

Need another word that means the same as “errant”? Find 19 synonyms and 30 related words for “errant” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Errant” are: offending, guilty, culpable, delinquent, lawless, criminal, aberrant, deviant, erring, sinning, travelling, wandering, itinerant, rambling, roaming, roving, drifting, floating, wayfaring**

## Errant as an Adjective

### Definitions of "Errant" as an adjective

According to the [Oxford Dictionary of English](#), “errant” as an adjective can have the following definitions:

- *Erring or straying from the accepted course or standards.*
- *Straying from the right course or from accepted standards.*
- *(of a polychaete worm) of a predatory kind that moves about actively and is not confined to a tube or burrow.*
- *Not in the right place; having moved from the correct position or course.*
- *Uncontrolled motion that is irregular or unpredictable.*
- *Travelling in search of adventure.*

### Synonyms of "Errant" as an adjective (19 Words)

- [aberrant](#)** Diverging from the normal type.  
*This somewhat **aberrant** behaviour requires an explanation.*
- criminal** Bringing or deserving severe rebuke or censure.  
*A **criminal** waste of talent.*

<b>culpable</b>	Deserving blame or censure as being wrong or evil or injurious. <i>Mercy killings are less <b>culpable</b> than ordinary murders.</i>
<b>delinquent</b>	Failing in one's duty. <i><b>Delinquent</b> accounts.</i>
<b>deviant</b>	Homosexual (typically used of a man). <i>A <b>deviant</b> ideology.</i>
<b>drifting</b>	Carried slowly by a current of air or water. <i>A play about a <b>drifting</b> teenager in Dublin.</i>
<b>erring</b>	Capable of making an error. <i>The strictest possible action should be taken against the <b>erring</b> officials.</i>
<b>floating</b>	Not definitely committed to a party or policy. <i><b>Floating</b> exchange rates.</i>
<b>guilty</b>	Causing a feeling of guilt. <i>A <b>guilty</b> secret.</i>
<b>itinerant</b>	Traveling from place to place to work. <i><b>Itinerant</b> traders.</i>
<b>lawless</b>	Lax in enforcing laws. <i><b>Lawless</b> bands roaming the plains.</i>
<b>offending</b>	Offending against or breaking a law or rule. <i>Contracts <b>offending</b> against the statute were canceled.</i>
<b>rambling</b>	(of a plant) putting out long shoots and growing over walls or other plants. <i>A <b>rambling</b> six hour speech.</i>
<b>roaming</b>	Moving about aimlessly or unsystematically, especially over a wide area. <i><b>Roaming</b> herds of reindeer.</i>
<b>roving</b>	Constantly moving from one area or place to another. <i>She became a <b>roving</b> ambassador for Unicef.</i>
<b>sinning</b>	Transgressing a moral or divine law. <i>If it be a sin to covet honor I am the most <b>sinning</b> soul alive.</i>
<b>travelling</b>	Accompanying or used by a person who travels. <i>My <b>travelling</b> companion and I spent the next day exploring.</i>
<b>wandering</b>	Migratory. <i>A <b>wandering</b> preacher.</i>
<b>wayfaring</b>	(of a person) travelling on foot. <i>A poor <b>wayfaring</b> stranger.</i>

## Usage Examples of "Errant" as an adjective

- *Errant youngsters.*
- *An errant strand of hair.*
- *An errant breeze.*
- *Fear of being hit by an errant bullet.*
- *An errant husband coming back from a night on the tiles.*
- *That same lady errant.*

## Associations of "Errant" (30 Words)

<b>behavior</b>	Behavioral attributes the way a person behaves toward other people. <i>The <b>behavior</b> of small particles can be studied in experiments.</i>
<u><a href="#">berate</a></u>	Censure severely or angrily. <i>She <b>berated</b> herself for being fickle.</i>
<b>castigate</b>	Inflict severe punishment on. <i>He was <b>castigated</b> for not setting a good example.</i>
<b>castigation</b>	A severe scolding.
<b>chasten</b>	Correct by punishment or discipline. <i>The director was somewhat <b>chastened</b> by his recent flops.</i>
<u><a href="#">chastise</a></u>	Censure severely. <i>She <b>chastised</b> him for his insensitive remarks.</i>
<u><a href="#">chide</a></u>	Censure severely or angrily. <i>She <b>chided</b> him for not replying to her letters.</i>
<b>delinquency</b>	A failure to pay an outstanding debt by the due date. <i>He relayed this in such a manner as to imply grave <b>delinquency</b> on the host's part.</i>
<u><a href="#">error</a></u>	Departure from what is ethically acceptable. <i>She was quick to point out my <b>errors</b>.</i>
<b>fail</b>	Fail to get a passing grade. <i>The firm <b>failed</b> to give adequate risk warnings.</i>
<b>fallibility</b>	The likelihood of making errors. <i>Technology is not a cure for human <b>fallibility</b>.</i>
<b>fallible</b>	Capable of making mistakes or being wrong. <i>I'm only a <b>fallible</b> human.</i>
<u><a href="#">flawed</a></u>	Having or characterized by a fundamental weakness or imperfection. <i>A <b>flawed</b> diamond.</i>

<b>imperfect</b>	The imperfect tense. <i>An <b>imperfect</b> grasp of English.</i>
<b>inaccurate</b>	Not accurate. <i>The thermometer is <b>inaccurate</b>.</i>
<b>iniquity</b>	Absence of moral or spiritual values. <i>A den of <b>iniquity</b>.</i>
<b>mistake</b>	To make a mistake or be incorrect. <i>Don't <b>mistake</b> her for her twin sister.</i>
<b>penalty</b>	A payment required for not fulfilling a contract. <i>The charge carries a maximum <b>penalty</b> of ten years imprisonment.</i>
<b>punish</b>	Impose a penalty on inflict punishment on. <i>Australia <b>punished</b> Ireland's handling blunders and scored three tries.</i>
<b>rebuke</b>	An act or expression of criticism and censure. <i>He had to take the <b>rebuke</b> with a smile on his face.</i>
<b>reproof</b>	An act or expression of criticism and censure. <i>She welcomed him with a mild <b>reproof</b> for leaving her alone.</i>
<b>reprove</b>	Reprimand (someone). <i>Don't be childish Hilary he <b>reproved</b> mildly.</i>
<b>scold</b>	Someone (especially a woman) who annoys people by constantly finding fault. <i>The mother <b>scolded</b> the child for entering a stranger's car.</i>
<b>subdue</b>	Get on top of; deal with successfully. <i><b>Subdue</b> one's appetites.</i>
<b>unforced</b>	Not compelled or constrained. <i>An <b>unforced</b> cheerfulness.</i>
<b>unreliable</b>	Lacking a sense of responsibility. <i><b>Unreliable</b> information.</i>
<b>upbraid</b>	Express criticism towards. <i>He was <b>upbraided</b> for his slovenly appearance.</i>
<b>verbally</b>	By means of words. <i>She claimed to have been <b>verbally</b> abused.</i>
<b>vice</b>	A bad or neurotic habit of stabled horses, typically arising as a result of boredom. <i>A mobile phone network is being used to peddle <b>vice</b>.</i>
<b>wrong</b>	Treat unjustly do wrong to. <i>It is <b>wrong</b> to lie.</i>