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Learning Activity Sheet

Tone, Mood, Technique, and Author's Purpose

I. Read the description of each text, then identify the author's main purpose for writing: to entertain, to inform, or to persuade. Circle the letter of your best answer.

1. The news reports today discuss the different vaccines available against COVID-19.
A. to entertain B. to inform C. to persuade
2. The typhoon may hit parts of Luzon, specifically the Bicol Region and the rest of CALABARZON. Everyone is advised to be prepared.
A. to entertain B. to inform C. to persuade
3. The Senate President, on a speech delivered last Monday, was asking the rest of the Senators to agree and arrive with a decision.
A. to entertain B. to inform C. to persuade
4. A novel written by the famous Bob Ong had many positive remarks because of his humorous writing approach.
A. to entertain B. to inform C. to persuade
5. A blog (a truncation of "weblog") is a discussion or informational website published on the World Wide Web consisting of discrete, often informal diary-style text entries.
A. to entertain B. to inform C. to persuade

II. Read the short story below. Identify the author's tone, mood, technique, and purpose.

The Effects of Stress

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There is a famous expression in English: "Stop the world, I want to get off!" This expression refers to a feeling of panic or stress, that makes a person want to stop whatever they are doing, try to relax, and become calm again. 'Stress' means pressure or tension. It is one of the most common causes of health problems in modern life. Too much stress results in physical, emotional, and mental health problems.

There are numerous physical effects of stress. Stress can affect the heart. It can increase the pulse rate, make the heart miss beats, and can cause high blood pressure. Stress can affect the respiratory system. It can lead to asthma. It can cause a person to breathe too fast, resulting in a loss of important carbon dioxide. Stress can affect the stomach. It can cause stomach aches and problems with digesting food. These are only a few examples of the wide range of illnesses and symptoms resulting from stress.

It is obvious that stress is a serious problem. It attacks the body and affects the emotions. Untreated, it may eventually result in mental illness. Stress has a great influence on the health and well-being of our bodies, our feelings, and our minds. So, reduce stress: stop the world and rest for a while.

Write your answers here.

Tone	
Mood	
Technique	
Purpose	

III. Answer the following questions:

1. What are the three different purposes of an author for writing a literary piece or text? Explain each of their differences.

2. Why are the elements of a text, such as the tone, mood, technique, and purpose, important for an author to use in a literary piece?
