9. DIRECTIONS: Each of the following passages is followed by questions. Answer each question based on what is directly stated or suggested in the related. Global warming is a serious issue that affects all countries around the globe. The following passage discusses one aspect of this problem. (Line No. 1) According to the National Academy of Sciences, Earth’s surface temperature has risen by about 1 degree Fahrenheit in the past century, with accelerated warming during the past two decades. There is new and stronger evidence that most of the warming over the last 50 years is attributable to human activities. Human activities have altered the chemical composition of the atmosphere (Line No. 5) through the buildup of greenhouse gases—primarily carbon dioxide, methane, and nitrous oxide. The heat-trapping property of these gases is undisputed although uncertainties exist about exactly how Earth’s climate responds to them. **Passage Question No. 1.** The writer repeats the phrase “human activities”for all the following reasons except to (A) ensure clarity (B) create emphasis (C) provide specific details and description (D) help readers follow the flow of ideas (E) lead from one idea to the next **Passage Question No. 2**. The next paragraph of this essay will most likely (A) explain what people can do to stop global warming (B) trace how the National Academy of Sciences began and elucidate its role today (C) list other greenhouse gases (D) suggest ways that the world’s meteorological conditions respond to greenhouse gases (E) illustrate the heat-trapping properties of greenhouse gases