

Bias Finder Answer Key

Answers will vary. Acceptable biased or subjective language includes:

- so-called
- obvious points
- acted like his ideas were groundbreaking
- liked hearing himself talk
- that says a lot
- more tired

Tone explanation should note that the narrator sounds annoyed, dismissive, or frustrated due to negative and judgmental language.

A correct neutral rewrite might look like:

- We had a team meeting after school where Mr. Larkin reviewed information.
 - The meeting lasted a while, and I felt tired afterward.
- (Any rewrite that removes opinionated wording is acceptable.)

Teacher's Guide

- Begin with a quick explanation of **bias** and **subjective language**, reminding students that narrators can shape how readers feel about events and people.
- Point out that tone emerges from opinion words, emotional reactions, and judgment heavy descriptions.
- **Engagement ideas:**
 - Have students rewrite the entire paragraph from a neutral narrator's voice.
 - Let students create two short competing narrator versions: one biased in favor of the event and one biased against it.