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Thread: [Computer running slow](#)

**fbg** - July 16, 2019, 8:09 am

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**Gunz** - July 16, 2019, 8:17 am

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I know Im not much help but be careful going this route because free and software solutions tend to cause these issues. They are often bundled.

**EliteTM** - July 16, 2019, 10:08 pm

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**ManOfire** - August 1, 2019, 11:32 am

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I have used Clean UP! by Steven Gould and find it great to clean up files too. ^ steps are accurate on trying to increase computer performance. You can try and run a disk defragment too to optimize drives. Switching to an SSD will probably be an overall good solution than using your current harddrive. Within Task manager you can also see what resources are using up the most resources and you can go from there too. Clean up programs you dont use, or are running unnecessarily in the background