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Answer

Check your /etc/hosts file. It should have a line like the following:

.{

127.0.0.1 localhost.localdomain localhost

}}

If this line is edited or omitted, GNOME may cease to function properly. Return the line to the file and your session should start quickly again.