ABSTRACT

This paper studies the English construction *be going to*, and explores its meanings and translational counterparts in Czech.

The theoretical chapter of the study first summarizes the expressions of future in English, and then it describes the English construction *be going to*. An overview of its meanings as well as its formal features are presented. Subsequently, a remark on the spread of the *be going to* construction in written English is made and the situation in Czech is outlined.

The analytical part is based on a sample of 100 examples excerpted from the InterCorp parallel corpus. First, the occurrences are analyzed according to the meanings of *be going to* described in the theoretical part, and next, their Czech translational counterparts are examined.

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