TONE

Some words to describe the tone of a work or passage

accusing
admonitory
affectionate
allusive
ambivalent
amused
angry
annoyed
anxious
apprehensive
audacious
authoritative
baffled
bantering
benevolent
bewildered
bitter
blunt
bossy
brusque
burlesque
candid
caring
casual
ceremonial
cheerful
cheery
choleric
clinical
cold
colloquial
compassionate
complimentary
conceited
concerned
conciliatory
condemnatory
condescending
confident
confused
contemptuous
contentious
critical
cynical
delightful
depraved
depressed
derisive
derogatory
desolate
despairing
desperate
detached
diabolic
didactic
diffident
disappointed
disbelieving
disdainful
disgusted
disinterested
dispassionate
distressed
disturbed
doubtful
dramatic
ebullient
effusive
elated
elegiac
empathetic
encouraging
enraged
enthusiastic
euphoric
excited
expectant
exuberant
facetious
factual
fanciful
fatalistic
fearful
fervent
flippant
foreboding
formal
frantic
frightened
frustrated
furious
gleeful
gloomy
grave
greedy
grim
gushy
haughty
hilarious
holier-than-thou
hopeful
hopeless
horrific
humorous
impartial
impatient
incisive
incredulous
indifferent
indignant
inflammatory
informative
insipid
insolent
instructive
intimate
introspective
ironic
irreverent
irritated
jocund
joyful
laidback
learned
lethargic
lighthearted
loving
lugubrious
matter-of-fact
measured
meditative
melancholic
melancholy
mirthful
miserable
mock-heroic
mocking
mock-serious
moralistic
mournful
mysterious
nervous
nostalgic
objective
ominous
optimistic
outraged
outspoken
paranoid
passionate
pathetic
patronizing
pedantic
pensive
persuasive
pessimistic
petty
pithy
playful
pompous
pretentious
proud
provocative
psychotic
questioning
reflective
regretful
relaxed
reminiscent
remorseful
resigned
restrained
reticent
reverent
romantic
rousing
sanguine
sarcastic
sardonic
satiric
scared
scornful
selfish
sentimental
serene
serious
shocked
silly
simpering
sinister
skeptical
sneering
sober
solemn
somber
staid
stirring
stoic
straightforward
strident
suspenseful
suspicious
sympathetic
taunting
tender
tense
terse
thoughtful
threatening
timorous
turgid
uncaring
unconcerned
uneasy
unhappy
unsympathetic
urgent
vibrant
vitriolic
whimsical
wistful
worried
wrathful
wry
zealous