

## **English – part 7 (44)**

Annotation: The subject aims to develop students' skills and habits for working with, reading and understanding meteorological information, symbols and abbreviations, weather warnings. Selected texts introduce the specific terminology related to the various electronic aids to navigation. Emphasis is placed on GMDSS incorporated in the Maritime English lessons: basic features of the system are explored; students are introduced to distress, urgency and safety communication; MSI features are introduced; students develop skills in reading comprehension and translation of texts related to GMDSS; the specific terminology is discussed; examples of routine communication within GMDSS are reviewed. The IMO Standard Marine Communication Phrases are introduced for distress, search and rescue, urgency and safety and routine communication. Students listen to and form dialogues on the communication between ships with VTS centers. Work with technical texts is carried out related to the shipboard maintenance and the operation and maintenance of navigation equipment so that students can develop skills in reading comprehension of such texts. The syllabus complies with the recommendations of IMO Model Course 3.17 Maritime English.

Basic sections of the contents:

- Meteorological Information;
- Overview to Electronic Aids to Navigation;
- GMDSS;
- IMO SMCP covering emergency communication;
- IMO SMCP covering routine communication;
- Shipboard Maintenance. Operation and Maintenance of Navigational Equipment.