

using the Clayoquot case as an example.

Chapter 9: *The Mediated Global Village*: Politics in Cyberspace

Everyone involved in the struggles at Clayoquot tried to use the media to their own advantage -- and the media used them in turn. What makes this process especially interesting is that the global media were perceived to have enormous power in relation to the courts, the governments, and the companies who ostensibly wielded authority in the area. The purpose of this chapter is to explore the political implications of this apparent shift into cyberspace as the key venue for struggle.

Chapter 10: *Gods and Goddesses*: Local Practices and the Authority of Science

Clayoquot has been the site of various efforts -- especially on the part of the provincial government -- to resolve disagreements by appealing to the authority of science. On the other hand, the authority of Western science has been challenged by various claims to local knowledge from environmentalists, local residents, and (especially) First Nations people. By exploring these contending claims, we can open up some of the difficult epistemological and ontological issues that recur everywhere but that are often hidden.

CONCLUSION: *Localism and Globalism*: New Configurations of World Politics

The premise of this book is that Clayoquot is a microcosm of contemporary politics, and that a wide range of practical and theoretical issues can be explored through the frame of events of this region. In their concluding essay, the editors will be attempting to show how the explorations in the preceding chapters reveal the terrain within which contemporary politics is contested. The over-arching claim is that the "politics of Clayoquot" are paradigmatic, and that we ignore this paradigm at our own risk.