“Through the Tunnel”

Words you should know

1. Contrition: noun the state of feeling sorry for bad behavior (contrite)
2. Promontory: noun a high area of land or rock that sticks out into the sea
3. Supplication: noun the act of asking for something seriously and meekly (supplicate, supplicating)
4. Luminous: adj filled with light : brightly lit
5. Sputter: verb to utter hastily or explosively in confusion or excitement
6. Gout: noun  a mass of something fluid often gushing or bursting forth
7. Inquisitive: adj tending to ask questions : having a desire to know or learn more
8. Persistence: noun the quality that allows someone to continue doing something or trying to do something even though it is difficult or opposed by other people.
9. Incredulous: adj not able or willing to believe something : feeling or showing a lack of belief
10. Tenacity: noun the quality or state of being persistent (tenacious)
11. Importunity: noun the quality or state of making repeated or annoying requests or demands (importune, importunely, importunate)
12. Diligent: adj characterized by steady, earnest, and energetic effort
13. Beseech: verb  to beg for urgently or anxiously (beseeching)
14. Clamber: verb to climb awkwardly (as by scrambling)
15. Minute: (MY-nute) adj very small or marked by close attention to details

Use at least five of the listed words to answer the following prompt.

What motivates people to take risks? What happens to a person when s/he achieves a goal?