## Gandhi In His Time And Ours The Global Legacy Of His Ideas

The Bhagavad Gita, also called The Song of the Lord, is a 700-line section of a much longer Sanskrit war epic, the Mahabharata, about the legendary conflict between two branches of an Indian ruling family. Framed as a conversation between Krishna, an incarnation of the god Vishnu, and a general of one of the armies, the Gita is written in powerful poetic language meant to be chanted. Equally treasured as a guide to action, a devotional scripture, a philosophical text, and inspirational reading, it remains one of the world's most influential, widely read spiritual books. The Bhagavad Gita According to Gandhi is based on talks given by Gandhi between February and November 1926 at the Satyagraha Ashram in Ahmedabad, India. During this time—a period when Gandhi had withdrawn from mass political activity—he devoted much of his time and energy to translating the Gita from Sanskrit into his native Gujarati. As a result, he met with his followers almost daily, after morning prayer sessions, to discuss the Gita's contents and meaning as it unfolded before him. This book is the transcription of those daily sessions. From the Trade Paperback edition. Gandhi (1869-1948) was one of the few men in history to fight simultaneously on moral, religious, political, social, economic, and cultural fronts. During his time as a lawyer in South Africa he developed his strategy of non-violence: the idea of opposing unjust laws by nonviolent protest, which he made the basis of his successful struggle against British rule in India. In this Very Short Introduction to Gandhi's life and thought, Bhikhu Parekh outlines both Gandhi's major philosophical insights and the limitations of his thought. He looks at Gandhi's cosmocentric anthropology, his spiritual view of politics, his unique form of liberal communitarianism, and his theories of oppression, non-violent action, and active citizenship. He also considers how the success of Gandhi's principles was limited by his lack of coherent theories of evil, and of state and power, and how his hostility to modern civilization impeded his appreciation of its complexity. Gandhi's life and thought has had an enormous impact both within and outside India, and he continues to be widely revered, as one of the greatest moral and political leaders of the twentieth century. ABOUT THE SERIES: The Very Short Introductions series from Oxford University Press contains hundreds of titles in almost every subject area. These pocket-sized books are the perfect way to get ahead in a new subject quickly. Our expert authors combine facts, analysis, perspective, new ideas, and enthusiasm to make interesting and challenging topics highly readable.

In this ambitious, original study, Pulitzer Prize-winner Lelyveld sets out to measure Gandhi's accomplishments as a politician and an advocate for the downtrodden--against Gandhi's own expectations and in light of his complex, conflicted feelings about his place in Indian history. Told with humor and filled with revelations this book describes the ten-year friendship between the author and South African peace activist Ela Gandhi, granddaughter of the iconic Mahatma Gandhi. Driven underground by apartheid's abuses and cruelties, Ela Gandhi engaged in political activism on behalf of the downtrodden. Her actions mark her as an unsung heroine of peace and freedom. The conversations between these two friends suggest guideposts to navigate our uncharted future. A portion of the profits go to the Gandhi Development Trust to promote Gandhian values and practices of peace, justice, and non-violence in an everchanging world.

GANDHI: FACTS AND LITTLE KNOWN STORIES ABOUT THE INDIAN THAT SHOOK THE WORLD Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi was not born with the physical qualities of a leader. A weak, shy and introverted child like him with the fear of both God and man would be expected to be soon absorbed into the collective consciousness and belief systems shared by the - almost half a billion - Indians of his time: not trying to make a change, but trying to make a

living. What happened to Mohandas? Where did that fearful child find the courage to think differently, and most importantly, to act differently? In his book, Mahatma Gandhi Facts and Surprising Unknown Stories, Barry Powell, using storytelling, sheds light on Mohandas Gandhi's personality as well as the emotional adventures that contributed to the shaping of his unique leadership style. Everything you Ever Wanted to Know About Gandhi is in this Book! Mahatma Gandhi Facts and Surprising Unknown Stories is a compilation of the most interesting stories and facts from Gandhi's biographical timeline, which sheds light on the human side of this almost supernatural leader and gives us answers to hundreds of hot questions. Amongst them: - What are the two sins that Gandhi committed when he was a teenager? -Why did Gandhi try to commit suicide? -What happened the night of his father's death, which haunted him and filled him with guilt throughout his lifetime? -Was Gandhi a vegetarian by choice or by religion? -What happened that completely destroyed his career as a lawyer before it even started? -How did he find himself in Africa shortly after? -What happened in Africa that shaped his destiny to become a freedom fighter? -What were Gandhi's true feelings for his wife Kasturba? -Who was the fascinating woman that bewitched Gandhi while he was married to Kasturba? -What happened shortly after he founded his Ashram, which almost led them to bankruptcy? -What was Gandhi's main argument against the use of machines? -Which important personality gave the title of Mahatma (Great Soul) to Gandhi? -When and why did Gandhi deny his Western clothes and started appearing in his white Indian loincloth? -What astonishing thing did he say about the Bible? -If he admired Jesus, why didn't he become a Christian? -What were his feelings about all living beings of creation? -What did Gandhi say the moment that Kasturba died in prison? -Why didn't Gandhi celebrate on India's Independence Day? -What exactly happened on the day of his assassination? -Who was the man that killed Gandhi? -Much much more! An inspiring and touching book about everything you ever wanted to ask about Gandhi! 1 2 sampletm

?This is the heroic story of the man whose non-violent movement transformed his native India both spiritually and politically as it impelled the nation along the road to independence. With consummate skill, in a narration that never flags in vividness and drama, Robert Payne recreates Mahatma Gandhi both as a spiritual and historical force and as a living personality. When in January, 1948, Gandhi was assassinated in Delhi by a fanatic, his death sent shock waves around the world. For two generations he had been the conscience of his country and the world. Planting the idea of non-violence firmly in men's minds, he had not only conquered India but also changed the landscape of the human heart. In the tradition of his best-selling biographies of Lenin and Schweitzer, Robert Payne's life brings Gandhi alive as a rounded personality. Beginning with the moving story of a shy, awkward boy from a provincial Indian city who married at Thirteen, then was separated from his bride for years while he read law in London, the book describes Gandhi's life as a successful barrister in South Africa who turned his back on wealth to defend Indian settlers against discrimination and persecution. Robert Payne superbly describes Gandhi's daring marches to aid the oppressed; his fasts and imprisonments; his historic achievements at international congresses and conferences in India and England where, clad only in shawl and loincloth, he met with prime ministers and viceroys and won their respect as he fought for the dignity and freedom of his people. "I would place Robert Payne's book on the level of a great novel by Tolstoy, swiftly moving, panoramic, writ on the canvas of destiny and of close historical characterization," writes Dr. Amiya Chakravarty, former private secretary of Rabindranath Tagore, who knew Gandhi personally and worked with him. "It is one of the great biographies. No finer account of Gandhi's life and death has been written."

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Encouraged by his co-workers, Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi decided to write his autobiography in the 1920s. The Story of My Experiments with Truth went on to inspire generations of people worldwide. As on millions of others, the memoir of an ordinary man who achieved extraordinary feats had a strong impact on Janhavi Prasada when she first read it. And with that was born her desire to share his path of peace, and the inspiration she had found in his work, with as many people as she could. As she realized, he was much ahead of his times not only as a thinker but also as a doer. The values that he taught - truth, non-violence, simple living, cleanliness - are even more relevant today than then. Exquisitely illustrated, with visual content that Janhavi collected over eight years of travel to Porbandar, London and South Africa, Tales of Young Gandhi retells the story of a fascinating life and hopes to introduce a new generation of readers to the Mahatma.

"At Grandfather Gandhi's service village, each day is filled, from sunrise to sunset, with work that is done for the good of all. The villagers vow to live simply and non-violently. Arun Gandhi tries very hard to follow these vows, but he struggles with one of the most important rules: not to waste ... With the help of his grandfather, Arun learns how every wasteful act, no matter how small, affects others"--Amazon.com.

The Story Of My Experiments With Truth is a bestseller which describes the ups and downs of the author's life. This book is about the author's experiments in his life, and how he developed himself as a person. This book instead of explaining Gandhi as a perfectionist, instead describes his many flaws and how he defeats his problems with his enormous willpower. The Story Of My Experiments With Truth is the story of a simple, immoral man who eventually transforms into a great freedom fighter. This book contains various incidents in this author's life from his birth to 1920s. His time in South Africa as an anti-apartheid activist is also looked into. This autobiography begins when he was a common man and ends right around the time he became an international figure. How he became Gandhi is quite fascinating to read. His philosophies of simplicity, nonviolence, and truth are comprehensively explored. This book is easy to read as it has good translation. The Story Of My Experiments With Truth was published by Om Books in 2010, and is available in the form of a paperback.

Study on the views of Mahatma Gandhi, 1869-1948, Indian statesman, on rural development propaged in his ashramas.

The non-violent protests of civil rights activists and anti-nuclear campaigners during the 1960s helped to redefine Western politics. But where did they come from? Sean Scalmer uncovers their history in an earlier generation's intense struggles to understand and emulate the activities of Mahatma Gandhi. He shows how Gandhi's non-violent protests were the subject of widespread discussion and debate in the USA and UK for several decades. Though at first misrepresented by Western newspapers, they were patiently described and clarified by a devoted group of cosmopolitan advocates. Small groups of Westerners experimented with Gandhian techniques in virtual anonymity and then, on the cusp of the 1960s, brought these methods to a wider audience. The swelling protests of later years increasingly abandoned the spirit of non-violence, and the central significance of Gandhi and his supporters has therefore been forgotten. This book recovers this tradition, charts its transformation, and ponders its abiding significance.

Explores the meaning and nature of nonviolent political resistance through the lives of two of its greatest philosopher practitioners, Mohandis Karamchand Gandhi and Martin Luther King Jr.

In this book, the author of Personal History, Vincent Sheean, demonstrates that Gandhi's life, work and teaching were for the whole world as well as for India. it is suggested that the terrifying weapon of non-violence, having freed India, might be about to free the world. Though this book is in one sense an attempt to reveal the meaning of Mahatma Gandhi's power and

life and teaching, it is, in a more important sense, the author's eloquent testament of belief in Gandhi's mission. Vincent Sheean went to India to ask Gandhi many questions. It was a quest brought on by the failure of every other human institution to supply hope for the future. What he learned there, from Gandhi and others, is of immense, immediate importance to all men everywhere and to the future of humanity. Thoughtful men have begun to see that the only weapon even more awesome than the atom bomb, the only weapon able to contend with it on anything like equal terms, is the irresistible weapon of non-violence conceived by Mahatma Gandhi. Here is the record of its first great success, the story of how it was created, and a clear, sympathetic explanation of the philosophy that brought it into being, indeed made it inevitable. Here, also, are chapters on the background of Hindu philosophy, on Gandhi's own beliefs and how he applied them, on Gandhi's progress from an obscure lawyer in South Africa to his position as India's leader and deliverer and the greatest force for peace at the present time, on the author's own meetings with Gandhi, the assassination and funeral, both of which he witnessed, and a final chapter of the author's conclusions on Gandhi's meaning to the future of world peace in this atomic age. The title of the book comes from Gandhi's favourite hymn, which was always sung on solemn occasions, including the funeral march to the Ganges.

Gandhi's peaceful revolution is the focus of this picture book, part of the inspiring New York Times bestselling biography series about heroes. As a young man in India, Gandhi saw firsthand how people were treated unfairly. Refusing to accept injustice, he came up with a brilliant way to fight back through quiet, peaceful protest. He took his methods with him from South Africa back to India, where he led a nonviolent revolution that freed his country from British rule. Through his calm, steady heroism, Gandhi changed everything for India and inspired civil rights movements all over the world, proving that the smallest of us can be the most powerful. This friendly, fun biography series focuses on the traits that made our heroes great--the traits that kids can aspire to in order to live heroically themselves. Each book tells the story of one of America's icons in a lively, conversational way that works well for the youngest nonfiction readers and that always includes the hero's childhood influences. At the back are an excellent timeline and photos.

This book was written by a Hindu, the grandson of Mohandas K. Gandhi. His intent, in writing on eight Muslims and their influence on India in the twentieth century, is to reduce the gulf between Hindu and Muslims. Focusing on figures viewed as heroes by sub-continent Muslims, he shows that they can be admired by Hindus as well--that they need not be frozen in Hindu minds as foes. Here is a fascinating account of twentiethcentury India, Pakistan, and Bangladesh told through biographical sketches of eight men: Sayyid Ahmed Khan (1817-1898), Fazlul Hug (1873-1962), Muhammad Ali Jinnah (1876-1948), Muhammad Iqbal (1876-1938), Muhammad Ali (1878-1931), Abul Kalam Azad (1888-1958), Liagat Ali Khan (1895-1951), and Zakir Husain (1897-1969). 'Meeting the Mahatma' was a special moment for most of the people who captured it later in memorable prose. Gandhi at First Sight is a collection of such heartfelt moments of people from Sarojini Naidu to Katherine Mayo and from Romain Rolland to Charlie Chaplin, of an experience that was profound and sometimes even life-changing. 'In Gandhi at First Sight, Tom Weber has executed a simple yet brilliant concept with a masterly touch, an impressive understanding of the varied individuals whose first impressions of Gandhi he has included, and an enriching introduction.' —Rajmohan Gandhi 'Weber... shows with an astonishing array of first meeting accounts precisely

how Gandhi forged relationships from the beginning by making indelible initial impressions. This book... brings us incomparably closer to comprehending Gandhi's extraordinary personal power.' —Dennis Dalton, Columbia University, New York 'Thomas Weber brings to life the memories of meetings. These firstperson, autobiographical accounts provide glimpses of the private world of friendship, of being a disciple and a pathfinder.' —Tridip Suhrud, Director, Sabarmati Ashram Preservation Memorial Trust 'With Gandhi gone two-thirds of a century, we have been in danger of losing touch with a man who was the most intriguing figure of his time. Now, however, we have these unique accounts of encounters with him that allow Gandhi to reach across the decades with a message that endures through time.' —Charles DiSalvo, West Virginia University, West Virginia

Gandhi's thoughts on such topics as civil disobedience, non-violence, liberty, socialism and communism, and how to enjoy jail.

The Author Examines Gandhi As The Creator Of A Radical Style Of Politics Which Has Proved Effective In Fighting Insidious Social Divisions Within India And, At Various Times, Elsewhere In The World. He Argues That Whereas Politicians Usually Garner Support By Demonising Those They Oppose, Gandhi Resisted Such A Politics With His Whole Being. Various Key Issues In Gandhi`S Life And Legacy Are Alsop Examined. Gandhi`S Sexuality And His Programme For Women Are Looked At In The Light Of Feminist Critiques. Gandhi`S Inconsistencies, Mistakes And Failures (For Example As Husband And Father) Are Carefully Scrutinised. Hardiman`S Effort Is To Show Precisely How Gandhi, Despite His Limitations, Provides A Beacon For Women And Men Because Of The Uncompromising Honesty Of His Political Life And Moral Activism.

Critique of the political philosophy of Mahatma Gandhi, 1869-1948.

The twenty-first century has seen violence thunder back onto the stage of history. Religious, political, social, cultural, and economic constituents and interests thus contribute to the local and global manifestations of violence in our interconnected and contracting global world. Firmly embedded within the field of religion, the authors of this volume concede that religious motifs and impulses are alive and well in this unfolding of bloodshed. It is no wonder then that in our volatile historical age, religious fundamentalism and illiberal nationalism have emerged as dominant contemporary movements. Against this backdrop, the contributors to this edited book look back in order to move forward by reflecting upon the truth-force (Satyagraha) that grounded and guided Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi (1869-1948). On the heels of several commemorations in 2019 of the 150th anniversary of Gandhi's birth, we reexamine the truths of his philosophy and nonviolent strategy to resist religious and political fundamentalisms. Embracing truth was, for Gandhi, the only way to achieve complete freedom (poorna Swaraj). The goal of freedom, which Gandhi conceptualized as profoundly personal, expansively communitarian, and organically ecological, emanates from a firm grasp of truth.

This biographical study of Mahatma Gandhi focuses on the global legacy of his ideas relating to religion, non-violence, the state and economics and discusses how these have been taken up in the years since his death in 1947. Millions of words have been written about Mahatma Gandhi, yet he remains an elusive figure, an abstraction to the Western mind. In this book, the illustrious

writer Ved Mehta brings Gandhi to life in all his holiness and humanness, shedding light on his principles and his purposes, his ideas and his actions. Here is the first volume of a magisterial biography of Mohandas Gandhi that gives us the most illuminating portrait we have had of the life, the work and the historical context of one of the most abidingly influential--and controversial--men in modern history. Ramachandra Guha--hailed by Time as "Indian democracy's preeminent chronicler"--takes us from Gandhi's birth in 1869 through his upbringing in Gujarat, his two years as a student in London and his two decades as a lawyer and community organizer in South Africa. Guha has uncovered myriad previously untapped documents, including private papers of Gandhi's contemporaries and co-workers; contemporary newspapers and court documents; the writings of Gandhi's children; and secret files kept by British Empire functionaries. Using this wealth of material in an exuberant, brilliantly nuanced and detailed narrative, Guha describes the social, political and personal worlds inside of which Gandhi began the journey that would earn him the honorific Mahatma: "Great Soul." And, more clearly than ever before, he elucidates how Gandhi's work in South Africa--far from being a mere prelude to his accomplishments in India--was profoundly influential in his evolution as a family man, political thinker, social reformer and, ultimately, beloved leader. In 1893, when Gandhi set sail for South Africa, he was a twenty-three-year-old lawyer who had failed to establish himself in India. In this remarkable biography, the author makes clear the fundamental ways in which Gandhi's ideas were shaped before his return to India in 1915. It was during his years in England and South Africa, Guha shows us, that Gandhi came to understand the nature of imperialism and racism; and in South Africa that he forged the philosophy and techniques that would undermine and eventually overthrow the British Raj. Gandhi Before India gives us equally vivid portraits of the man and the world he lived in: a world of sharp contrasts among the coastal culture of his birthplace, High Victorian London, and colonial South Africa. It explores in abundant detail Gandhi's experiments with dissident cults such as the Tolstoyans; his friendships with radical Jews, heterodox Christians and devout Muslims; his enmities and rivalries: and his often overlooked failures as a husband and father. It tells the dramatic, profoundly moving story of how Gandhi inspired the devotion of thousands of followers in South Africa as he mobilized a cross-class and interreligious coalition, pledged to non-violence in their battle against a brutally racist regime. Researched with unequaled depth and breadth, and written with extraordinary grace and clarity, Gandhi Before India is, on every level, fully commensurate with its subject. It will radically alter our understanding and appreciation of twentieth-century India's greatest man. From the Hardcover edition.

This selection of Gandhi's writings, taken from his letters, articles and books, represents the complete cross-section of his thought, from his early years as a young barrister in London, to his final days as sage and counsel to newly

independent India. The selection not only reveals the growth of his ideas but also their essential internal integrity and consistency. Similarly, it illustrates the full facets of his personality, showing Gandhi to be both an ascetic mystic contemplative, as well as a man of action, and revealing aspects of his thought and character that may have previously been obscured.

Throughout his long and turbulent career as a political leader, first in South Africa and then in India, Gandhi sought to fulfil his religious aspirations through politics and to reconcile politics with personal religious conviction. But Gandhi's religion was wildly divergent from anything to have taken root in his native India. Foremost among his private tenets was the belief that he was a world saviour, long prophesied and potentially divine. Penetrating and provocative, Kathryn Tidrick's book draws on neglected material to explore the paradoxes within Gandhi's life and personality. She reveals a man whose spiritual ideas originated not in India, but in the drawing rooms of late-Victorian England, and which included some very eccentric and damaging notions about sex. The resulting portrait is complex, convincing and, to anyone interested in the legacy of colonialism, more enlightening than any previously published. The Gandhi revealed here is not the secular saint of popular renown, but a difficult and selfobsessed man driven by a messianic sense of personal destiny. Gandhi used his time in prison corresponding with followers. One asked about the ethical questions in the Bhagavad Gita, and Gandhi replied to this, and to other questions. Finally, he put together his comments and analysis of the lessons that Krishna was sharing with Arjuna in a little book, his most concise expression of this Hindu holy book as he understood it. After his autobiography, this may be the closest record of Gandhi's spiritual understanding. A sample chapter is available at www.bandannabooks.com/free/gandhisample.zip. For a different view on the Indian subcontinent, you might like Ghazals of Ghalib, a 19th-century poet who wrote in Persian and Urdu. His ghazals are witty, selfrevealing, thoughtful. He lived through the Sepoy Mutiny and the British Raj, asking Queen Victoria to support poetry as the rajahs had done, by direct donation.

An essential compendium for understanding Gandhi's profound legacy. "One has to speak out and stand up for one's convictions. Inaction at a time of conflagration is inexcusable."—Mahatma Gandhi The basic principles of Gandhi's philosophy of non-violence (Ahimsa) and non-violent action (Satyagraha) were chosen by Thomas Merton for this volume in 1965. In his challenging Introduction, "Gandhi and the One-Eyed Giant," Merton emphasizes the importance of action rather than mere pacifism as a central component of non-violence, and illustrates how the foundations of Gandhi's universal truths are linked to traditional Hindu Dharma, the Greek philosophers, and the teachings of Christ and Thomas Aquinas. Educated as a Westerner in South Africa, it was Gandhi's desire to set aside the caste system as well as his political struggles in India which led him to discover the dynamic power of non-cooperation. But, non-

violence for Gandhi "was not simply a political tactic," as Merton observes: "the spirit of non-violence sprang from an inner realization of spiritual unity in himself." Gandhi's politics of spiritual integrity have influenced generations of people around the world, as well as civil rights leaders from Martin Luther King, Jr. and Steve Biko to Václav Havel and Aung San Suu Kyi. Mark Kurlansky has written an insightful preface for this edition that touches upon the history of non-violence and reflects the core of Gandhi's spiritual and ethical doctrine in the context of current global conflicts.

Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi tells the story of his experiments with truth in this autobiographical account of the life and times of Mahatma Gandhi. Summary of the BookHistory remembers him as the Mahatma, but before he earned that name, he was Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi. Known around the world for his ideals and his philosophy of nonviolence, Gandhi

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An Original, Provocative And Compelling Reading Of The Subcontinent S History In This Remarkable Study, Well-Known Biographer Rajmohan Gandhi, Underscoring The Prominence In The Mahabharata Of The Revenge Impulse, Follows Its Trajectory In South Asian History. Side By Side, He Traces The Role Played By Reconcilers Up To Present Times, Beginning With The Buddha, Mahavira And Asoka. Encompassing Myth And Historical Fact, The Author Moves From The Circumstances Of Drona S Death And Parasurama S Slaving Of The Kshatrivas To The Burst Of Islam In India And Akbar S Success In Gaining Acceptance For It, The Executions Of Guru Arjan Dev And Guru Tegh Bahadur, And Shivaji S Achievement Of Self-Rule. His Explanation Of The 1947 Division Of India Identifies The Role Of The 1857 Rebellion In Shaping Gandhi S Thinking And Strategy, And Reflects On The Wounds Of Partition. The Survey Of Post-Independence India, Pakistan, Bangladesh And Sri Lanka Also Touches Upon The Tragic Bereavements Of Six Of Their Women Leaders. Incisive And Finely Argued, Revenge And Reconciliation Compels Us To Confront Historical And Contemporary Realities Of Intolerance, While Pointing To Possible Strategies Of Mutual Accommodation In India And The Rest Of South Asia At The Threshold Of The Twenty-First Century.

Maharshi Aurobindo believed that the 21st century is for the Hindus. Are the Hindus ready for that? Will they rise to the occasion? It will depend on how the Hindu community has shaped itself in the century that has just ended, the 20th century. Three great men have been mainly responsible for moulding the Hindu society in the byegone century, Ambedkar, Hedgewar and Gandhi. They can be definitely referred to as the MODERN HINDU TRINITY. - Ambedkar raised the standard of revolt against the many evils that had crept up in the Hindu society over a period of time and of which untouchability was the worst and most unpardonable sin. - Hedgewar diagnosed that the Hindu community of his time lacked vitality in the shape of unity. He advocated that once unity was restored in the Hindu community all its weakness will disappear and it will be ready to face all challenges, both internal and external. - Mahatma Gandhi made social reforms in the Hindu society an integral part of the freedom struggle which he led so very ably from 1920 upto the attainment of Freedom. Read this book to understand and appreciate the vital contributions made by these modern Brahma, Vishnu and

Mahesh in making the Hindu community ready for its historic role in the current century. You will also be in a position to realise what part you have to play in making Maharshi Aurobindo's prophecy a reality.

Presents the story of the great leader who succeeded in bringing about social and political change in India through nonviolent means.

During his campaign against racism in South Africa, and his involvement in the Congress-led nationalist struggle against British colonial rule in India, Mahatma Gandhi developed a new form of political struggle based on the idea of satyagraha, or nonviolent protest. He ushered in a new era of nationalism in India by articulating the nationalist protest in the language of non-violence, or ahisma, that galvanized the masses into action. Focusing on the principles of satyagraha and non-violence, and their evolution in the context of anti-imperial movements organized by Gandhi, this fascinating book looks at how these precepts underwent changes reflecting the ideological beliefs of the participants. Assessing Gandhi and his ideology, the text centres on the ways in which Gandhi took into account the views of other leading personalities of the era whilst articulating his theory of action. Concentrating on Gandhi's writings in Harijan, the weekly newspaper he founded, this volume provides a unique contextualized study of an iconic man's social and political ideas.

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