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It is the standard ENGLISH XP under customise: current, then SCROLL down for PAST.

Or, is that too, too much to ask you?

Right-click on the Taskbar>Properties>Customise>Current Items>SCROLL DOWN>PAST ITEMS

See how easy it is Leonard, if you use your brain!

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Mad Mike

"Leonard Grey" wrote:

Sorry, I do not have a 'past items list' so I may not be able to help you any further. Perhaps you are not using an English version of Windows?

What you are describing sounds like the 'hide inactive icons' feature of the Taskbar. That feature is accessed through: Control Panel > Taskbar and Start Menu > Taskbar tab > Hide inactive icons. Is that what you mean?

Because so many applications use the tray, it can become quite cluttered. When you place a checkmark in 'Hide inactive icons,' Windows automatically hides icons that have not been accessed recently. You can access the hidden icons by clicking the arrow to the left of the tray. You can customize this feature, telling Windows which icons not to hide, or you can turn it off altogether by removing the checkmark from 'Hide inactive icons.'

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Sorry, it's the items in the tray, and I don't know about you but I do have a past items list. You find it in properties, Taskbar> customize.  
"Leonard Grey" <l.grey@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message  
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You need to be a little clearer in your terminology.

The Taskbar is the long bar that runs along the bottom (usually) of your monitor. At the very left of the Taskbar is the Start button, which opens the Start menu.

Just to the right of the Start button, most people have a toolbar called the Quick Launch toolbar, which contains shortcuts to programs, websites or your own files (e.g., documents).

At the very right of the Taskbar is the 'system notification area' (sometimes called the 'tray') which contains icons that allow you to access some of the programs that you have running in the background, i.e., without an open window. The tray also shows the time.

When you open a window it creates a button on the Taskbar, to remind you of the windows you have opened and to give easy access to those windows.

There is no such thing as a "past items list." The Start menu has 'My Recent Documents' which lists user files (e.g., documents, spreadsheets, photos) that you recently opened. Could this be what you mean?

Now, please try again and describe exactly what you are seeing with the correct terminology. That'll make it a whole lot easier for us.

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Shortcuts I have in my taskbar keep disappearing and have ended up on the past items list. I don't know why this is happening. How do I get the ones I want back?