Write In Two Tones Answer Key

Expected Elements:

- Informal paragraph uses **in back of** correctly and includes relaxed tone and conversational phrases.

- Formal paragraph uses **behind** correctly with precise, polished language and smoother transitions.

- Both paragraphs describe the same situation with a clear tone difference.

Teacher's Guide

- **Skill Focus:** Understanding how prepositional choice impacts *tone, audience, and formality.*

- **Differentiation Tips:**

  o For struggling learners, provide sentence starters for both tone types (e.g., "In back of the..." / "Behind the...").

  o For advanced students, challenge them to revise informal slang or phrasing in the formal version.

- **Engagement Ideas:**

  o Let students read both paragraphs aloud and have the class guess which is formal or informal.

  o Use peer editing: partners underline tone words that make each version sound different.

- **Extension Activity:**

  o Ask students to create a mini "tone dictionary" listing other prepositions or expressions that shift between casual and formal writing.

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