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intr.v. **erred**, **err-ing**, **errs**

1. To make an error or misjudgment: *I erred in turning onto the dead-end street.*
2. To commit an act that is wrong; do wrong.
3. *Archaic* To stray.

[Middle English *erren*, from Old French *errer*, from Latin *errāre*, to wander; see **ers-** [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#).]

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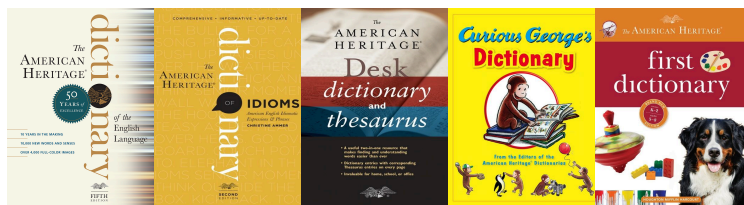
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