Using vi

This is a short description of the most important commands in vi.

To edit or inspect a file with the name *filename* in vi, start with the command <u>vi *filename*</u>

Use <left arrow>, <right arrow>, <up arrow> and <down arrow> to **navigate** around.

Use <u>:*linenumber*</u> to go to a specific line, or <u>/*string*</u> to search for the next occurance of *string.*

Use <u>a</u> to append or <u>i</u> to insert text at the current location of the cursor. Be careful not to use the arrow keys while inserting text. Using <return> to insert an additional line is ok. Use <u><esc></u> to exit the insert/append mode.

Use <u>dd</u> to delete the current line, or <u>x</u> to delete the current character, or <u>r</u> to replace the current character.

Once you are finished, save and and quit with <u>:wq</u>. If you want to force quit without saving, use <u>:q!</u>.