

## Quick Start Guide

New to Outlook? Use this guide to learn the basics.

**Quick Access Toolbar**  
Keep favorite commands permanently visible.

**Explore the ribbon**  
See what Outlook can do by selecting the ribbon tabs and exploring available tools.

**Find whatever you need**  
Search all your mail boxes and commands with a keyword or phrase.

**Your inbox, your way**  
Sort and filter messages, and group messages by subject in conversation view.

**Show or hide the ribbon**  
Select arrow to switch between the Simplified and Classic ribbons.

**Display what you need**  
Switch between the different Outlook features like Mail, Calendar, and People views.

**Read emails faster**  
Dock the reading pane on the side or at the bottom to view messages where you want to.

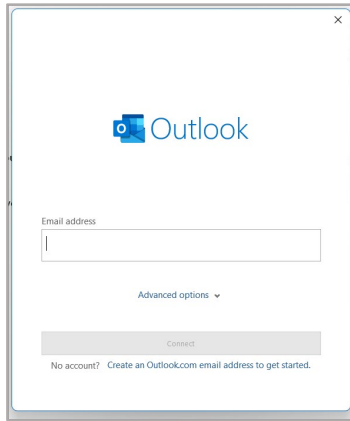
**View connection status**  
See your folder sync status and server connection status here.

**Navigate your mail folders**  
Select a folder to see its contents. To turn this pane on or off, select **Layout > Folder Pane**.

**Manage Outlook Groups**  
Communicate with teams and share conversations, messages, calendars, and events.

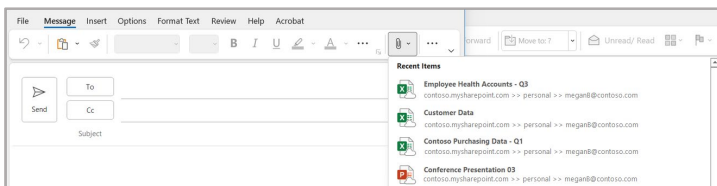
## Set up your account

You can use Outlook as soon as you enter your account info. On the ribbon, select **File > Info** then the **Add Account** button. Sign in with your preferred email address, or use an account provided by your company or school.



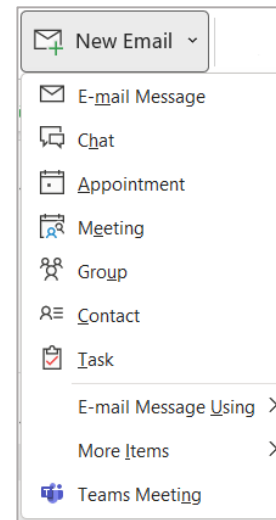
## Attach files without searching

Need to attach a picture or a document? Outlook saves you time by keeping a list of your recently used files. Select the **Attach File** button while composing a new message or meeting invitation, and then select the file you want to attach.



## Set up an Outlook group

If you're running Outlook as part of an Office 365 subscription, you can use **Groups** instead of distribution lists to more effectively communicate and collaborate with members of a team or an organization.

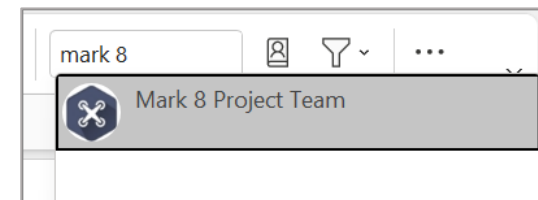


To create a new group in Outlook, on the ribbon, select **Home**, and then select **New Email > Group**.

If you don't see this as an option on this menu, contact the administrator of your Microsoft Office 365 subscription for more information.

From the Inbox of any of your Groups, you and the other members can start or join a conversation, create or confirm team events, see a list of members, and get notifications about interactions on any of your shared posts.

To join an existing group, start by searching for its name. On the ribbon, select **Home**, enter a keyword or phrase into the **Search People** box, and then select the group you want to join.



## Outlook is more than just email

Easily switch between Mail, Calendar, People, and more.

### Easy to use Calendar tools and commands

In Calendar view, the ribbon displays everything you need to manage every day, week, month, and year.

### Switch your point of view

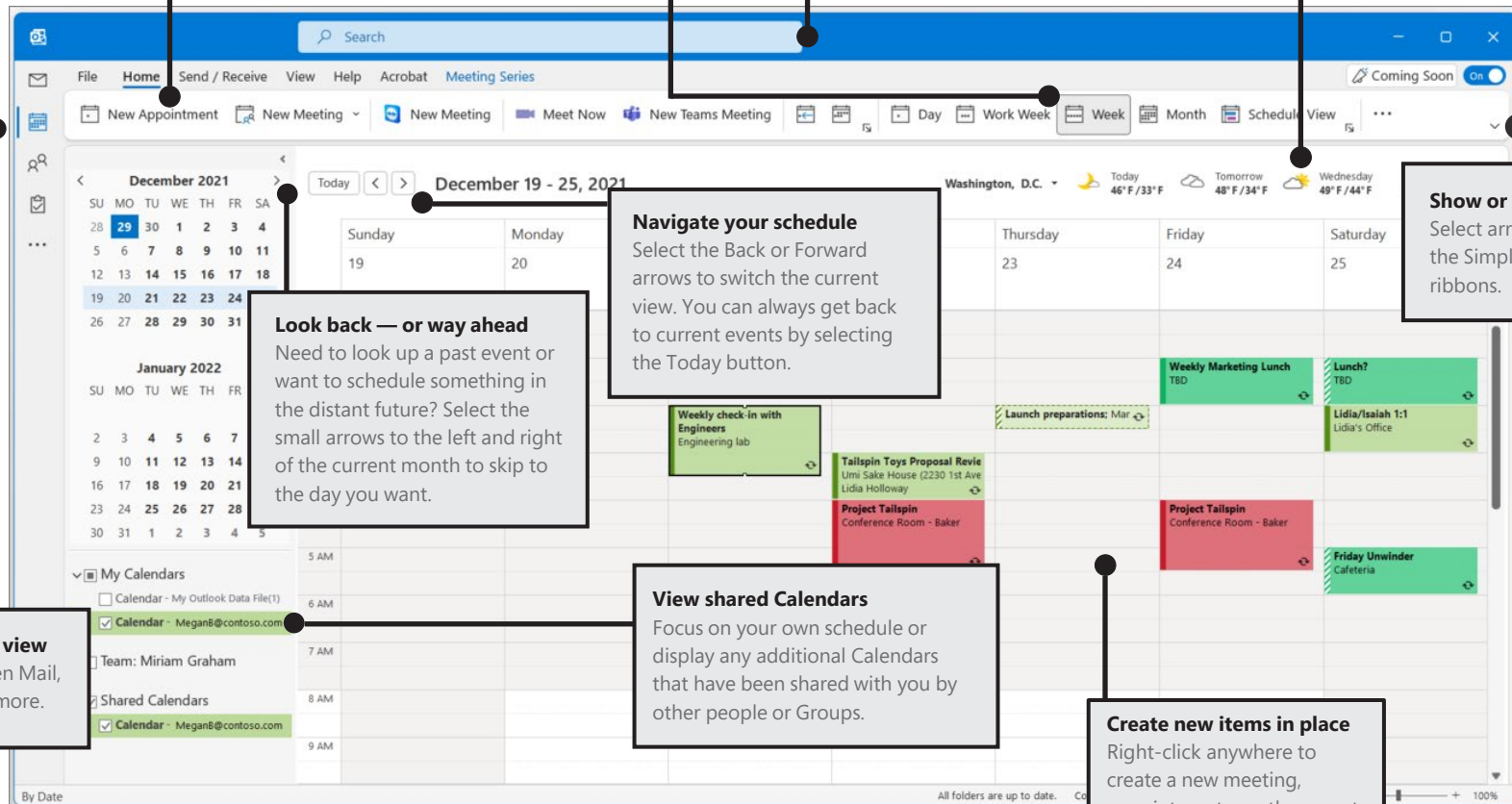
Select to see how busy your days, weeks, and months are.

### Search your calendar

Start typing in the Search box to instantly find meetings, appointments and commands.

### Sunshine required?

Glance at the weather forecast to make sure your meeting or event won't be rained out.



The screenshot shows the Outlook calendar interface with several callout boxes pointing to specific features:

- Easy to use Calendar tools and commands:** Points to the ribbon area at the top of the calendar view.
- Switch your point of view:** Points to the view selection buttons (Day, Work Week, Week, Month, Schedule) in the ribbon.
- Search your calendar:** Points to the search box at the top of the window.
- Sunshine required?:** Points to the weather forecast widget in the top right corner.
- Look back — or way ahead:** Points to the navigation arrows (back, forward, today) in the calendar header.
- Navigate your schedule:** Points to the 'Today' button in the calendar header.
- Show or hide the ribbon:** Points to the ribbon toggle button in the top right corner.
- Change your point of view:** Points to the 'Calendar' button in the left-hand navigation pane.
- View shared Calendars:** Points to the 'Shared Calendars' section in the left-hand navigation pane.
- Create new items in place:** Points to a meeting tile in the calendar grid.

### Look back — or way ahead

Need to look up a past event or want to schedule something in the distant future? Select the small arrows to the left and right of the current month to skip to the day you want.

### Navigate your schedule

Select the Back or Forward arrows to switch the current view. You can always get back to current events by selecting the Today button.

### Show or hide the ribbon

Select arrow to switch between the Simplified and Classic ribbons.

### Change your point of view

Select to switch between Mail, Calendar, People, and more.

### View shared Calendars

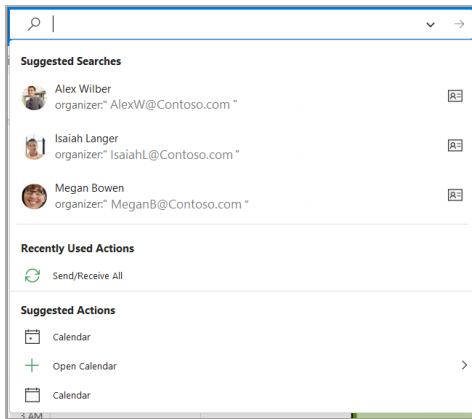
Focus on your own schedule or display any additional Calendars that have been shared with you by other people or Groups.

### Create new items in place

Right-click anywhere to create a new meeting, appointment, or other event.

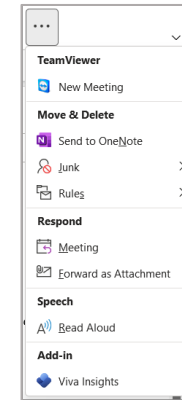
## Find whatever you need

Type a keyword or phrase into the **Search** box on the ribbon to quickly find the Outlook features and actions you're looking for, plus all your emails, contacts, and meetings.



## Use more commands

With **Read Aloud** Outlook can read your email aloud, highlighting text as it's read. **Rules** allow you to move, flag, and respond to email messages automatically.



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