**What I Want to Know**

For this research paper, I am interested in learning about global warming. I wanted to research this topic after watching a movie called *An Inconvenient Truth,* and after studying our political advertisement unit in our literacy class this year. Although these two events took place some years apart from each other, I formulated many questions. My main question is: What are the political and economic issues pertaining to the debate about global warming?

In order to answer this, I need to gain background knowledge on this topic of interest. However, I have to answer smaller questions guiding my research. One of these questions is why do people deny the facts of global warming? I hear this on the news all the time; people either saying things to credit or discredit the evidence presented. I do not know who to believe now. Likewise, I wish to know if this well-known issue is naturally occurring or a problem created by humans.

Furthermore, after seeing all the places that this problem occurs in the world, I wonder what role politics play in the debate of global warming. Moreover, there are all these arguments taking place. Some people argue that the rising temperatures and sea levels are the result of human pollution, while others claim it’s the world’s natural cycle and the earth is the cause of all this commotion. It’s puzzling to me which side is right or wrong.

This issue creates qualms in my head, dragging me first to one side of the issue then to the other, and I do not know what is true or what is not. That is why I came up with my main question that will guide me through all of my research, and that question is: What are the political and economic issues in the global warming debate? I hope that I will find all the correct answers to these questions so my hunger for answers will be satisfied.