Vocabulary reading passage: In the Eye of the Beholder

Match the word with the definition.

stir	**a pattern drawn absent-mindedly**
bear a relation	**unclear in shape**
blurred	**make someone feel calmer and less anxious, upset or angry**
scathing	**criticizing severely**
bewildered	**very surprised**
fuzzy	**make someone have a strong feeling or reaction**
doodle	**catch, keep**
hold the attention	**be similar to someone or something else**
soothe	**totally confused and uncertain**
be taken aback	**unclear**

Complete the sentences with the word/s in the previous exercise.

1. How could you refute it when just the memory of his ..... comments made your eyes fill with tears?
2. Give the kids some toys—that should ..... their ..... for a while.
3. Some of the photos were so ..... it was hard to tell who was who.
4. I was always .....by the lack of knowledge of local people about what was going on.
5. They announced the creation of a vaccine and hope ..... within her heart.

6. When the baby cried, his mother ..... him by stroking his hot little head.
7. Without my glasses, anything more than a few feet away looks ..... .
8. The things she says ..... little ..... to what she actually does.
9. The kids felt ..... and betrayed by the divorce.
10. His studio floor is stacked with hundreds of notebooks and sketchbooks filled with thousands of ..... .