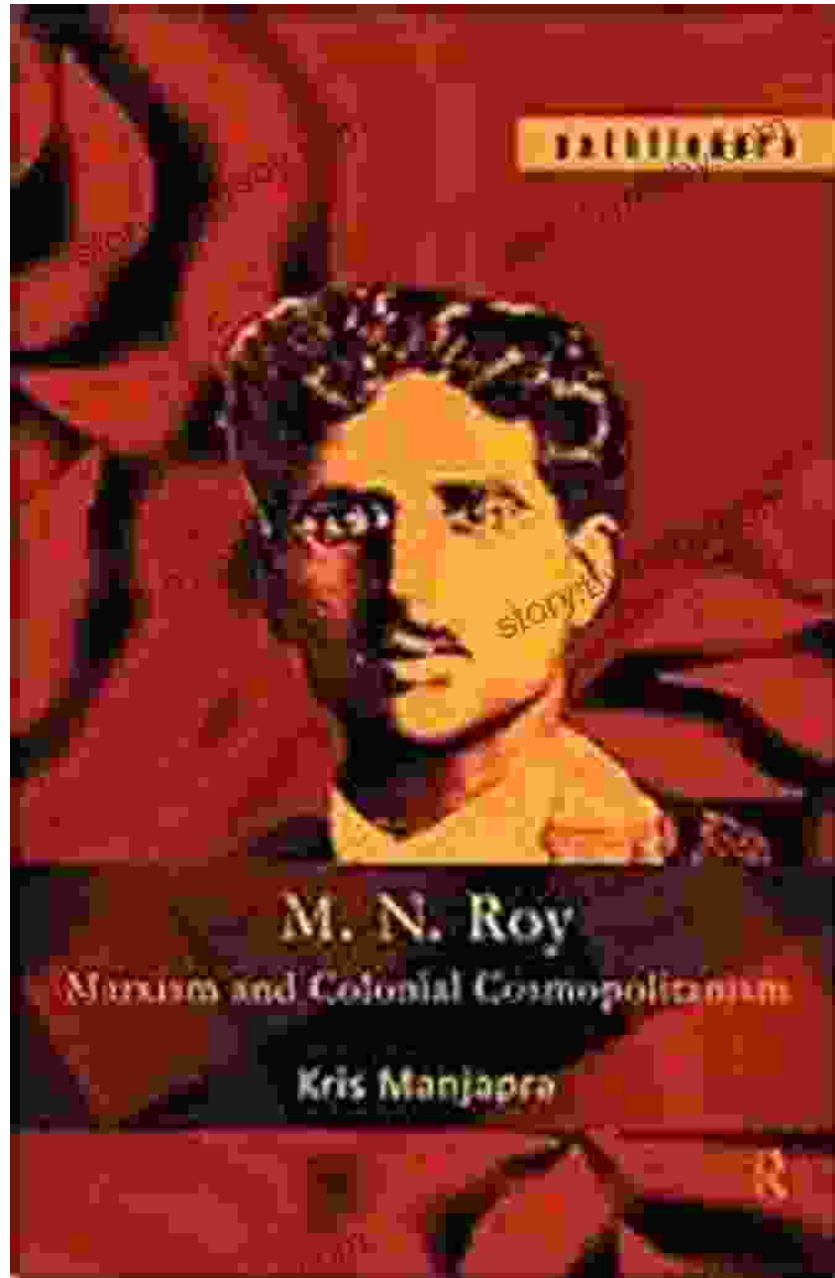


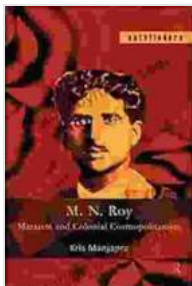
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### Roy's Life and Work

Manabendra Nath Roy was born in India in 1887. He became involved in the nationalist movement at a young age, and in 1915 he traveled to the

United States to study. While in the United States, Roy became involved in the labor movement and the Socialist Party of America.

In 1920, Roy returned to India and founded the Communist Party of India. However, he was soon disillusioned with the Comintern's sectarianism and its failure to support the Indian nationalist movement. In 1929, Roy broke with the Comintern and founded the Radical Democratic Party of India.

Roy spent the rest of his life working for the cause of human liberation. He wrote extensively on a wide range of topics, including imperialism, socialism, and internationalism. Roy died in 1954, but his legacy continues to inspire activists and intellectuals today.

### **Roy's Marxism**

Roy was a committed Marxist, but he also believed that Marxism needed to be adapted to the conditions of the colonial world. Roy argued that the key to understanding imperialism was not to see it as a purely economic phenomenon, but as a political and cultural system. Imperialism, Roy argued, was a form of oppression that sought to dominate and exploit the peoples of the colonies.

Roy's Marxism was also deeply influenced by his commitment to internationalism. He believed that the struggle for socialism could only be successful if it was fought on a global scale. Roy was a strong advocate of the unity of the international working class, and he believed that the workers of the world should unite to overthrow imperialism and capitalism.

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Roy's cosmopolitanism was based on his belief that all human beings are equal and that they deserve to live in freedom and dignity. He rejected the idea that there was a hierarchy of races or nations, and he argued that all peoples should have the right to self-determination.

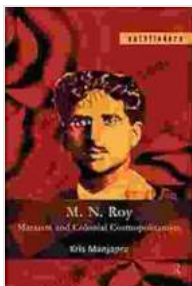
Roy's cosmopolitanism was also a deeply ethical project. He believed that the struggle for socialism was not just a matter of economics or politics, but also a matter of morality. He argued that the goal of socialism was to create a world in which all human beings could live in peace and harmony.

## **Roy's Legacy**

Manabendra Nath Roy was a brilliant and incisive thinker who made a major contribution to the development of Marxism and the struggle for human liberation. His writings are still relevant today, and they continue to inspire activists and intellectuals around the world.

*Roy: Marxism and Colonial Cosmopolitanism (Pathfinders)* is an essential resource for anyone who wants to understand the life and work of this extraordinary revolutionary. Kevin Anderson's analysis is comprehensive and illuminating, and he provides a fresh and original perspective on Roy's thought.

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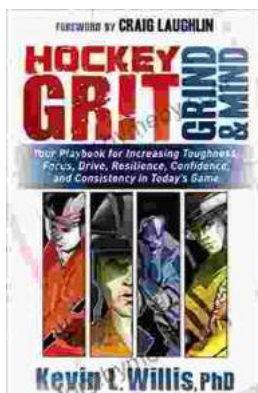
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