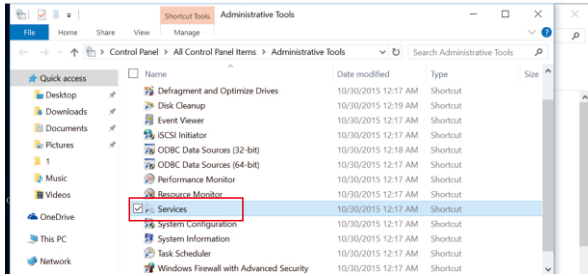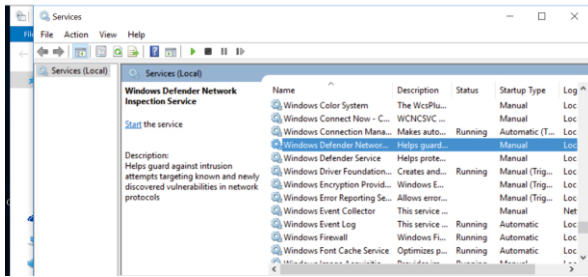Step 5: Double click "Service"
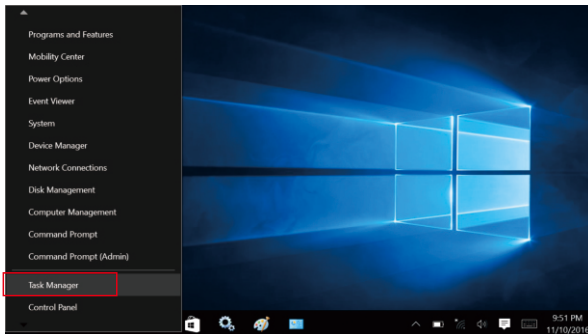

Step 6: Stroll down the service list, check if the services "Windows Defender Network Inspection Service"and "Windows Defender Service"has been stopped.
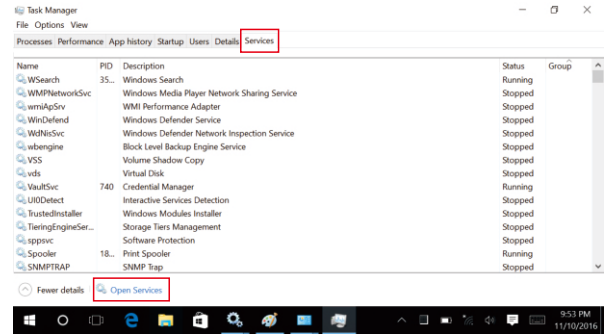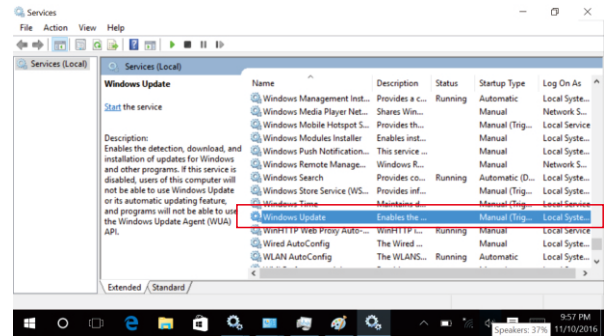

4. Disable automatic update of Win10

Step 1: Of course, many people are using Windows 10 Home Edition for which Group Policy Editor is not available, so in order to use the service control function we need to open the Task Manager first.
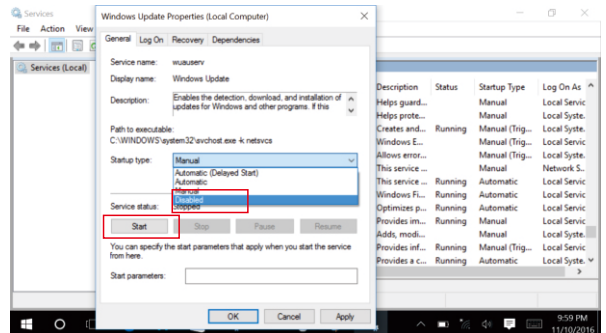

Step 2: Select "Services" in the Task Manager. After switching to the service page, click on "Open Services" at the bottom of the page, which will bring you to the page of Windows Component Services Management.
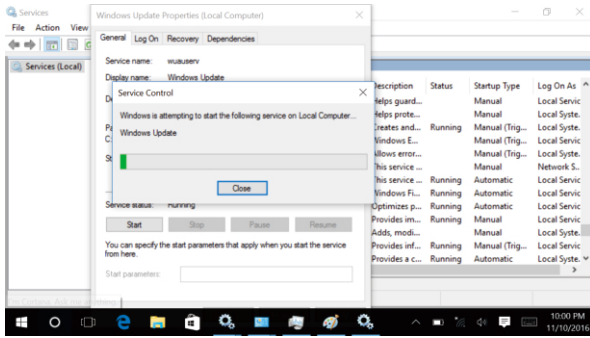

Step 3: After opening the Service Management page, you need to find "Windows Update" in the list of services as it is the target for configuration.
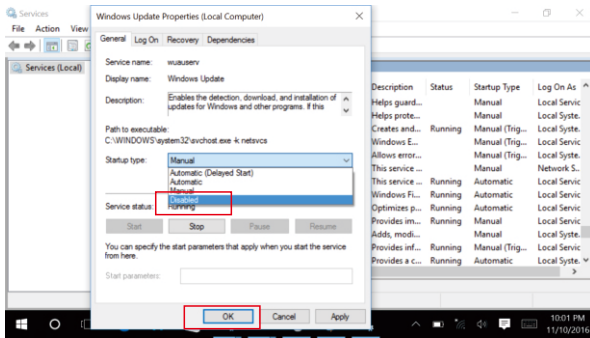

Step 4: When the Windows Update service configuration option is turned on, first click on the "Disable" option on the interface to temporarily disable the Windows Update feature, which will be shut down after a short wait.
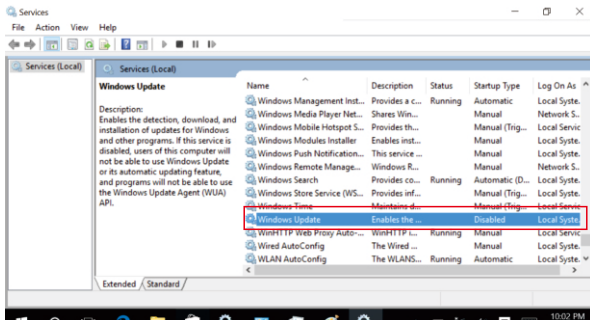
Step 5: Next, we need to tackle with the auto update feature of Windows. Click on the drop-down list and select "Disable", then click OK at the bottom of the page, the auto-start feature of Windows Update shall be turned off as a result and Windows Automatic Updates shall have been disabled as well.
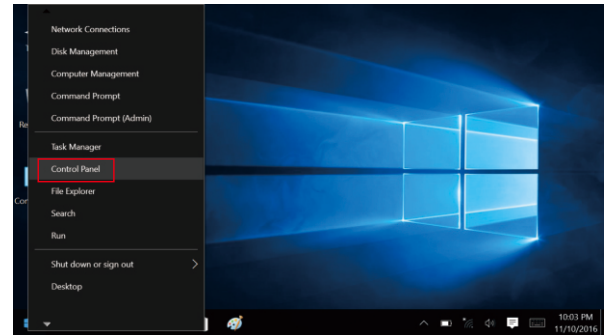

Step 6: Tips: With Windows10, Microsoft has changed its updating mechanism for the purpose of encouraging user to take the initiative to accept updates, so as to enhance the user experience of Windows10 as a new service-oriented system. As such, in order to realize system stability and security, it is recommended not to turn off automatic update, unless it is taking up a lot of network bandwidth, in which case we can temporarily turn off this service.
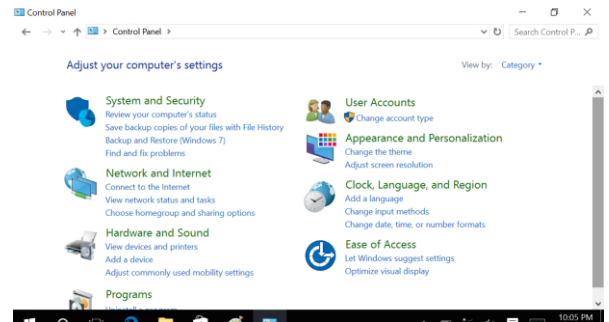

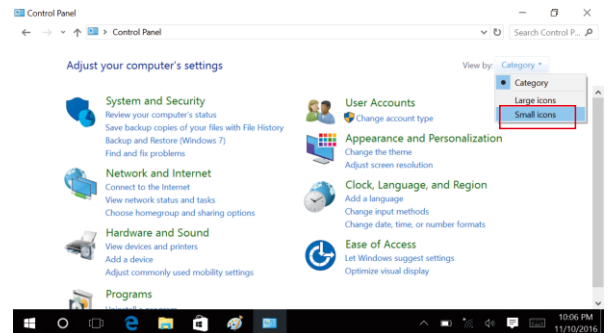## 5. Disable the firewall of Win10

Step 1: We can use win + x shortcut on the keyboard to bring up common commands. Select "Control Panel".
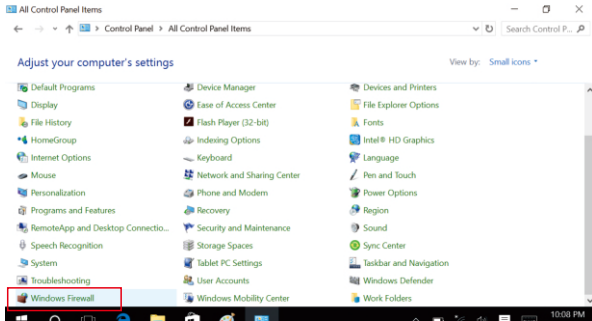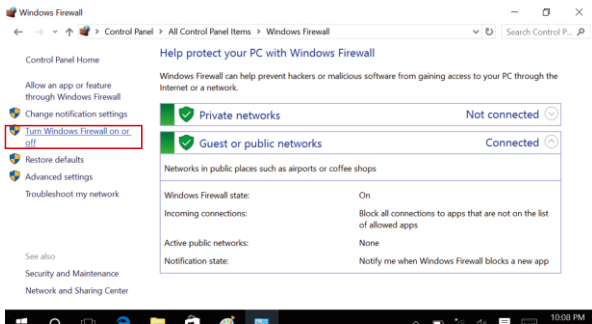

Step 2: Enter the control panel.

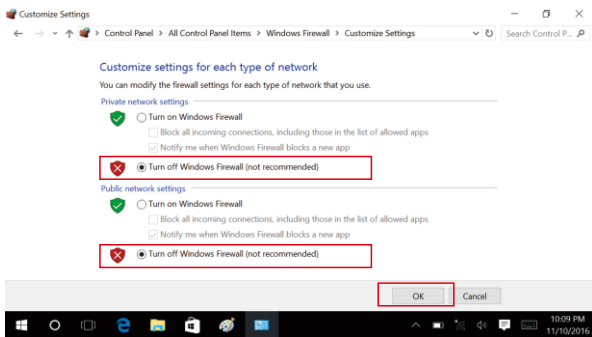Step 3: Change the display mode of "Control Panel" to "Small Icon".

Step 4: Find "Windows Firewall" among other small icons in the Control Panel.

Step 5: Enter "Windows Firewall" and select "Enable or Disable Windows Firewall"

Step 6: The firewall is turned on by default. We just need to turn it off by selecting "Close".

Step 7: We can open or close the firewall following the above-mentioned steps. It is not difficult at all.
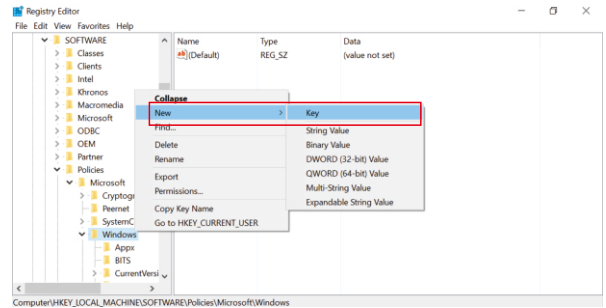
6. Turn off Cortana

Cortana is a powerful tool of Win10 that can give us more convenience when using a computer. As the proprietary voice assistant of Win10, Cortana can receive voice commands to help us complete daily tasks. However, the negative point about Cortana is that it collects the user's personal information, which might be prone to leakage. So how can we completely disable Cortana? It can be done through different methods, we will discuss the same in the text below:

Method one. Use the registry to disable Cortana

Users of Win10 Home Edition can disable Cortana functionality directly from the registry:

1. Use Windows + R shortcut key to open the "Run" – type in regedit to open the Registry Editor.

2. Navigate to the following path: HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE \ SOFTWARE \ Policies \ Microsoft \ Windows \

3. Create a new item called Windows Search.

4. Create a DWORD (32-bit) value called AllowCortana under Windows Search and set its value to 0.