

INAPPROPRIATE SHIFTS IN VERB TENSES PRACTICE

DIRECTIONS: Choose the correct option.

1. Florida is the only Confederate state east of the
Mississippi whose capital is not captured by Union troops
during the Civil War.
A. East
B. who's
C. was
D. No change is necessary.
2. The swimmer sped through the water and catches up with his
competition.
A. caught
B. has caught
C. caught
D. No change is necessary.
3. Don, who had arrived late, sat down next to his date, and
ordered a fish sandwich.
A. Don who
B. sits
C. date and
D. No change is necessary.
4. The pollsters knew about the mistake since last week.
A. new
B. have known
C. knows
D. No change is necessary.

5. In January of each year, the sitting President gives a State
of the Union Address; in 1994, television audiences watched
as President Clinton delivers his first address to Congress.

- A. gave
- B. Address, in
- C. audiences
- D. delivered