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We will describe some of the essential observations and physical processes of climate change, and introduce a few simple models that begin to give intuition for the historical data, the earth's radiative energy balance, and the ice-albedo and greenhouse gas feedback processes. We will also illustrate the wide range of mathematical challenges and opportunities in climate change research, with a few examples. (Received March 01, 2009)