

## (27) A SWIM

**ACTIVITY 1:** Write the meanings and translations of the following words. Answer the questions.

AUCTION  
DECK  
PURSER  
RAIL



Which word refers to something not usually found on a ship?

What is the purser on a ship responsible for?

What is the purpose of a rail?

What would people do on sundeck?

**ACTIVITY 2:** Correct these sentences.

- a) Mr Botibol bets on the speed of the ship.
- b) Mr Botibol consults the captain.
- c) Mr Botibol wants a new house.
- d) Mr Botibol has plenty of possibilities to win the bet.
- e) The woman at the end of the story is very reliable.

**ACTIVITY 3:** Who says the sentences below, and who do they say them to? What are they talking about?

- a) "Going at a 150..."


b) "Two hundred!"


c) "About how long do you think he did it?"


d) "What shall I do?"


e) "I'm very lazy."


#### ACTIVITY 4: Finish the sentences.

- Every day the captain of the ship guesses ...
- Mr Botibol thinks the captain's guess is likely to be too ...  
today because ...
- The winner of the competition will receive about ...
- If Mr Botibol wins, he plans to ...
- Mr Botibol thinks he can slow the ship down by ...
- He is careful to check that the old woman can .....  
and ...