**Tone Words (Tone is the author’s attitude toward the topic)**

**Positive Tone**

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| Amiable Consoling  | Friendly  | Playful  |
| Amused Content  | Happy  | Pleasant  |
| Appreciative Dreamy  | Hopeful  | Proud  |
| Authoritative Ecstatic  | Impassioned  | Relaxed  |
| Benevolent Elated  | Jovial  | Reverent  |
| Brave Elevated  | Joyful  | Romantic  |
| Calm Encouraging  | Jubilant  | Soothing  |
| Cheerful Energetic  | Lighthearted  | Surprised  |
| Cheery Enthusiastic  | Loving  | Sweet  |
| Compassionate Excited  | Optimistic  | Sympathetic  |
| Complimentary Exuberant  | Passionate  | Vibrant  |
| Confident Fanciful  **Negative Tone**   | Peaceful  | Whimsical  |
| Accusing Choleric  | Furious  | Quarrelsome  |
| Aggravated Coarse  | Harsh  | Shameful  |
| Agitated Cold  | Haughty  | Smooth  |
| Angry Condemnatory  | Hateful  | Snooty  |
| Apathetic Condescending  | Hurtful  | Superficial  |
| Arrogant Contradictory  | Indignant  | Surly  |
| Artificial Critical  | Inflammatory  | Testy  |
| Audacious Desperate  | Insulting  | Threatening  |
| Belligerent Disappointed  | Irritated  | Tired  |
| Bitter Disgruntled  | Manipulative  | Uninterested  |
| Boring Disgusted  | Obnoxious  | Wrathful  |
| Brash Disinterested  | Outraged  |   |
| Childish Facetious  | Passive  |   |
| **Humorous, Ironic, Sarcastic Tone**   |
| Amused Droll Mock-heroic  | Sardonic  |
| Bantering Facetious Mocking  | Satiric  |
| Bitter Flippant Mock-serious  | Scornful  |
| Caustic Giddy Patronizing  | Sharp  |
| Comical Humorous Pompous  | Silly  |
| Condescending Insolent Quizzical  | Taunting  |
| Contemptuous Ironic Ribald  | Teasing  |
| Critical Irreverent Ridiculing  | Whimsical  |
| Cynical Joking Sad  | Wry  |
| Disdainful Malicious Sarcastic  |   |

**Sorrowful, Fearful, Worried Tone**

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| Aggravated Embarrassed  | Morose  | Resigned  |
| Agitated Fearful  | Mournful  | Sad  |
| Anxious Foreboding  | Nervous  | Serious  |
| Apologetic Gloomy  | Numb  | Sober  |
| Apprehensive Grave  | Ominous  | Solemn  |
| Concerned Hollow  | Paranoid  | Somber  |
| Confused Hopeless  | Pessimistic  | Staid  |
| Dejected Horrific  | Pitiful  | Upset  |
| Depressed Horror  | Poignant  |   |
| Despairing Melancholy  | Regretful  |   |
| Disturbed Miserable **Other Descriptive Tone** **Words** | Remorseful  |   |
| Admonitory Dramatic  | Intimae  | Questioning  |
| Allusive Earnest  | Judgmental  | Reflective  |
| Apathetic Expectant  | Learned  | Reminiscent  |
| Authoritative Factual  | Loud  | Resigned  |
| Baffled Fervent  | Lyrical  | Restrained  |
| Callous Formal  | Matter-of-fact  | Seductive  |
| Candid Forthright  | Meditative  | Sentimental  |
| Ceremonial Frivolous  | Nostalgic  | Serious  |
| Clinical Haughty  | Objective  | Shocking  |
| Consoling Histrionic  | Obsequious  | Sincere  |
| Contemplative Humble  | Patriotic  | Unemotional  |
| Conventional Incredulous  | Persuasive  | Urgent  |
| Detached Informative  | Pleading  | Vexed  |
| Didactic Inquisitive  | Pretentious  | Wistful  |
| Disbelieving Instructive  | Provocative  | Zealous  |