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Making Inferences

Directions: Read the short passages and then answer each question **quoting** evidence from the text to make inferences about each scenario.

The narrow alley was dimly lit by flickering street lamps that cast eerie shadows on the damp, cobblestone pavement. Two shadowy figures huddled together, their faces obscured by the brims of their hats and the collars of their coats pulled high against the chill. In their hands, they exchanged a small, tightly wrapped package, glancing around nervously as they spoke in hushed, urgent tones. "The boss will be pleased," one of them muttered, his voice barely audible over the distant hum of the city. The tension in the air was palpable, and the secrecy of their meeting hinted at the package's potentially illicit contents.

- What is the mood or atmosphere in the alley?

- What can you infer about the two figures based on their behavior?

- What do you think is inside the small package & who might be the "boss"?
