

An Extra Credit Opportunity
due at the beginning of class on Monday, July 10, 2006

Write a two to three page paper on the use of mathematics to argue for social change in "An Inconvenient Truth," by Al Gore. You can see the movie or read the book. There will be copies of the book available on reserve in the library.

Questions to consider:

How does the use of mathematics help or hinder the argument?

How would you use mathematics differently to support the argument?

Do you think that a fear of mathematics could prevent a person from understanding the material?

Your paper must be typed, spell-checked, and grammar-checked. You can give me your paper either electronically (as e-mail text, not as an attachment!) or physically. The paper will be worth up to 10 test points, of which 7 will be for the strength of your discussion and 3 will be for technical presentation.