

## Mood And Tone Map Answer Key

### Model Answers:

1. Words like “alone,” “longing,” and “distant home” show that the lighthouse keeper feels lonely and far away from others.
2. The tone is wistful because the poet shows the keeper's sadness and longing for home through lines like, “While longing for his distant home.”
3. The mood is melancholy for the reader. The sea imagery—“waves crash hard, a mournful song” and “a night that feels both cold and long”—creates a sad and heavy feeling.
4. “Alone he stands where sea winds sigh” shows the poet's attitude because it captures the isolation of the keeper and sets a reflective, somber tone.
5. The tone would shift to serene or hopeful, and the mood for the reader would feel comforting instead of sad. A calm sea would make the keeper's work seem peaceful rather than lonely and heavy.

### Teacher's Notes:

- Accept synonyms for tone such as sorrowful, reflective, or mournful instead of wistful.
- Accept synonyms for mood such as gloomy, lonely, or somber instead of melancholy.
- Encourage students to underline **imagery words** (e.g., alone, mournful, longing, cold) that influenced their choices.
- Remind students that tone = poet's attitude and mood = reader's feeling to avoid confusion.