

A Parting Tip about Unfreezing your Computer

Computers don't work perfectly. Your computer will "freeze" from time to time where neither the mouse nor the keyboard will respond. You didn't do anything wrong. Just press the CTRL key and keep it held down while you press the ALT and DELETE keys. Once all three keys are down at the same time, a new dialog box will appear. Click on TASK MANAGER and then click on the APPLICATIONS tab. Look under the STATUS heading and see if any of the programs are NOT RESPONDING. If so, click on it and then click on END TASK. The program will disappear. After you have repeated this procedure, for each of the non-responding programs, your computer should unfreeze.

If not, hold down the computer's power button for ten seconds and the computer will switch off. Wait ten more seconds, then press and release the power button. The computer will switch on, run through a self-diagnostic program called ScanDisk and then return to normal operation.