**Expository Writing**

**Vocabulary List 10**

1. arid – (adj) 1. having little or no rain; 2. Lacking interest or excitement

2. excerpt – (noun) a short part/section of a film, broadcast, music, writing

3. exhaustive – (adj) fully comprehensive; thorough

4. epiphany – (noun) a moment when you suddenly realize or understand something important

5. postulate – (verb) to hypothesize; to suggest the fact or truth of (something) as a basis for reasoning

6. reverie – (noun) daydream

7. insipid – (adj) lacking vigor or interest; boring

8. austere – (adj) severe or strict in manner or appearance

9. cacophony – (noun) a harsh, unpleasant mixture of sounds; clamor

10. surreptitious – (adj) secretive (especially because it might not be approved of)

; clandestine

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