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Intent Inference Answer Key

- **Email 1 Inference:** Maya's intent is to push Jordan to finish his part quickly because she is worried the group might miss the deadline.

Clues: "It would really help if I could have your portion by tomorrow" and "without your notes, the group won't be able to complete the assignment on time."

- **Email 2 Inference:** The company's intent is to persuade customers to buy laptops now by creating urgency.

Clues: "limited-time sale," "act quickly," and "don't miss out."

Teacher Notes / Guide

- This worksheet strengthens students' ability to read **between the lines** by combining explicit details with implied meaning.
- Encourage students to underline phrases that hint at intent, then explain how those clues helped them infer the message.
- Extension activity: Ask students to **write an email where the real intent is hidden** (e.g., asking politely but actually expressing frustration), then have classmates infer the true purpose.