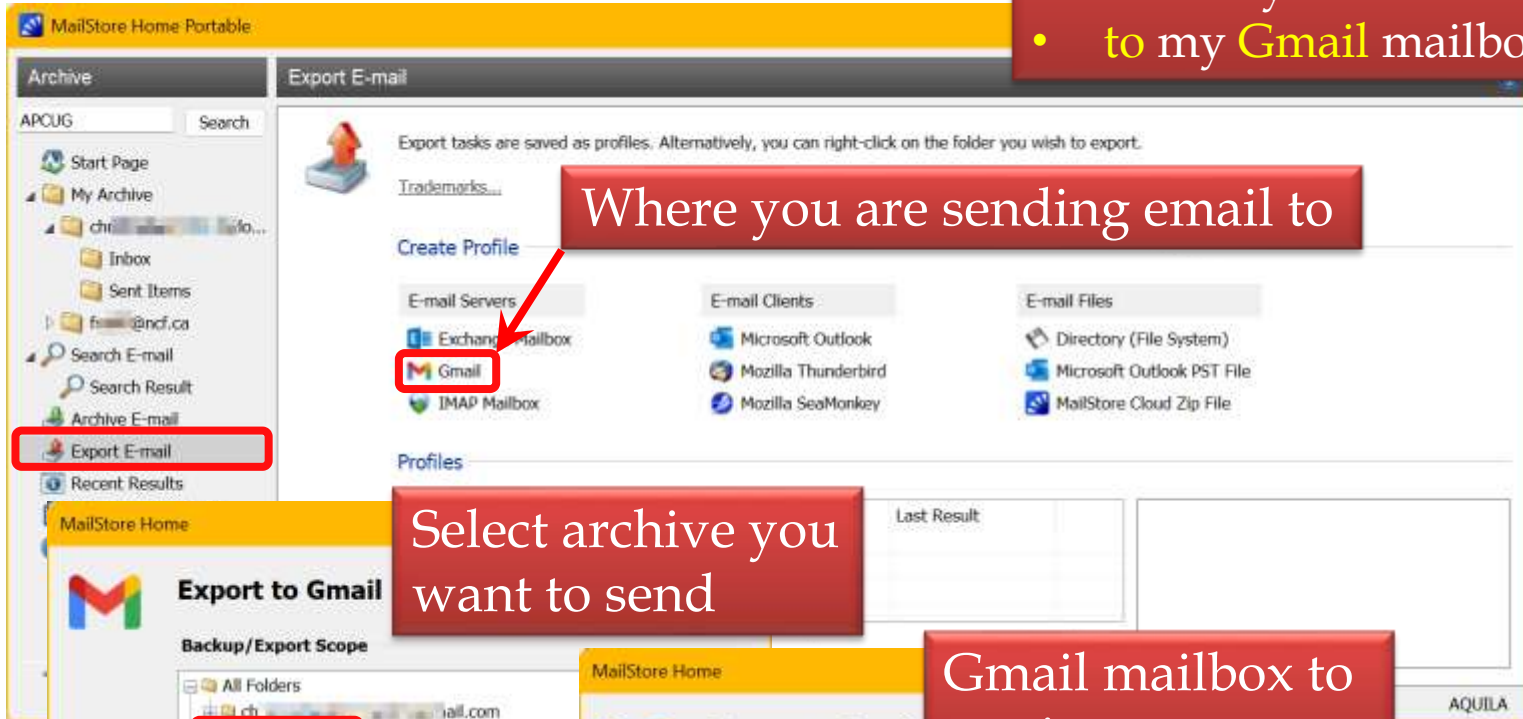
Right-click to save attachment

Exporting to different mail server

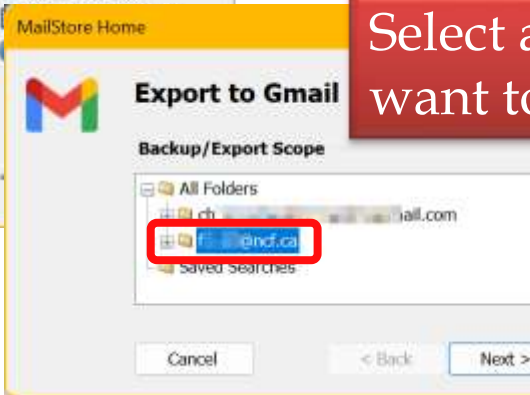
Share

Example: copying email

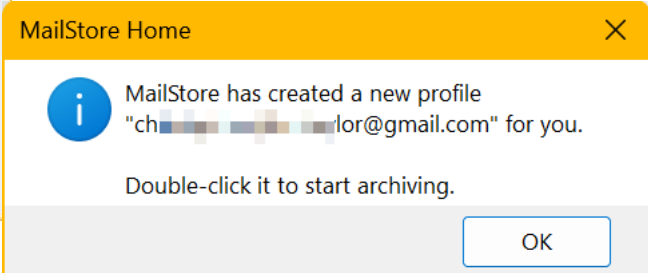
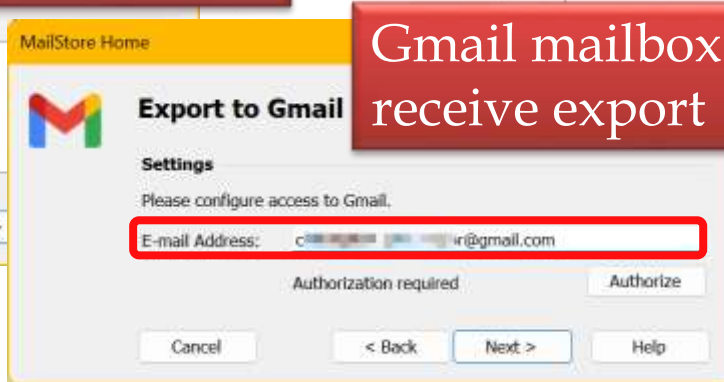
- from my National Capital Freenet mailbox
- to my Gmail mailbox



Select archive you want to send

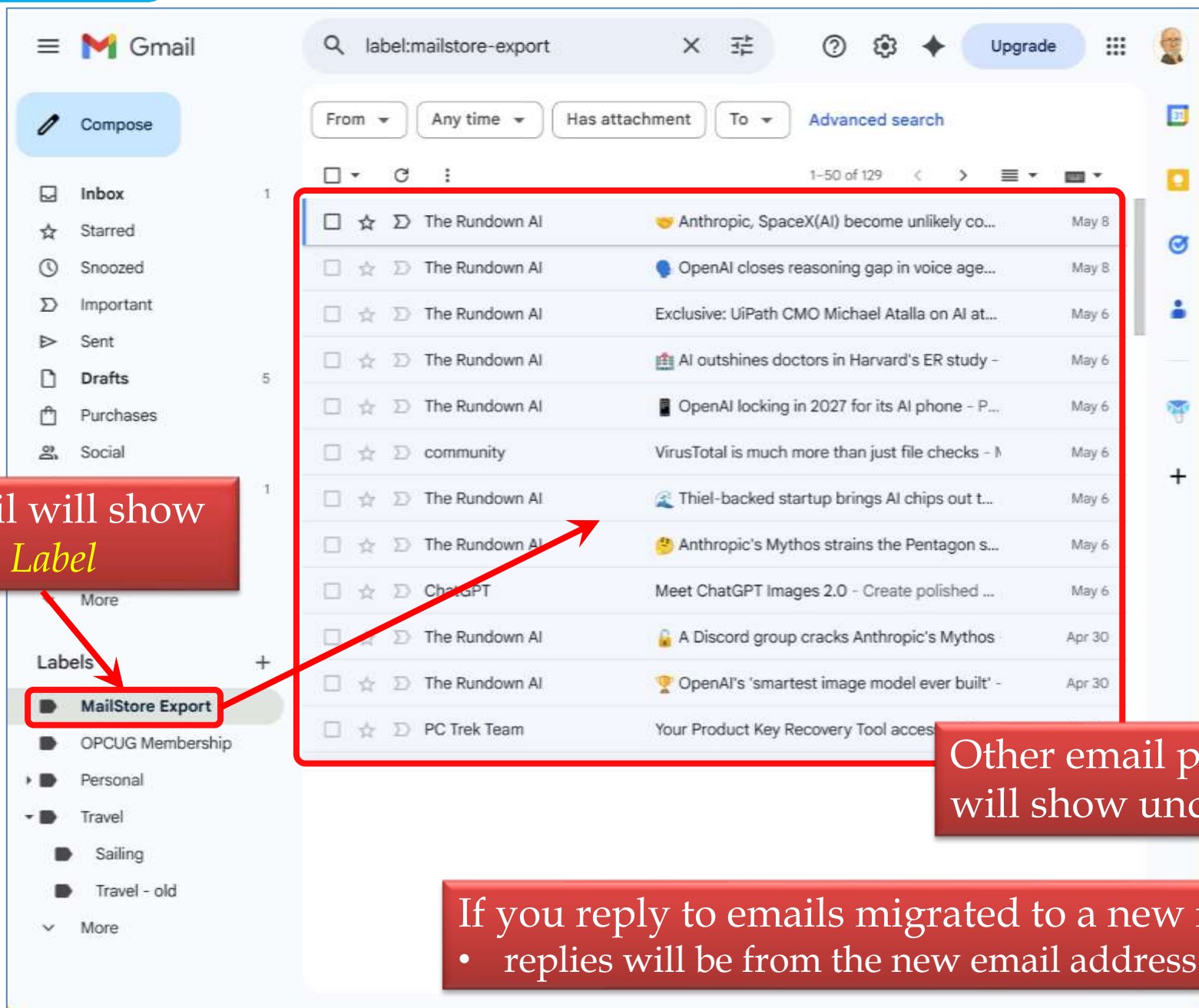


Gmail mailbox to receive export



Share

Exported NCF email in Gmail



in Gmail will show under a *Label*

Other email programs will show under a *folder*

If you reply to emails migrated to a new mailbox
• replies will be from the new email address

Share

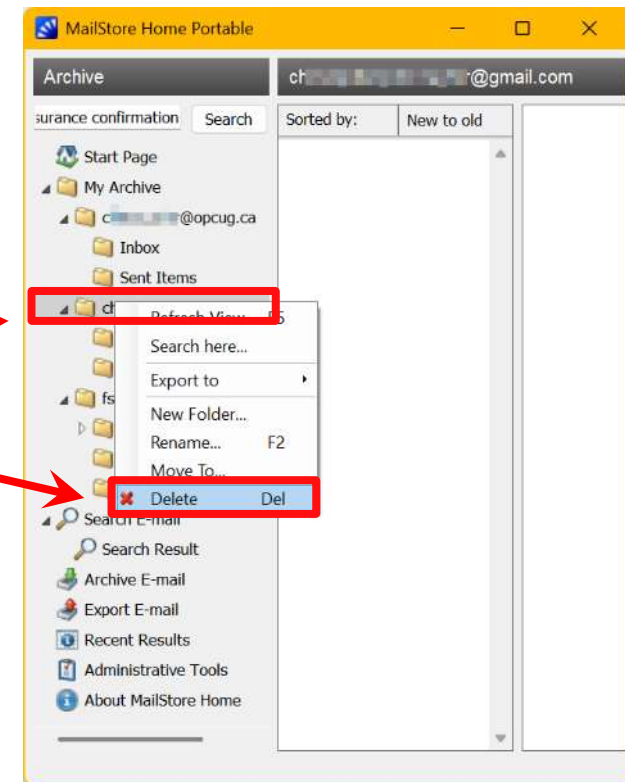
Because Gmail is...Gmail...

- Gmail doesn't have "folders" – uses "labels" to fake folders
- MailStore
 - sees everything as being in either **Inbox** or **Sent Items**
 - emails "moved" in Gmail to a "label" show as being in **Inbox**
 - **items in Trash are never seen or archived**
- If moving email from Gmail to another email provider
 - you lose what *appeared* to be a folder structure in Gmail
 - since **Trash** is never seen by MailStore
 - **never** archived and
 - therefore **can't be migrated** to a different mail server
- Work-around (if you want to archive or migrate Gmail trash)
 - **in Gmail:** **Move** items in **Trash** to a temporary label
 - **in MailStore:** Archive mailbox
 - deleted items will show in archive as being in **Inbox**
 - **in Gmail:** delete everything under the temporary label (optional)

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One more thing...

- Messages deleted on source server
 - *never* deleted from archive when you re-archive
 - you can manually delete messages in archive **assuming you can identify the deleted emails!**
- Consequence: archive grows forever
- Workarounds
 - delete the archive
 - right-click archive
 - choose *Delete*
 - Recreate archive with current mailbox contents



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Details on email deletions

- For details about deletions, be sure to read
 - <https://community.mailstore.com/en/t/mailstore-home-portable-archiving-imap-does-not-delete-folders-deleted-on-mail-server/4072>



Share

How I use MailStore Home

- Quickly search all emails across all my accounts
- Archive all my email across all accounts for safekeeping
- If I ever decide to close any of my accounts
 - *may* use MailStore Home to move email to a new account
 - may just keep the archive of the mail from old mail account



<https://www.mailstore.com/en/products/mailstore-home/>

Share

More email info

The ins and outs of electronic mail

Understand it. Manage it. Protect it.

WEBMAIL **E-MAIL CLIENTS** **POP / IMAP** **SERVER SETTINGS**

PHISHING
Don't take the bait!

FILTERS
Catch it before it reaches you.

DISPOSABLE ADDRESSES
Use aliases to safeguard your privacy online.

THE BASICS
Webmail & E-mail clients, POP/IMAP & server settings

GET ORGANIZED
Mail folders and filters to keep things in order

STAY SAFE
Spam, spoofing & phishing—how to detect & deal with them

PROTECT YOUR PRIVACY
Portable & disposable email addresses for privacy and peace of mind

Good mail delivered

EMAIL: CONNECTING PEOPLE. POWERING PRODUCTIVITY. PROTECTING PRIVACY.

Presentation at various branches Ottawa Public Library

- <https://booking.biblioottawalibrary.ca/en/program?text=ins+and+outs>

Share

Digital Medical Records



All your health information in one place

See your medications, test results, upcoming appointments, medical bills, price estimates, and more all in one place, even if you've been seen at multiple healthcare organizations.

- My region of Quebec has been undergoing a trial of moving all medical information to a digital format
- Records are available online for individuals as well as the health care team around them

MyChart is **Epic**

Stewart Bruce



Our site is getting a new look soon! [Check it out](#)



MyChart *is* Epic

Empowering over 190 million patients
to get and stay healthy

Access MyChart

Share Your Story



Help

<https://www.mychart.org/>

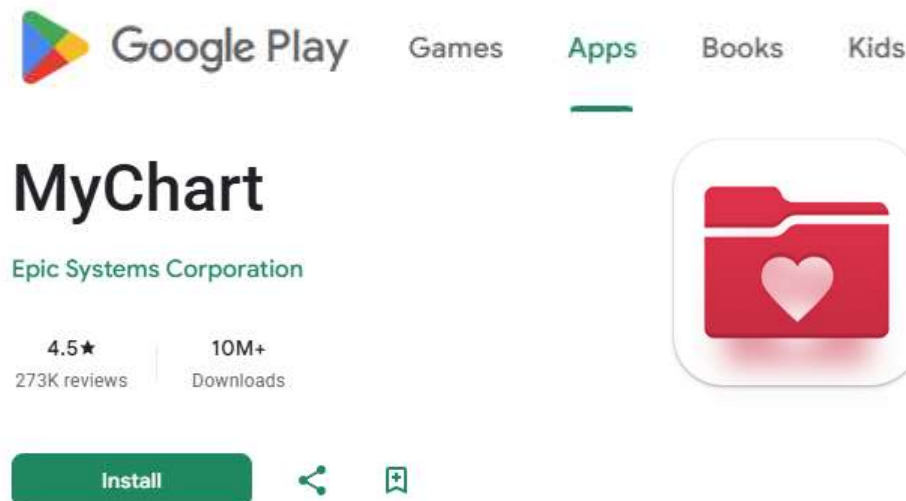
- On the home page, hit the green "Access my chart" button



Access MyChart

- A list of regions has Canada near the bottom
- This gives a list of Canadian medical organizations that subscribe to the service
- My region in Quebec uses *Mon dossier santé*
- I needed to use my Quebec government login to create an account
- Once I logged in, I had access to a large number of test results from the last couple years
- The service is new so there were many empty sections such as the medications I take
- I'm sure the blanks will be filled in over time

- Note that the Ottawa Hospital and CHEO are both listed
- The Ottawa hospital has used this service for perhaps a couple years now
- In addition to access through a web browser, apps for iPhone and Android are also available



Follow Up AppControl v1.2

Share **AppControl**

- Free replacement for Task Manager
 - track real-time and historical
 - CPU, RAM, GPU, disk, and temperature usage for CPU/GPU
 - privacy alerts
 - when programs access webcam, mic, & location
 - disable or block problem apps
 - can even disable all apps from any given publisher
 - describe what apps do in plain language

<https://www.appcontrol.com/>



Q&A on 2026-03-25: AppControl

- gives insight into how your resources (CPU, memory, disk) are being used on your computer
- what is bogging things down?
- goes beyond Task Manager
 - can see up to 3 days of historical resource usage
 - can alert you on a variety of events

What if AppControl could be supercharged with AI?

- **afterall, isn't everything better with AI?**

Paraphrasing Big Bang Theory

- The guys wanted Penny's barrettes to appeal more to men
 - Penny: *How are flower barrettes going to appeal to men?*
 - Howard: *We add Bluetooth AI*
 - Sheldon: *Penny, everything is better with Bluetooth AI!*

Follow Up

A bit of a...



DEEP
DIVE

Even I could figure this stuff out

- so you probably can too

It is a multi-step process

- it wasn't obvious to me when I started down the rabbit hole what I was really doing
- but it worked out perfectly in the end
- AppControl has added clarity to their instructions

Follow Up AppControl + AI Agents

- *Your PC's Behaviors Finally Have Answers. Just Ask.*
- Powerful new way to understand your PC's historical resource usage activity
- Connect your favorite AI agents like **Claude**, Cursor, Windsurf, and Gemini CLI directly to resource history gathered by AppControl
- No more digging through logs
- No more guessing
- Just instant, plain-English answers about your PC's historical resource usage



How to add AI to AppControl

- Download AppControl v1.2 or greater
 - <https://www.appcontrol.com/>
 - configure for maximum retention of data (currently 3 days)
- Read the blurb about *AppControl + AI Agents*
 - <https://blog.appcontrol.com/appcontrol-ai-agents-your-pcs-behaviors-finally-have-answers-just-ask/>
- Follow the instructions
 - <https://www.appcontrol.com/mcp/>
- **Currently**, I recommend
 - using the feature with *Claude Desktop for Windows*
 - use *Standard Configuration (Recommended for Most Users)* at the instructions link above

Follow Up Then what?



- After you have
 - AppControl 1.2
 - Claude Desktop for Windows
 - MCP (Model Context Protocol) for Claude
- Run **Claude Desktop for Windows**
- Ask questions that Claude AI can answer given data surfaced by AppControl

Follow Up

what unsigned applications have been running on this system?

Here's a summary of all 28 unsigned applications tracked on this system, grouped by status:

Currently Running (7)

| Application | Path | Notes |
|-------------------------------|--|--|
| vmmemCmZygote | (virtual memory process) | WSL/Android subsystem VM process |
| TrayWeather.exe v1.37.2 | C:\Program Files\Tray Weather\ | Weather tray app by Felix de las Pozas |
| CursorHighlighter.exe v1.1.33 | C:\Users\CTaylor\My Drive\Various\ | Running from Google Drive — worth noting |
| BrCcBoot.exe v4.1.268 | C:\Program Files\Brother\BrCcBoot\ | Brother printer software |
| WDDriveService.exe | C:\Program Files\Western Digital\WDDriveService\ | Western Digital drive manager |
| TrafficMonitor.exe v1.8.5 | C:\Program Files\Utils\TrafficMonitor\ | Network traffic monitor by ZhongYang |

Noteworthy

- AppControl logged that Cursor Highlighter was running from Google Drive
- Claude AI flagged the potential danger of running programs from Google Drive



Previously Run, No Longer Active (21)

| Application | Notes |
|---|-------------------------------|
| BrCcBoot.exe (Brother ControlCenter Launcher) | Printer software |
| BrYNSvc.exe (Brother BrYNCSvc) | Printer service |
| WDDriveService.exe | Western Digital drive manager |
| Everything Universal Search | Everything search uninstalled |
| Perplexity Comet setup.exe (x2) | Comet browser installer runs |
| Perplexity mini_installer.exe | Comet browser mini installer |
| vmmemCmSnapshot | VM snapshot process (gone) |

⚠️ A Few Things Worth Flagging

- CursorHighlighter.exe running from Google Drive** — executables running from a cloud-synced folder are unusual and could be a security concern if that folder is shared or synced from another machine.
- bcdedit.exe inside EaseUS** — a copy of the Windows boot editor bundled inside backup software. Legitimate but worth knowing it's there.
- Several installers run from Temp** (KeePass, Lenovo, Perplexity, PollingRateTester) — these are normal install artifacts, but all have since been cleaned up.
- Brother printer software is unsigned** — surprisingly common for older printer drivers; low risk but notable.

Would you like to drill into any of these in more detail?

Follow Up



What apps have used my webcam in the past 24 hours?

I'll get the current time first, then check webcam access events in the last 24 hours.

Used AppControl integration >

Two apps accessed your webcam in the last 24 hours:

Zoom — 1 access event

Make sense

- `C:\Users\CTaylor\AppData\Roaming\Zoom\bin\Zoom.exe`
- Signed by **Zoom Communications, Inc.** ✓
- Accessed at approximately **9:50 AM** today — likely a video call

svchost.exe (Windows host process) — 3 access events

- `C:\Windows\System32\svchost.exe`
- Signed by **Microsoft Windows Publisher** ✓
- Accessed at three points: twice in the early morning (~4:57 AM, ~4:58 AM) and once later (~3:53 PM)

The `svchost.exe` accesses are worth noting — this is a generic Windows host process that runs many background services, including things like Windows Hello facial recognition, the Camera service, and certain UWP app camera bridges. The two rapid back-to-back accesses in the early morning could be Windows Hello unlocking the screen after idle. Nothing here looks alarming, but if you didn't consciously use the camera at those times, it's worth knowing. All accesses were by legitimately signed software.



WTF???

- why is svchost.exe accessing my webcam?

Whew!

- makes sense — I have a webcam that does Windows Hello

- AppControl figured out the **what**
- Claude AI figured out the **why**

Follow Up

What are the most recent app updates on my computer?

Here's a clean summary of the most recent app updates on your system, ordered from newest to oldest:

Today

- **Microsoft OneDrive** — updated (OneDrive.exe + OneDriveStandaloneUpdater.exe) — about 2-3 hours ago
- **Windows Defender** (AM_Base_Patch1 + AM_Delta) — definition/engine update via Windows Update — a few hours ago
- **Opera GX** — second update wave (installer components updated again via Temp) — earlier today
- **AppControl** — updated itself (apcservice, apphelper, AppControl.exe + setup file in Downloads) — today
- **Google Chrome** — updated (chrome.exe + chrome_proxy.exe) — today
- **Opera GX** — first update wave (opera.exe, browser_assistant, assistant_installer, opera_autoupdate) — today
- **Malwarebytes** (ig.exe) — component updated — today, with additional repeated updates throughout the day (5 hash change events total, suggesting incremental definition/engine refreshes)

Summary by app

| App | Publisher | Updates today |
|------------------|------------------|-----------------------------|
| OneDrive | Microsoft | 1 |
| Windows Defender | Microsoft | 1 |
| Opera GX | Opera Norway AS | Multiple (2 waves) |
| AppControl | AppControl Labs | 1 |
| Google Chrome | Google LLC | 1 |
| Malwarebytes | Malwarebytes Inc | 5 (repeated ig.exe updates) |

Everything here looks routine and from legitimate publishers. The Malwarebytes ig.exe updating repeatedly throughout the day is normal — that component handles incremental threat intelligence updates that roll out frequently. Nothing unexpected.

✔ No threats detected, no processes blocked

Zero ThreatDetected events and zero BlockProcess events in the entire history. Nothing has been flagged as malicious or quarantined.

🔍 A few things worth knowing about (low concern)

CursorHighlighter.exe running from Google Drive As flagged earlier — an unsigned executable running from a cloud-synced folder is an unusual pattern worth keeping an eye on, even if it's likely a tool you intentionally put there.

Perplexity Comet installer (unsigned, from Temp) The Comet browser was installed today from a Temp folder with unsigned binaries — this is normal installer behavior worth noting since it also registered three new background services (CometUpdaterService, CometUpdaterInternalService, CometElevationService) published by Perplexity AI, Inc. and all standard for a Chromium-based browser. No concern, but it's a lot of new persistent services added in one go.

Perplexity Comet Updater — a background update service is now running on your machine as part of the Comet install.

✔ New unsigned binaries seen recently — all benign

The only new unsigned binaries that appeared recently were the Perplexity installer files and a Scoop shim for git.exe — nothing unexpected.

✔ New services added — all legitimate

All six new services registered recently are from known publishers: Perplexity AI, Google (Chrome elevation), Brave (elevation), and Anthropic (the Claude/Cowork app). No mystery services, no unsigned drivers.

Bottom line: No signs of suspicious or malicious activity. The system looks clean. The only minor flags are the CursorHighlighter running from Google Drive (which you may want to move to a local Programs folder) and the handful of new Comet background services if you didn't intend to keep Perplexity's browser installed long-term.



...and I got warm fuzzy feelings that my computer was fine

Follow Up

What apps that are currently auto-starting with Windows on my computer should I remove from auto-starting in order to speed up Windows and only start them when I need them.

To see exactly what's running on your computer, I'd need to check your system directly. Let me look at your startup processes right now!

List_processes >

A List processes

Integration of AppControl and Claude

- neither by themselves could do the job

A Claude wants to use List processes from AppControl >

Always allow ↵

Deny esc

I can now see exactly what's running on your system. Here's a personalised breakdown based on your actual startup processes:

● Safe to Remove from Startup

These are running on your PC at boot and can be launched manually when needed:

Razer App Engine (`RazerAppEngine.exe`) — Running **9 processes!** This is quite heavy. Remove from startup and open Razer software only when you need to change settings or lighting.

Logi Tune / Logi Tune Agent (`LogiTune.exe`, `LogiTuneAgent.exe`) — Logitech's peripheral manager. Only needed if you're actively changing device settings. Remove from startup; your devices will still work without it running.

Brother ControlCenter4 (`BrCtrlCntr.exe`) — Printer management software. Only needed when scanning or using advanced printer features. Remove it — you can still print without it.

Grammarly Desktop (`Grammarly.Desktop.exe`) — Useful but not needed at boot. It'll load quickly when you open your browser or a document.

UniGetUI (`UniGetUI.exe`) — Package manager UI. Only needs to run when you're managing/updating software. Currently running suspended, so it's wasting memory for no reason.

Good to remove?

- maybe...

Really???

- far be it for me to question AI!

Follow Up



Brother ControlCenter4 is autostarting with Windows. What is the resource usage impact including memory, CPU, and disk.

Let me look more carefully at all running processes.

Used AppControl Integration >

I can see **BrCcUxSys.exe** in the results — that's the actual ControlCenter4 process. Let me get its details.

Get binary >

Here's what's actually running on your machine for Brother:

BrCcUxSys.exe — ControlCenter4 UX System (the tray icon you see)

- **Path:** `C:\Program Files (x86)\ControlCenter4\BrCcUxSys.exe`
- **Version:** 4.1.531.1
- **File size:** ~1.3 MB
- **Publisher:** Brother Industries, Ltd. (signed)
- **Running as:** Your user account (Aquila\CTaylor), non-elevated

BrStMonW.exe — Brother Status Monitor (companion process)

- **Path:** `C:\Program Files (x86)\Brown02\Brother\BrStMonW.exe`
- **Version:** 1.4.13.0
- **File size:** ~3 MB

So you actually have **two** Brother processes running at startup, not one. The tray icon you see is **BrCcUxSys.exe**, and **BrStMonW.exe** runs alongside it silently. Together they're lightweight — both are small binaries and neither shows any elevated privileges or unusual flags. The **actual RAM usage isn't directly measurable through AppControl**, but given their file sizes and nature, **expect roughly 30-60 MB combined at idle.**

If you remove Brother from Startup, both of these will stop launching automatically. As mentioned before, the main practical consequence is **losing the ability to scan using the physical button on your Brother device.**

Why can't AppControl tell you the amount of RAM used by **BrCcUxSys.exe** and **BrStMonW.exe**. If I search for those two programs within AppControl, it lists them as using 224KB and 1.1MB

You're right to call that out. AppControl does track those processes and clearly has memory data — **I just didn't query for it.** That's **my mistake** for assuming it wasn't available and falling back to a **rough estimate instead of actually checking.**

The 224 KB and 1.1 MB figures are remarkably low — far less than I estimated.

Those two Brother processes together are **using next to nothing.** **Definitely not a meaningful reason to remove them from Startup.**



Follow Up



● Safe to Remove from Startup

UniGetUI (`UniGetUI.exe`) — Package manager UI. Only needs to run when you're managing/updating software. Currently running suspended, so it's wasting memory for no reason.

If I remove UniGetUI from Startup Apps, will it still automatically check for updates to my programs?

No — UniGetUI will not start itself automatically if you remove it from Startup. It has no scheduled task or background service that launches it independently. It relies entirely on being in your Startup folder (or another autostart mechanism you've configured) to run at boot and then check for updates in the background.

If you remove it from Startup, it simply won't run until you manually open it. There's no "phone home" mechanism baked in.

Your options if you want periodic update checks without it living in your system tray full-time:

- **Keep it in Startup** (current setup) — it runs quietly in the background and notifies you when updates are available.
- **Create a Windows Scheduled Task yourself** — point it at the UniGetUI executable with the `--updateapps` CLI flag, and set it to run on whatever schedule you like. This way it can run silently on a schedule without sitting in your tray all the time.
- **Run it manually** when you feel like checking for updates.

So if your goal is to reduce startup clutter or tray icons, the scheduled task approach gives you the best of both worlds.

Recommendation to remove from startup definitely bad



Follow Up

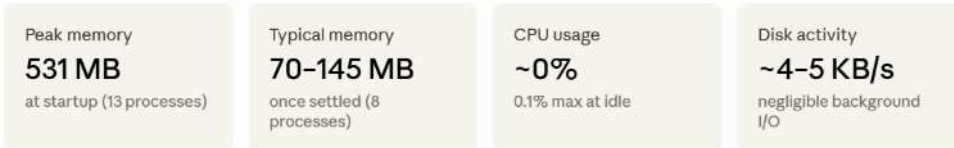
RazerAppEngine.exe is autostarting with Windows. Query AppControl to find the impact on system performance over time including CPU and memory usage.

Used AppControl integration, loaded tools >

Now let me pull the monitoring data for RazerAppEngine specifically, across the available history:

Get monitoring >

There's a lot of rich data here. Let me visualize it clearly.



Data from AppControl monitoring — 5-minute resolution over ~35 hours of uptime. 9 processes running at startup, settling to 8 after the first few minutes.

Here's what the data shows across ~35 hours of uptime:

Memory is the main story. RazerAppEngine spawns 13 processes at startup and briefly peaks at 531 MB — which is substantial. Within a few minutes it drops to 8 processes and settles, but then does something interesting: it gradually creeps upward through the day (from ~319 MB at boot toward ~340 MB), then performs what looks like a periodic internal cleanup, shedding memory back down to around 70-90 MB. You can see this cycle repeating — memory builds, then drops. The typical "floor" when it's actively cleaned up is around 70-150 MB.

CPU is effectively zero — it hovers at 0.0% almost the entire time, occasionally touching 0.1% for a moment. No meaningful CPU cost.

Disk is negligible throughout — about 4-5 KB/s of background I/O, spiking very briefly (to ~770 KB at one point, likely a sync or update check) then back to near-zero.

The main concern here is the memory behavior. 531 MB at startup is heavy, and even at steady state it holds 70-150 MB across 8 processes. If you don't need Razer Synapse features (RGB lighting, mouse/keyboard profiles), removing it from Startup would be a real win for available memory.

I have 32 GB RAM. Is this savings in RAM really significant?

Honestly, no. 150 MB on a 32 GB system is less than 0.5% of total RAM. You'd never notice it in practice.

The more relevant question is whether RazerAppEngine is actually useful to you. If you use Razer Synapse to manage RGB lighting, macros, or device profiles, keep it.

If you don't actively use those features, removing it saves a bit of clutter—but not for RAM reasons.



Clutter???

- so don't remove it???

Follow Up

● Consider Removing (Depending on Your Workflow)

OneDrive (`OneDrive.exe`) — Only remove this if you don't rely on continuous background file syncing. If you actively use OneDrive for work files, keep it.

Windows Widgets (`WidgetBoard.exe`, `WidgetService.exe`) — If you don't use the Windows 11 Widgets panel on the taskbar, these can be disabled.

● Keep at Startup

Malwarebytes (`Malwarebytes.exe`) — Security software, keep it running.

NVIDIA Container (`nvcontainer.exe`) — Core GPU management, needed for your graphics card to function properly.

Wacom Tablet (`Wacom_TabletUser.exe`) — Keep this if you use your Wacom tablet regularly, as it ensures it's ready when you plug it in.

PowerToys (`PowerToys.FancyZones.exe`, `PowerToys.ColorPickerUI.exe`) — These are lightweight Microsoft tools and FancyZones in particular needs to run at startup to manage your window layouts.

How to Disable Them

1. Press **Ctrl + Shift + Esc** → click the **Startup apps** tab
2. Right-click each app above → **Disable**

The biggest wins on your machine will be removing **Razer App Engine** (9 processes!), **Logi Tune**, and **Brother ControlCenter** — those three alone should noticeably improve your boot time.

I hate Widgets

- let's get rid of them!

Problem: Windows Widgets not listed in Startup Apps



I could not find the Windows Widgets in "Startup apps"

That's because Windows Widgets isn't a traditional startup app — it's a built-in Windows 11 component that launches automatically as part of the shell. You need to disable it a different way:

How to Disable Windows Widgets

Option 1 — Taskbar Settings (quickest):

1. Right-click the **taskbar** → **Taskbar settings**
2. Toggle **Widgets** to **Off**

This removes the Widgets button from your taskbar and stops the service from loading at startup.

Follow Up



In the past week, what programs used the most CPU for the longest periods of time?

Note that the monitoring tool only retains detailed per-binary data for roughly the past ~2 hours, not a full week. Here's what's clear from the available data:

Top CPU consumers (past ~2 hours)

Google Chrome (`chrome.exe`) — by far the heaviest

- Sustained 7–10% CPU continuously across the entire observation window, running 32–44 processes simultaneously
- Peak: 10.9% — the single most consistent CPU consumer on the system
- Also using 3.5–5 GB RAM — the heaviest memory user by a wide margin

Malwarebytes (`MBAMService.exe`) — notable spike

- Mostly quiet at <1%, but had a significant burst around ~2 hours ago hitting 17.7% → 12.5% → 11–12% sustained for several minutes, with heavy disk I/O (~700 MB in one interval) — consistent with a scheduled scan running
- Returned to near-idle after the scan completed

PowerShell (`powershell.exe`, both 32-bit and 64-bit) — periodic bursts

- Consistently appearing in short bursts of 3–5% CPU every few minutes, then dropping back down
- This is a regular background rhythm — likely scheduled tasks, app update checks, or Malwarebytes running PowerShell scripts as part of its scan

4th — Microsoft Edge (`msedge.exe`) — light but present

- Running 12–14 processes in the background, typically <0.2% CPU — mostly idle
- Had a brief spike to 6.7% when it first appeared in the data

5th — Opera GX (`opera_gx_splash.exe` / `opera.exe`) — brief appearance

- Showed up at the start of the window with ~2–3% CPU, then disappeared — likely launched and closed

Bottom line: Chrome is your dominant CPU consumer and has been running heavily and continuously. The Malwarebytes scan was the biggest single burst event. PowerShell's periodic activity appears routine and tied to background automation rather than anything manual.

Was going to ask for details about MalwareBytes

- *out of free messages* with Claude

Not cheap!



Monthly Yearly · Save 17%

Pro

Research, code, and organize

C\$24 CAD / month
billed annually

Get Pro plan

Everything in Free and:

- ✓ Claude Code directly in your codebase
- ✓ Power through tasks with Cowork
- ✓ Higher usage limits
- ✓ Deep research and analysis
- ✓ Memory that carries across conversations



The next day I could continue for free

You are out of free messages until 3:00 PM

Upgrade

Follow Up

Another day...

Top CPU Consumers — Past 3 Days

powershell.exe — Consistently Highest CPU

Average: ~2.9-3.3% CPU | Present in virtually every hourly sample

PowerShell was the most sustained CPU user across the entire monitoring window — running in essentially every time slot and holding a steady ~3% CPU throughout active hours. This is unusual for PowerShell, which normally runs briefly. Something may be running persistent PowerShell scripts in the background.

Tell me what is using PowerShell so much

Primary culprit: svchost.exe (Windows Task Scheduler)

The vast majority of PowerShell launches — roughly every 30-60 minutes, around the clock — are coming from `svchost.exe` (binary ID 8). Each session runs for about 8-9 seconds before terminating. This is the classic fingerprint of a scheduled task: Windows Task Scheduler runs inside `svchost`, fires off PowerShell on a timer to run a script, and closes it when done.

The regularity is striking — it's not random background maintenance, it's a deliberate recurring schedule. The most likely candidates are:

- **Lenovo Vantage scheduled tasks** (you saw `ConfigServiceAgent.exe` active periodically)
- Windows Update or health checks
- A third-party app's update/telemetry task that was installed at some point

Secondary: UniGetUI.exe (a Windows package manager)

UniGetUI (a GUI for package managers like winget, Chocolatey, Scoop) launched PowerShell a handful of times in short bursts (~1-2 seconds each). This is completely expected — it uses PowerShell to run package updates and checks.

Give me a PowerShell script to list all scheduled tasks from Lenovo sorted by last run

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Administrator: Windows PowerShell
PS C:\WINDOWS\system32> Get-ScheduledTask -TaskPath "*" | ForEach-Object {
>> $info = Get-ScheduledTaskInfo $_.TaskName -TaskPath $_.TaskPath -EA SilentlyContinue
>> [PSCustomObject]@{
>>     Task = $_.TaskName
>>     LastRun = $info.LastRunTime
>>     Result = $info.LastTaskResult
>> }
>> } | Sort-Object LastRun -Descending | Format-Table -AutoSize
```

| Task | LastRun | Result |
|--|-----------------------|------------|
| LenovoCompanionAppAddinDailyScheduleTask | 2026-04-14 8:39:03 AM | 0 |
| GenericMessagingAddin_Pulsation | 2026-04-14 8:38:49 AM | 0 |
| LenovoSystemUpdateAddin_WeeklyTask | 2026-04-14 4:16:35 AM | 0 |
| S-1-5-21-2557435023-3493478793-1538801071-1001 | 2026-04-14 3:34:35 AM | 0 |
| Lenovo UDC Maintenance Task | 2026-04-14 2:40:10 AM | 0 |
| VantageCoreAddinDailyScheduleTask | 2026-04-14 1:28 AM | 0 |
| NotificationCenter | 2026-04-14 1:28 AM | 2147942482 |
| VantageCoreAddinIdleScheduleTask | 2026-04-14 1:28 AM | 2147943467 |
| Lenovo UDC Idle Monitor | 2026-04-14 1:28 AM | 0 |
| DailyTelemetryTransmission | 2026-04-14 1:28 AM | 0 |
| Lenovo IM Controller Monitor | 2026-04-14 1:28 AM | 0 |
| Lenovo UDC Monitor | 2026-04-14 1:28 AM | 4294967295 |
| SmartPerformance.ExpireReminder | 2026-04-14 1:28 AM | 0 |
| ConsumerAddinDailyScheduleTask | 2026-04-14 1:28 AM | 0 |
| LenovoSystemUpdatePlugin_WeeklyTask | 2026-04-14 1:28 AM | 0 |
| HeartbeatAddinDailyScheduleTask | 2026-04-14 1:28 AM | 0 |
| a182bfe9-2ce5-4066-abca-5fff631ac545 | 2026-04-14 1:28 AM | 0 |
| e332895f-2c62-4000-8739-aa58955e38eb | 2026-04-14 1:28 AM | 0 |
| ab55c7b6-ae5d-4e4a-b16d-5f6dcea9ae73 | 2026-04-14 1:28 AM | 0 |
| BatteryGaugeAddinDailyScheduleTask | 2026-04-14 1:28 AM | 0 |
| GenericMessagingAddin | 2026-04-14 1:28 AM | 0 |
| Lenovo.Vantage.SmartPerformance.SScan | 2026-04-14 1:28 AM | 0 |
| Lenovo UDC Lazy Deployment | 2026-04-14 1:28 AM | 0 |
| VantageCoreAddinWeekScheduleTask | 2026-04-14 1:28 AM | 0 |
| Lenovo.Vantage.SmartPerformance.MonthlyReport | 2026-04-14 1:28 AM | 0 |
| Lenovo.Vantage.ServiceMaintenance | 2026-04-14 1:28 AM | 1056 |
| Lenovo IM Controller Scheduled Maintenance | 2026-04-14 1:28 AM | 1056 |
| LenovoNowTask | 2026-04-14 1:28 AM | 0 |
| StartupFixPlan | 2026-04-14 1:28 AM | 2147942482 |
| LenovoNowQuarterlyLaunch | 2026-04-14 1:28 AM | 2147946720 |
| Lenovo UDC Diagnostic Scan | 2026-04-14 1:28 AM | 0 |
| LenovoNowLauncher | 1995-01-01 12:00 AM | 267011 |



- 32 separate tasks
- 21 run in the past 2 days

Follow Up Summary



- Adding AI to AppControl makes a lot of sense
 - can deduce what the data collected by AppControl really means
 - *if AI give the right interpretation of the data!*
- I suggested changes to AppControl
 - they are being considered
 - creating guides/making it easier to connect to other (free) AIs
 - lengthening the max period for data collection
 - currently 3 days, longer periods may make sense
 - allowing user to move location of data files to other drives
 - currently on drive C – SSD without tons of free space
- To me, the **integration** of
 - **AppControl** – that can surface deeply hidden data, with
 - **Claude AI** – that can explain what the data meansis intriguing and *could be more useful if AI gets smarter*
 - **six** good reasoning/advice, **two** not so good, **one really bad**



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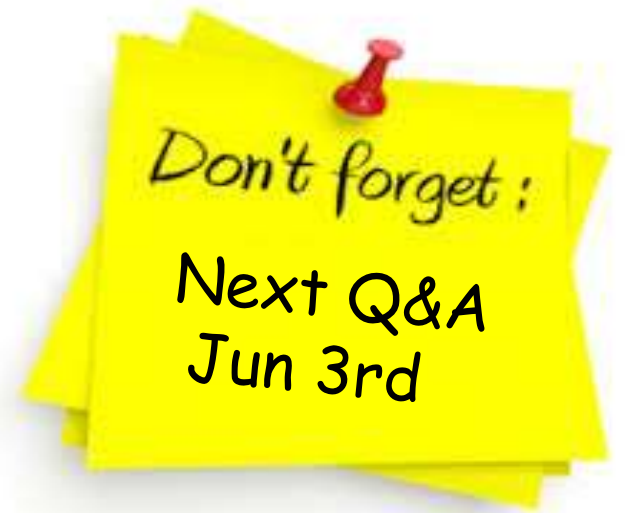


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