



## Dialectics of Nature: Explanation about Dialectical Materialism (Paperback)

By Frederick Engels

Createspace Independent Publishing Platform, 2015. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book \*\*\*\*\* Print on Demand \*\*\*\*\*. Dialectics of Nature is an unfinished 1883 work by Frederick Engels that applies Marxist ideas - particularly those of dialectical materialism - to science. In his 1939 preface to the work, the biologist J. B. S. Haldane states most of the manuscript seems to have been written between 1872 and 1882, that is to say it refers to the science of that era. Hence it is often hard to follow if one does not know the history of the scientific practice of that time. The idea of what is now called the conservation of energy was beginning to permeate physics, chemistry and biology, but it was still very incompletely realised, and still more incompletely applied. Words such as force , motion , and vis viva were used where we should now speak of energy. Some then controversial topics of Engels day, pertaining to incomplete or faulty theories, are now settled, making some of Engels essays dated. Their interest lies not so much in their detailed criticism of theories, but in showing how Engels grappled with intellectual problems. One law proposed in...



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