Practice Doing the Paramedic Method

Instructions: Pull our your "Revising Sentences" guide (http://www.lirvin.net/WGuides/Pmethod.htm) and follow the Paramedic Method for editing and revising these sentences. MARK this draft, circling verbs and prepositions first, and then revising sentences. Then write out your revised version. See example on next page.

The first aspect of my personality is that my primary way to deal with the world is through being an extrovert. Undoubtedly you have heard about extroverts and though you may be confused with what being and extrovert means, let me give you a quick glimpse into the life of and extrovert. ...

The second part of my personality is the way that I encode information that is through intuition. It is said that, "Intuitive types tend to be concerned with what is possible and new, and they have an orientation to the future. They are often interested in the abstract and in theory, and may enjoy activities where they can use symbols or be creative." (Knowyourtype) For example my mind likes to not be concerned with what is happening in the present and concerned with what is coming in the future. When I plan something I typically like to think about it until it finally happens. For instance before I was to leave for NYC I had class the week before and found it extremely hard to focus on school or work because I want to experience what was coming up. I was always the type of person who would dream about what lies ahead and what I could do and dream about the future. I never really concerned myself with the present because I knew it would end soon and then the future would be the present and I always wanted a new and exciting future. For example at this time in my life I am attending school and trying to find out what I am going to do and what my ultimate major is going to be. I find it hard to concern my self with what is going on in school when I can see what is coming ahead and find the possibilities tantalizing. (308 words)

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Example Editing—Marking Up the Draft!

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Revised Version Typed Out

First, my personality deals with the world through extroversion. You may have heard about extroverts and be confused with what extroversion means, so let me provide a glimpse into the life of an extrovert. ...

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