

## **PC's will sometimes be a bit slow to catch up**

Sometimes the Windows PC will be 'a bit slow'. This can depend on what else you are running (software wise etc), if you are also downloading/uploading or your PC may have a virus etc.

With Windows PC's you do also tend to have a high CPU usage. This is shown in Task Manager (as mentioned below). This will also slow down your PC.

Through some previous jobs I've had in the PC industry I have had to deal with MANY PC's that were on 'a go slow'. Some PC's I've had to use are now just permanently slow to catch up, they were/are running Windows 2000 (an old OS). For example: It takes 20 minutes to do a 2 minute job.

My Mum's PC often slows up. It can/does get you a bit stressed out at times when PC's are so slow. Mum & I often want to throw our PC's out of the window, due to all the problems that you can get.

## **EVENTHOUGH PC'S ARE AT TIMES A REAL NIGHTMARE, THEY ARE THE MOST USED IN BUSINESSES ETC. THEREFORE YOU SHOULD KNOW, AT LEAST THE BASICS OF HOW TO USE A WINDOWS PC FOR WHEN YOU ARE IN EMPLOYMENT.**

### **When your PC is going slow, you can do some or all of the following:**

- Run a full anti-virus scan of your PC.
- Run a disk cleanup/defrag of your main hard drive.
- Switch off for a few hours, then reboot.
- Close down (software wise etc) what you can.
- Hold down: CTRL + ALT, then press DELETE, then go into Task Manager. Close non-responsives.
- Wait until download/upload is finished before carrying on.
- Uninstall software that you can do without (via Control Panel).
- Get rid of programmes etc from loading at Startup

For some of the above – Type into, for example Google 'MSCONFIG'. This will bring up websites etc that will help you through getting rid of programmes etc from loading up at Startup.

Type into, for example Google 'Uninstall via Control Panel Windows PC'. This will bring up websites etc that will help you through Uninstalling programmes etc.

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### **Based on personal, recent experience:**

I was accepting a certain Facebook request (Mafia Wars, Farmville, Hugs etc) and my PC was suddenly a little slow to catch up. As a result I ended up accepting a request (Profile Stalker) that I didn't want. This was annoying as Profile Stalker is 'iffy'. Anything that comes up with 'offer type surveys' as Profile Stalker did, I forget about/ignore/disregard etc.