

## Planet in Peril Writing Assignment

**DUE DATE: THURSDAY, JUNE 18, 2015 (in class)**

**\* LATE WORK WILL BE ACCEPTED  
BUT WITH A REDUCTION IN SCORE \***

**NOTE: This is available on youtube in a low resolution format**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-263R3CP2c4>

After having watched the film *Planet in Peril*, I hope you have a fuller understanding of some of the scientific perspectives on global warming. With this as a starting point I want you to visit our class website where I have available a special series section on Climate Change at the 45th Parallel from the Boston Globe.

<http://www.itsallgeography.com/>  
(follow the link to our webpage)

I want you to skim read several of these reports and pick one that is interesting to you.

**In a standard 5 paragraph essay (approximately 1 ½ pages) explain the following:**

- Which article you chose and **Why** you chose it. A **Brief** recap of the article.
- **Explain** what is the issue and why it is occurring (i.e. polar bears are forced to swim farther to reach sea ice, with sometimes fatal results, due to rising temperatures and sea ice melting)
- **Connect** this article's problem with some of the situations shown in the film *Planet in Peril*
- **Propose** some possible solutions to this problem and, perhaps, your own **personal opinion** concerning this issue in the conclusion.

The paper is to be type written, grammar and spell checked.

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**THE 45TH PARALLEL WARMING WHERE WE LIVE**

**Small New Hampshire city takes on a global warming challenge**

Environmental awareness exploded in the last year as scientists issued dire reports about manmade global warming. Yet even when people adopt eco-friendly habits - whether driving less or composting more - research shows they don't sustain them for long. (Boston Globe, 12/16/07)

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