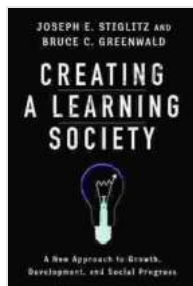# A New Approach to Growth, Development, and Social Progress

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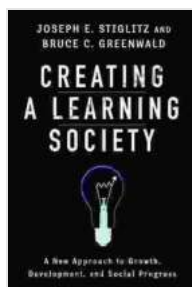
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- We must promote social justice. We need to create a more just and equitable world, where everyone has the opportunity to succeed. We need to invest in education, healthcare, and other social programs that help to level the playing field for all.

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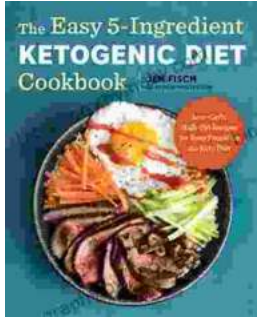
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