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Von John Scalzi : Old Man's War before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Old Man's War:

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Ausnahmen - die schleppend starten und sich dann entwickeln, oder hervorragend begingen und zum Ende langatmig und irgendwie berflssig werden, doch Old Man's gehrt in keine dieser Kategorien. Der erste Absatz hat mich gepackt und dann konnte ich nicht mehr aufhren zu lesen. 10 von 11 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Good fighting plus Good story Von Florian254 Those of you who are intimidated by the people who write it reads like Heinlein, well Heinlein at its best without the political agenda would be more fitting. Earth is still a backwater, hardly changed from today while space has been colonized by humans, to be more precise the part of space not conquered by other alien races. And there are several hundred of them out there. So soldiers are needed and lots of soldiers and they are recruited from earth. Die of old age or die with a young body in the army is the choice at hand. Everybody wants to survive his term and become a settler on a planet. The fighting is as realistically described as possible in SF, the characters tune in well, what disturbs me is of course that the hero becomes a sort of super soldier... It is in any case very good reading and gives some food for thought in the end.

Kurzbeschreibung The universe is a dangerous place in John Scalzi's Old Man's War, the first in The Old Man's War series. At seventy-five years old, John Perry is after a fresh start - so, naturally, he joins the army. Earth's military machine can transform elderly recruits, restoring their lost youth. But in return, its Colonial Defence Force demands two years of hazardous service in space. This is how Perry finds himself in a new body, crafted from his original DNA. A genetically enhanced and upgraded new body, ready for battle. But upgrades alone won't keep Perry safe. He'll be fighting for his life on the front line as he defends humanity's colonies from hostile aliens. He'll pay the price for his choices, and he'll discover the universe is even more dangerous than he imagined. From Publishers Weekly Starred . Though a lot of SF writers are more or less efficiently continuing the tradition of Robert A. Heinlein, Scalzi's astonishingly proficient first novel reads like an original work by the late grand master. Seventy-five-year-old John Perry joins the Colonial Defense Force because he has nothing to keep him on Earth. Suddenly installed in a better-than-new young body, he begins developing loyalty toward his comrades in arms as they battle aliens for habitable planets in a crowded galaxy. As bloody combat experiences pile up, Perry begins wondering whether the slaughter is justified; in short, is being a warrior really a good thing, let alone being human? The definition of "human" keeps expanding as Perry is pushed through a series of mind-stretching revelations. The story obviously resembles such novels as Starship Trooper and Time Enough for Love, but Scalzi is not just recycling classic Heinlein. He's working out new twists, variations that startle even as they satisfy. The novel's tone is right on target, too sentimentality balanced by hardheaded calculation, know-it-all smugness moderated by innocent wonder. This virtuoso debut pays tribute to SF's past while showing that well-worn tropes still can have real zip when they're approached with ingenuity. Copyright Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved. From Booklist With his wife dead and buried, and life nearly over at 75, John Perry takes the only logical course of action left him: he joins the army. Now better known as the Colonial Defense Force (CDF), Perry's service-of-choice has extended its reach into interstellar space to pave the way for human colonization of other planets while fending off marauding aliens. The CDF has a trick up its sleeve that makes enlistment especially enticing for seniors: the promise of restoring youth. After bonding with a group of fellow recruits who dub their clique the Old Farts, Perry finds himself in a new body crafted from his original DNA and upgraded for battle, including fast-clotting "smartblood" and a brain-implanted personal computer. All too quickly the Old Farts are separated, and Perry fights for his life on various alien-infested battlegrounds. Scalzi's blending of wry humor and futuristic warfare recalls Joe Haldeman's classic, The Forever War (1974), and strikes the right fan--pleasing chords to probably garner major sf award nominations. Carl Hays Copyright American Library Association. All rights reserved