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Resource

Author's Tone

Tone is the author's attitude toward the writing, including the subject, characters, and situation. Tone is reflected through style, word choice, events, and descriptive details.

Adjectives to Describe Tone

aloof	critical	hostile	pessimistic
amused	cynical	humorous	playful
angry	detailed	innocent	reflective
arrogant	defensive	inspirational	sarcastic
awestruck	depressed	ironic	serious
belligerent	dignified	lighthearted	sincere
bitter	dramatic	melancholy	somber
breezy	eerie	mocking	suspicious
casual	empowered	negative	sympathetic
colloquial	enthusiastic	nostalgic	threatening
complimentary	fearful	optimistic	timid
confessional	friendly	outraged	wistful