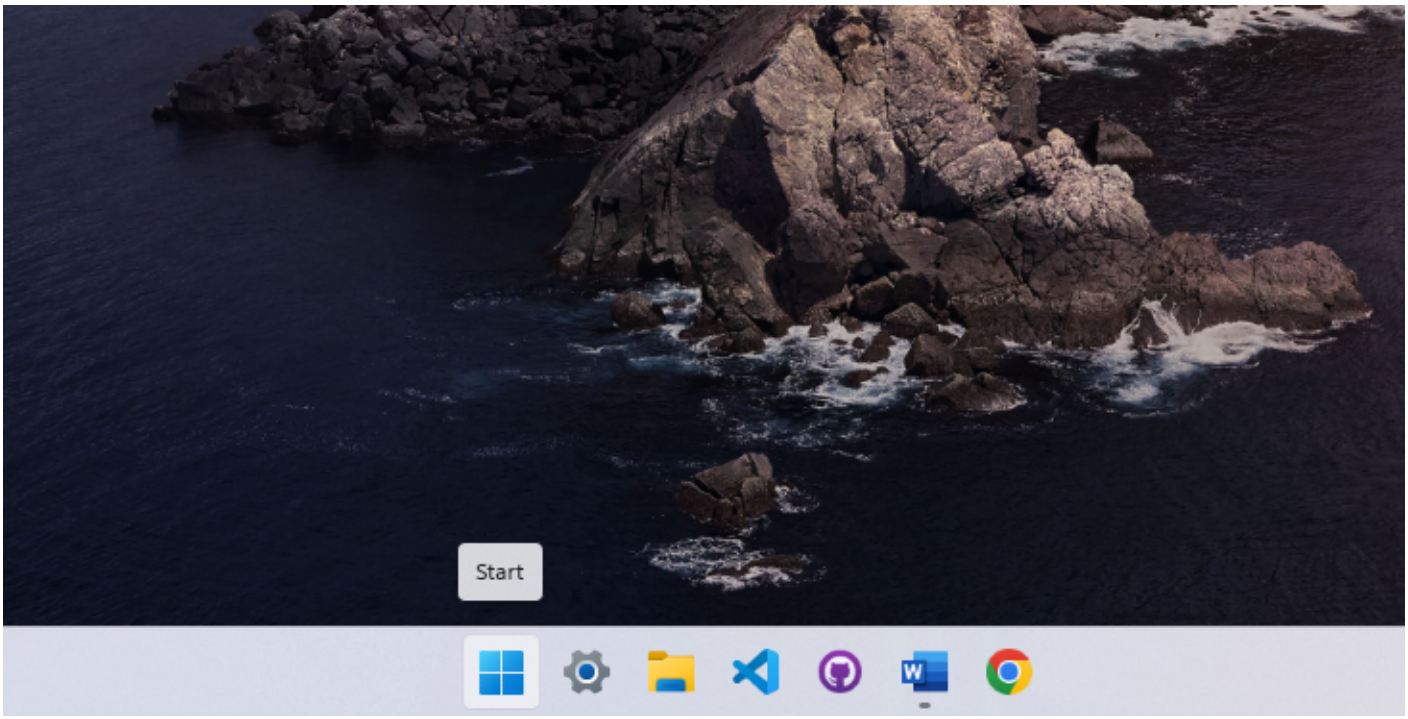
Task Manager: How to force close an application

Welcome to this quick guide on how to force close a crashed or frozen application. If an app suddenly stops responding, it can feel frustrating and leave you unsure of what to do. Crashes often occur when an application encounters issues accessing your computer’s processes. Force closing the unresponsive app and reopening it can often resolve the problem and get things running smoothly again

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1. Open the Start Menu

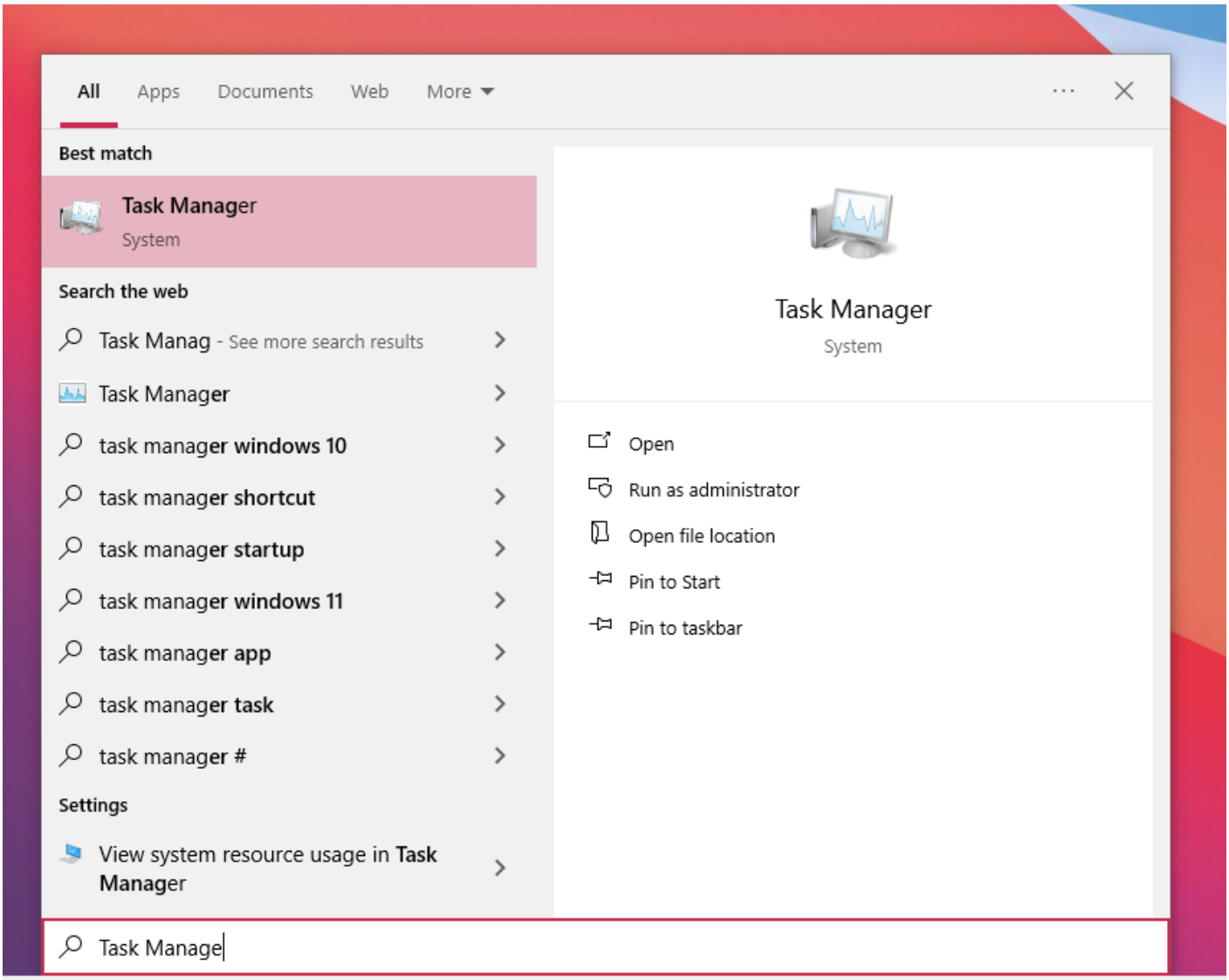
Press the **Windows** key on your keyboard to bring up the Start Menu.



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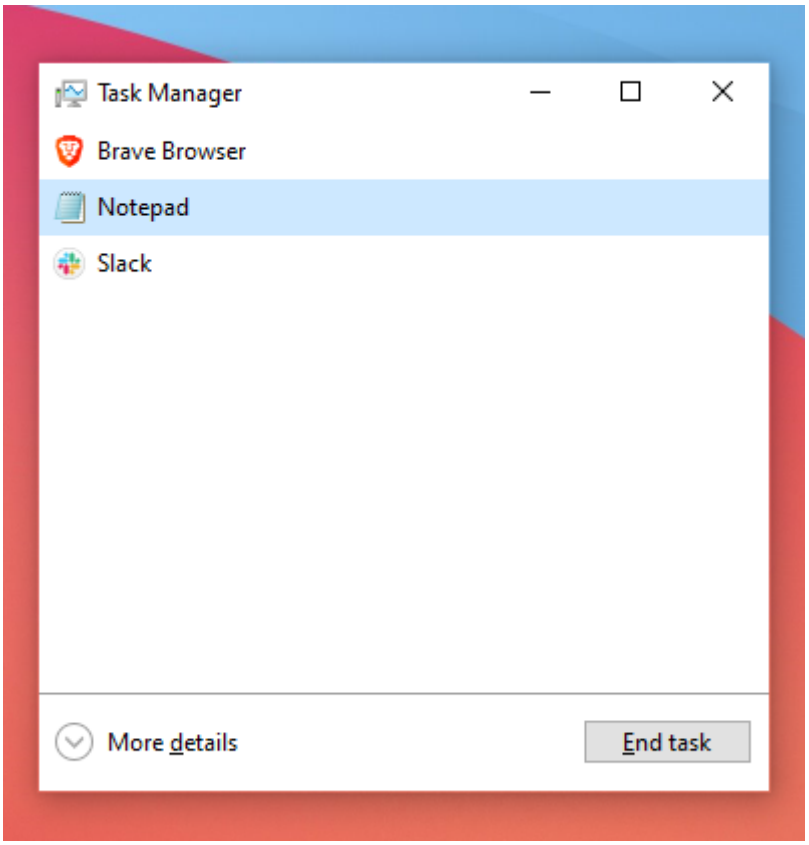
2. Search for Task Manager

Type **Task Manager** in the search bar, then press **Enter** to open it.



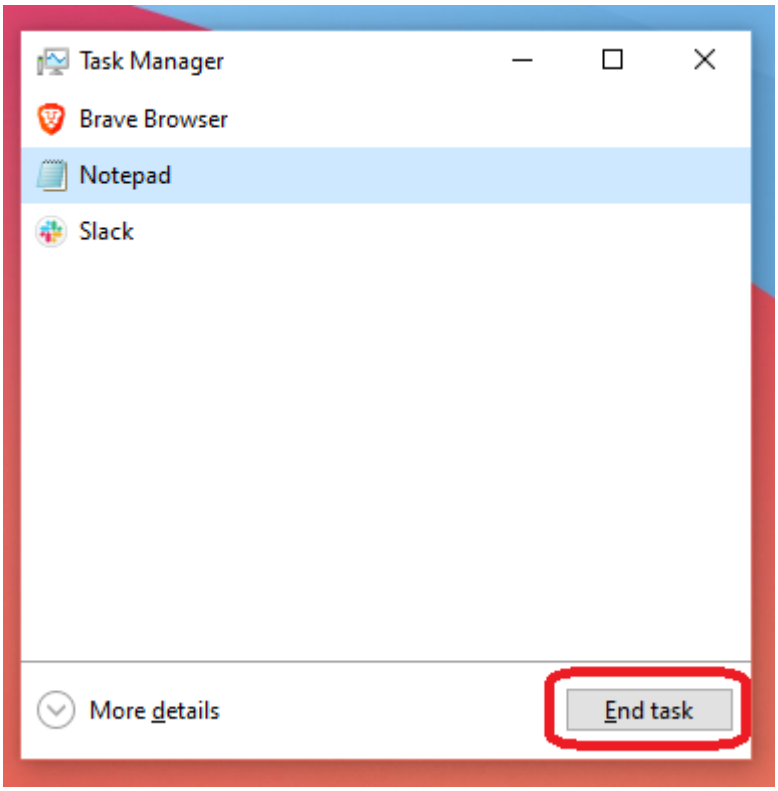
3. Find the application

Once the **Task Manager** window appears, you'll see a series of application currently running on your machine. Find the application that is in question and **Select** it.



4. End Task

Click **End Task**. This will force a close to the application.



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