

Ticket 5 of 8 · The Club Robot

Read this fictional excerpt. Explain the target word's meaning, give all clues requested in the task, and explain how they support your meaning. Use extra paper or your usual response method if needed.

Original fictional excerpt.

The Club Robot

The coding club placed its small robot at the start line. It was supposed to roll toward a paper flag. Instead, it moved left, paused, spun in a circle, and then rolled backward. Jo changed one setting, but the next test followed a different route: the robot raced forward, stopped beside the wall, and turned away from the flag. "Its path is erratic," Jo said, writing down every movement so the club could find the problem.

Target word

erratic

Exit-ticket task

What does erratic tell you about the robot's path? Use at least two movements from the excerpt and explain the pattern they show.

Meaning, context clue, and how they connect:
