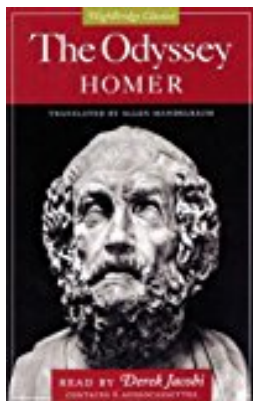


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From Library Journal While Mandelbaum and the University of California Press are to be commended for attempting this new translation of *The Odyssey*, those of Robert Fitzgerald (Doubleday, 1963) and Richard Lattimore (Harper & Row, 1968) still remain the versions of choice for serious students who don't know Greek. Mandelbaum's poetry is fluent but lacks the feeling for the original that he brought to his fine translations of Virgil (*The Aeneid of Virgil* , Bantam, 1976) and Dante (*The Divine Comedy: The Inferno* , Bantam, 1982). There is a looseness in the translation that often misses the intricacy and interconnection of *The Odyssey* as a whole. Illustrated with

engravings, this is essentially a coffee-table book.

- T.L. Cooksey, *Arm strong State Coll., Savannah, Ga.*

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Review Winner of the Earphones Award. Years ago, when this reviewer was casting his own radio dramatization of *The Odyssey*, he asked the classicists who were advising him how the narrator, who was to represent the voice of Homer, should sound. "Like the setting sun," they said cryptically. Your humble servant had no idea what they were talking about. Then. Now I know because Derek Jacobi does sound like the setting sun. And, in spite of some Briticisms that may jar American ears, Mandelbaum's translation wonderfully communicates the swift, simple, virile dignity of the original. The beauty, the dramathey come from the unhurried, masterful Jacobi. Isn't it fitting that the greatest living actor of the English-speaking world should spellbind listeners with the greatest yarn ever told [brought to you by HighBridge Audio]. -- *Audiofile*, Nov./Dec. 1996

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