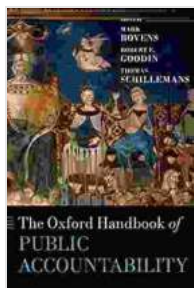


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## Abstract

The Oxford Handbook of Public Accountability is a comprehensive and authoritative resource on the latest research and thinking on public accountability. This expansive handbook delves into the multifaceted nature of public accountability, examining its various dimensions, theoretical foundations, and practical applications. Covering a wide range of topics, from the role of transparency and participation to the challenges of holding governments and corporations accountable, this handbook offers a thorough examination of the evolving landscape of public accountability in the 21st century.

Public accountability is a fundamental principle of democratic governance. It ensures that those who exercise power are answerable to the public for their decisions and actions. In recent years, there has been a growing

demand for greater public accountability, driven by factors such as the rise of globalization, the increasing complexity of public policy, and the erosion of trust in public institutions.

The Oxford Handbook of Public Accountability is a timely and comprehensive resource that meets this demand. This handbook brings together leading scholars from a variety of disciplines to provide a state-of-the-art overview of the field of public accountability. The handbook is divided into six parts, each of which explores a different aspect of public accountability.

### **Part 1: The Conceptual Foundations of Public Accountability**

The first part of the handbook examines the conceptual foundations of public accountability. This part explores the different theoretical perspectives on accountability, including the traditional principal-agent model, the stakeholder theory, and the deliberative democratic model. It also discusses the key elements of accountability systems, such as transparency, participation, and enforcement.

### **Part 2: The Institutional Dimensions of Public Accountability**

The second part of the handbook examines the institutional dimensions of public accountability. This part explores the different institutions that are involved in holding public officials and organizations accountable. These institutions include legislatures, courts, the media, and civil society organizations.

### **Part 3: The Challenges of Public Accountability**

The third part of the handbook examines the challenges of public accountability. This part explores the various factors that can make it

difficult to hold public officials and organizations accountable. These factors include the complexity of public policy, the power of special interests, and the erosion of trust in public institutions.

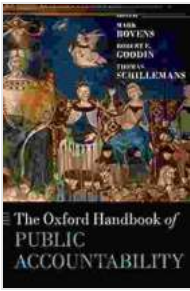
## **Part 4: The Future of Public Accountability**

The fourth part of the handbook examines the future of public accountability. This part explores the emerging trends that are likely to shape the future of public accountability. These trends include the rise of new technologies, the increasing globalization of public policy, and the changing nature of public trust.

The Oxford Handbook of Public Accountability is an essential resource for anyone interested in the field of public accountability. This handbook provides a comprehensive and authoritative overview of the latest research and thinking on public accountability. It is a valuable resource for scholars, policymakers, and practitioners alike.

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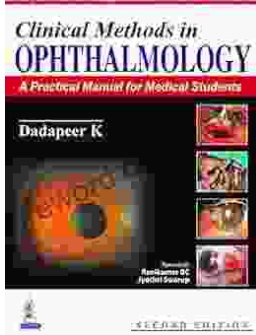
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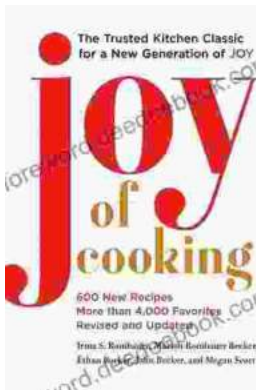
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