Tone worksheet created by Wendy Bowe

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Complete the questions about tone-feelings-attitude by following the specific instructions.

1. **Match the following tone vocabulary with their definitions.**

NOSTALGIC	having an excessively favorable opinion of one's self or abilities
SARCASTIC	disappointed, or irritation.
DEPRESSED	without interest or concern; not caring; apathetic.
ENRAGED	feeling fear, or dread.
CONCEITED	gloomy, morose; dejected; downcast.
DOUBTFUL	showing or implying a sense of superiority; talking down to others
PLAYFUL	interested, or having a connection or involvement.
BOLD	satisfied, ready to accept; willing.
CONCERNED	uncertain outcome or result.
OPTIMISTIC	to make extremely angry; put into a rage; infuriate.
FEARFUL	longing for past events.
CONDESCENDING	to see favorable view of events or conditions and to expect the most favorable outcome.
INDIFFERENT	marked by or given to doubt; questioning.
CONTENTED	expressive of ridicule, mocking
FRUSTRATED	pleasantly humorous or jesting.
SKEPTICAL	not hesitating or fearful in the face of danger or rebuff; courageous and daring

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2. Read the excerpt written by Vidia Naipul:

I never knew her real name and it is quite likely that she did not have one, though I never heard her called anything but Gold Teeth. She did, indeed have gold, teeth. She had sixteen of them. She had married early and she had married well, and shortly after her marriage she exchanged her perfectly sound teeth for gold ones, to announce to the world that her husband was a man of confidence.

a. Describe the tone of the author as he/she describes Gold Teeth at the beginning of the excerpt.

- **a. Bewilderment**
- **b. Indifference**
- **c. Pity**

b. What clues help you to recognize the tone?

c. Describe the tone of the author as he/she describes Gold Teeth at the end of the excerpt.

- **a. Disappointed**
- **b. impressed**
- **c. Concerned**

d. What clues help you to recognize the tone?

3. What is the tone of the speaker?

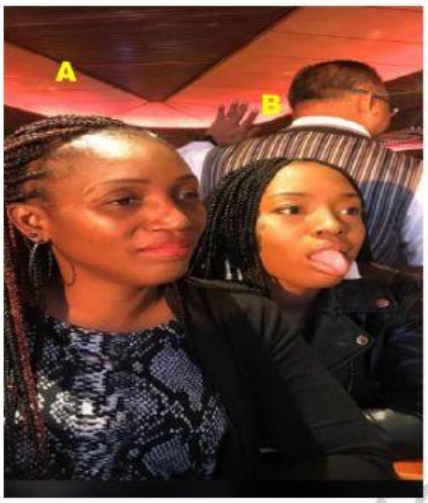
"It is imperative that we heed to the advice of our leaders to remain in doors and follow the guidelines for remaining safe. This disease is extremely contagious and can lead to death. We don't want to be victims. Some of us have lost employment. We can't visit our families and friends. We have to practice social

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distancing when we are so family oriented and some of us are stir crazy and just want to get out. How will we survive?

3. View the picture.



a. What is the attitude of the female labeled A?

b. How do you know? Give evidence.

c. What is the attitude of the female labeled B?

d. How do you know? Give evidence.

4. Read the excerpt from "Aubrey" taken from Perspective from Inner Windows written by Bahamian Author, Cheryl Albury.

"Aubrey was positioned with his back to the door when Alicia fell limp in his arms. Her face froze in horror as she saw her husband enter the room."

Describe how Alicia was feeling.

a. Indignant
b. Terrified
c. Dejected

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5. **What clues help you to understand how Alicia felt?**

6. **Read the excerpt from poem, "Love Letter to the World" by Cheryl Albury.**

In a quiet of the morning
Undisturbed and tranquil
Your love is all around us.
Chirping birds in flight.
Soft green grass blanketed,
With morning dew of promise.

a. **What is the tone of the poem?**

b. **What in the poem helps you to understand this?**

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