



IV medio Electivo: Literature

“Poetry Tone”

Learning objective: develop awareness of the concept of tone in poetry.

Being able to decipher the tone of a piece of writing is crucial to being able to decipher the thematic message of a text. This is absolutely true for analyzing poetry. Tone, has to do with the mood the poet wants to transmit in their poem. Music can help us a lot to understand this concept.

Activity 1: Look at the following “Poetry Tone Tunes Mind Map” and read the description of each concept.

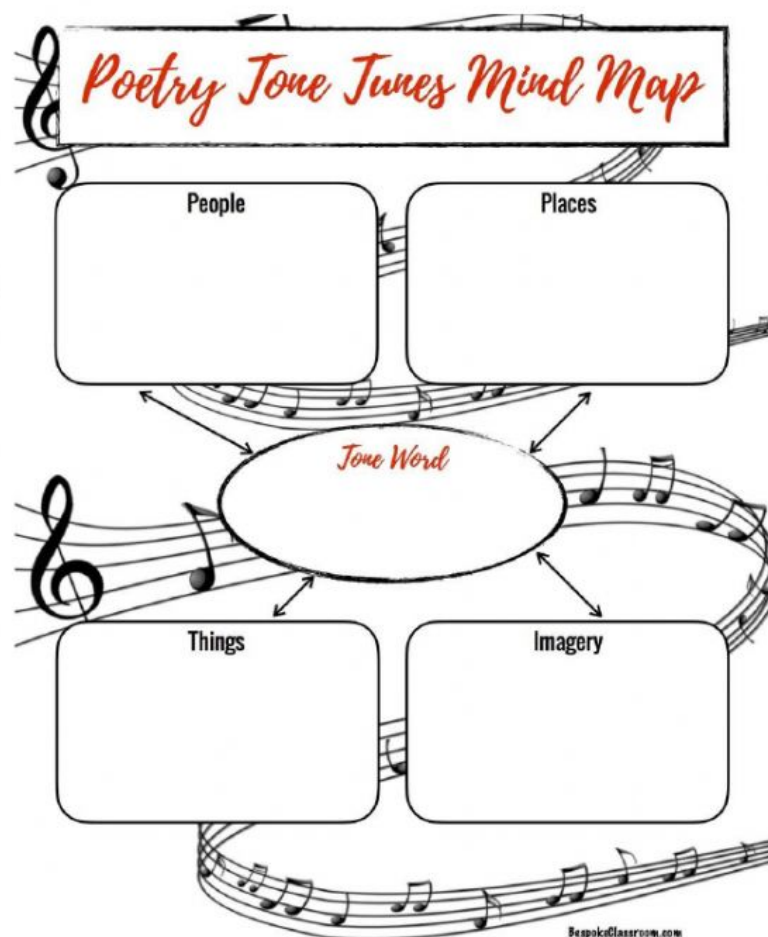
People: What kind of people does the music make you think of? Children? Adults? Detectives? Dancers? Sportspeople?

Places: What kind of places come to your mind? A house? A bus stop? A desert?

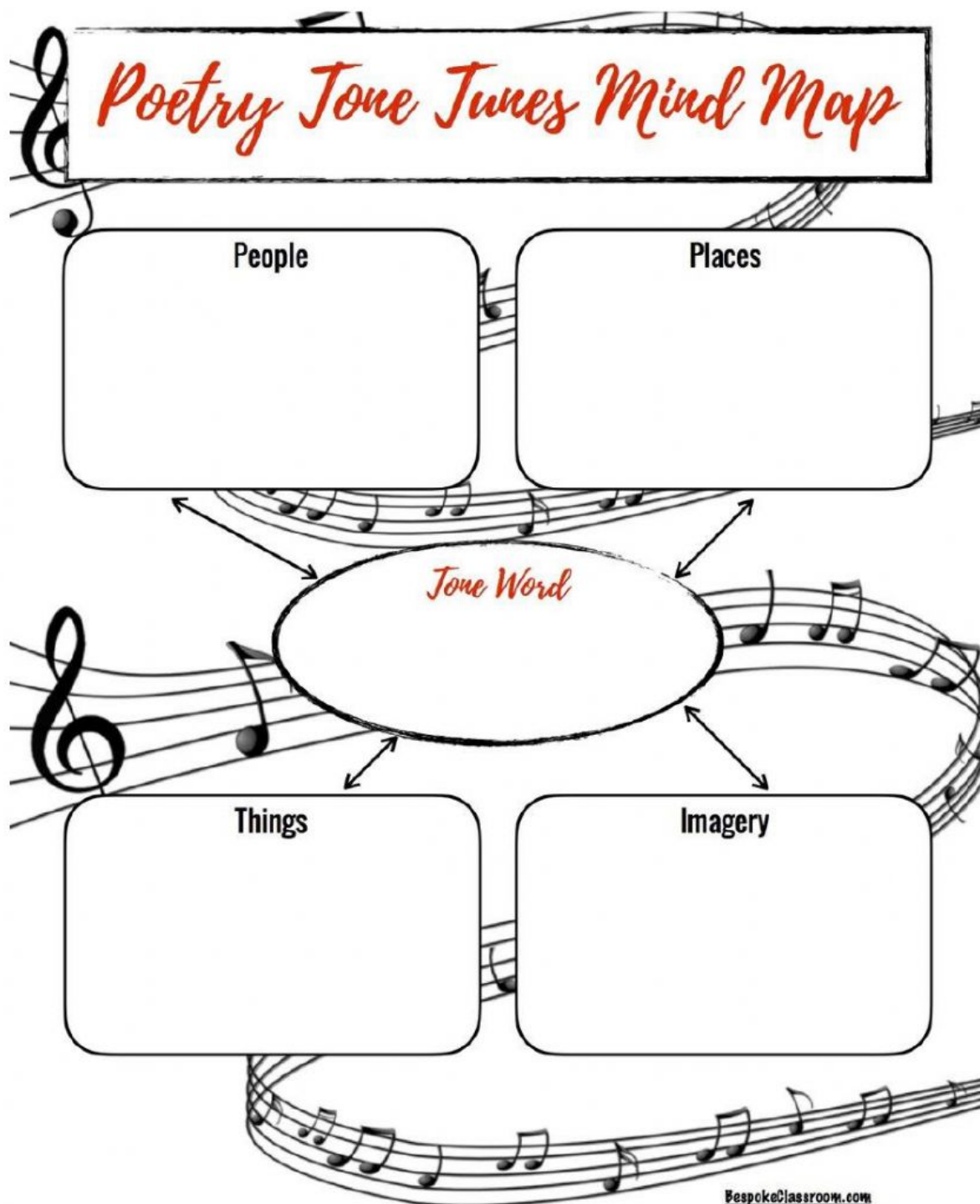
Things: What things or objects does the music awake in your mind? An instrument? A door? Some food? Eyes?

Imagery: What sense or senses seem to be linked to the music you are listening to in this moment?

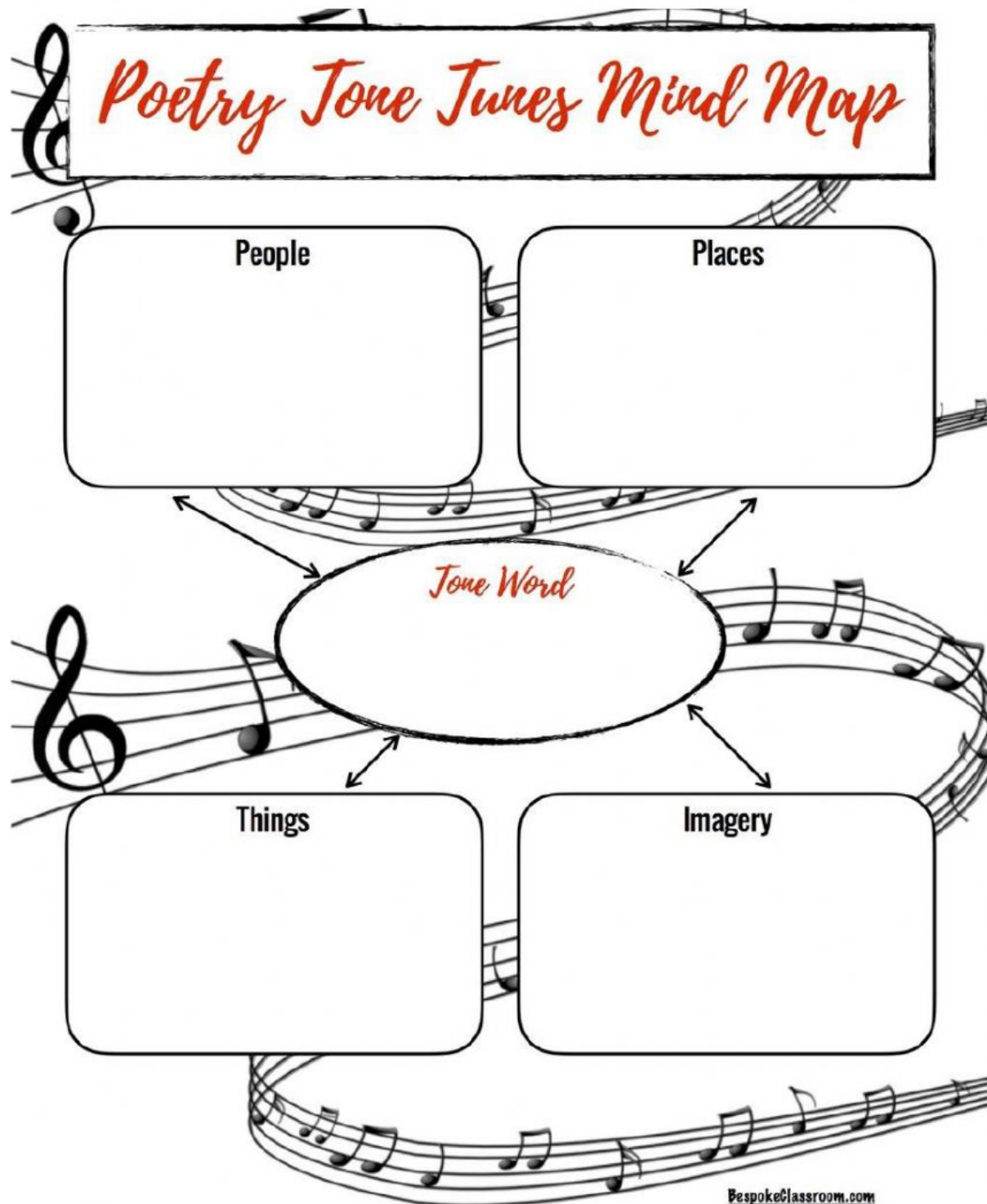
Tone word: considering all the previous elements what word(s) could describe the tone/mood of the piece of music?



Activity 2: Now that you are familiar with the mind map, listen to the following song and complete the diagram in English. **Recommendation:** to really connect with the music, you may close your eyes or avoid any distraction.



Activity 3: repeat the exercise with the following song.



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Activity 4: Now find a song (only instrumental) that you like and repeat the exercise for the last time.

Name of the song and author:

