

Tone Word List

Positive Tone Words

Lighthearted	hopeful	exuberant	enthusiastic	jubilant	proud
confident	soothing	relaxed	amiable	consoling	fanciful
amused	cheery	elated	passionate	whimsical	complimentary
romantic	calm	ecstatic	exuberant	optimistic	energetic
sympathetic	appreciative	enthusiastic	loving	friendly	compassionate
pleasant	brave	joyful	reverent		

Negative Tone Words

Angry	disgusted	bitter	accusing	arrogant	quarrelsome
Wrathful	surly	outraged	irritated	outraged	condemnatory
Threatening	belligerent	disgruntled	furious	indignant	inflammatory
Agitated	brash	testy	obnoxious	insulting	choleric

Humorous/Ironic/Sarcastic Tone Words

Scornful	sarcastic	taunting	cynical	insolent	patronizing
Bantering	whimsical	malicious	droll	critical	ironic
Disdainful	facetious	flippant	mock-heroic	teasing	quizzical
Irreverent	comical	satiric	amused	sardonic	contemptuous
pompous	mock-serious	caustic	ribald	irreverent	condescending
mocking	ridiculing	wry			

Sorrowful Tone Words

somber	melancholy	solemn	fearful	grave	pessimistic
mournful	regretful	sad	serious	despairing	sober
concerned	remorseful	poignant	disturbed	apprehensive	gloomy
morose	foreboding	staid	ominous	hopeless	resigned
horror					

Neutral Tone Words

Formal	ceremonial	candid	instructive	factual	incredulous
Objective	reflective	fervent	histrionic	callous	forthright
Questioning	lyrical	sincere	restrained	clinical	matter-of-fact
Learned	didactic	shocked	nostalgic	earnest	contemplative
Urgent	resigned	haughty	objective	detached	admonitory
informative	baffled	reminiscent	authoritative	patriotic	Authoritative
Sentimental	meditative	intimate	obsequious	pretentious	apathetic
judgmental	conventional	Disbelieving			