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Mood and Tone

## Identifying Tone

**DIRECTIONS:** Choose the word from the box that best describes the tone of each passage. Not all words will be used.

- a. judgmental
- b. inspirational
- c. indignant
- d. empathetic
- e. humble
- f. urgent
- g. whimsical
- h. apathetic

\_\_\_\_\_ 1. It is a mistake to think that we can leave this problem to the next generation to solve. The clock is ticking. We must act.

\_\_\_\_\_ 2. He didn't speak, but he didn't need to. Dozens of memories flashed through my mind, and each was accompanied by a pang so sharp that for a moment I thought I might double over myself as I slid my arm around his waist and helped him to hobble to the chair.

\_\_\_\_\_ 3. It was the most unbelievable thing he had ever seen. It surpassed imagining. All he could do was shake his head. How could they have done it to him!

\_\_\_\_\_ 4. She flitted here and there, lighting on a petal, and then bouncing up as though it was a trampoline—and then falling, falling, until suddenly a bumblebee zipped beneath her and she clasped onto its furry body with a grin.

\_\_\_\_\_ 5. Belief is the key. It conquers all. Belief can be medicine to the body, tonic to the mind, and salve to the soul. Simply believe, and anything is possible.

\_\_\_\_\_ 6. The meat was tough, the soup was cold, and the pie was clammy. When the waitress came by to ask how everything was, I just looked up at her and rolled my eyes. Enough said.