USE READYBOOST TO HELP IMPROVE PERFORMANCE

Like earlier versions of Windows, Windows 10 has ReadyBoost. ReadyBoost lets you use a removable drive, like a USB flash drive, to improve your computer's performance without opening your computer and adding more memory (RAM). To use ReadyBoost, you'll need a USB flash drive or a memory card that has at least 500 MB free and a high data transfer rate.

To use ReadyBoost

1. Insert the USB flash drive into a USB port on your computer.
2. On the taskbar, select **File Explorer (or press Windows key + E)**.
3. Right-click on the USB flash drive (or SD card if you used one instead), then select **Properties**.
4. Select the **ReadyBoost** tab, then select **Use this device**.
   Windows determines if the device can use ReadyBoost. If it can't, a message appears to let you know.
5. After Windows determines how much free space to use to optimize memory, select **OK** to reserve this space, so ReadyBoost can use it.

When you look at the contents of the USB flash drive in File Explorer, you'll see a file named ReadyBoost.sfcache on the flash drive. This file shows how much space is reserved for ReadyBoost.

If Windows is installed on a solid state drive (SSD), ReadyBoost can't be used because the SSD drive is already fast and you won't get better performance by using ReadyBoost.