Problem of Forming of Professional Linguistic Competence of Seamen by
Learning the Words on the Basis of the Use of Semantic Classification

The offered semantic classification of marine terminology is based on the
division of a minimum of the utilized words in marine everyday vocabulary (2000)
by installments of speech (verbs, adjectives and nouns) with the further dividing into
semantic groups. For the verbs of such semantic groups nine. Groups are divided by
blocks (for 3-7 blocks in every group).

Such classification can be compared to the library in which a storage
department is parts of speech, closets with books are semantic groups, shelves are
blocks of words, and books on shelves are separate words. If it is necessary to find a
library (part of speech) department, it is possible to appeal to the necessary closet (to
the semantic group), find a necessary shelf (semantic block) and take a necessary
book (word).

At learning by heart of words by the offered system it is possible exactly to
define semantic macrostructures, where the memorized word of marine subject is
placed. On such algorithm a necessary word is put inside the memory of man.
Information unit at such study is not word, but block (7-10 words). The blocks of
nouns contain the greater number of words.

Due to such structuring of minimum words it is possible to reproduce all of
required dictionary of marine subject by heart by the use of the offered semantic
macrostructure as a support. Access to any word in semantic macrostructure is
determined by a search : 1) What semantic group? 2) Is there that semantic block in
the chosen group?

Words in a block are united as synonyms, antonyms and as homogeneous
actions, signs or objects, incorporated a general concept, shown in the name of block.
For example, a block contains «educational operations» words: to teach, teach,
explain, understand, memorize, know, forget, wrong, correct. All of these words
characterize a teaching process.

From 2000 words of minimum verbs it can be made approximately 450 words,
adjectives - 300, nouns - 1300. For learning by heart the words on the offered system
it is recommended to make cards on every block (45 blocks for verbs). On one side of
cards words are written in English seamen terminology for Navigator or Engineer,
and on the other its translating into Ukrainian language.