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fundamental levels, and in that it is possible to spin innumerable new theories from the elements of the four main theories. Key Features: Covers the four major theories of distributive justice and their leading philosophers, elucidating the attractions and drawbacks of each: o F.A. Hayek and right-liberalism o John Rawls and left-liberalism. Robert Nozick and libertarianism o G.A. Cohen and socialism. Explains why these four theories have come to dominate most philosophical discussions on distributive justice, highlighting the essential answer provided in each that is lacking in other theories. Written for any reader coming up to the topic for the first time, with an annotated reading list at the end of each chapter and helpful glossary at the back of the book"

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