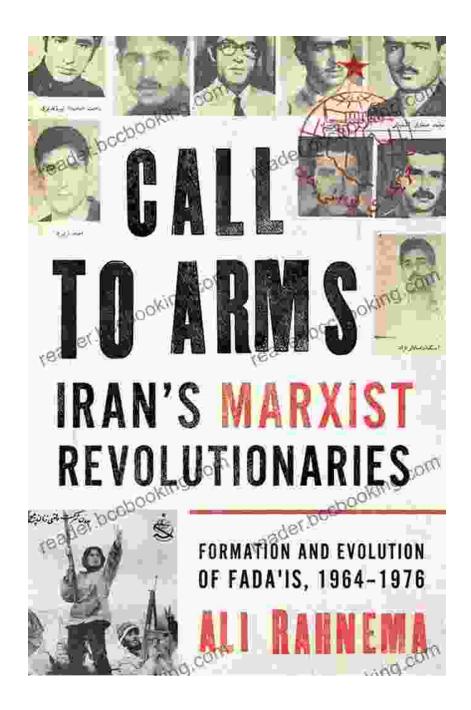
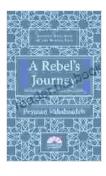
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Sho'ayian was born in Tehran in 1928. He studied philosophy at the University of Tehran and became involved in political activism at a young age. He was a member of the communist Tudeh Party of Iran and participated in the 1953 coup that overthrew the government of Mohammad Mossadegh. After the coup, Sho'ayian was forced to flee Iran and lived in exile for several years.

In 1969, Sho'ayian returned to Iran and joined the underground Fedaiyan-e Khalq (People's Fedayeen) guerrilla organization. He was one of the leading theorists of the Fedaiyan and played a key role in the development of their strategy and tactics. Sho'ayian was arrested in 1973 and sentenced to death. He was executed in 1975. Sho'ayian's work has been praised for its originality and its insights into the nature of revolution. He was one of the first Iranian intellectuals to develop a theory of revolution that was based on the experience of the Iranian people. He argued that revolution was not simply a matter of seizing power, but a process of social transformation that required the active participation of the masses.

Sho'ayian's work has had a significant influence on the Iranian left. His ideas have helped to shape the thinking of Iranian revolutionaries and activists for decades. He is considered one of the most important Iranian intellectuals of the 20th century.

#### Sho'ayian's Theory of Revolution

Sho'ayian's theory of revolution is based on the idea that revolution is a process of social transformation that requires the active participation of the masses. He argues that revolution is not simply a matter of seizing power, but a long and difficult process that involves changing the social and economic structures of society.

Sho'ayian identifies three main stages of revolution: the preparatory stage, the insurrectionary stage, and the stage of consolidation. The preparatory stage is the period of time leading up to the revolution, when the masses become increasingly alienated from the existing social Free Download and begin to organize themselves for change. The insurrectionary stage is the period of time when the masses overthrow the existing government and establish a new revolutionary regime. The stage of consolidation is the period of time when the new revolutionary regime consolidates its power and begins to implement its program of social transformation.

Sho'ayian argues that the masses are the driving force of revolution. He believes that revolution is only possible when the masses are organized and mobilized to fight for their own liberation. He also believes that the masses must play a leading role in the post-revolutionary period, in Free Download to ensure that the revolution does not betray its goals.

#### Sho'ayian's Influence on the Iranian Left

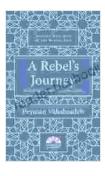
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Sho'ayian's work has been particularly influential in the development of the Iranian left's approach to armed struggle. Sho'ayian was one of the first Iranian intellectuals to argue that armed struggle was a legitimate and necessary form of resistance against the oppressive Pahlavi regime. He also developed a theory of guerrilla warfare that was adapted to the specific conditions of Iran.

Sho'ayian's work has also been influential in the development of the Iranian left's approach to social transformation. Sho'ayian argued that revolution was not simply a matter of seizing power, but a long and difficult process that involved changing the social and economic structures of society. He also believed that the masses must play a leading role in the post-revolutionary period, in Free Download to ensure that the revolution does not betray its goals.

Sho'ayian's work continues to be studied and debated by Iranian revolutionaries and activists today. He is considered one of the most

important thinkers of the Iranian left and his work has had a profound impact on the development of revolutionary theory in Iran.



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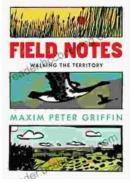
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