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# Disabling or resetting Cloud Shell

## Disabling Cloud Shell for managed user accounts

Cloud Shell can be disabled for [G Suite](https://support.google.com/a/answer/4352075) (https://support.google.com/a/answer/4352075) and [Cloud Identity](https://support.google.com/a/answer/7319251) (https://support.google.com/a/answer/7319251) managed user accounts. This can be done by going to the [Google Admin console](https://gsuite.google.com/products/admin/) (https://gsuite.google.com/products/admin/) and then navigating to **Apps > Additional Google services > Google Cloud Platform > Cloud Shell Settings** and disabling "Cloud Shell Access Settings".

## Resetting Cloud Shell

**Note:** Before resetting your Cloud Shell home directory, consider using [Safe mode](https://cloud.google.com/shell/docs/how-cloud-shell-works#safe_mode) (https://cloud.google.com/shell/docs/how-cloud-shell-works#safe\_mode) to log in as root and fix issues with your files.

**Important:** This will permanently delete all files in your home directory.

To restore your Cloud Shell home directory to a clean state:

1. Check for personal files in the home directory:

```
ls -a $HOME
```



2. Remove all files from your home directory:

```
sudo rm -rf $HOME
```



3. In the Cloud Shell menu, click the three dots menu icon, then click **Restart Cloud Shell**.

Click **Restart Cloud Shell** in the confirmation dialog.

A new VM will be provisioned and the home directory will be restored to its default state.

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