

Complete each gap with one word.

(1) _____ of the heat trapped by the emission of greenhouse gases is going straight into the oceans, (2) _____ had a record year for heat in 2022, a recent study shows. The steep increase (3) _____ ocean temperatures is a clearer and better indicator of the climate crisis (4) _____ atmospheric temperatures that can be affected (5) _____ year-to-year occurrences such as the La Niña effect, (6) _____ to Michael Mann, a climate scientist at the University of Pennsylvania. “Some years ago we proved that we expect the series of record-breakers to continue as (7) _____ as we keep on warming the planet, but with these sorts of temporary interruptions due to natural variability,” he said. “So (8) _____ we’re seeing here is what we expect.”

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