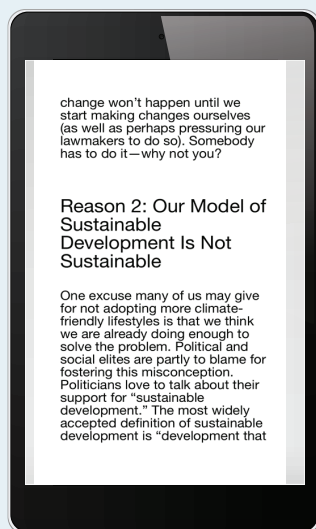# EPUB VS PDF

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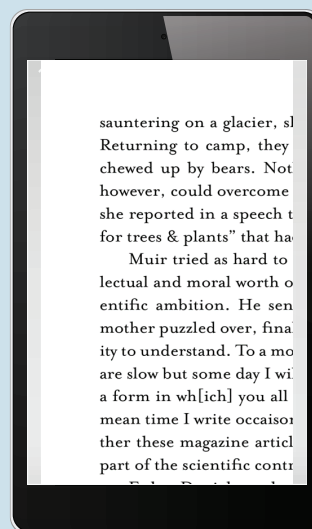
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change won't happen until we start making changes ourselves (as well as perhaps pressuring our lawmakers to do so). Somebody has to do it—why not you?

Reason 2: Our Model of Sustainable Development Is Not Sustainable

One excuse many of us may give for not adopting more climate-friendly lifestyles is that we think we are already doing enough to solve the problem. Political and social elites are partly to blame for fostering this misconception. Politicians love to talk about their support for "sustainable development." The most widely accepted definition of sustainable development is "development that

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