

GR-TEK Computers - VISTA Quick Start Guide

When you first turn on the computer you may see a message: 128Mb, 256MB or 512Mb RAM. This indicates the RAM of the VGA Card, NOT the System RAM. In Windows right click on "Computer" and select properties to see the actual System RAM (Memory)

If you purchased Windows VISTA (or XP) it has been fully installed and activated.

You can only use Vista (or XP) software on one computer at a time. Microsoft requires you have individual copies for each computer. Windows VISTA (or XP) has been updated but will require constant updating.

PLEASE, DO NOT INSTALL any programs unless they are 100% VISTA COMPATIBLE

DO NOT INSTALL YOUR PRINTER, WEBCAM etc unless you have VISTA DRIVERS - Please refer to the manufacturers website for the latest Vista Drivers

AntiVirus:



AVGFree AntiVirus has already been installed and updates should automatically download. AVGFree will do an entire system scan at 8am each morning or immediately when you switch on your computer. (You can cancel this if you need to)

Microsoft Office 2007:



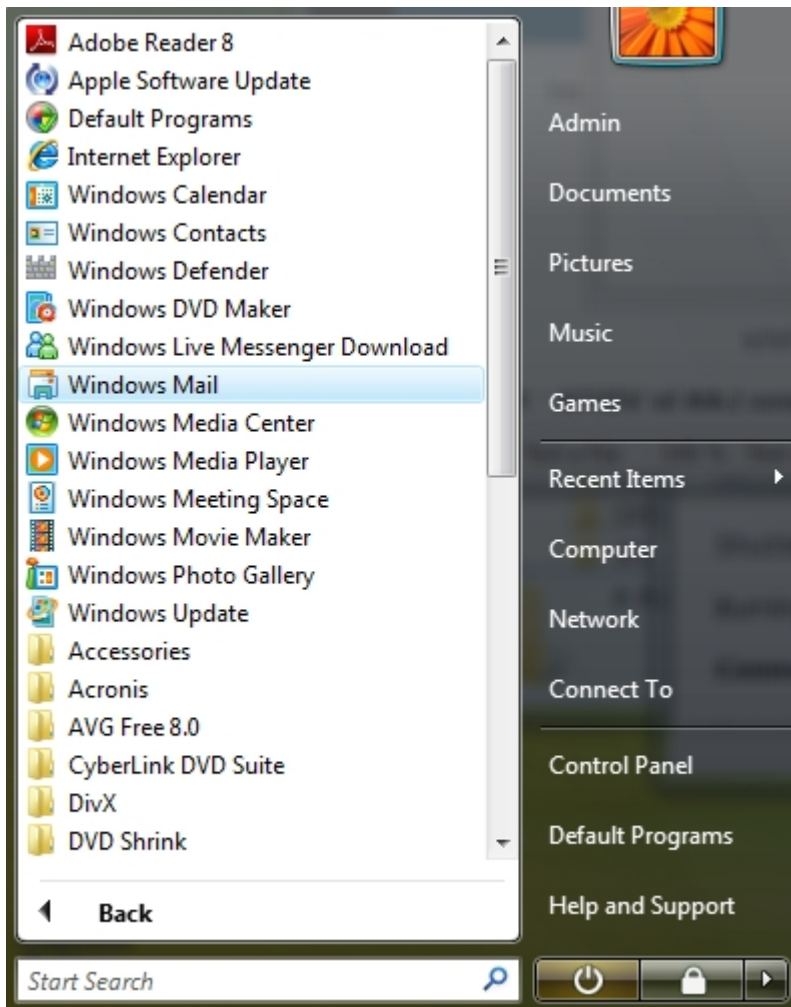
Microsoft Office 2007 60 Day Trial has been installed. You will need to double click on the Activation Trial icon on your desktop to receive a license number from Microsoft. After 60 days Free Trial you can choose to purchase the license (please check favourites in Internet Explorer) or uninstall it.

The Product key on the sticker on the side of your case is for Vista Only.

OpenOffice2 has also been installed and is fully functional and compatible with Microsoft office.

IMPORTANT: For Microsoft compatibility, when saving a file with OpenOffice, please use SAVE AS and select the file format that is compatible with Microsoft Office products.

EMAIL:



The Email program that is included with VISTA is now called WINDOWS MAIL (formerly Outlook Express) (Start Button—All Programs)

Microsoft Outlook is part of the Office2007 Trial Version.

For information on how to set up your email please visit your Internet Service Providers (Bigpond, TPG, Optusnet etc) website.

For a more comprehensive Email program we recommend Mozilla Thunderbird (Free)

AUDIO:

Use the REAR Green Audio Plug for normal Stereo Speakers.
Please NOTE: VISTA does not fully support FRONT AUDIO.

TV Cards:

If you have purchased a system with a Winfast TV Card please go to "How To Capture" on the supplied OpenOffice Disc. The remote control supplied with the TV Card will only work in the Winfast DTV application. (please refer to the Winfast Manual for more information)

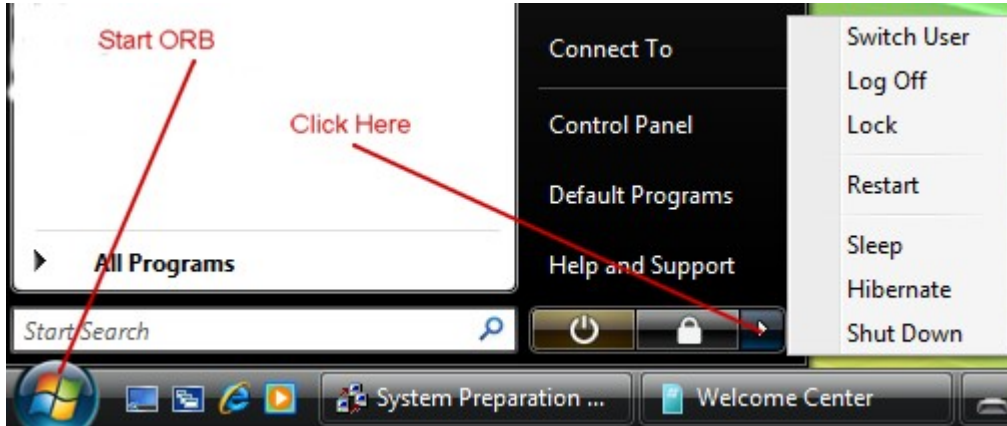
DVD Burning:

If you experience any problems with DVD/CD burning, try a different brand of media. Unfortunately **not all brands of blank media are compatible with all DVD burners**. A firmware update to your burner may also help. Visit the relevant website for your burner to do this.

NETWORKING:

Click on the Start Orb and then click on NETWORK. A dialog box will appear. Across the top you will see NETWORK & SHARING CENTER, click on it to set up Networking & Internet access etc.

Shutting Down Your Computer

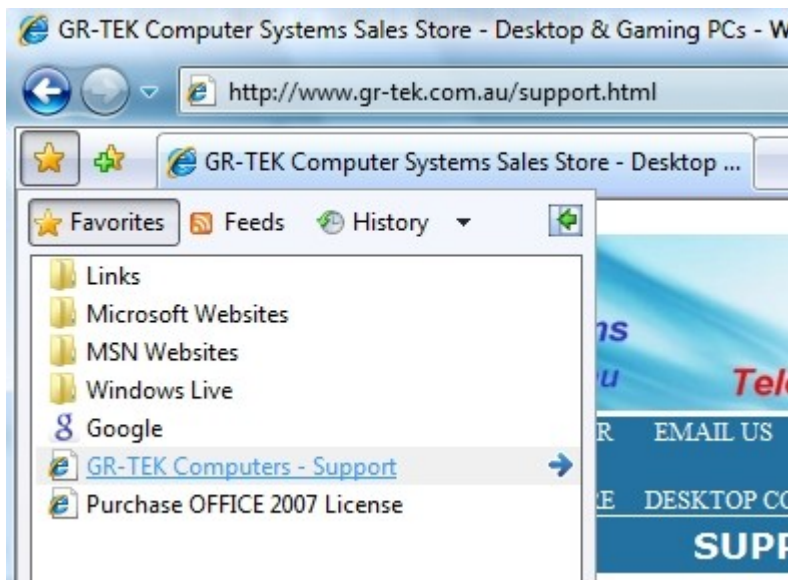


In Windows VISTA, click on the Start Button (Orb). Same spot where the start button used to be in XP (bottom left).

On the bottom line right next to the Padlock icon is an arrow. All your options for shutting down etc. are there.

Logitech 250 & 650 Keyboards & Mice:

Please open BOTH ends of the box before calling us to report a missing mouse



For more information on the above and much more please visit our support website

For SUPPORT please check your Favorites in Internet Explorer for a direct link to our Support Website

