## Section B Exam focus

**EXAM TASK**Test of Reading Part 2

In Part 2 of the Test of Reading, you are asked to complete sentences by forming collocations from a given base word.

## 1 Word formation

Complete these sentences using the base word in capital letters.

- 1 The Government has introduced the Tax Laws \_\_\_\_\_\_ Bill 2008 to implement a number of improvements to Australia's taxation system. (AMEND)
- 2 Tax experts can help you to prevent real-estate \_\_\_\_\_\_ and other action by the tax authorities. (SEIZE)
- 3 A client of the bank faces a \$250,000 fine for providing \_\_\_\_\_\_ documents for a mortgage application. (FRAUD)
- 4 The CEO was sent to prison for \_\_\_\_\_\_ of justice, as he refused to submit his files to the Inland Revenue. (OBSTRUCT)
- 5 What after-tax return do you expect to get on your \_\_\_\_\_? (INVEST)
- 6 In 2006, there was a \_\_\_\_\_\_ to defraud Kenyans by a cartel called the Kenya Bankers Association. (CONSPIRE)
- 7 In 1999, Luciano Pavarotti was \_\_\_\_\_\_ of tax evasion and had to pay almost £6 million to the Italian government. (CONVICT)
- 8 The IRS is threatening Nicholas Cage with \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for using a company he owns to wrongly write off \$3.3 million in personal expenses. (PROSECUTE)
- 9 Individuals who reside outside Norway are only \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to return to the country 61 days a year. (PERMIT)
- 10 Audit secrecy in Russia may be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ if new amendments to Russia's banking law are passed. (ANNUL)

## 2 Identifying topic sentences

Read the article on the opposite page, then choose the appropriate topic sentence for each paragraph from the sentences (A–G) below. There is one extra sentence which you do not need to use.

- A A special audit by Moores Rowland Risk Management later revealed that the company had overstated its revenue from 2004 to 2006 by 622 million ringgit.
- B Transmile is just one of several companies now under investigation for financial irregularities, as Malaysia tightens up enforcement against white-collar crime.
- C The founder and former chief executive officer of air-cargo carrier Transmile Group Bhd was among three people charged in court on Thursday for their roles in one of Malaysia's biggest accounting fraud cases in recent years.
- D Transmile, controlled by Hong Kong-based billionaire Robert Kuok, is the highestprofile casualty among listed Malaysian corporates that have unveiled accounting irregularities.
- E All three defendents opted to contest the charges at the Kuala Lumpur Sessions Court and they were released on bail pending a hearing set for January.
- F Transmile, whose chairman is former Transport Minister Ling Liong Sik, is controlled by Hong Kong-based Malaysian billionaire Robert Kuok.
- G The revelation of the special audit commissioned by the company's major shareholders sent Transmile stock into a tailspin.
- H 'The latest accounting scandals in Southern Bank Bhd and Transmile Group where revenue and profits are falsified through creative accounting indicates three structural failures in regulatory oversight and full disclosure of our capital markets.