Proper Paragraph Format for Connections

When answering a short answer response for a Connection question please follow the following format:

1. Provide a <u>topic sentence</u> which identifies the genre, title, author, and topic (type of Connection).

In the short story "Two Islands" by Ivan Gantschev, I can make a text-to-world connection with Gordon D. Warden's rise to power. He was a greedy and corrupt dictator.

- 2. <u>Support</u> your answer in 3 to 5 sentences.
 - a) State your connection.
 - b) Tell a story/give a specific example.
 - c) State how the two examples are alike (the text and your story). Make sure that you refer back to the story.
 - * If multiple examples are necessary please follow this format for each example.

The text-to-world connection in this picture book is with Adolf Hitler's rise to power in Germany and the consequences of his action. Hitler rose to power with promises to lead Germany in becoming a world leader and superpower in both industry and technology. In "Two Islands", Gordon D. Warden had a similar rise to power on the back of the promise of wealth and prosperity as the president of the island of Graynel. Like Hitler, he became corrupt with greed and turned into a dictator, using tanks and guns to intimidate his people. While Hitler took his corruption to the extreme with invasion and violence, Warden began to disregard the people of Greenal and his people who opposed him. In his thirst for control he too used threats and force.

3. Write a <u>concluding sentence</u> that sums up your connection.

In conclusion, the text-to-world connection of Adolf Hitler's reign of corruption and violence to that of Gordon D. Warden's fall to the dark side helps me to understand that greed and power can have devastating effects.