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It is clearly seen from The Lever of Riches that Mokyr follows a scientific methodology with which he tests hypotheses of different historians who tried to solve the technological progress mystery, and he refutes most of these hypothesis by using sound justifications. From chemistry to agriculture, metallurgy to shipping, by narrating the different inventions of the historical periods from classical antiquity to year 1914, Mokyr tries to address the causes of technological progress. Joel Mokyr's Lever of Riches is a book on technological creativity. Throughout his book Mokyr searches for the variables that affect the technological change. As it is deduced from the text that the technology, by itself, is not the only cause of the richness of a nation, but the interactions among the law, trade, administration, institutions and inventions create the vital, and generally short-lived, environment for the technological progress which yields to richness. In a world of supercomputers, genetic engineering, and fiber optics, technological creativity is ever more the key to economic success. But why are some nations more creative than others, and why do some highly innovative societies—such as ancient China, or Britain in the industrial revolution—pass into stagnation? The Lever of Riches Technological Creativity and Economic Progress Joel Mokyr. Begins with a fascinating, concise history of technological progress, which sets the background for analysis by tracing the major inventions and innovations that have transformed society since ancient Greece and Rome - The Lever Of Riches Technological Creativity And Economic Progress