The New York Times Best Seller List

This Week	October 12, 1997 Fiction	Last Week	Weeks On List
1	FLOOD TIDE, by Clive Cussler. (Simon & Schuster, \$26.) Dirk Pitt in pursuit of a notorious Chinese smuggler at work in the United States.	3	2
2	COLD MOUNTAIN, by Charles Frazier. (Atlantic Monthly, \$24.) A wounded Confederate soldier journeys home toward the end of the Civil War.	1	14
3	THE BEST LAID PLANS, by Sidney Sheldon. (Morrow, \$25.) The relationship between a power-hungry governor and a beautiful woman determined to wreak revenge.	2	4
4	THE ANGEL OF DARKNESS, by Caleb Carr. (Random House, \$25.95.) Dr. Kreizler and his team pursue the kidnapper of a Spanish diplomat's child in 1897 Manhattan.	4	3
5	10 LB. PENALTY, by Dick Francis. (Putnam, \$24.95.) A politician's career is imperiled by actions taken by his enemies against his son, a onetime amateur jockey.		1
6	UNDERWORLD, by Don DeLillo. (Scribner, \$27.50.) From the Polo Grounds to cyberspace: American life as lived by a man and woman during the past 50 years.	5	3
7	TIMEQUAKE, by Kurt Vonnegut. (Putnam, \$23.95.) In 2001, the universe starts shrinking back in time but decides to reverse itself when it reaches 1991.		1
8	THE NOTEBOOK, by Nicholas Sparks. (Warner, \$16.95.) A World War II veteran meets an old flame who is about to be married.	7	51
9	UNNATURAL EXPOSURE, by Patricia Cornwell. (Putnam, \$25.95.) Dr. Kay Scarpetta contends with a killer who uses a smallpox-like virus and cyberspace tricks.	6	11
10	THE GOD OF SMALL THINGS, by Arundhati Roy. (Random House, \$23.) Death and secrets haunt a once-prosperous merchant family in contemporary India.	9	9
11	DEJA DEAD, by Kathy Reichs. (Scribner, \$24.) Dr. Temperance Brennan hunts a serial killer in Montreal.	10	5
12	NIGHT PASSAGE, by Robert B. Parker. (Putnam, \$21.95.) A discharged Los Angeles cop finds unexpected challenges as police chief in a small New England town.		1
13	AMBER BEACH, by Elizabeth Lowell. (Avon, \$22.) A businesswoman on the trail of her favorite brother, who has vanished along with a fortune in stolen jewelry.		1
14	PLUM ISLAND, by Nelson DeMille. (Warner, \$25.) A detective probes the murder of a Long Island couple who may have been involved in germ warfare research.	12	19
15	SPECIAL DELIVERY, by Danielle Steel. (Delacorte, \$16.95.) Romance comes to a mature couple who disliked each other in earlier encounters.	8	14
16	THE GRILLING SEASON, by Diane Mott Davidson. (Bantam, \$22.95.) A professional cook and amateur sleuth probes the murder of her ex-husband's girlfriend.		2

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1	THE ROYALS, by Kitty Kelley. (Warner, \$27.) Gossip about the private lives of members of the House of Windsor.	1	2
2	ANGELA'S ASHES, by Frank McCourt. (Scribner, \$24.) An Irish-American writer recalls his childhood amid the miseries of Limerick.	2	56
3	THE MAN WHO LISTENS TO HORSES, by Monty Roberts. (Random House, \$23.) The memoirs of a professional horse trainer.	3	8
4	THE PERFECT STORM, by Sebastian Junger. (Norton, \$23.95.) An account of the nor'easter of 1991, focusing on a crew of fishermen from Gloucester, Mass.	4	18
5	DIRTY JOKES AND BEER, by Drew Carey. (Hyperion, \$22.95.) Observations on his life and life in general by the comedian.		1
6	INTO THIN AIR, by Jon Krakauer. (Villard, \$24.95.) A journalist's account of his ascent of Mount Everest in 1996, the deadliest season in history.	5	23
7	CONVERSATIONS WITH GOD: Book 1, by Neale Donald Walsch. (Putnam, \$19.95.) The author addresses questions of good and evil, guilt and sin.	6	43
8	BABYHOOD, by Paul Reiser. (Weisbach/Morrow, \$22.) The problems and pleasures of parenthood as perceived by the television star and comedian.	8	6
9	MIDNIGHT IN THE GARDEN OF GOOD AND EVIL, by John Berendt. (Random House, \$23.) The mysterious death of a young man in Savannah, Ga.	7	169
10	THE MILLIONAIRE NEXT DOOR, by Thomas J. Stanley and William D. Danko. (Longstreet, \$22.) An analysis of the lives of wealthy Americans discloses that they have seven characteristics in common.	12	38
11	DOGS NEVER LIE ABOUT LOVE, by Jeffrey Moussaieff Masson. (Crown, \$24.) A psychoanalyst's reflections on the emotional lives of dogs.	10	2
12	WALK THIS WAY, by Aerosmith with Stephen Davis. (Avon, \$25.) The members of the rock-and-roll band recall their lives.		1
13	THE GIFT OF FEAR, by Gavin de Becker. (Little, Brown, \$22.95.) Intuitive signals that can protect us from becoming the victims of violence.	9	15
14	TEARS OF RAGE, by John Walsh with Susan Schindehette. (Pocket, \$24.) The host of "America's Most Wanted" recalls the agony he suffered following the kidnapping and murder of his young son.	11	2
15	THE BIBLE CODE, by Michael Drosnin. (Simon & Schuster. \$25.) A journalist contends that important events have been predicted in the Bible.	14	17

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