Writing a Paragraph

A paragraph consists of several sentences that are grouped together. These groups of sentences together about one main topic. Paragraphs have three principal parts: the topic sentence, body sentences, and the concluding sentence.

✓ **Begin with a topic sentence**

A topic sentence usually comes at the beginning of a paragraph. It is the most general sentence in a paragraph. It means that there are not more details in the sentence, but that the sentence introduces a general idea or topic that you want to discuss later in the paragraph.

Example:

> Be just a sommer my daddy would hold an annoting times

✓ **Body lines detail sentence or supporting sentences**

They are called "supporting" because they **support** or **explain** the idea expressed in the topic sentence. At minimum, you should have at least **five** to **seven** sentences in your paragraph. Each sentence should individually about the topic.

Example:

> Be just a sommer my daddy would on an annoting points

S1: He bought frozzy made hot sandwiches apple pie and ice cold

S2: We would enjoyed our picnic basin under a tree a small grey spotted owl

S3: Suddenly the raptor grabbed my delicious piece of pie off my plate and escaped.