

Best Sellers Fiction

This Week **FICTION**

This Week		Last Week	Weeks On List
1	THE ASSOCIATE , by John Grisham. (Doubleday, \$27.95.) An idealistic law-school graduate is forced to take a job at a large, brutalizing law firm.		1
2	THE HOST , by Stephenie Meyer. (Little, Brown, \$25.99.) Aliens have taken control of the minds and bodies of most human beings, but one woman won't surrender.	2	38
3	THE STORY OF EDGAR SAWTELLE , by David Wroblewski. (Ecco, \$25.95.) A mute takes refuge with three dogs in the Wisconsin woods after his father's death.	3	34
4	PLUM SPOOKY , by Janet Evanovich. (St. Martin's, \$27.95.) The bounty hunter Stephanie Plum hunts an evil genius and his sidekick, who are hiding in New Jersey's Pine Barrens.	1	4
5	WHAT I DID FOR LOVE , by Susan Elizabeth Phillips. (Morrow, \$25.99.) A former sitcom star, abandoned by her husband, elopes with her former co-star, who treats her badly.		1
6	DARK OF NIGHT , by Suzanne Brockmann. (Ballantine, \$25.) The head of an elite security force fakes the death of a friend who has left a shadowy government agency.		1
7	AGINCOURT , by Bernard Cornwell. (Harper, \$27.99.) An English archer with a complicated past joins Henry V at the famous battle against the French in 1415.	4	2
8	BLACK OPS , by W. E. B. Griffin. (Putnam, \$26.95.) An Army officer and special presidential agent is targeted for death — but by whom?	5	5
9*	THE GUERNSEY LITERARY AND POTATO PEEL PIE SOCIETY , by Mary Ann Shaffer and Annie Barrows. (Dial, \$22.) A journalist travels to the island of Guernsey to meet residents who resisted the Nazi occupation.	8	20
10	A DARKER PLACE , by Jack Higgins. (Putnam, \$26.95.) A Russian defector becomes a counterspy.		1
11	BASKETBALL JONES , by E. Lynn Harris. (Doubleday, \$22.95.) An N.B.A. star hides his male lover.		1
12	SCARPETTA , by Patricia Cornwell. (Putnam, \$27.95.) The forensic pathologist Kay Scarpetta takes on a new assignment in New York.	6	9
13	CROSS COUNTRY , by James Patterson. (Little, Brown, \$27.99.) Alex Cross chases the leader of a lethal teenage gang.	9	11
14	MOUNTING FEARS , by Stuart Woods. (Putnam, \$25.95.) A president must deal with crises ranging from loose nukes in Pakistan to the reappearance of a rogue C.I.A. agent.	7	3
15	THE HOUR I FIRST BELIEVED , by Wally Lamb. (Harper, \$29.95.) A man reconstructs five generations of family history.	10	12
16*	FROM DEAD TO WORSE , by Charlaine Harris. (ACE, \$24.95.) Following a deadly explosion at a vampire summit, the cocktail waitress Sookie Stackhouse faces danger.	12	6

This Week **HARDCOVER FICTION EXTENDED**

17	THE PIANO TEACHER , by Janice Y. K. Lee. (Viking)
18	ECLIPSE , by Richard North Patterson. (Holt)
19	MEN OF THE OTHERWORLD , by Kelley Armstrong. (Bantam)
20	NUCLEAR JELLYFISH , by Tim Dorsey. (William Morrow)
21	A MERCY , by Toni Morrison. (Knopf)
22	BEAT THE REAPER , by Josh Bazell. (Little, Brown)
23	DIVINE JUSTICE , by David Baldacci. (Grand Central)
24	THE LUCKY ONE , by Nicholas Sparks. (Grand Central)
25	FIRE AND ICE , by Julie Garwood. (Ballantine)
26	MIDNIGHT , by Sister Souljah. (Atria)
27	UP TO NO GOOD , by Carl Weber. (Kensington)
28	THE GATE HOUSE , by Nelson DeMille. (Grand Central)
29	THE GIRL WITH THE DRAGON TATTOO , by Stieg Larsson. (Knopf)
30	HORIZON , by Lois McMaster Bujold. (Eos)
31	DAEMON , by Daniel Suarez. (Dutton)
32	ARCTIC DRIFT , by Clive Cussler and Dirk Cussler. (Putnam)
33	THE BEST OF EVERYTHING , by Kimberla Lawson Roby. (William Morrow)
34	THE TEMPTATION OF THE NIGHT JASMINE , by Lauren Willig. (Dutton)
35	LARK AND TERMITE , by Jayne Anne Phillips. (Knopf)

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Best Sellers NonFiction

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1	OUTLIERS , by Malcolm Gladwell. (Little, Brown, \$27.99.) Why some people succeed — it has to do with luck and opportunity — from the author of “Blink” and “The Tipping Point.”	1	11
2	A SLOBBERING LOVE AFFAIR , by Bernard Goldberg. (Regnery, \$25.95.) The mainstream media’s partisan support for Obama, from a Fox News media analyst.(†)		1
3	DEWEY , by Vicki Myron with Bret Witter. (Grand Central, \$19.99.) The kitten left freezing in the returned-book slot of an Iowa public library and his rise to fame.	3	20
4	GUILTY , by Ann Coulter. (Crown Forum, \$27.95.) The columnist argues that liberals victimize everyone else by pretending to be victims themselves.(†)	2	4
5	THE NEXT 100 YEARS , by George Friedman. (Doubleday, \$25.95.) A forecast of future wars and changes in nations’ economic and political power.(†)		1
6*	MULTIPLE BLESSINGS , by Jon Gosselin, Kate Gosselin and Beth Carson. (Zondervan, \$19.) A couple has sextuplets.	6	15
7	WE CAN HAVE PEACE IN THE HOLY LAND , by Jimmy Carter. (Simon & Schuster, \$27.) Advice for the new president on how to make peace in the Middle East.		1
8*	AMERICAN LION , by Jon Meacham. (Random House, \$30.) Andrew Jackson, the seventh president, in the White House, by Newsweek’s editor.	5	12
9	HOT, FLAT, AND CROWDED , by Thomas L. Friedman. (Farar, Straus & Giroux, \$27.95.) How a green revolution can renew America, by the New York Times columnist.	14	21
10	WHY WE SUCK , by Denis Leary. (Viking, \$26.95.) Sardonic essays from the actor and comedian, currently the co-creator and star of the TV series “Rescue Me.”	4	11
11	THE BIG RICH , by Bryan Burrough. (Penguin Press, \$29.95.) The four wealthiest Texas oil families across several generations.		1
12	ANIMALS MAKE US HUMAN , by Temple Grandin and Catherine Johnson. (Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, \$26.) Being attentive to animals’ emotions, both positive and negative, can help them have a better life.	11	4
13*	THE BREAKTHROUGH , by Gwen Ifill. (Doubleday, \$24.95.) The PBS correspondent describes the rise of a younger generation of black political leaders who are the beneficiaries of the civil rights movement — including President Obama.	13	2
14	TOO FAT TO FISH , by Artie Lange with Anthony Bozza. (Spiegel & Grau, \$24.95.) Humorous memories from the comedian, a member of the cast of “The Howard Stern Show.”	10	12
15	THE AMERICAN JOURNEY OF BARACK OBAMA , by the editors of Life magazine. (Little, Brown, \$24.99.) Photographs and essays, starting with Obama’s birth in Hawaii.	7	12

This Week	HARDCOVER NONFICTION EXTENDED
16	ARE YOU THERE, VODKA? IT’S ME, CHELSEA , by Chelsea Handler. (Simon Spotlight Entertainment)
17	A BOLD FRESH PIECE OF HUMANITY , by Bill O’Reilly. (Broadway)
18	THE ASCENT OF MONEY , by Niall Ferguson. (Penguin Press)
19	DREAMS FROM MY FATHER , by Barack Obama. (Crown)
20	THE INHERITANCE , by David E. Sanger. (Harmony)
21	WISHFUL DRINKING , by Carrie Fisher. (Simon & Schuster)
22	THE AUDACITY OF HOPE , by Barack Obama. (Crown)
23	MISTRESS OF THE MONARCHY , by Alison Weir. (Ballantine)
24	THE SNOWBALL , by Alice Schroeder. (Bantam)
25	CRITICAL , by Tom Daschle with Scott S. Greenberger and Jeanne M. Lambrew. (Thomas Dunne)
26	THE BLACK SWAN , by Nassim Nicholas Taleb. (Random House)
27	A. LINCOLN , by Ronald C. White Jr. (Random House)
28	IN DEFENSE OF FOOD , by Michael Pollan. (Penguin Press)
29	WIRED FOR WAR , by P. W. Singer. (Penguin Press)
30	THE RETURN OF DEPRESSION ECONOMICS AND THE CRISIS OF 2008 , by Paul Krugman. (Norton)
31	WHY EVOLUTION IS TRUE , by Jerry A. Coyne. (Viking)
32	YES WE CAN , by Scout Tufankjian. (powerHouse)
33	THINGS I’VE BEEN SILENT ABOUT , by Azar Nafisi. (Random House)
34	MADNESS UNDER THE ROYAL PALMS , by Laurence Leamer. (Hyperion)
35	TIME PRESIDENT OBAMA , edited by Adi Ignatius. (Time Books)

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Paperback Best Sellers Trade Fiction

This Week	TRADE FICTION	Weeks On List
1	THE SHACK , by William P. Young. (Windblown Media, \$14.99.) A man whose daughter was abducted is invited to an isolated shack, apparently by God.(†)	37
2	THE READER , by Bernhard Schlink. (Vintage, \$13.95.) A German high school student falls in love with a former Auschwitz employee.	9
3	SUNDAYS AT TIFFANY'S , by James Patterson and Gabrielle Charbonnet. (Grand Central, \$13.99.) A woman finds an unexpected love.	4
4	REVOLUTIONARY ROAD , by Richard Yates. (Vintage, \$14.95.) Frank and April Wheeler, a beautiful young couple living in 1950s America, see their supposedly perfect life come undone.	9
5	PEOPLE OF THE BOOK , by Geraldine Brooks. (Penguin, \$15.) An expert unlocks the secrets of a rare manuscript.	5
6	FIREFLY LANE , by Kristin Hannah. (St. Martin's Griffin, \$14.95.) A friendship between two women in the Pacific Northwest endures for more than three decades as they make different choices in their lives.	4
7	A THOUSAND SPLENDID SUNS , by Khaled Hosseini. (Riverhead, \$16.) A friendship between two Afghan women against the backdrop of 30 years of war.	10
8	STILL ALICE , by Lisa Genova. (Pocket, \$15.) A 50-year-old Harvard professor is diagnosed with early-onset Alzheimer's disease.	4
9*	THE APPEAL , by John Grisham. (Delta, \$14.) Political and legal intrigue ensue when a Mississippi court rules against a company accused of dumping toxic waste.	11
10	THE BRIEF WONDROUS LIFE OF OSCAR WAO , by Junot Díaz. (Riverhead, \$14.) A nerdy Dominican-American struggles to escape a family curse.	22
11	WATER FOR ELEPHANTS , by Sara Gruen. (Algonquin, \$13.95.) A young man — and an elephant — save a Depression-era circus.	74
12	THE WHITE TIGER , by Aravind Adiga. (Free Press, \$14.) A chauffeur in India relates the story of his transformation from manservant to entrepreneur to murderer; the winner of the 2008 Man Booker Prize.	16
13	THE FRIDAY NIGHT KNITTING CLUB , by Kate Jacobs. (Berkley, \$14.) A group of women meet weekly at a New York City yarn shop.	50
14	CONFESSIONS OF A SHOPAHOLIC , by Sophie Kinsella. (Dial, \$14.) A London financial journalist struggles with debt and romance.	5
15*	LOVING FRANK , by Nancy Horan. (Ballantine, \$14.) A story of the romance between Frank Lloyd Wright and Mamah Borthwick Cheney.	39
16	THE ELEGANCE OF THE HEDGEHOG , by Muriel Barbery. (Europa, \$15.) A young girl and a widowed concierge, both closet intellectuals, become friends.	5
17	THE KITE RUNNER , by Khaled Hosseini. (Riverhead, \$15.95 and \$14.) An Afghan-American returns to Kabul to learn how a childhood friend has fared under the Taliban.	72
18	WORLD WITHOUT END , by Ken Follett. (New American Library, \$22.) Love and intrigue in Kingsbridge, the medieval English cathedral town at the center of Follett's "Pillars of the Earth."	17
19	OUT STEALING HORSES , by Per Petterson. (Picador, \$14.) In a remote cabin, a Norwegian man circles around his memories.	23
20*	THE SENATOR'S WIFE , by Sue Miller. (Vintage, \$14.95.) A woman lives with her husband's persistent infidelity.	2

This Week	TRADE FICTION EXTENDED
21	THE ALCHEMIST , by Paulo Coelho. (HarperOne)
22	CHANGE OF HEART , by Jodi Picoult. (Washington Square)
23	THIS SIDE OF HEAVEN , by Karen Kingsbury. (Center Street)
24	REMEMBER ME? , by Sophie Kinsella. (Dial)
25	ONLY PLEASURE , by Lora Leigh. (St. Martin's Griffin)
26	THE CHOICE , by Nicholas Sparks. (Grand Central)
27	THE ENCHANTRESS OF FLORENCE , by Salman Rushdie. (Random House)
28	THE WEDNESDAY LETTERS , by Jason F. Wright. (Berkley)
29	SLUMDOG MILLIONAIRE , by Vikas Swarup. (Scribner)
30	FIREPROOF , by Eric Wilson, Alex Kendrick and Stephen Kendrick. (Nelson)
31	MY SISTER'S KEEPER , by Jodi Picoult. (Washington Square)
32	THE SECRET LIFE OF BEES , by Sue Monk Kidd. (Penguin)
33	THE PILLARS OF THE EARTH , by Ken Follett. (New American Library)
34	SARAH'S KEY , by Tatiana de Rosnay. (St. Martins)
35	BUDDHA , by Deepak Chopra. (HarperOne)

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1	FIRESIDE , by Susan Wiggs. (Mira, \$7.99.) At a winter retreat, romance blooms between an aspiring baseball pro and the woman hired to smooth his media image.	1
2	MONTANA CREEDS: LOGAN , by Linda Lael Miller. (HQN, \$7.99.) In this first book of a trilogy, a lawyer-cowboy returns home to Montana to restore the family ranch and find love.	1
3	THE APPEAL , by John Grisham. (Dell, \$7.99.) Political and legal intrigue ensue when a Mississippi court rules against a company accused of dumping toxic waste.	11
4	MY MAN, MICHAEL , by Lori Foster. (Berkley, \$7.99.) A captivating woman challenges an extreme fighting champion, injured in a car accident, to heal.	1
5	REVOLUTIONARY ROAD , by Richard Yates. (Vintage, \$7.99.) Frank and April Wheeler, a beautiful young couple living in 1950s America, see their supposedly perfect life come undone.	5
6	CONFESSIONS OF A SHOPAHOLIC , by Sophie Kinsella. (Dell, \$7.99.) A London financial journalist struggles with debt and romance.	2
7	HONOR THYSELF , by Danielle Steel. (Dell, \$7.99.) A 50-year-old actress injured in a terrorist attack in Paris must rebuild her life.	1
8	THE FIRST PATIENT , by Michael Palmer. (St. Martin's, \$9.99.) When he becomes doctor to his friend the president, a physician discovers a deadly conspiracy.	4
9	WICKED GAME , by Lisa Jackson and Nancy Bush. (Zebra, \$7.99.) Twenty years after a high school girl's disappearance, a body is found, and her old friends start dying mysterious, horrible deaths.	1
10	PLUM LUCKY , by Janet Evanovich. (St. Martin's, \$6.99.) Stephanie's grandmother finds a bag of cash and goes to Atlantic City, pursued by the money's owner.	4
11*	THE GHOST WAR , by Alex Berenson. (Jove, \$9.99.) A C.I.A. agent in Afghanistan tries to learn who's behind the resurgent Taliban and finds a global power struggle.	1
12	KISS OF A DEMON KING , by Kresley Cole. (Pocket, \$7.99.) A ruthless warrior and an evil beauty engage in a smoldering relationship; part of the Immortals After Dark series.	2
13	KITTY AND THE DEAD MAN'S HAND , by Carrie Vaughn. (Grand Central, \$6.99.) A pair of alpha werewolves go to Las Vegas to marry. Wildness ensues.	1
14	DEVIL OF THE HIGHLANDS , by Lynsay Sands. (Avon/HarperCollins, \$7.99.) A woman, escaping her cruel stepmother, weds a notorious Scottish laird.	1
15	SIZZLE AND BURN , by Jayne Ann Krentz. (Jove, \$9.99.) A member of the Arcane Society, dedicated to paranormal research, helps a woman who hears voices.	1
16	PATTERNS OF FORCE , by Michael Reaves. (Del Rey, \$7.99.) While investigating his past and trying to elude Darth Vader, the Jedi Jax uncovers a plot to kill Emperor Palpatine; a "Star Wars" novel.	1
17	CHARMED AND ENCHANTED , by Nora Roberts. (Silhouette, \$7.99.) A reissue of two Donovan family stories, "Charmed" (1992) and "Enchanted" (1999).	1
18*	WHERE THE HEART LEADS , by Stephanie Laurens. (Avon/HarperCollins, \$7.99.) A society woman in Regency London investigates the disappearance of several orphans; the 16th Cynster novel.	1
19	SECOND CHANCE PASS , by Robyn Carr. (Mira, \$6.99.) A widow longs to love her husband's best friend.	1
20	THE COURTSHIP DANCE , by Candace Camp. (HQN, \$6.99.) In the final Matchmakers novel, Lady Francesca Haughston reunites with an old flame.	1

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21	THE READER , by Bernhard Schlink. (Vintage)
22	CARROT CAKE MURDER , by Joanne Fluke. (Kensington)
23	DEAD UNTIL DARK , by Charlaine Harris. (Ace)
24	THE SINS OF LORD EASTERBROOK , by Madeline Hunter. (Dell)
25	KILLER HEAT , by Linda Fairstein. (Anchor)
26	LIVING DEAD IN DALLAS , by Charlaine Harris. (Ace)
27	THE SHOOTERS , by W. E. B. Griffin. (Jove)
28	THE LAST TEMPLAR , by Raymond Khoury. (Signet)
29	THE DARK TIDE , by Andrew Gross. (Harper)
30	LADY KILLER , by Lisa Scottoline. (Harper)
31	MARRIED IN SEATTLE , by Debbie Macomber. (Mira)
32	CLUB DEAD , by Charlaine Harris. (Ace)
33	DOUBLE CROSS , by James Patterson. (Vision)
34	GLITTER BABY , by Susan Elizabeth Phillips. (Avon)
35	THE PAGAN STONE , by Nora Roberts. (Jove)

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1	DREAMS FROM MY FATHER , by Barack Obama. (Three Rivers, \$14.95.) Obama on life as the son of a black African father and a white American mother.	133
2	THE AUDACITY OF HOPE , by Barack Obama. (Three Rivers, \$14.95, Vintage, \$7.99.) The president asks Americans to move beyond political divisions.	58
3	THREE CUPS OF TEA , by Greg Mortenson and David Oliver Relin. (Penguin, \$15.) A former climber builds schools in villages in Pakistan and Afghanistan.	105
4	TEAM OF RIVALS , by Doris Kearns Goodwin. (Simon & Schuster, \$21.) The political genius of Abraham Lincoln.	27
5	MARLEY & ME , by John Grogan. (Harper, \$13.95 and \$7.99.) Lessons learned from a neurotic dog.	47
6	THE MIDDLE PLACE , by Kelly Corrigan. (Voice, \$14.95.) A woman's struggle with cancer, her own and her father's, helps her gain a new maturity.	6
7	I HOPE THEY SERVE BEER IN HELL , by Tucker Max. (Citadel/Kensington, \$15.95.) Life as a self-absorbed, drunken womanizer.	70
8	THE TIPPING POINT , by Malcolm Gladwell. (Back Bay/Little, Brown, \$14.95.) A study of social epidemics, otherwise known as fads.	226
9	EAT, PRAY, LOVE , by Elizabeth Gilbert. (Penguin, \$15.) A writer's yearlong journey in search of self.	106
10*	BLINK , by Malcolm Gladwell. (Back Bay/Little, Brown, \$15.99.) The importance of instinct to the workings of the mind.	68
11	90 MINUTES IN HEAVEN , by Don Piper with Cecil Murphey. (Revell, \$12.99.) A minister on the otherworldly experience he had after an accident.	119
12	MY HORIZONTAL LIFE , by Chelsea Handler. (Bloomsbury, \$14.95.) A memoir of one-night stands.	16
13*	SAME KIND OF DIFFERENT AS ME , by Ron Hall and Denver Moore with Lynn Vincent. (Nelson, \$14.99.) The unlikely friendship between a homeless drifter and a successful art dealer who meet at a shelter in Texas.	16
14	THE FORGOTTEN MAN , by Amity Shlaes. (Harper Perennial, \$15.95.) A reinterpretation of the New Deal and the Great Depression.	13
15	THE OMNIVORE'S DILEMMA , by Michael Pollan. (Penguin, \$16.) Tracking food from soil to plate.	72
16	THE ZOOKEEPER'S WIFE , by Diane Ackerman. (Norton, \$14.95.) How a Warsaw couple sheltered Jews and members of the Resistance during World War II.	17
17	CHANGE WE CAN BELIEVE IN , with a foreword by Barack Obama. (Three Rivers, \$13.95.) Speeches and policy proposals from Obama's presidential campaign.	12
18	DEFIANCE , by Nechama Tec. (Oxford University, \$14.95.) How three brothers fought to protect Jews from the Germans in Belorussia during World War II.	1
19*	INFIDEL , by Ayaan Hirsi Ali. (Free Press, \$15.) A memoir by the advocate for Muslim immigrant women.	14
20	ANIMAL, VEGETABLE, MIRACLE , by Barbara Kingsolver with Steven L. Hopp and Camille Kingsolver. (Harper Perennial, \$14.95.) The novelist and her family spend a year eating home-grown or local food.	36

This Week	NONFICTION EXTENDED
21	THE GOD DELUSION , by Richard Dawkins. (Mariner)
22	LONE SURVIVOR , by Marcus Luttrell with Patrick Robinson. (Back Bay/Little, Brown)
23	THE NINE , by Jeffrey Toobin. (Anchor)
24	A LONG WAY GONE , by Ishmael Beah. (Sarah Crichton/Farrar, Straus & Giroux)
25	A WHOLE NEW MIND , by Daniel H. Pink. (Riverhead)
26	CREATING A WORLD WITHOUT POVERTY , by Muhammad Yunus. (PublicAffairs)
27	ESCAPE , by Carolyn Jessop with Laura Palmer. (Broadway)
28	GANG LEADER FOR A DAY , by Sudhir Venkatesh. (Penguin)
29	BEAUTIFUL BOY , by David Sheff. (Mariner)
30	PRESIDENT OBAMA , by the Poynter Institute. (Andrews McMeel)
31	THE SHOCK DOCTRINE , by Naomi Klein. (Picador)
32	YOUR INNER FISH , by Neil Shubin. (Vintage)
33	THE SOLOIST , by Steve Lopez. (Berkley)
34	THE GEOGRAPHY OF BLISS , by Eric Weiner. (Twelve)
35	THE YEAR OF LIVING BIBLICALLY , by A. J. Jacobs. (Simon & Schuster)

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Advice, How-To and Miscellaneous

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1	ACT LIKE A LADY, THINK LIKE A MAN , by Steve Harvey. (HarperCollins, \$23.99.) Relationship tips from the comedian and host of "The Steve Harvey Morning Show."	1	1	SUZE ORMAN'S 2009 ACTION PLAN , by Suze Orman. (Spiegel & Grau, \$9.99.) Managing your money in hard times.	5
2	UNCOMMON , by Tony Dungy with Nathan Whitaker. (Tyndale, \$24.99.) The former coach of the Indianapolis Colts discourses on living "a life of significance."	1	2	THE LOVE DARE , by Stephen and Alex Kendrick with Lawrence Kimbrough. (B&H, \$14.99.) A 40-day challenge for spouses to practice unconditional love.(†)	19
3	THE LAST LECTURE , by Randy Pausch with Jeffrey Zaslow. (Hyperion, \$21.95.) Thoughts on "seizing every moment" from Pausch, a Carnegie Mellon professor who died of pancreatic cancer at age 47.	43	3	HE'S JUST NOT THAT INTO YOU , by Greg Behrendt and Liz Tuccillo. (Simon Spotlight Entertainment, \$15.) How a woman can tell when a relationship is going nowhere.	4
4	FLAT BELLY DIET! , by Liz Vaccariello and Cynthia Sass. (Rodale, \$25.95.) Nutrition advice and workout tips from the editors of Prevention magazine.	11	4	WHAT TO EXPECT WHEN YOU'RE EXPECTING , by Heidi Murkoff and Sharon Mazel. (Workman, \$14.95.) Advice for parents-to-be.(†)	396
5	THE SECRET , by Rhonda Byrne. (Atria/Beyond Words, \$23.95.) The law of attraction as a key to getting what you want.	108	5	BROKEN OPEN , by Elizabeth Lesser. (Villard, \$14.95.) Turning difficult experiences — illness, divorce, loss of a job, loss of a loved one — into opportunities for growth.	3
6	WHAT'S AGE GOT TO DO WITH IT? , by Robin McGraw. (Thomas Nelson, \$24.99.) Advice for women on staying healthy and happy, from the wife of the talk-show host Dr. Phil McGraw.	4	6*	THE BIGGEST LOSER FAMILY COOKBOOK , by Devin Alexander with Melissa Roberson. (Rodale, \$21.95.) Eating healthily on a budget, with 125 recipes and tips from "The Biggest Loser" contestants.	5
7	THE GREAT DEPRESSION AHEAD , by Harry S. Dent Jr. (Free Press, \$27.) A financial prognosticator anticipates further market crashes and an extended downturn, but sees a way for savvy investors to prosper.	3	7	TWILIGHT , by Mark Cotta Vaz. (Little, Brown, \$16.99.) A behind-the-scenes look at the film based on the vampire romance for young adults by Stephenie Meyer.	16
8	THE SURVIVORS CLUB , by Ben Sherwood. (Grand Central, \$25.99.) True stories of the ways in which faith, luck, genetics and other factors play into people's ability to bounce back from adversity.	1	8	SKINNY BITCH , by Rory Freedman and Kim Barnouin. (Running Press, \$13.95.) Vegan diet advice from the world of modeling.	82
9*	BREAKTHROUGH , by Suzanne Somers. (Crown, \$25.95.) Eight steps to wellness, with advice on hormone therapy from Somers and a group of doctors.	9	9	THE FIVE LOVE LANGUAGES , by Gary Chapman. (Northfield, \$13.99.) How to communicate love in a way a spouse will understand.	79
10	BAREFOOT CONTESSA BACK TO BASICS , by Ina Garten. (Clarkson Potter, \$35.) Cooking techniques and nearly 100 new recipes for elegant meals.	14	10	THE PURPOSE-DRIVEN LIFE , by Rick Warren. (Zondervan, \$14.99.) Finding meaning in one's life through God.	41
HARDCOVER EXTENDED			PAPERBACK EXTENDED		
11	THE 4 DAY DIET , by Ian K. Smith. (St. Martin's)		11	DINERS, DRIVE-INS AND DIVES , by Guy Fieri with Ann Volkwein. (William Morrow)	
12	HIGH VOLTAGE TATTOO , by Kat Von D. (HarperCollins)		12	THE WISDOM OF MENOPAUSE , by Christiane Northrup. (Bantam)	
13	THE TOTAL MONEY MAKEOVER , by Dave Ramsey. (Nelson)		13	A NEW EARTH , by Eckhart Tolle. (Plume)	
14	JOY'S LIFE DIET , by Joy Bauer. (Collins Living)		14	THE POWER OF NOW , by Eckhart Tolle. (New World Library)	
15	FOOD MATTERS , by Mark Bittman. (Simon & Schuster)		15	JIM CRAMER'S REAL MONEY , by James J. Cramer. (Simon & Schuster)	

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Children's Best Sellers

<i>This Week</i>	PICTURE BOOKS	<i>Weeks On List</i>
1	LISTEN TO THE WIND: THE STORY OF DR. GREG AND THREE CUPS OF TEA , by Greg Mortenson and Susan L. Roth. (Dial, \$16.99.) A school grows in Pakistan. (Ages 4 to 8)	2
2	BARACK OBAMA: SON OF PROMISE, CHILD OF HOPE , by Nikki Grimes. Illustrated by Bryan Collier. (Simon & Schuster, \$16.99.) Yes, he can; a children's biography of the president. (Ages 5 to 10)	16
3	CHANGE HAS COME , with words by Barack Obama. Illustrated by Kadir Nelson. (Simon & Schuster, \$12.99.) Drawings inspired by the 44th president. (All ages)	3
4	GALLOP! , written and illustrated by Rufus Butler Seder. (Workman, \$12.95.) Animals seem to move when you flip the page. (Ages 4 to 8)	64
5	SWING! , written and illustrated by Rufus Butler Seder. (Workman, \$12.95.) Athletic children seem to move when you flip the page. (Ages 4 to 8)	16
6	WABI SABI , by Mark Reibstein. Illustrated by Ed Young. (Little, Brown Young Readers, \$16.99.) Wabi Sabi the cat seeks the meaning of her name. (Ages 4 to 8)	7
7	ABC3D , by Marion Bataille. (Neal Porter/Roaring Brook, \$19.95.) The alphabet, in pop-ups. (Ages 9 to 12)	14
8	NAKED MOLE RAT GETS DRESSED , written and illustrated by Mo Willems. (Hyperion, \$16.99.) The rodent as individualist, and trendsetter. (Ages 3 and up)	4
9	THE HOUSE IN THE NIGHT , by Susan Marie Swanson. Illustrated by Beth Krommes. (Houghton Mifflin, \$17.) A key, a bed, a book, a light, the moon. (Ages 4 to 8)	1
10	BIG WORDS FOR LITTLE PEOPLE , by Jamie Lee Curtis. Illustrated by Laura Cornell. (Joanna Cotler/HarperCollins, \$16.99.) A boisterous family improves its vocabulary, and thus its relationships. (Ages 4 to 8)	21

<i>This Week</i>	CHAPTER BOOKS	<i>Weeks On List</i>
1	THE GRAVEYARD BOOK , by Neil Gaiman. Illustrated by Dave McKean. (HarperCollins, \$17.99.) To avoid a killer, a boy lives in a cemetery. (Ages 10 and up)	18
2	SCAT , by Carl Hiaasen. (Random House, \$16.99.) An eco-mystery, with a dismal swamp and characters who are not always what they seem. (Ages 9 to 12)	1
3	THE HUNGER GAMES , by Suzanne Collins. (Scholastic, \$17.99.) In a dystopian future, a girl fights for survival on live TV. (Ages 12 and up)	21
4	3 WILLOWS , by Ann Brashares. (Delacorte, \$18.99.) A new Sisterhood introduces three girls, Polly, Jo and Ama, during their last summer before high school. (Ages 12 and up)	3
5	THE 39 CLUES: THE MAZE OF BONES , by Rick Riordan. (Scholastic, \$12.99.) A brother and sister seek the source of their family's power. (Ages 8 to 12)	21
6	THIRTEEN REASONS WHY , by Jay Asher. (Razorbill, \$16.99.) Before committing suicide a girl sends explanatory audiotapes to 13 people. (Ages 14 and up)	15
7	IDENTICAL , by Ellen Hopkins. (McElderry/Simon & Schuster, \$17.99.) Incest and drug abuse come between twin daughters in a political family. (Ages 14 and up)	14
8	SAVVY , by Ingrid Law. (Dial, \$16.99.) A girl waits to learn what her amazing talent will be. (Ages 9 to 12)	2
9	THE UNDERNEATH , by Kathi Appelt. Illustrated by David Small. (Atheneum, \$16.99.) A dog and a lonely cat that is soon to have kittens become a family in a neighborhood fraught with danger. (Ages 9 to 12)	1
10	THREE CUPS OF TEA , by Greg Mortenson and David Oliver Relin. (Dial, \$16.99.) A former climber builds schools for children in Pakistani and Afghan villages. (Ages 9 to 12)	1

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Children's Best Sellers

<i>This Week</i>	PAPERBACK BOOKS	<i>Weeks On List</i>
1	THREE CUPS OF TEA: YOUNG READERS EDITION , by Greg Mortenson and David Oliver Relin. (Puffin, \$8.99.) A former climber builds schools in Pakistani and Afghan villages. (Ages 9 to 12)	2
2	THE TALE OF DESPEREAUX , by Kate DiCamillo. Illustrated by Timothy Basil Ering. (Candlewick, \$7.99.) A mouse, a rat and a girl on a magic trip. (Ages 10 and up)	53
3	THE BOOK THIEF , by Markus Zusak. (Knopf, \$11.99.) A girl saves books from Nazi burning and shares them with a Jewish man in hiding. (Ages 14 and up)	73
4	CORALINE , by Neil Gaiman and Dave McKean. (HarperFestival, \$6.99.) A movie tie-in. (Ages 9 to 12)	3
5	BARACK OBAMA: AN AMERICAN STORY , by Roberta Edwards. Illustrated by Ken Call. (Grosset & Dunlap, \$3.99.) A biography of the "skinny kid" president. (Ages 7 to 9)	23
6	BARACK OBAMA: UNITED STATES PRESIDENT , by Roberta Edwards. Illustrated by Ken Call. (Grosset & Dunlap, \$4.99.) The "skinny kid's" political journey continues. (Ages 6 to 8)	4
7	THE BOY IN THE STRIPED PAJAMAS , by John Boyne. (Random House, \$8.99.) A boy's innocence is eroded in evil times. (Ages 12 and up)	13
8	TWEAK , by Nic Sheff. (Atheneum, \$9.99.) The "Beautiful Boy" of his father's book tells his own story of methamphetamine addiction. (Ages 14 and up)	4
9	WICKED: WITCH AND CURSE , by Nancy Holder and Debbie Viguié. (Simon Pulse, \$7.99.) An orphaned girl joins a supernatural family. (Ages 12 and up)	1
10	SLAM , by Nick Hornby. (Riverhead, \$14.) A skateboarder gets his girlfriend pregnant. (Ages 12 and up)	16

<i>This Week</i>	SERIES	<i>Weeks On List</i>
1	THE TWILIGHT SAGA , by Stephenie Meyer. (Megan Tingley/Little, Brown, hardcover and paper) Vampires and werewolves and their intrigues in high school. (Ages 12 and up)	78
2	DIARY OF A WIMPY KID , written and illustrated by Jeff Kinney. (Abrams, hardcover only) A boy records the hazards of adolescent life. (Ages 9 to 12)	3
3	INKHEART , by Cornelia Funke. (Scholastic, hardcover and paper) The characters of a book come to life and ensnare its readers. (Ages 10 and up)	19
4	HOUSE OF NIGHT , by P. C. Cast and Kristin Cast. (St. Martin's, paper only) Vampires in school. (Ages 14 and up)	23
5	HARRY POTTER , by J. K. Rowling. (Arthur A. Levine/Scholastic, hardcover and paper) A young wizard hones his skills while fighting evil. (Ages 10 and up)	209
6	THE LUXE , by Anna Godbersen. (HarperCollins.) Intrigue among Manhattan's young social set, circa 1900. (Ages 14 and up)	1
7	MAXIMUM RIDE , by James Patterson. (Little Brown, hardcover and paperback) Winged children try to save the world. (Ages 10 and up)	42
8	INHERITANCE , by Christopher Paolini. (Knopf, hardcover and paper) A teenager and his dragon learn the secrets of a fantasy world. (Ages 12 and up)	20
9	NIGHT WORLD , by L. J. Smith. (Simon Pulse, paper only) Supernatural races form secret societies. (Ages 14 and up)	9
10	VAMPIRE ACADEMY , by Richelle Mead. (Razorbill, paper only) The undead at boarding school. (Ages 12 and up)	7

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Editor's Choice

ABRAHAM LINCOLN, by James M. McPherson. (Oxford University, \$12.95.) In an introductory biography of just 79 pages, McPherson, the Pulitzer Prize-winning author of "Battle Cry of Freedom," delivers a speedy narrative but no superficial treatment.

A. LINCOLN: A Biography, by Ronald C. White Jr. (Random House, \$35.) White's major one-volume study covers all the bases while adding newly discovered papers and exploring the religious aspects.

A WORLD OF TROUBLE: The White House and the Middle East — From the Cold War to the War on Terror, by Patrick Tyler. (Farrar, Straus & Giroux, \$30.) In Tyler's vivid account, few of the presidents impress.

THE INHERITANCE: The World Obama Confronts and the Challenges to American Power, by David E. Sanger. (Harmony, \$26.95.) The Times's chief Washington correspondent argues that Obama's choices will be more constrained than he has acknowledged.

THE OTHER SIDE OF DESIRE: Four Journeys Into the Far Realms of Lust and Longing, by Daniel Bergner. (Ecco/HarperCollins, \$24.99.) Unsettling but riveting case studies of eccentric sexual yearnings.

THE BLACK GIRL NEXT DOOR: A Memoir, by Jennifer Baszile. (Touchstone/Simon & Schuster, \$25.) Baszile's middle-class family were determined not to veer off course in their pursuit of the American dream.

IN OTHER ROOMS, OTHER WONDERS, by Daniyal Mueenuddin. (Norton, \$23.95.) The eight linked stories here follow the scheming lives of a rich and powerful Pakistani family and their employees.

THE SILENT MAN, by Alex Berenson. (Putnam, \$25.95.) Terrorists steal Russian nuclear warheads in this gripping thriller, by a New York Times reporter.

NOTHING RIGHT: Short Stories, by Antonya Nelson. (Bloomsbury, \$25.) Nelson is drawn to the damage that results when strong women foolishly trust weak men.

The full reviews of these and other recent books are on the Web: nytimes.com/books.

Paperback Row

THE LAST FLIGHT OF THE SCARLET MACAW: One Woman's Fight to Save the World's Most Beautiful Bird, by Bruce Barcott. (Random House, \$15.) This story of a bitter fight against a dam in western Belize — the home of the bird in the title — combines "adventure travel, biography and nature writing in a steamy climate of corruption and intrigue," our reviewer, Elizabeth Royte, said. Barcott writes "with a deep understanding of so many environmental issues and their larger context" and makes his complicated story dramatic and comprehensible.

MY REVOLUTIONS, by Hari Kunzru. (Plume, \$15.) In Kunzru's third novel, a failed '60s radical involved in a series of bombings now lives a middle-class life under an assumed name. He encounters figures from his past who threaten his carefully constructed identity. "It is a measure of how respectfully Kunzru, pictured at right, treats his characters' yearning for a more generous time that 'My Revolutions' feels less like an elegy for their era and more like a requiem for our own," Will Blythe wrote in the Book Review. Peter Carey also makes imaginative use of political outlaws. **HIS ILLEGAL SELF** (Vintage, \$14.95) is the story of the son of underground radicals who is kidnapped, by a friend of his mother's, from the wealthy grandmother who is raising him. They end up living among "B-list hippies" in Australia, where the boy discovers that his captor is not, as he had fantasized, his mother, and the two develop a kind of love as she recognizes she must return him.

CONDOLEZZA RICE. An American Life: A Biography, by Elisabeth Bumiller. (Random House, \$17.) "Her real ideology was succeeding," Bumiller, a Washington reporter for The New York Times who covered the White House for five years, says in this interesting portrait of the first black woman

secretary of state. Bumiller follows Rice from her childhood in a striving middle-class home in Birmingham, Ala., through her academic career and her move into the government. Drawing on 10 interviews with Rice (and 150 more with others), and writing without polemic, Bumiller depicts a woman who excelled at attaching herself to mentors, notably George W. Bush.

THE CIGARETTE CENTURY: The Rise, Fall, and Deadly Persistence of the Product That Defined America, by Allan M. Brandt. (Basic Books, \$24.) Brandt, a Harvard professor of medical history, examines the culture, politics, law and global spread of the cigarette. "It seems striking that a product of such little utility . . . could be such an encompassing vehicle for understanding the past," Brandt writes. But "the cigarette permeates 20th-century America as smoke fills an enclosed room."

THE MUCH TOO PROMISED LAND: America's Elusive Search for Arab-Israeli Peace, by Aaron David Miller. (Bantam, \$16.) This "nonfiction bildungsroman," as Ethan Bronner called it in The Times, depicts Miller, who spent nearly two decades involved in Middle East peace negotiations, as "someone who slowly and painfully learns that the . . . conflict is far more complicated than a contest between good guys and bad."

YALO, by Elias Khoury. Translated by Peter Therooux. (Picador, \$16.) Growing up in war-torn Beirut, Khoury's protagonist joins a militia, works for an arms dealer (and has an affair with his wife), and robs couples at a lovers' lane. Yalo's narration, delivered to an interrogator after his arrest, suggests many versions of the truth. He is "brutalized and brutal, tortured and repentant, . . . a man seeking redemption," Adam LeBor said in the Book Review.

NO WAY HOME: A Dancer's Journey From the Streets of Havana to the Stages of the World, by Carlos Acosta. (Scribner, \$16.) As a poor child in Havana, Acosta wanted to play soccer, not study ballet. His memoir describes how he eventually fell in love with dance and pursued his art outside Cuba, which he deeply missed. Acosta "spent years in blunt defiance of his calling," our reviewer, Jennifer Balderama, wrote. But "despite it all, when he finally leapt, he flew."

THE SPARE WIFE, by Alex Witchel. (Plume, \$15.) Witchel's satiric novel is set on the Upper East Side, at the intersection of the superrich and the media elite. The spare wife of the title is a beautiful widowed model turned lawyer, and the villainess a scheming editorial assistant who wants to expose her affair with a prominent doctor. The story has comic energy and an air of insider dish.

MIRAGE: Napoleon's Scientists and the Unveiling of Egypt, by Nina Burleigh. (Harper Perennial, \$14.99.) Napoleon's occupation of Egypt in 1798 was a brutal fiasco, but the 151 "savants" — geologists, mapmakers, naturalists — who accompanied the troops were more successful. Besides discovering the Rosetta stone — bargained away to the British — they compiled a 24-volume encyclopedia of Egyptian natural and political history, including descriptions of the Pyramids and details of daily life.

JUDAS HORSE, by April Smith. (Vintage Crime/Black Lizard, \$13.95.) An F.B.I. agent in Oregon infiltrates a cell of domestic terrorists posing as animal rights activists in this psychologically and morally complex thriller.

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