

## EXERCISE 16-1

Edit the following sentences for wordiness. Example:

The Wilsons moved into the house <sup>even though</sup> ~~in spite of the fact that~~ the back door was only ten yards from the train tracks.

- a. Martin Luther King Jr. was a man who set a high standard for future leaders to meet.
  - b. Coach Becker loves to work with the young people of today.
  - c. In my opinion, Bloom's race for the governorship is a futile exercise.
  - d. What a casualty call officer does is assist the bereaved family in many ways.
  - e. Your task will be the deliverance of correspondence to all employees in the company.
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1. Seeing the barrels, the driver immediately slammed on his brakes.
  2. The thing data sets are used for is communicating with other computers.
  3. The opening words of the Declaration of Independence, which sum up in total America's entire rationale for its very existence, were the subject of considerable debate in 1776.
  4. A typical autocross course consists of at least two straightaways, and the rest of the course is made up of numerous slaloms and several sharp turns.
  5. You will be the departmental travel coordinator for all members of the department.