How Capitalism Broke the Planet and How We Fight Back



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How We Fight Back by Kate Aronoff

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Capitalism is an economic system that has been dominant in the world for centuries. It is based on the principle of private ownership of property and the profit motive. Capitalism has led to great wealth and prosperity for some, but it has also caused immense damage to the planet and its people.

One of the most devastating impacts of capitalism is its contribution to climate change. The burning of fossil fuels, which is essential for capitalism to function, releases greenhouse gases into the atmosphere. These gases trap heat and cause the planet to warm. Climate change is already having a devastating impact on the planet, including more extreme weather events, rising sea levels, and the loss of biodiversity.

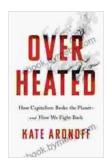
Capitalism is also a major cause of pollution. Factories and other industrial facilities release harmful chemicals into the air, water, and land. This pollution can cause a variety of health problems, including respiratory problems, cancer, and birth defects.

In addition to its environmental impacts, capitalism also has a number of social impacts. It leads to inequality, poverty, and social unrest. Capitalism is based on the principle of profit, and this often means that the wealthy and powerful get richer at the expense of the poor and powerless.

The good news is that we can fight back against capitalism and create a more sustainable future. There are a number of things we can do, including:

- Reduce our consumption. One of the best ways to reduce our impact on the planet is to reduce our consumption of goods and services. We can do this by buying less stuff, eating less meat, and driving less.
- Support sustainable businesses. When we spend our money, we can choose to support businesses that are committed to sustainability. This includes businesses that use renewable energy, recycle, and produce sustainable products.
- Get involved in politics. We can also fight back against capitalism by getting involved in politics. We can support candidates who are committed to environmental protection and social justice. We can also donate to organizations that are working to create a more sustainable future.

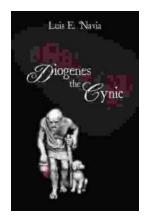
Fighting back against capitalism is not easy, but it is essential. We need to create a more sustainable future for ourselves and for our children. We can do it.



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