### Written task 1

The task is written as an opinion column on the topic of textual bias in sports news coverage. The task corresponds to part 2 of the syllabus, language and mass communication.

**Written task 1 opinion column (Bias in Sports reporting) Assessment**

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| **Criterion** | **A** | **B** | **C** | **D** | **Total** |
| **Marks available** | 2 | 8 | 5 | 5 | 20 |
| **Marks awarded** | 2 | 6 | 5 | 5 | 18 |

**Criterion A**

The rationale provides a clear explanation of the link to the course and of the aspect being investigated with information about audience, purpose and context.

**Criterion B**

The task shows very good understanding of the topic with well-chosen examples. Content is mostly appropriate to an opinion column, and there is a fairly good understanding of the conventions.

**Criterion C**

The task is effectively organized.

**Criterion D**

Despite minor inaccuracies, the language is very clear and effective as well as confident in style.