

Crabbed Age and Youth

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Crabbed **Age** **and** **Youth**
[ˈkræb.ɪd eːɪdʒ ænd juθ]

Cannot **live** **together:**
[ˈkæn.ət lɪv tə(u).ˈɡeð.ə]

Youth is full of pleasance (pleasure),
Age is full of care;
Youth like summer morn,
Age like winter weather;
Youth like summer brave,
Age like winter bare.
Youth is full of sport,
Age's breath is short;
Youth is nimble, Age is lame;
Youth is hot and bold,
Age is weak and cold;
Youth is wild, and Age is tame.
Age, I do abhor thee;
Youth, I do adore thee;
O, my Love, my Love is young!
Age, I do defy thee:
O, sweet shepherd, hie thee,
For methinks thou stay'st too long.

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