



Tones for Language Analysis

Positive Tones (increasing intensity from left to right →)				
Reactive	Positive and Quiet	Positive thoughts	Positive and caring	Positive and lively
Amazed Astonished Attentive Curious Eager Interested Keen Polite Startled Stunned Surprised	Calm Casual Collected Composed Content Peaceful Pleasant Relaxed Relieved Serene	Appreciative Approving Assuring Confident Determined Encouraging Grateful Hopeful Inspiring Optimistic Pleased Promising Proud Respectful Reverent Sanguine Satisfied Thankful	Affectionate Benevolent Compassionate Concerned Considerate Consoling Empathetic Empathetic Friendly Loving Merciful Romantic Soothing Supportive Sympathetic Thoughtful	Amiable Amused Cheerful Delighted Ecstatic Elated Energetic Enthusiastic Excited Exuberant Happy Humorous Jovial Joyful Jubilant Playful Vibrant Vivacious



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Neutral Tones		
Admonitory	Factual	Patriotic
Allusive	Formal	Personal
Authoritative	Frank	Picturesque
Balance	Honest	Questioning
Blunt	Informal	Reflective
Candid	Informative	Reminiscent
Colloquial	Knowledgeable	Resigned
Contemplative	Learned	Scholarly
Controlled	Lyrical	Serious
Conversational	Naïve	Sublime
Discursive	Noble	Virile
Distinct	Nostalgic	
Evocative		
Expectant		



Negative Tones (increasing intensity from left to right →)			
Negative and passive	Negative thoughts	Negative and uncontrolled	Negative and forceful
Apathetic Bored Cold Dejected Depressed Despaired Disappointed Discontented Disinterested Dispirited Gloomy Hopeless Hurt Melancholy Miserable Regretful Sad Upset	Apologetic Critical Doubtful Envious Foreboding Frustrated Gloomy Guilty Judgmental Pessimistic Regretful Remorseful Shameful Solemn Somber Suspicious	Agitated Alarmed Anxious Apprehensive Defenceless Distressed Disturbed Embarrassed Fearful Helpless Humiliated Mortified Nervous Powerless Shocked Stressed Tensed Troubled Uneasy Vulnerable Worried	Accusing Aggravated Angry Annoyed Belligerent Calculating Condemnatory Condescending Contempt Disgusted Fictious Furious Harsh Hateful Insulting Irritated Manipulative Outraged Quarrelsome Sarcastic Sardonic Vexed