

# Nothing

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there was nothing

there was nothing at all  
either moving  
or nonmoving

it was dark everywhere  
there was no moon

there were  
no planets  
no stars  
no sun

there was no day  
no night

there was no sound  
no touch  
no smell

there was no form  
no taste

there were no directions  
there was only pure reality

there was nothing at all  
not graspable by mind  
or senses  
or speech

there were no planets  
no stars  
no moon

there was no day or night  
no sound  
no touch  
no smell  
no form  
without change  
only pure reality