Essay assignment for the first class

Watch "The Great Global Warming Swindle" to the end. Write a one-page summary report (single space, 12pt) addressing:

- Identify one scientific (rather than political) claim you think is wrong and one you see as possibly reasonable, and explain your position on both.
- Choose 3 of the following 5 claims made in the movie. For each, ask chatGPT for a 30-word response supporting the claim and another one opposing it. Quote the responses in your report. Research this, and express your reasoned opinion. (*Hint:* asking chatGPT for longer responses or to respond more than once is a good way to start your research)
- 1. The current warming is due to coming out of the Little Ice Age.
- 2. Most warming occurred in the early 20th century, before CO₂.
- 3. Earth's temperature is always changing.
- 4. CO₂ is a very minor greenhouse gas, much smaller than water vapor.
- 5. Magnetic solar activity affects cloud formation, causing global warming.
- Conclude with a 50-word summary of your view of climate change as you start this class.

Your target audience: the President's Science Adviser, a scientist but not a climate scientist.