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Meanwhile, understanding your thermostat language and how it works is essential to make its operation easy and stress-free. And this leads to this question, why does a thermostat say wait/leave/hold/sleep/return? If your thermostat says wait/leave/hold/sleep/return, it has received a command from someone, and it's trying to process or obey the command. Therefore, if your thermostat displays any of the words, it's nothing you should worry about. In this article, I will explain in detail why your Honeywell thermostat says any of these words; wait/leave/hold/sleep/return. Thus, keep reading this article to learn more. First, it's important to note that a Honeywell thermostat is just like a computer that performs any operation it receives from its operator. Your thermostat cannot operate and can't just say "wait" if you or any other person hasn't pressed something on it. 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Meaning you or someone has commanded the thermostat to deviate from the initial programmed schedule and maintain the house at a particular new temperature. A Honeywell thermostat has two hold settings: temporary and permanent. One of the main advantages of the hold feature is that you can change the temperature of your house for a fixed or indefinite period. You can easily change the temperature without tampering with your programmed schedule. So, before using any of the settings on your thermostat, i.e., the temporary and permanent hold, you must understand how each of them works. As the name implies, the "temporary hold" feature allows you to override the initial programmed schedule on your thermostat and set the thermostat to a new temperature for a fixed period. This setting means that your thermostat will maintain the house at the new chosen temperature until the next programmed period or until you manually change the temperature or cancel the temporary hold. 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