

Instructions



In this document you will find Instructions about the technical requirements for running the Captains Standalone Course and using the help file provided



Technical Requirements

1. The Flash Player plugin version 10 or later needs to be installed on your Web Browser. You may download the most recent Flash Player plugin (according to your Operating System and default Web Browser) from this link:
http://get.adobe.com/flashplayer/?no_redirect
2. You are recommended to use the Mozilla Firefox browser with the compatible Java plugin for the 3D game to execute smoothly - please note that Internet access is essential. The following combinations have been tested for smooth operation since the end of the CAPTAINS project (as web browser software, Java and Flash player plugins get frequently updated, which is out of the control of the web application developer)
 - *Local Execution of the 3D Game*
 - i. Mozilla Firefox, v21 with Java SE 7 U21 plugin, that can be downloaded from this link:
<http://www.neowin.net/news/java-runtime-environment-7-update-21-released> (local execution)
 - *Remote Execution of the 3D Game over Internet*
 - i. Mozilla Firefox (v.22, as of July 2013) with the then version of the compatible Java plugin (Java SE 7 U25 as of July 2013)
 - ii. Mozilla Firefox latest version (v.24, as of October 2013) with the latest version of the compatible Java plugin (Java SE 7 U40 as of October 2013). The latter can be downloaded (select the one compatible with your OS) from this link
<http://www.java.com/en/download/manual.jsp>
 - iii. Google Chrome latest version (v.30 as of October 2013)
 - iv. Internet Explorer latest version (v.8 as of October 2013)

NOTE: Since April 2013 Java has significantly increased the security settings for Applets invoked from the local file system. Thus, in case you have the latest version of the Java plug-in installed, you may experience problems running the 3D game of Unit 3. This is why the 3D Game executed remotely over Internet, accessed from: http://hermes.ait.gr/captains/SailAway/TW_Applet.html, after providing the following credentials:

Username: captains

Password: captains1234

In case of any problem, please send an e-mail to kwebo@ait.gr reporting the exact nature of it and we will get back to you!

3. Please read the Java installation instructions and System requirements carefully, according to the Operating System on your client PC. Close your web browser, install the Java update and then restart your web browser. Do check that your Java plugin is activated!
4. Check the "Zoom" facility in your browser. It must be set to 100%!

Please read the Help File (help.pdf) that is located in the same folder as the Instructions file.

The Help File includes valuable information about your journey through the Captains' Course!

Course Screens

There are 5 types of Screens or Steps that you will meet during the Course. Let's take a look at them!



INTRODUCTION SCREEN

In an introduction Screen Captina provides information about what you will learn or what activities you will meet during a section of the course. To start the activity or set of activities click on the text bubble!

Screen Components - Assistive Buttons

HINT BUTTON

The Hint Button offers additional information in order to complete a Task. When you click on the Hint Button Captina will provide you, more information to help you out! It is present whenever is needed.



GLOSSARY BUTTON

Clicking on the Glossary Button, a new browser window or tab will open! The Glossary consists of all the relevant terms you are going to meet during the Course. The Glossary Button is present in almost every screen apart from the ones that contain a quiz activity, like fill in the blanks or multiple choice were you have to focus on the activity!

HELP BUTTON

By clicking on the Help Button the present document opens in a new browser window or tab! It is available in almost every screen apart from the ones that contain a quiz activity, like fill in the blanks or multiple choice were you have to focus on the activity!

The Assistive Buttons are at the top right corner of the screen

Screen Components - Guidelines, Tips and Feedback provided by Captina

Here are some examples!



Try to find the main idea of each paragraph. Each paragraph has one main idea. That will help you to find the reason why the writer has written the text.

You must answer the question before continuing.

Read the rules for Post 3 steps and Post Continuous.

Correct your answer and press the Microphone button "start recording". Remember to press "Allow" in the security window that will open.

Click on the "Hint Button" to read the text.

Important: The correct answer is A.

Notice that guidelines, warnings, reminders, glowing texts, are in captions with yellow borders

- Warning that you have to answer a question in order to continue
- Drawing your attention to the glowing caption in order to read what you are listening to
- Informing you about the purpose of the Step
- Guiding you in important actions you should do
- Providing feedback in a quiz
- Providing technical guidelines or reminding of important actions