Show It With Tone

**October 11, 2013**

**BACKGROUND:**

Tone: the author’s overall attitude towards the text.

**DIRECTIONS:**

* Choose a tone word.
* Write the word and definition (you will have to look it up in the dictionary) on your paper.
* Write a paragraph of at least 5 sentences. Your paragraph must be written in your tone.

**EXPECTATIONS**

* Choose a topic that matches your tone!
* Your tone word should not be in the paragraph. (Show me don’t tell me.)
* Include the word, definition, and paragraph on your final draft.
* Your final draft must be finished quality (so do a rough draft before).

**EXAMPLES:**

**HAPPY**

**(characterized by pleasure, contentment, or joy)**

I can’t wait to go to the homecoming dance. I can already tell it’s going to be the best evening of my life, and I feel like I cannot stop smiling! I just bought my homecoming dress, and it sparkles like the stars in the night sky.

**BITTER**

**(characterized by intense antagonism, unfriendliness, or hostility)**

I still can’t believe Jonny did that. It’s just like him to steal the credit. It was all because of me that we won, but he made it seem like he did all the work.

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Tone Words | | | | | |
| Afraid  Allusive  Angry  Apologetic  Audacious  Benevolent  Bitter  Boring  Candid  Celebratory | Childish  Cold  Complimentary  Condescending  Confused  Contemptuous  Defensive  Detached  Didactic  Dramatic | Dreamy  Encouraging  Fanciful  Frivolous  Giddy  Happy  Hollow  Horrific  Humorous  Inflammatory | Inspiring  Irreverent  Joking  Joyful  Mocking  Nostalgic  Objective  Peaceful  Pitiful  Poignant | Proud  Provocative  Restrained  Sad  Sarcastic  Seductive  Sentimental  Sharp  Shocking  Silly | Somber  Sweet  Sympathetic  Tired  Upset  Urgent  Vexed  Vibrant  Zealous |