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Beginning in 1949, Jean Paul Getty paid Ibn Saud $9.5MM in cash and $1MM a year for a 60-year concession to a tract of barren land near the border of Saudi Arabia and Kuwait. No oil had ever been discovered there, and none appeared until four years had passed, and $30MM had been spent in research and development. From 1953 onward, Getty's gamble produced 16MM barrels a year, which contributed greatly to the fortune responsible for making him one of the richest people in the world.

Author T. E. Lawrence once wrote: "All men dream: but not equally. Those who dream in the dark recesses of the night wake up in the day to find all was vanity. But the dreamers of the day are dangerous men, for they may act their dreams with open eyes, and make it possible."

**Writing Prompt:** When in your life have you ever identified an opportunity others never thought existed, and what was the outcome? In a well-structured essay with a beginning, middle, and end, describe exactly what happened and include specific details: who, when, where, why, what, and how? How did this experience change or impact you? How did your experience mirror J. Paul Getty's discovery of oil and T. E. Lawrence's outlook on dreaming?

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