



# To Fight and Learn: The Praxis and Promise of Literacy in Eritrea's Independence War

*Les Gottesman, Leslie Gottesman*

Download now

[Click here](#) if your download doesn't start automatically

# To Fight and Learn: The Praxis and Promise of Literacy in Eritrea's Independence War

*Les Gottesman, Leslie Gottesman*

**To Fight and Learn: The Praxis and Promise of Literacy in Eritrea's Independence War** Les Gottesman, Leslie Gottesman

War And Beyond This book investigates the promise of education, as understood by adults, and the practice of educators-teachers, administrators, and educational policy makers-in the newly independent nation of Eritrea. In May 1991, the Eritrean People's Liberation Army "swept 100,000 besieged Ethiopian soldiers out of Asmara, the Eritrean capital," ending 30 years of Ethiopian occupation and Africa's longest continuous modern war. On May 24, 1993, Eritrea declared itself an independent nation. On May 28, Eritrea joined the United Nations.

The Eritrean independence struggle became synonymous with "self-reliance"- a 30-year war fought from wholly within the country by a politically mobilized population supporting a large, well-trained army using captured weapons. The historical and political necessity of Eritrean self-reliance forced Eritreans to plan and test-while fighting for-the kind of society they wanted.

The Eritrean People's Liberation Front, or EPLF, the leadership of the independence war and subsequently the core of the provisional Government of Eritrea (from May 1991) and now (since May 1993) of the Government of Eritrea, has had long-standing plans for the redesign of education to meet the country's needs in the era of peace and political independence. In her 1990 film, ERITREA, Susan Kalish observed:

Envisioning a world beyond war, Eritreans give highest priority to education. Children are enrolled in schools inside liberated Eritrea and in neighboring Sudan. Classrooms are camouflaged to avoid detection by Ethiopian bombers. In the upper grades, classes are taught in English. Fluency in English will keep Eritreans current with worldwide developments in science and technology. English will also help an independent Eritrea community. Adult education is also a high priority. In literacy classes, peasants and fighters alike are being retrained and prepared for independence and self-determination.

Also in 1990, Roy Pateman cited as one of his reasons for "predicting the ultimate success" of the EPLF the close relationship between Eritrean peasants and the movement: "Peasants," explained Pateman, "have been as important as technology in transforming societies," However, "peasants are most likely to revolt if faced with a new or sudden imposition which by the Ethiopian regime, of "land reform" and collective farming, swung peasant support decisively to the EPLF in the 1970s. Since then, the EPLF has managed to introduce many reforms, including land redistribution . "Peasant acceptance of the EPLF's land reform policy has been a major reason for the EPLF's continued ability to mobilize popular support," Pateman concluded. The EPLF, Richard Leonard observed in 1988, has not only been doing things in a very sensible manner, but doing first things first. Since Eritrea is a peasant society, growth and development must begin with the peasantry. The EPLF has recognised this, and in terms of actions undertaken and results obtained, attention is cent [e] red on the peasantry. First things first means beginning with the creation of local democratic organs of self-government. It means involving peasants in such a way that it is they who are the fundamental actors in developing rural society.

 [Download To Fight and Learn: The Praxis and Promise of Lite ...pdf](#)

 [Read Online To Fight and Learn: The Praxis and Promise of Li ...pdf](#)

## **Download and Read Free Online To Fight and Learn: The Praxis and Promise of Literacy in Eritrea's Independence War Les Gottesman, Leslie Gottesman**

---

### **From reader reviews:**

#### **Tonya Deschamps:**

The book To Fight and Learn: The Praxis and Promise of Literacy in Eritrea's Independence War can give more knowledge and also the precise product information about everything you want. Exactly why must we leave the great thing like a book To Fight and Learn: The Praxis and Promise of Literacy in Eritrea's Independence War? Some of you have a different opinion about guide. But one aim in which book can give many information for us. It is absolutely right. Right now, try to closer using your book. Knowledge or data that you take for that, you can give for each other; you are able to share all of these. Book To Fight and Learn: The Praxis and Promise of Literacy in Eritrea's Independence War has simple shape however, you know: it has great and big function for you. You can appearance the enormous world by open up and read a publication. So it is very wonderful.

#### **Melanie Roberts:**

Here thing why this kind of To Fight and Learn: The Praxis and Promise of Literacy in Eritrea's Independence War are different and trustworthy to be yours. First of all examining a book is good but it really depends in the content than it which is the content is as delightful as food or not. To Fight and Learn: The Praxis and Promise of Literacy in Eritrea's Independence War giving you information deeper since different ways, you can find any reserve out there but there is no reserve that similar with To Fight and Learn: The Praxis and Promise of Literacy in Eritrea's Independence War. It gives you thrill reading journey, its open up your current eyes about the thing in which happened in the world which is maybe can be happened around you. You can actually bring everywhere like in recreation area, café, or even in your means home by train. When you are having difficulties in bringing the paper book maybe the form of To Fight and Learn: The Praxis and Promise of Literacy in Eritrea's Independence War in e-book can be your choice.

#### **Alice Prahl:**

Now a day people who Living in the era everywhere everything reachable by match the internet and the resources within it can be true or not involve people to be aware of each details they get. How many people to be smart in getting any information nowadays? Of course the reply is reading a book. Examining a book can help individuals out of this uncertainty Information particularly this To Fight and Learn: The Praxis and Promise of Literacy in Eritrea's Independence War book because book offers you rich facts and knowledge. Of course the details in this book hundred percent guarantees there is no doubt in it you may already know.

#### **Malcolm Thurmond:**

As a scholar exactly feel bored to reading. If their teacher asked them to go to the library or to make summary for some guide, they are complained. Just very little students that has reading's soul or real their hobby. They just do what the educator want, like asked to go to the library. They go to right now there but nothing reading significantly. Any students feel that reading is not important, boring and also can't see

colorful images on there. Yeah, it is for being complicated. Book is very important for yourself. As we know that on this period, many ways to get whatever we really wish for. Likewise word says, ways to reach Chinese's country. So , this To Fight and Learn: The Praxis and Promise of Literacy in Eritrea's Independence War can make you really feel more interested to read.

**Download and Read Online To Fight and Learn: The Praxis and Promise of Literacy in Eritrea's Independence War Les Gottesman, Leslie Gottesman #VD9A48BLTHZ**

## **Read To Fight and Learn: The Praxis and Promise of Literacy in Eritrea's Independence War by Les Gottesman, Leslie Gottesman for online ebook**

To Fight and Learn: The Praxis and Promise of Literacy in Eritrea's Independence War by Les Gottesman, Leslie Gottesman Free PDF d0wnl0ad, audio books, books to read, good books to read, cheap books, good books, online books, books online, book reviews epub, read books online, books to read online, online library, greatbooks to read, PDF best books to read, top books to read To Fight and Learn: The Praxis and Promise of Literacy in Eritrea's Independence War by Les Gottesman, Leslie Gottesman books to read online.

### **Online To Fight and Learn: The Praxis and Promise of Literacy in Eritrea's Independence War by Les Gottesman, Leslie Gottesman ebook PDF download**

**To Fight and Learn: The Praxis and Promise of Literacy in Eritrea's Independence War by Les Gottesman, Leslie Gottesman Doc**

**To Fight and Learn: The Praxis and Promise of Literacy in Eritrea's Independence War by Les Gottesman, Leslie Gottesman Mobipocket**

**To Fight and Learn: The Praxis and Promise of Literacy in Eritrea's Independence War by Les Gottesman, Leslie Gottesman EPub**