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L'Odyss     d'Homer, illustr     par Nicolas Duffaut. Paris: Nathan, 2009

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Born in 1954 in Montreuil, in a family with origins in the Forez Mountains. Because of her father's occupation (the writer Georges Montforez, 1921-1974), during her childhood and adolescence she frequently moved and lived in many different places: Saint-  tienne, Marvejols, Nantes, Loudun, Issoire. She studied English at the University of Clermont-Ferrand, where she obtained her PhD (*L'image des personnages f  minins dans la litt  rature de jeunesse fran  aise contemporaine de 1975    1995*. Lille: Presses universitaires du Septentrion) in 1999. For the last forty years or so, she has lived with her family in the Haute-Garonne, Occitanie. During the last decade, she wrote a number of books based on a variety of Greek myths, with illustrations by Nicolas Duffaut; the books appeared in two series published by Nathan and called: *Petites histoires de la mythologie* and *Contes et l  gendes jeunesse*.

She has written over fifty books, mainly for children and received many literary awards:

- 1995 2nd prize for roman jeunesse du Minist  re de la Jeunesse et des Sports;
- 1998 Price Livrami of the city of Pithiviers;
- 2003-2004 Price Tatoulu ;
- 2004 Price Livre, mon ami, New Caledonia;
- 2007 Price of the City of Cherbourg-Octeville, XVIII   Livre d'Or des Jeunes Lecteurs Valenciennois, Price Ruralivres en Pas-de-Calais, Price Latulu des coll  giens du Maine-et-Loire;
- 2007 and 2008 Price of Readers' Spring, Narbonne, 2007-2008 Literary price of the Montagnes d'Auvergne;
- 2008 Price Jasmin, Agen, Price Tr  gor ados, Price Livrent  te Culture et Biblioth  ques Pour Tous, category Junior Novel.

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- Hélène Montardre, Nicolas Duffaut, ill. *Les monstres de l'Odyssée*. Paris: Nathan, 2016.
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