Cornwall, Gaia. **JABARI JUMPS**. Candlewick, 2017. $16. ISBN 9780763678388. Preschool – third grade.

When Jabari is finally ready to climb to the top of the diving board, readers will cheer his patience in overcoming fear. Forced perspective shows readers the event through Jabari’s eyes.

Egan, Jennifer. **MANHATTAN BEACH.** Scribner, 2017. $28. ISBN 1476716730. Paper, 2018. $17.00. ISBN 1476716749. Adult fiction.

Historical novel of World War II, featuring a female undersea diver on the Brooklyn docks. American to the core, the story reminds us of the impact each choice has on lives around us.

Hayes, Terry. **I AM PILGRIM**. Atria/Emily Bestler Books; reprint ed., 2014. $10. ISBN 1439177732. Adult fiction

Terrific thriller from 2014 feels like today. Brace yourself for international warfare, American heroes, explosive infectious disease, and changing locales for spies. Riveting read.

Jamieson, Victoria. **ALL’S FAIRE IN MIDDLE SCHOOL**. Dial Books, 2017. $21. ISBN 9780525429999. Grades 4 – 7.

Graphic novel featuring 11-year-old Imogene, who takes on the perfect quest: she will attend Middle School! Reader, be true to yourself, while navigating new social challenges.

Junger, Sebastian. **TRIBE: ON HOMECOMING AND BELONGING**. Twelve, 2016. $22. ISBN 1455566381. Adult nonfiction.

We live in an increasingly divided country. Junger sees history and psychology as a way into understanding. Military vets who miss their platoon, captives who long to stay, offer insights.

Leaf, Munro. Robert Lawson, illus. **THE STORY OF FERDINAND**. Viking Books for Young Readers, 1936. $17.99 ISBN 0670674249. Preschool – kindergarten.

The bull who isn’t like all the other bulls—he prefers to sit under a cork tree and smell the flowers. A classic picture book reissued as the movie Ferdinand the Bull in 2017.

L’Engle, Madeleine. **A WRINKLE IN TIME**. Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 2012. $26.99. ISBN 037438616. Many editions available. 5th grade and up.

The 1963 Newbery winner, also appearing as a 2018 Disney movie. Meg and Charles Wallace tesser to Camazotz to rescue their father from evil. Intergenerational discussion?

Martin, Bill. Eric Carle, illus. **BROWN BEAR, BROWN BEAR, WHAT DO YOU SEE?** Henry Holt, 2010. $8.99. ISBN 0805092447. Preschool – 2nd grade.

Rhythms and rhymes, matched by Eric Carle’s glorious color, make this a youthful favorite. And what youngster doesn’t love animals?

McKinley, Robin. **THE BLUE SWORD***.* Greenwillow Books, 1982. ISBN 9780688009380. $18. 6th grade and up.

Harry Crewe travels to the desert military outpost of Istan where her elder brother is stationed. She finds a path towards peace between two disparate cultures, protecting the land she loves.

Maurer, Tracy Nelson. Zeltner, Tim, illus. **JOHN DEERE, THAT’S WHO!** Henry Holt, 2017. ISBN 9781627791298. $19. Preschool – 3rd grade.

John Deere, a blacksmith from Vermont in the 1830’s, went to Illinois, where he developed a plow that could cut the tough prairie soil. The power of perseverance and hard work.

O’Malley, Daniel. **THE ROOK**. Little, Brown, 2012. Paper, $16. ISBN 0316098809. Adult fiction.

Myfanwy Thomas awakens without her memory in a London park surrounded by bodies. She will uncover her enemy within the ranks of the Chequy. Science fiction, fantasy and whodunit.

Simsion, Graeme. **THE ROSIE PROJECT**. Simon and Schuster, 2013. $24.00 ISBN 1476729085. Paper, 2014. $15.99. ISBN 1476729093. Adult fiction.

Can a genetics professor on the spectrum find a compatible partner using logic? Entertaining, and sweet, a little novel that teases us to enjoy the human condition.

Yoon, Salina. **DUCK, DUCK, PORCUPINE**! Bloomsbury USA Childrens, 2016. 9781619637238. $10. Preschool – first grade.

Older sister Big Duck, non-verbal younger brother Little Duck, and their gentle friend Porcupine are the heroes of this series. Great fun to read to a child, or to have a child read to you.