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ldquo;The book provides a coherent synthesis of theories about knowledge-in-use (beyond epistemological musings) ranging from the psychology of Daniel Kahneman, to the organization studies of Lave and Wenger, to the philosophy of Gilbert Ryle. hellip; Maybinrsquo;s analysis and synthesis of key insights across a wide range of theoretical disciplines provides an excellent starting point for those hoping to carry those insights forward.rdquo; (James Shaw, *Critical Policy Studies*, Vol. 11 (2), May, 2017)nbsp;