

The New York Times Best Seller List

This Week	September 26, 2004 Fiction	Last Week	Weeks On List
1	TRACE, by Patricia Cornwell. (Putnam, \$26.95.) The inept man who replaced Dr. Kay Scarpetta as chief medical examiner of Virginia asks for her help in investigating the unexplained death of a 14-year-old girl.	--	1
2	THE DA VINCI CODE, by Dan Brown. (Doubleday, \$24.95.) The murder of a curator at the Louvre leads to a trail of clues found in the work of Leonardo and to the discovery of a centuries-old secret society.	1	78
3	JONATHAN STRANGE & MR. NORRELL, by Susanna Clarke. (Bloomsbury, \$27.95.) A literary fantasy involving a Yorkshire magician and the Napoleonic Wars.	9	2
4	THE FIVE PEOPLE YOU MEET IN HEAVEN, by Mitch Albom. (Hyperion, \$19.95.) An old man who died while trying to rescue a little girl from danger discovers that all will be explained to him in the afterlife.	3	51
5	MURDER LIST, by Julie Garwood. (Ballantine, \$25.95.) An heiress becomes entangled in a deadly plot that may have been hatched by a self-help guru.	2	2
6	ANGELS & DEMONS, by Dan Brown. (Atria, \$17.95.) A Harvard scholar tries to save the Vatican from the machinations of an underground society.	5	37
7	THE RULE OF FOUR, by Ian Caldwell and Dustin Thomason. (Dial, \$24.) Two Princeton students who are trying to unravel the mysteries of a Renaissance text become ensnared in murderous intrigue.	6	18
8	SKINNY DIP, by Carl Hiaasen. (Knopf, \$24.95.) A woman enlists an ex-cop in a plot to take revenge on her husband, a marine biologist who tried to kill her.	8	9
9	WHITE HOT, by Sandra Brown. (Simon & Schuster, \$25.95.) Returning home after her brother's mysterious death, a woman is embroiled in family intrigue.	4	4
10	HIGH DRUID OF SHANNARA: TANEQUIL, by Terry Brooks. (Del Rey/Ballantine, \$26.95.) The second volume in a fantasy series.	7	2
11	SAM'S LETTERS TO JENNIFER, by James Patterson. (Little, Brown, \$24.95.) In the house where she grew up, a woman finds a collection of letters addressed to her that will change her life forever.	11	11
12	DARK JUSTICE, by Jack Higgins. (Putnam, \$25.95.) Working with his British counterpart, an American intelligence agent must uncover the source of an international terror ring.	10	3
13	DUNE: The Battle of Corrin, by Brian Herbert and Kevin J. Anderson. (Tor/Tom Doherty, \$27.95.) A prequel to Frank Herbert's science fiction series.	13	4
14	THE SECRET ON ARARAT, by Tim LaHaye and Bob Phillips. (Bantam, \$25.) In Book 2 of the "Babylon Rising" series, the biblical scholar Michael Murphy searches for Noah's ark.	12	2
15	THE WINDS OF CHANGE, by Martha Grimes. (Viking, \$25.95.) Richard Jury and Melrose Plant investigate the deaths of two little girls.	15	3
16	SAMMY'S HILL, by Kristin Gore. (Miramax/Hyperion, \$23.95.) The love life of Samantha Joyce, a health care analyst for a United States senator.	--	1

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1	UNFIT FOR COMMAND, by John E. O'Neill and Jerome R. Corsi. (Regnery, \$27.95.) A negative appraisal of John Kerry's conduct in Vietnam.	1	5
2	AMERICAN SOLDIER, by Tommy Franks with Malcolm McConnell. (ReganBooks/HarperCollins, \$27.95.) A memoir by the former head of the United States Central Command.	2	6
3	MY LIFE, by Bill Clinton. (Knopf, \$35.) From Hope, Ark., to the White House: the autobiography of the 42nd president.	3	12
4	SKYWRITING, by Jane Pauley. (Random House, \$25.95.) A memoir by the television personality chronicles her career, family life and recent struggle with bipolar disorder.	5	3
5	EATS, SHOOTS & LEAVES, by Lynne Truss. (Gotham, \$17.50.) An Englishwoman expounds on the use and misuse of punctuation marks.	6	23
6	BUSHWORLD, by Maureen Dowd. (Putnam, \$25.95.) A journalist's assessment of President Bush, based on her columns and articles in The New York Times.	4	6
7	CONFESSIONS OF AN HEIRESS, by Paris Hilton with Merle Ginsberg. (Fireside/Simon & Schuster, \$22.) The celebrity jet-setter and star of "The Simple Life" tells what it's like to be young, rich and beautiful.	--	1
8	BETWEEN A ROCK AND A HARD PLACE, by Aron Ralston. (Atria, \$26.) A mountaineer describes a nightmarish experience in Utah and the extreme measure he took in order to save his life.	--	1
9	TREACHERY, by Bill Gertz. (Crown Forum, \$25.95.) A defense and national security reporter for The Washington Times maintains that "America's friends and foes are secretly arming our enemies."	--	1
10	HOW TO MAKE LOVE LIKE A PORN STAR, by Jenna Jameson with Neil Strauss. (ReganBooks/HarperCollins, \$27.95.) A leading lady of adult movies describes her unusual life and work.	7	4
11	WHERE THE RIGHT WENT WRONG, by Patrick J. Buchanan. (Thomas Dunne/St. Martin's, \$24.95.) The former presidential candidate takes on members of the Bush administration and other conservatives.	14	2
12	DRESS YOUR FAMILY IN CORDUROY AND DENIM, by David Sedaris. (Little, Brown, \$24.95.) The humorist's latest collection of essays.	8	15
13	SHADOW DIVERS, by Robert Kurson. (Random House, \$26.95.) The story of a group of divers who in 1991, 60 miles off the coast of New Jersey, discovered the wreckage of a World War II-era German U-boat.	9	11
14	IN THE SHADOW OF NO TOWERS, by Art Spiegelman. (Pantheon, \$19.95.) A graphic memoir about the attack on the World Trade Center.	--	1
15	RUNNING ON EMPTY, by Peter G. Peterson. (Farrar, Straus & Giroux, \$24.) The author, who was secretary of commerce under President Nixon, says that Democrats and Republicans "are bankrupting our future."	--	6