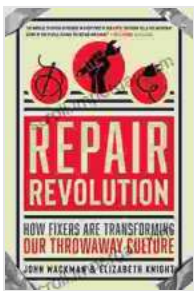


How Fixers Are Transforming Our Throwaway Culture

In a world where consumerism reigns supreme, a growing movement of fixers is challenging the status quo. These individuals are dedicated to repairing broken objects, extending their lifespan, and reducing waste in our society.



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The Rise of the Throwaway Culture

Over the past few decades, we have embraced a culture of disposability. Cheaply made products are designed to be replaced rather than repaired, leading to a staggering amount of waste. In the United States alone, we generate over 250 million tons of municipal solid waste each year, much of which ends up in landfills or incinerators.

The Role of Fixers

Fixers are the antithesis of this throwaway culture. They believe that objects have value beyond their initial use and that repairing them is not only possible but also desirable. By fixing broken items, fixers extend their lifespan, reduce waste, and save money.

Fixers come from all walks of life. Some are professional repair technicians, while others are hobbyists or simply people who enjoy learning how to fix things. They share a common passion for sustainability and a desire to make a positive impact on the world.

The Benefits of Fixing

Fixing broken objects has numerous benefits, both for individuals and for society as a whole.

Environmental Benefits

Fixing objects reduces waste and conserves natural resources. When we repair an item, we prevent it from ending up in a landfill or incinerator. Less waste means less pollution and a healthier environment for all.

Economic Benefits

Fixing objects can save money. Replacing a broken item can be expensive, but repairing it can often be done for a fraction of the cost. By extending the lifespan of our belongings, we can reduce our consumption and save money in the long run.

Social Benefits

Fixing objects can foster a sense of community. When we gather together to repair our belongings, we connect with each other and learn from each

other. This sense of community can help to build stronger relationships and a more sustainable society.

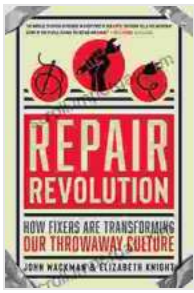
How to Get Involved

If you're interested in becoming a fixer, there are many ways to get involved.

- Join a local repair café or fixit clinic. These community-based organizations provide free or low-cost repairs for a variety of items.
- Take a repair class or workshop. Many community colleges and online platforms offer repair classes that can teach you the basics of fixing common household items.
- Find a mentor. If you know someone who is skilled at fixing things, ask them to teach you what they know.
- Start fixing your own belongings. Even if you don't have any prior experience, there are many resources available online and in libraries that can help you get started.

The rise of the fixer movement is a hopeful sign that we can move away from our throwaway culture and towards a more sustainable future. By repairing our broken objects, we can reduce waste, save money, and foster a sense of community. Join the fixer movement today and help to create a world where things are valued for their long-term use and not just their initial cost.

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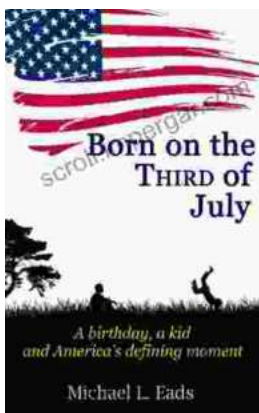
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