

## ReadyBoost Vista Memory By Bart Koslow

If you use Windows Vista and have a flash drive or a memory card with a card slot in your computer, you should consider using ReadyBoost. You can increase your computer's usable RAM by up to 4GB and incrementally speed up your computer.

ReadyBoost is based on the fact that data retrieved from memory is hundreds of times faster than from your hard drive. Just plug your flash drive (or memory card) into any USB slot (or card slot) and AutoPlay will open. If your flash drive is compatible with ReadyBoost you will see a dialog choice, "Speed Up My System". Select this and then turn on "Use this Device". Your computer will now use your flash drive (or memory card) for additional memory. Vista will decide how much of the available drive space to use for ReadyBoost. Most current USB flash drives will work with ReadyBoost. If you wish to change the amount of drive space Vista uses, go to Computer, click on the flash drive's icon, choose Properties, click the ReadyBoost tab, and reconfigure the amount.

You have just made a huge increase in your computer's memory. Happy computing.