

Attitude/Tone Vocabulary

Positive Attitude/Tone Words

light-hearted
confident
amused
complimentary
hopeful
cheery
elated
passionate
exuberant
optimistic
sympathetic
proud
enthusiastic
loving
compassionate

Negative Attitude/Tone Words

a) **Anger:**
angry
furious
irritated
accusing
disgusted
wrathful
indignant
condemnatory
outraged
bitter
threatening
inflammatory

b) **Humor/Irony/Sarcasm:**

scornful
sarcastic
critical
satiric
bantering
taunting
ironic
amused
disdainful
cynical
facetious
sardonic
irreverent
insolent
flippant
contemptuous
condescending
patronizing
mock-heroic
mock-serious
pompous
whimsical

c) **Sorrow/Fear/Worry:**

somber
sad
solemn
concerned
gloomy
hopeless
elegiac
disturbed
serious
fearful
sober
staid
melancholic
mournful
apprehensive
despairing
foreboding
resigned

Neutral Attitude/Tone Words

formal
ceremonial
restrained
detached
objective
candid
clinical
objective
questioning
instructive
matter-of-fact
admonitory
learned
factual
didactic
informative
authoritative
incredulous
shocked
baffled
disbelieving
urgent
nostalgic
reminiscent
sentimental