

Need another word that means the same as "erratic"? Find 32 synonyms and 30 related words for "erratic" in this overview.

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The synonyms of "Erratic" are: fickle, mercurial, quicksilver, planetary, wandering, temperamental, unpredictable, inconsistent, changeable, variable, inconstant, uncertain, irregular, unstable, turbulent, unsteady, unsettled, unreliable, undependable, changing, ever-changing, volatile, varying, shifting, fluctuating, fluid, mutable, protean, fitful, wavering, full of ups and downs, peaky

Erratic as an Adjective

Definitions of "Erratic" as an adjective

According to the <u>Oxford Dictionary of English</u>, "erratic" as an adjective can have the following definitions:

- Likely to perform unpredictably- Osbert Lancaster.
- Liable to sudden unpredictable change.
- *Likely to perform unpredictably.*
- Not even or regular in pattern or movement; unpredictable.
- Having no fixed course.





Synonyms of "Erratic" as an adjective (32 Words)

changeable	Liable to unpredictable variation. Cover the tables with changeable cloths.
changing	Marked by continuous change or effective action.
ever-changing	Marked by continuous change or effective action.
fickle	Changing frequently, especially as regards one's loyalties or affections. <i>Fickle weather.</i>
fitful	Active or occurring spasmodically or intermittently; not regular or steady. <i>Fitful</i> bursts of energy.
fluctuating	Rising and falling irregularly in number or amount. A fluctuating level of demand.



fluid	Characteristic of a fluid capable of flowing and easily changing shape. Liquid or fluid assets.
full of ups and downs	Containing as much or as many as is possible or normal.
inconsistent	Acting at variance with one's own principles or former behaviour. Parents can become inconsistent and lacking in control over their children.
inconstant	Likely to change frequently often without apparent or cogent reason; variable. <i>Swear not by the inconstant moon.</i>
<u>irregular</u>	Failing to meet a standard of manufacture due to an imperfection. <i>Irregular</i> troops.
<u>mercurial</u>	Liable to sudden unpredictable change. Gels containing organic mercurial compounds.
mutable	Liable to change. <i>The mutable nature of fashion.</i>
peaky	Pale from illness or fatigue; sickly. Absence of peaky highs and beefed up bass.
planetary	Relating to the earth as a planet. A planetary system.
protean	Able to do many different things; versatile. It is difficult to comprehend the whole of this protean subject.
quicksilver	Liable to sudden unpredictable change. A quicksilver character cool and willful at one moment utterly fragile the next.
shifting	Unstable. Taffeta with shifting colors.
temperamental	Likely to perform unpredictably- Osbert Lancaster. A temperamental motor sometimes it would start and sometimes it wouldn t.
<u>turbulent</u>	Agitated vigorously; in a state of turbulence. <i>Turbulent rapids</i> .
<u>uncertain</u>	(of a person) not completely confident or sure of something. <i>Plans are still uncertain.</i>
undependable	Not worthy of reliance or trust. Evidence is scarce and often undependable .



Not able to be predicted; changeable. An unpredictable or indeterminable future.
Dangerously unstable and unpredictable. Unreliable information.
(of a bill) not yet paid. One question remains unsettled .
Prone to psychiatric problems or sudden changes of mood. <i>Everything was unstable following the coup.</i>
Not regular in pitch or rhythm. <i>Climbing carefully up the unsteady ladder.</i>
(of a gear) designed to give varying ratios or speeds. <i>Awards can be for variable amounts.</i>
Differing in size, amount, degree, or nature. <i>The varying angles of roof slope</i> .
(of a person) liable to display rapid changes of emotion. <i>Volatile stocks</i> .
Migratory. A wandering preacher.
Moving in a quivering way; flickering. The move brought back wavering voters.





Usage Examples of "Erratic" as an adjective

- Her breathing was erratic.
- Erratic winds are the bane of a sailor.
- An erratic comet.
- Erratic behavior.





Associations of "Erratic" (30 Words)

anomalous	Deviating from what is standard, normal, or expected. Sentences which are grammatically anomalous .
arrhythmic	Without regard for rhythm. An arrhythmic heartbeat.
astigmatism	(ophthalmology) impaired eyesight resulting usually from irregular conformation of the cornea; common in nearsighted people.
asymmetric	Characterized by asymmetry in the spatial arrangement or placement of parts or components.
asymmetrical	Having parts that fail to correspond to one another in shape, size, or arrangement; lacking symmetry. The church has an asymmetrical plan with an aisle only on one side.
asymmetry	A lack of symmetry. There was an asymmetry between the right and left ears.



<u>atypical</u>	Deviating from normal expectations; somewhat odd, strange, or abnormal. A sample of people who are rather atypical of the target audience.
<u>capricious</u>	Determined by chance or impulse or whim rather than by necessity or reason. A <i>capricious</i> and often brutal administration.
changeable	Such that alteration is possible; having a marked tendency to change. <i>Changeable</i> prices.
defuse	Remove the fuse from (an explosive device) in order to prevent it from exploding. <i>Explosives specialists tried to defuse the grenade.</i>
dissonant	Not in accord. Irregular dissonant chords.
fickle	Liable to sudden unpredictable change. <i>Celebs trying to appeal to an increasingly</i> fickle <i>public.</i>
<u>grating</u>	Unpleasantly harsh or grating in sound. The continual praise of the good old days can become grating .
inconsistent	Acting at variance with one's own principles or former behaviour. Inconsistent with the roadmap.
inconstant	Likely to change frequently often without apparent or cogent reason; variable. <i>An inconstant lover.</i>
<u>infrequent</u>	Not occurring often; rare. <i>Her visits were so infrequent.</i>
inharmonious	Not forming or contributing to a pleasing whole; discordant. An inharmonious negative state of mind.
<u>irregular</u>	A member of an irregular military force. <i>Irregular</i> troops.
<u>mercurial</u>	Of the planet Mercury. <i>His mercurial temperament.</i>
<u>moody</u>	Giving an impression of melancholy or mystery. Grainy film which gives a soft moody effect.
patchy	Not of the same quality throughout; inconsistent. Patchy fog.
quicksilver	A heavy silvery toxic univalent and bivalent metallic element; the only metal that is liquid at ordinary temperatures. <i>His quicksilver wit.</i>



shifting	Continuously varying. <i>Shifting</i> sands.
temperamental	Relating to a person's temperament. A temperamental opera singer.
<u>uneven</u>	Lacking consistency. An uneven color.
<u>unpredictable</u>	Not occurring at a regular rate or fixed intervals. The unpredictable weather of the Scottish islands.
<u>unstable</u>	Disposed to psychological variability. <i>He was mentally unstable.</i>
<u>unsteady</u>	Liable to fall or shake; not steady in position. <i>His deep voice was unsteady.</i>
variable	A symbol like x or y that is used in mathematical or logical expressions to represent a variable quantity. <i>Variable</i> expenses.
<u>volatile</u>	A volatile substance. A passionate volatile young man.



