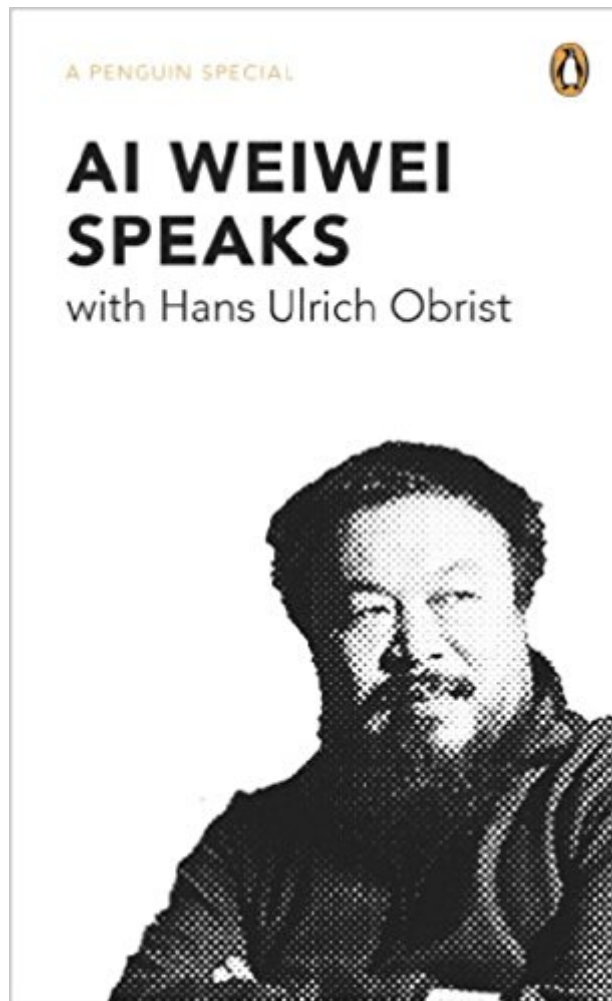


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The book is a very easy read- can be read in many moods. It is inspiring, historical and leaves you with a greater curiosity and more questions than you began with. I read it twice over a weekend and I will possibly carry it with me on travels to read parts again. Every reading I feel unveils something that I missed before.

Incredible work by Hans Ulrich Obrist with Ai Weiwei. An incredible piece to get to know the work of

this chinese remarkable artist. Seriously recommend it for art lovers.

This is a very neat little interview with one of today's most relevant artists by the the always fascinating Mr. Olbrist. Worth the dough!

This man is clever; this man is smart -- I have simply become a fan of his. I have begun writing down his quotes to share with people.

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