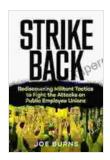
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Public employee unions are under attack. In recent years, we have seen a concerted effort by politicians and corporate interests to weaken unions and strip workers of their rights. These attacks have taken many forms, including legislation that makes it more difficult for workers to organize and bargain collectively, cuts to public funding for union services, and even outright attacks on the right to strike.

In the face of these attacks, it is more important than ever for public employee unions to rediscover their militant traditions. Militant tactics are those that are designed to disrupt the normal functioning of society and bring attention to the demands of the workers. These tactics can include strikes, protests, and civil disobedience. While militant tactics can be controversial, they have a long history of success in the labor movement. In the early days of the labor movement, workers used militant tactics to win basic rights such as the eight-hour day and the right to organize. In recent years, militant tactics have been used successfully by workers in a variety of industries, including public employees.

The Case for Militant Tactics

There are a number of reasons why public employee unions should consider using militant tactics. First, militant tactics can be very effective in raising public awareness of the issues that workers are facing. When workers take to the streets in protest, it is hard to ignore their demands. Second, militant tactics can put pressure on politicians and corporate interests to make concessions. When workers are willing to disrupt the normal functioning of society, it can be very costly for those in power to ignore their demands. Third, militant tactics can build solidarity among workers and strengthen the labor movement. When workers fight together, they can achieve more than they could on their own.

Examples of Militant Tactics

There are a variety of militant tactics that public employee unions can use to fight the attacks on their rights. Some of the most common tactics include:

* **Strikes:** A strike is a work stoppage in which workers refuse to work until their demands are met. Strikes can be very effective in bringing attention to the issues that workers are facing and putting pressure on politicians and corporate interests to make concessions. * **Protests:** A protest is a public

demonstration in which workers express their opposition to a particular policy or action. Protests can be very effective in raising public awareness of the issues that workers are facing and building solidarity among workers. * **Civil disobedience:** Civil disobedience is a form of nonviolent protest in which workers break the law in Free Download to protest a particular policy or action. Civil disobedience can be very effective in bringing attention to the issues that workers are facing and putting pressure on politicians and

The Risks of Militant Tactics

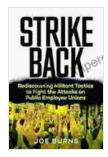
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While militant tactics can be very effective, they also come with some risks. Militant tactics can be disruptive and can alienate the public. Additionally, militant tactics can lead to retaliation from employers and politicians. It is important for public employee unions to carefully consider the risks and benefits of militant tactics before using them.

Militant tactics are a powerful tool that public employee unions can use to fight the attacks on their rights. While militant tactics come with some risks, they can be very effective in raising public awareness of the issues that workers are facing, putting pressure on politicians and corporate interests to make concessions, and building solidarity among workers. Public employee unions should consider using militant tactics as part of a comprehensive strategy to fight the attacks on their rights.

Additional Resources

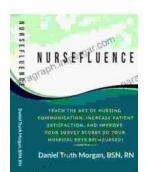
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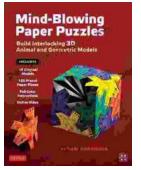
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