Skills Practice 3: “Angel Falls”

Directions: Read the following excerpt from a guidebook entitled “Angle Falls.” Then, answer the questions that follow.

**ANGEL FALLS**

**HIGHEST WATERFALLS**

Location: Venezuela  
Height: 3,212 feet (979 m)

**Discover**

Located in the Canaima National Park in southeastern Venezuela, Angel Falls rush over the immense, flat-topped plateau called Auyán-Tepuy (Devil's Mountain). The falls drop down into Devil's Canyon, more than 3,000 feet (914.4 m) below. The area teems with plant and animal life such as herons, macaws, and storks.

**History**

- American adventurer Jimmy Angel was the first nonnative person to discover the falls. In 1933, he flew his plane near the falls and landed on the plateau.

- Angel’s plane got stuck on the plateau, so he hiked back to civilization. The falls were named for him.

**Explore**

- You will need to fly in a small plane, or use a boat, to get close to the falls.

If You Visit

You can book tours of Angel Falls that offer glorious views of the falls.
1. What is an inference that you can make about Jimmy Angel?

2. What clue(s) helped you make your inference about Jimmy Angel in question 1? Explain your thinking.

3. What is the author's tone towards Angel Falls?

4. What example(s) of diction helped you to determine the author's tone you indicated in question 3? Explain your thinking.