10 Secrets that writers know

1. Effective writing is hard work.

2. Devote time to planning and prewriting; it’s time well spent.

3. It isn’t necessary to begin at the beginning.

4. Writing is a process of writing and rewriting, and rewriting again, and then some more rewriting.

5. It usually is best to delay editing until all of your ideas are clearly expressed.

6. The only way to improve your writing is to write regularly.

7. Monitor your internal and external dialogue, and always keep yourself on track.

8. Surround yourself with supportive, positive people.

9. Receive and pay attention to constructive feedback.

10. Now I’m going to let you in on one of the best-kept secrets of all: Anyone can learn to be a good writer.
**Exercise 6-2**

**Reflect on writer’s Secrets**

Reflect on the 10 Secrets That Writers know and compare this to your own writing experiences. Jot down your insights below