

## Questions related to Michael Crichton on Global Warming

1. What was climate science concerned about in 1975? How quickly were those fears replaced by fears of global warming?
2. Describe Crichton's problem with the notion of scientific consensus.
3. Had global temperatures been going up from 1940 to 2005? Explain.
4. How much had average temperature gone up in the 20<sup>th</sup> century?
5. Is it clear to Crichton that carbon dioxide is the main factor in the recent rise in temperatures? Explain.
6. Why might some scientists be reluctant to express doubts about global warming?
7. What is the problem with the way computer models are being used in regard to global warming?
8. Summarize Crichton's point about horses and horseshit.