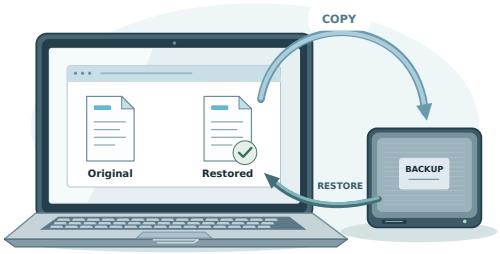
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Test your backup.

Make a copy you can recover.



A backup is useful when you can recover it.

TRY IT TODAY

Copy. Restore. Open and check.

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1. ❓ If your device stopped working today, could you recover an important file?
2. 🙋 A backup is a separate copy kept for recovery. Making one matters; restoring a file and opening it checks whether that copy is actually usable.
3. ⏳ In the 1950s, magnetic tape helped computers store and retrieve large amounts of information. Tape later became a familiar backup medium and is still used in modern data centers.
4. 💡 Save a practice note with three lines. Copy it to separate storage, then copy it back under a new name. Open the restored note and compare all three lines with the original.
5. 🔍 A second folder on the same drive does not protect against that drive failing. A filename alone is not proof of recovery: open the restored file and inspect its contents.
6. 🌎 Family photographs, project drafts, and business records all represent time and care. Planning how to recover them helps us meet responsibilities when a device fails or a mistake happens.
7. 🎯 Today, make a non-sensitive practice file. Back it up to a separate, approved storage location, then restore it under a new name and open it. Keep the original; compare the contents and record whether your test worked.

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