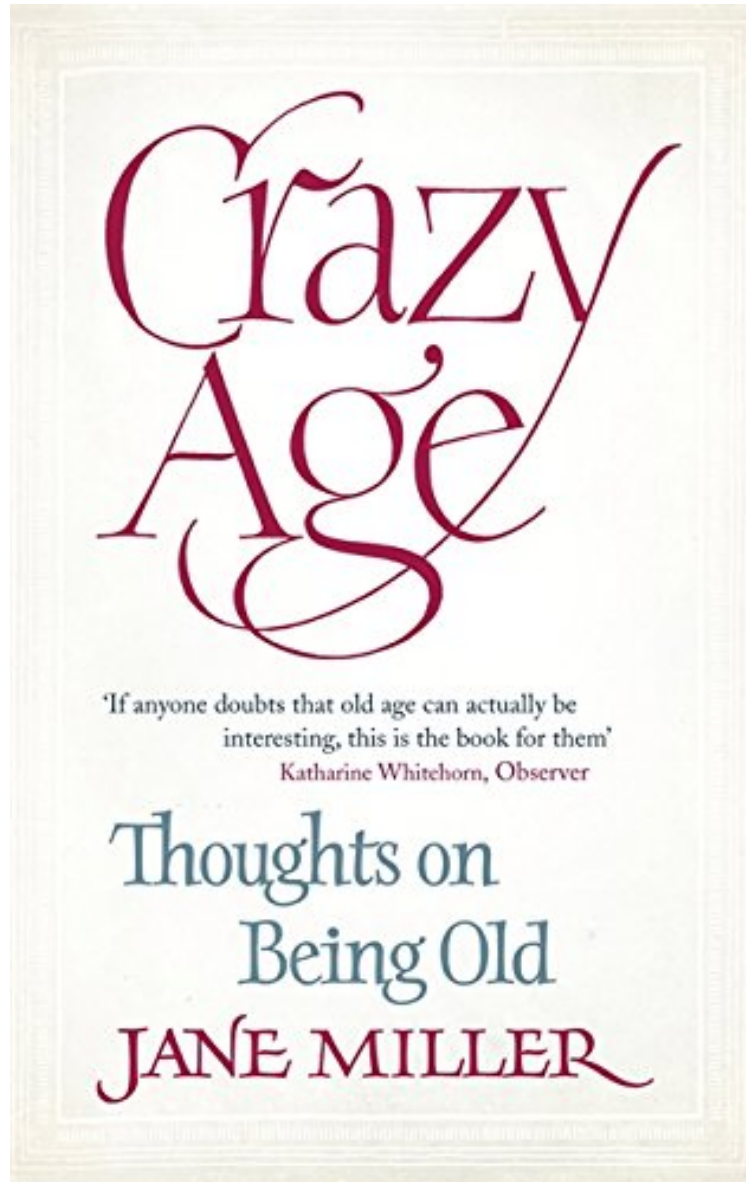


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2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Good insights on aging By Maeri Jane Miller's Crazy Age is a memoir about her life as an elderly woman. She also uses examples from literature and contemporary thought to enlarge on the experience of aging in general. What I liked about the book is that even though Miller is obviously an

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