

Programs That Come With Windows

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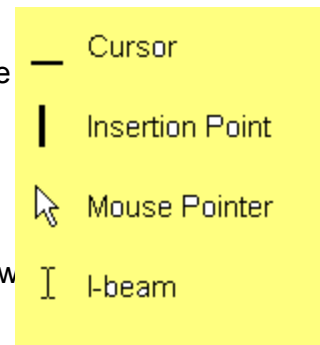
We talk a lot about the cloud and the apps that can be both run in the cloud or the ones that are freely downloaded to our computer. But what about the one that are already on our computer, the one that are included within the Windows package?

Whether you have XP, Vista, 7, or 8 there are a number of places you may never have gone.

Definitions

The term cursor is misused by many today. they call anything that blinks a cursor as well as the mouse pointer as they move it around the screen.

- Cursor
 - Rarely used thick blinking underscore that indicates the location of next character to be type. Appears in the command window and other machine level programs. Not seen by most computer users today.
- Insertion Point
 - A blinking vertical line. The next character to be typed will appear to the right of it.
- Mouse Pointer
 - A arrow that moves around the screen as you move the mouse. In some programs it may may appear as an I-beam.



NOTE: Blue indicates programs found in all OS from XP up

Some of the Programs included with Windows XP

Start > All Programs > **Accessories**

[Calculator](#)
[Notepad](#)
[Paint](#)
[WordPad](#)

Start > All Programs > Accessories > **Utilities**

Address Book
[Character Map](#)
[Disk Cleanup](#)
[Disk Defrag](#)

Scheduled Tasks
[System Information](#)
System Restore

Start > All Programs > Accessories > **Accessibility**
[Magnifier](#)
[Narrator](#)
[On Screen Keyboard](#)

Start > All Programs > Accessories > **Entertainment**
[Sound Recorder](#)
Windows Movie Maker

NOTE: In Windows Vista and above, simply start typing the name of the program you wish to access in the Start Search box and the list of programs will appear above. When the one you want shows, simply click it to run it.

Some of the Programs included with Windows Vista

Start > All Programs > **Accessories**
[Calculator](#)
Command Prompt
[Notepad](#)
[Paint](#)
Run
Snipping Tool
[Sound Recorder](#)
Windows Sidebar
[WordPad](#)

Start > All Programs > Accessories > **Ease of Access**
[Magnifier](#)
[Narrator](#)
[On-Screen Keyboard](#)
Windows Speech Recognition

Start > All Programs > Accessories > **System Tools**

- [Character Map](#)
- Computer
- Control Panel
- [Disk Cleanup](#)
- [Disk Defragmenter](#)
- System Configuration
- [System Information](#)
- System Restore
- [Task Scheduler](#)

Some of the Programs included with Windows 7

Start > All Programs > **Accessories**

- [Calculator](#)
- Command Prompt
- [Notepad](#)
- [Paint](#)
- [Run](#)
- Snipping Tool
- [Sound Recorder](#)
- [WordPad](#)

Start > All Programs > Accessories > **Ease of Access**

- [Magnifier](#)
- [Narrator](#)
- [On-Screen Keyboard](#)
- Windows Speech Recognition

Start > All Programs > Accessories > **System Tools**

- [Character Map](#)
- Computer
- Control Panel
- [Disk Cleanup](#)
- [Disk Defragmenter](#)
- System Configuration
- [System Information](#)
- System Restore
- [Task Scheduler](#)

Start > All Programs > **Maintenance**

- Create a System Restore Disk

Some of the Programs included with Windows 8

(assumes you have Classic Start)

Start > Programs > **Administrative Tools**

[Defragment and Optimize Drives](#)

[Disk Cleanup](#)

System Configuration

[System Information](#)

[Task Scheduler](#)

Start > Programs > **Windows Accessories**

[Calculator](#)

[Notepad](#)

[Paint](#)

Snipping Tool

[Sound Recorder](#)

Windows Media Player

[WordPad](#)

Start > Programs > Windows Accessories > **System Tools**

[Character map](#)

Start > Programs > **Windows Ease of Access**

[Magnifier](#)

[Narrator](#)

[On-Screen Keyboard](#)

Windows Speech Recognition

Start > Programs > **Windows Live**

Movie Maker

Photo-Gallery

Writer

Start > Programs > **Windows System**

Command Prompt

Computer

Control Panel

File Explorer

Run

[Task Manager](#)

Windows Defender

Shortcuts included with Windows XP and up

Run a program -- Windows + R
Lock computer -- Win + L
Close open window -- Alt + F4
Refresh window -- F5
Help -- F1
Minimize all open windows -- Win + M
Minimize everything on desktop -- Win + D
Print from most programs -- Ctrl + P
Find in most windows -- Ctrl + F
Cut -- Ctrl + X removes selected and places a copy on the clipboard
Copy -- Ctrl + C copies selected onto the clipboard
Paste-- Ctrl + V pastes at the insertion point whatever is in the clipboard
Undo last action -- Ctrl + Z
Redo last undo -- Ctrl + Y
Open Task Manager -- Shift + Ctrl + Esc or right-click on taskbar and choose
Open windows explorer (not the same as Internet Explorer) Win + E
Open System Properties -- Win + Break
Capture image of entire screen -- PrintScreen
Capture image of open window -- Alt + PrintScreen

For a list of additional shortcuts see <http://support.microsoft.com/kb/301583>

Windows XP Power Toys

<http://windows.microsoft.com/en-us/windows/xp-downloads#2TC=powertoys>

Windows 7 Essentials

What is Windows Essentials? It's a suite of free programs for your PC running Windows that makes it easy to create and share polished movies, organize your e-mail, and more.

<http://www.microsoft.com/en-us/download/details.aspx?id=3945>

Windows 8 resource

<http://www.dummies.com/how-to/computers-software/operating-systems/Windows-8/Apps-Programs.html>