**Paragraph Structure: Statement/Expand/Evidence/Develop (SEED)**

**S**tatement (Make a statement).

**E**xpand (Expand by giving more information about it if necessary).

**E**vidence (Include a reference or references).

**D**evelop (Tell the reader what to think about it by making the point obvious, this part may start with ‘Therefore’ ‘Consequently’ ‘Hence’ or ‘This suggests..’. This is an important part of academic writing as it shows that you understand the subject and can prove your knowledge).

**Statement** = There is a definite rise in violence and aggression towards healthcare professionals that is being underreported.

**Expand** = Reasons for not reporting incidences are significant but complex.

**Evidence** = According to McKenna (2003:104) many incidences are not reported due to ‘a lack of training and support for staff subjected to violence and aggression’.

**Develop** = Therefore, staff of all levels from top management to agency workers need to receive training in order to promote safety of service users, staff and visitors (NIMHE, 2002).

**It could appear in your assignment like this:**

There is a definite rise in violence and aggression towards healthcare professionals that is being underreported. The reasons for not reporting incidences are significant but complex. According to McKenna (2003:104) many incidences are not reported due to ‘a lack of training and support for staff subjected to violence and aggression’. Therefore, staff at all levels, from top management to agency workers, need to receive training in order to promote safety of service users, staff and visitors (NIMHE, 2002).