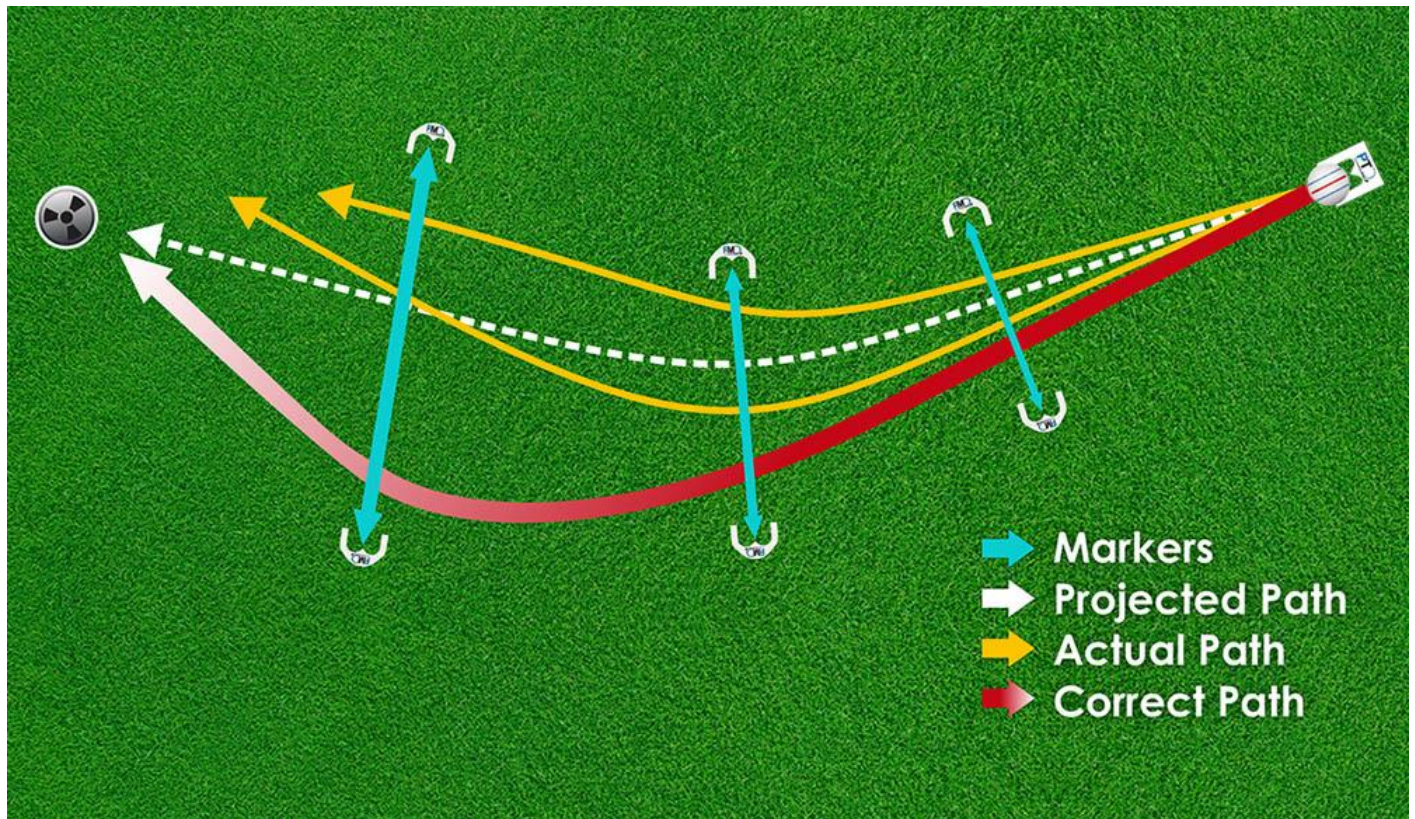


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***Practicing Drill 5: Practice Putting Aiming and Distance Control  
(Marker/Trainer)***

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**Objective:** To improve green reading skills and putting accuracy on more challenging medium to long putts of 12 feet or more.



Step 1: Choose a challenging putting green with a slope(s) and hump(s).

Step 2: Place the ball at least 12 feet from the hole in a selected spot.

Step 3: Determine your projected/probable putting path by observing the ball from several different perspectives noting green friction/slopes/humps in the putting green.

Step 4: Using 6 or more (preferably) Markers, place Markers 1 feet to the left and right of your projected putting path with legs facing the direction of the path at that position on the projected path.

Step 5: Slide the Marker/Trainer under the ball with the legs pointed at the probable putting path until the ball touches the center point.

Step 6: Pick up the ball.

Step 7: Rotate the Marker/Trainer, in place, until the legs are pointing at the outside edges of the probable putting path and the center point is pointing down the putting path.

Step 8: Replace the ball with the ball alignment line parallel to the Marker/Trainer legs. The ball alignment line is now pointing down the projected putting path.

Step 9: Using the side legs, pick up the Marker/Trainer.

Step 10: Make the putt and carefully observe actual putting path.

Step 11: Place another golf ball in the same position the previous ball was before putting.

Step 12: Observe where the ball stopped and only remove ball if it obstructs the next putt.

Step 13: Revisit the projected putting path and adjust Marker positions based on:

- Actual observed putting path.
- Using the 3-reference point method to obtain a wider view of the probable putting path at the Markers along the path.

Step 14: Repeat steps 5 to 13 until you discover the correct putting path and make the putt. Practice the putt until you are satisfied that you have mastered aiming and distance control for this putt.