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**Erwartungshorizont zu Musteraufgabe 2:**

*Students' work is to be assessed both in terms of content and language according to the respective rating scales.*

Students are expected to write an article, with a suitable headline, for a website. They should use topic specific vocabulary as exemplified in the content points below and should bear in mind that the potential addressees are mainly young people.

- simultaneous interpreters working for the EU cover all 23 official languages of the member states
- English, French and German are most widely used, but smaller, more 'exotic' languages such as Maltese or Irish Gaelic are also in demand
- an extremely demanding and stressful job; interpreters have to
  - listen and interpret simultaneously
  - work in booths without daylight
  - be capable of familiarizing themselves quickly with all sorts of subjects (e.g. dentistry, agriculture, animal rights) and use the relevant technical vocabulary
  - efficiently use different sources of reference (e.g. Internet)
  - show empathy and be good judges of character
  - have good nerves
- on the other hand the job is well-paid, creative, interesting and offers the opportunity to travel and to witness history first hand
- good job prospects (many interpreters in the German team nearing retirement age, etc.)