

## SOAPSTone

*SOAPSTone is a strategy that can be used to analyze all different kinds of texts. Fill in the sections of the chart below in order to aid in your understanding of the text.*

<b>TRAIT</b>	<b>EVIDENCE FROM THE TEXT</b>
<b>Speaker</b> <i>The voice that tells the story.</i>	
<b>Occasion</b> <i>The time and place of the piece; the context that encouraged the writing to happen</i>	
<b>Audience</b> <i>The group of readers to whom this piece is directed</i>	
<b>Purpose</b> <i>The reason behind the text. What does the speaker want the audience to think or do as a result of reading this text?</i>	
<b>Subject</b> <i>The general topic, content and ideas contained in the text.</i>	
<b>Tone</b> <i>The attitude of the author toward the subject, usually found through:</i> Diction – <i>the author's choice of words</i> Syntax – <i>the author's sentence construction</i> Imagery – <i>the author's vivid descriptions that appeal to the senses</i>	