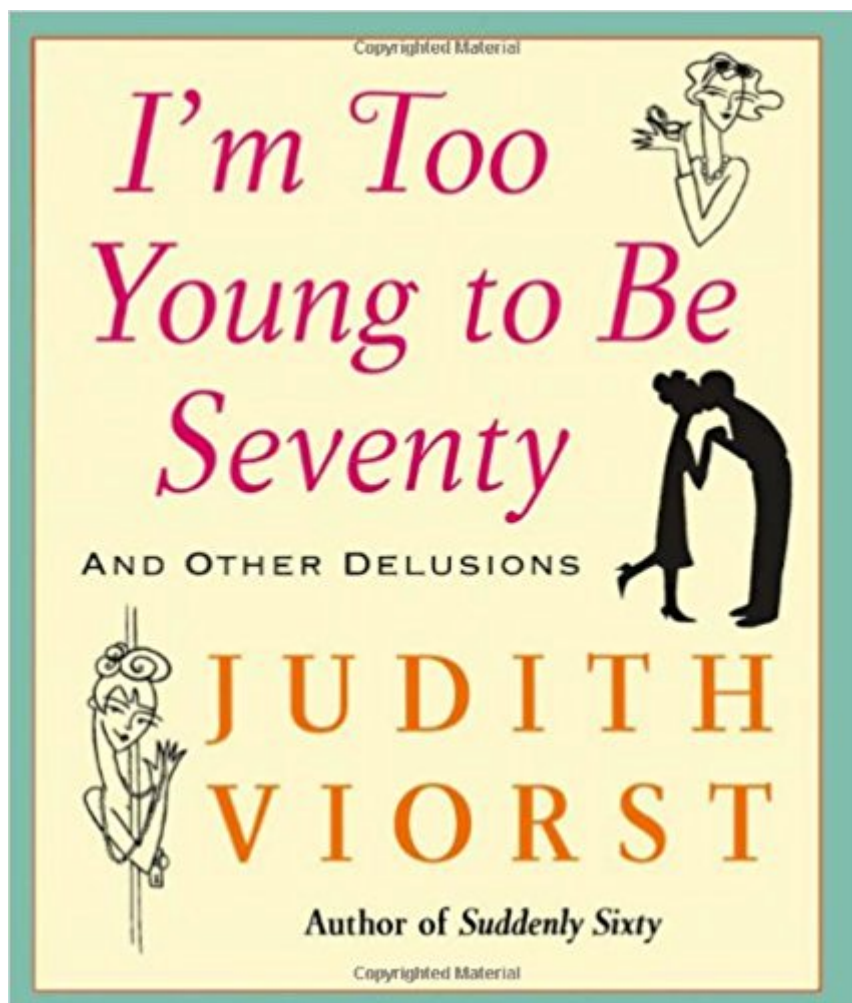


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# I'm Too Young To Be Seventy



## Synopsis

The beloved author of *Forever Fifty* and *Suddenly Sixty* tackles the ins and outs of becoming a septuagenarian with wry good humor. Fans of Viorst's funny, touching, and wise decades poems will love these verses filled with witty advice and reflections on marriage, milestones, and middle-aged children. Viorst explores, among the many other issues of this stage of life, the state of our sex lives and teeth, how we can stay married though thermostatically incompatible, and the joys of grandparenthood and shopping. Readers will nod with rueful recognition when she asks, "Am I required to think of myself as a basically shallow woman because I feel better when my hair looks good?" when she presses a few helpful suggestions on her kids because "they may be middle aged, but they're still my children" and when she graciously—but not too graciously—selects her husband's next mate in a poem deliciously subtitled "If I Should Die Before I Wake, Here's the Wife You Next Should Take." Though Viorst acknowledges she is definitely not a good sport about the fact that she is mortal, her poems are full of the pleasures of life right now, helping us come to terms with the passage of time, encouraging us to keep trying to fix the world, and inviting us to consider "drinking wine, making love, laughing hard, caring hard, and learning a new trick or two as part of our job description at seventy." *I'm Too Young to Be Seventy* is a joy to read and makes a heartwarming gift for anyone who has reached or is soon to reach that it's not so bad after all—seventh decade.

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Judith Viorst was born and brought up in New Jersey and has lived in Washington, DC, since 1960, when she married Milton Viorst, a political writer. A graduate in 1981 of the Washington Psychoanalytic Institute, Viorst writes in many different areas: science books, children's chapter and picture books including the beloved *Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day*, which has sold some four million copies; adult fiction and nonfiction including the New York Times bestseller, *Necessary Losses*; poetry for children and adults, and four musicals. Her most recent book of poetry for children, *What Are You Glad About? What Are You Mad About?* was published in 2016. *Lulu Is Getting a Sister* is the fourth book in the Lulu series.

Makes one look forward to seventy! Funny, but also makes you ponder on things. Very easy to read and very much enjoyed!

I got this as a 70th birthday present and was thrilled. I have been a Judith Viorst fan for a long time and had not heard of this book. I have since then given it to quite a few friends who turned 70 after me. It would be worth it for the title alone but the insides are just as good as the name.

Great for friends turning 70...great poetry.

Perfect. Some warm, funny and heart felt memories in every chapter. I also enjoyed reading the chapters that did not directly relate to my life experiences. This book is one of my most cherished Birthday gifts.

did not realize, although perhaps I should have, that this book is specifically written for women turning 70. will not work to give my husband for his upcoming #70

I was disappointed in this book. There was nothing new, refreshing, witty or inspiring as one would hope for with the title. The book is more about the woes of being married to the same man for 30 years then turning 70. I guess I should have judged the book by the cover (a heterosexual couple kissing) then the reputation of the author. Took me all of 20 minutes to finish the entire book.

Very cute book for the celebrated 70th birthday of a friend or family member.

I have read all her book and enjoyed them. As I am the eldest of my group of friends, I give them as decade birthdays. Laughter is the best medicine.

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