

Mood

Definition:

- *The feeling a piece of literature arouses the reader.*
 - Mood can be developed through setting, theme, tone, and diction.
 - Literature can evoke various emotional responses in readers, so there are hundreds of words to describe Mood.
 - It is referred to as part of the “atmosphere” of a literary piece, as it creates an emotional situation that surrounds the readers. Other elements of “atmosphere” include tone, setting, and imagery.

Example:

Charles Dickens creates a calm and peaceful mood in his novel “The Pickwick Papers.”

“The river, reflecting the clear blue of the sky, glistened and sparkled as it flowed noiselessly on.”

The description of the scenery creates a serene and non-violent mood to a reader.

Emily Bronte, in “Wuthering Heights,” creates a depressing mood.

“There was no moon, and everything beneath lay in misty darkness: not a light gleamed from any house, far or near all had been extinguished long ago: and those at Wuthering Heights were never visible.”

The description of the neighborhood and the darkness creates a gloomy mood for a reader.

Mood words:

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