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Tone is the author's attitude toward the writing (his characters, the situation) and the readers. A work of writing can have more than one tone. An example of tone could be both serious and humorous. Tone is set by the setting, choice of vocabulary and other details.

Mood is the general atmosphere created by the author's words. It is the feeling **the reader gets** from reading those words. It may be the same, or it may change from situation to situation.

Words That Describe Tone

Amused	Humorous
Pessimistic	Angry
Informal	Playful
Cheerful	Ironic
Pompous	Horror
Light	Sad
Clear	Matter-of-fact
Serious	Formal
Resigned	Suspicious
Gloomy	Optimistic
Witty	Accusatory
Anxious	Determined
Encouraging	Formal
Informal	Satirical
Gloomy	Solemn
Threatening	Desperate
Doubtful	Shocking

Words That Describe Mood

Light-hearted	Tense
Playful	Gloomy
Tender	Violent
Enlightened	Insidious
Optimistic	Pessimistic
Liberating	Confining
Warm	Cold
Hopeful	Hopeless
Nostalgic	Haunting
Peaceful	Nightmarish
Welcoming	Hostile
Harmonious	Suspenseful
Trustful	Foreboding
Vivacious	Painful
Confident	Threatening
Idyllic	Desolate
Sympathetic	Merciless
Joyous	Terrifying
Dignified	Empty
Ecstatic	Vengeful
Empowered	Heartbroken
Inclusive	Lonely

IDENTIFYING TONE & MOOD:

PART A: For each example identify the tone, what context clues are used to convey the tone, and the overall mood of the sentence.

1. Bouncing into the room, she lit up the vicinity with a joyous glow on her face as she told about her fiancé and their wedding plans.

Tone: _____

Context Clues: _____

Mood: _____

2. She huddled in the corner, clutching her tattered blanket and shaking convulsively, as she feverishly searched the room for the unknown dangers that awaited her.

Tone: _____

Context Clues: _____

Mood: _____

3. Bursting through the door, the flustered mother screamed uncontrollably at the innocent teacher who gave her child an F.

Tone: _____

Context Clues: _____

Mood: _____

4. Gently smiling, the mother tenderly tucked the covers up around the child's neck, and carefully, quietly, left the room making sure to leave a comforting ray of light shining through the opened door should the child wake.

Tone: _____

Context Clues: _____

Mood: _____

5. The laughing wind skipped through the village, teasing trees until they danced with anger and cajoling the grass into fighting itself, blade slapping blade, as the silly dog with golfball eyes and flopping, slobbery tongue bounded across the lawn.

Tone: _____

Context Clues: _____

Mood: _____

PART B: Apply it to Poe! Find two specific passages from the story and copy them on the lines below. Then identify the tone, context clues and mood.

1. _____

Tone: _____

Context Clues: _____

Mood: _____

2. _____

Tone: _____

Context Clues: _____

Mood: _____