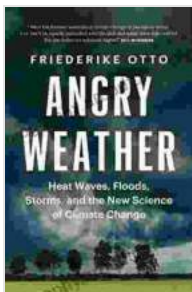


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The Causes of Extreme Weather Events

The primary cause of extreme weather events is the burning of fossil fuels, which releases greenhouse gases into the atmosphere. These gases trap heat and cause the planet to warm. As the planet warms, the atmosphere can hold more water vapor, which leads to more frequent and intense rainfall and snowfall. Additionally, the warming of the oceans leads to more frequent and intense hurricanes and typhoons.



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The Impacts of Extreme Weather Events

Extreme weather events can have a wide range of impacts on society. These impacts can be both direct and indirect. Direct impacts include death, injury, and property damage. Indirect impacts include disruptions to infrastructure, transportation, and supply chains. Extreme weather events can also lead to economic losses, social unrest, and political instability.

The New Science of Climate Change

In recent years, there has been a growing body of scientific research on extreme weather events. This research has helped us to better understand the causes and impacts of these events. It has also helped us to develop new strategies for adapting to and mitigating the effects of climate change.

Adaptation to Extreme Weather Events

There are a number of ways to adapt to extreme weather events. These include:

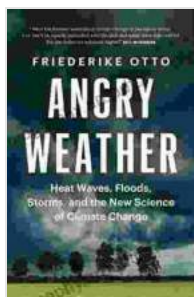
- * Building seawalls and levees to protect coastal communities from flooding
- * Strengthening infrastructure to make it more resistant to high winds and heavy rainfall
- * Developing early warning systems to give people time to evacuate before a storm strikes
- * Educating the public about the risks of extreme weather events

Mitigation of Extreme Weather Events

The most effective way to mitigate the effects of climate change is to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. This can be done by:

- * Transitioning to renewable energy sources, such as solar and wind power
- * Improving energy efficiency in buildings and transportation
- * Reducing deforestation and promoting reforestation
- * Investing in research and development of new technologies to reduce greenhouse gas emissions

Extreme weather events are a major threat to society. However, by understanding the causes and impacts of these events, we can develop strategies to adapt to and mitigate their effects. The new science of climate change provides us with the tools we need to build a more resilient future.



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