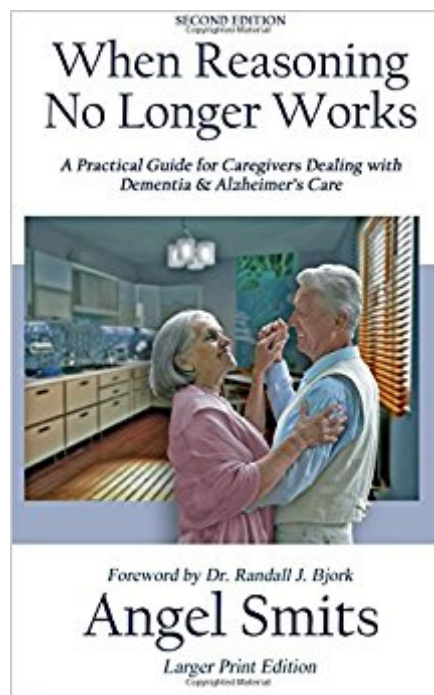




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# When Reasoning No Longer Works: A Practical Guide For Caregivers Dealing With Dementia & Alzheimer's Care



## Synopsis

Nearly five million families deal with Alzheimer's Disease and other forms of dementia on a daily basis. They do this with little training, and often only their good intentions guide them. When Reasoning No Longer Works is the training manual these family caregivers have been searching for. Written by a Gerontologist with more than twenty years of experience, this reference gives the reader an easy to understand view of what dementia does to the brain, how it is diagnosed, and most importantly, how to deal with its effects. Bulleted lists clearly explain: How to avoid a catastrophic reaction Specific approaches for aggressive behavior How to deal with disruptive behaviors Ways to diminish wandering What to do when a wanderer is missing When to look for outside help You'll also follow the story of Lou and Rose, a couple who share their lives with Alzheimer's disease. Together, they find the answers to questions caregivers and victims are sometimes afraid to ask.

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## Customer Reviews

Angel Smits received her degree in Gerontology from the University of Northern Colorado, but learned the most about the care of Alzheimer's and dementia patients through day-to-day contact with them and their families. First as a social worker, then in the role of director for multiple secure units in Colorado, she developed the skills she now shares through her lectures and writing. She is an award-winning author as well as the former co-owner of Care Decisions, LLC, a consulting, care management firm.

This is a great guide for families! Nice combination of compassion and practical information.-

Andrew Arneson BSN, RN

This book helped me so much when my father had a stroke that affected his mental processes (stroke-related dementia). WHEN REASONING NO LONGER WORKS helped explain the changes in his behavior and helped me to better understand and therefore cope with his requests, demands, confusions, and endless questions. Dementia/Alzheimer's is a devastating disease because it sneaks up on the patient as well as the patient's family/caregivers. My father sounded the same, but his mental process slowly deteriorated and I was at a loss as how to make him safe and comfortable. This book explained so much by example and by information and gave me realistic and truly practical suggestions to help me cope, process and deal with his slow decline. It was the best resource I found to help guide me on the rocky path we all walked together.

My mom was just diagnosed with Dementia. This book will help my sisters and I so much. We have so much to learn and we can't afford to hurt our Mom. But knowing what to do is so hard. Thanks for answering so many questions.

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