In the fairy tale of Little Snow-White the tone of this tale is that of being a lesson. This is shown by several lessons or themes throughout the tale. The three main ones are jealousy, trust, and love. These are shown through different stages of the narrative of the story. Most of these lessons are to help tell children lessons, that they could easily understand, about how to act or survive in the society of the 1800’s.

Jealousy is written through most of the telling of the story. It starts with the Queen becoming overly jealous of her own daughter, Snow-White. Even though she dreamed of having this ‘perfect’ child, she becomes obsessed with being the fairest in the land. The lesson here is that jealousy is something that will eat at your heart and drive you to the end faster than you can imagine. This emotion is something that will eat away at your heart or something likened to your character.

Trust in the story is something that is put several times into the narrative. Whether it be the seven dwarves or the different forms the queen takes. The dwarves are a good kind of trust where people want to help you be a ‘better’ person and look after you; While the queen is more of an example of a bad kind of trust. Being so trusting that you put yourself into harm’s way is a show of negative trust and in the story no less than three times did this occur. The initial trust in the Queen, the peddler, and the peasant are some of these moments.

In Snow-White there is an underlining tone at the end of finding ‘true’ love. The Prince is so smitten with Snow that he can’t go on without her. This is shown by how he can’t even take care of himself, forgetting to eat, and how she is brought with him wherever he may go. This is a kind of classical love where the male can’t go on living without his ‘true’ love anymore. The object of this love becomes their sole purpose of life.

In the end, the tale of Little Snow-White, is one of jealousy, trust, and love. There are several examples of this throughout the story and how it is a lesson in how to act. In the end jealousy, trust, and love are topics that must be learned, and fairytales are the way to make it so that children can learn how to do these things. Little Snow-White does it’s purpose by giving several lesson about how to survive in the society of the 1800’s.