

The New York Times Best Seller List

This Week	December 14, 2008 Fiction	Last Week	Weeks On List
1	CROSS COUNTRY, by James Patterson. (Little, Brown, \$27.99.) Alex Cross chases the leader of a lethal teenage gang.	1	2
2	THE CHRISTMAS SWEATER, by Glenn Beck with Kevin Balfe and Jason Wright. (Threshold Editions, \$19.99.) A boy learns from his disappointment with his mother's gift.	2	3
3	ARCTIC DRIFT, by Clive Cussler and Dirk Cussler. (Putnam, \$27.95.) In his 20th adventure, Dirk Pitt searches for a crucial element that will help reverse global warming.	--	1
4	JUST AFTER SUNSET, by Stephen King. (Scribner, \$28.) Short stories blending fantasy and psychological realism.	6	3
5	THE HOUR I FIRST BELIEVED, by Wally Lamb. (Harper, \$29.95.) A man reconstructs five generations of family history.	4	3
6	YOUR HEART BELONGS TO ME, by Dean Koontz. (Bantam, \$27.) A man is stalked by a woman who resembles the donor of the heart he received in a transplant operation.	--	1
7	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.	10	25
8	DIVINE JUSTICE, by David Baldacci. (Grand Central, \$27.) Members of Washington's Camel Club rally to save their leader, who is hiding out in the town of Divine, Va.	5	4
9	THE LUCKY ONE, by Nicholas Sparks. (Grand Central, \$24.99.) A marine returning home sets out to track down the woman whose photo he found in Iraq.	11	9
10	THE HOST, by Stephenie Meyer. (Little, Brown, \$25.99.) Aliens have taken control of the minds and bodies of most humans, but one woman won't surrender.	--	29
11	THE PRIVATE PATIENT, by P. D. James. (Knopf, \$25.95.) Cmdr. Adam Dalgliesh investigates the murder of a journalist who had been a patient at a private clinic.	3	2
12	THE GATE HOUSE, by Nelson DeMille. (Grand Central, \$27.99.) In a sequel to "The Gold Coast" (1990) a tax attorney and his ex-wife explore a reconciliation.	8	5
13	PRINCEPS' FURY, by Jim Butcher. (Ace, \$25.95.) In the fifth book of the Alera fantasy cycle, Alera makes peace with one foe only to face an invasion by the dreaded Vord.	--	1
14	DASHING THROUGH THE SNOW, by Mary Higgins Clark and Carol Higgins Clark. (Simon & Schuster, \$23.) Life in a picturesque New Hampshire town is not what it seems.	9	2
15	A MERCY, by Toni Morrison. (Knopf, \$23.95.) In 17th-century America, a slave mother urges a Northern farmer to buy her daughter so that she can have a better life.	7	3
16	EXTREME MEASURES, by Vince Flynn. (Atria, \$27.95.) Mitch Rapp teams up with a C.I.A. colleague to fight a terrorist cell — and the politicians who would rein them in.	12	6

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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	2
2	AMERICAN LION, by Jon Meacham. (Random House, \$30.) Andrew Jackson, the seventh president, in the White House, by the editor of Newsweek.	4	3
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	11
4	DO THE RIGHT THING, by Mike Huckabee. (Sentinel, \$25.95.) A campaign memoir and statement of principles from the former Republican presidential aspirant.	5	2
5	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.”	2	3
6	HOT, FLAT, AND CROWDED, by Thomas L. Friedman. (Farrar, Straus & Giroux, \$27.95.) How a green revolution can renew America, by the New York Times columnist.	6	12
7	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.”	9	2
8	A BOLD FRESH PIECE OF HUMANITY, by Bill O'Reilly. (Broadway, \$26.) The Fox News commentator on his upbringing and career.	8	10
9	THE SNOWBALL, by Alice Schroeder. (Bantam, \$35.) The life of Warren Buffett.	7	9
10	THE ASCENT OF MONEY, by Niall Ferguson. (Penguin Press, \$29.95.) A financial history of the world, stressing the link between politics and economics.	--	1
11	JOHN LENNON, by Philip Norman. (Ecco, \$34.95.) Life in the Beatles and beyond, from the author of “Shout!”	--	3
12	LETTER TO MY DAUGHTER, by Maya Angelou. (Random House, \$25.) Reminiscences, appreciations and poems from the author of “I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings.”	11	9
13	MULTIPLE BLESSINGS, by Jon Gosselin, Kate Gosselin and Beth Carson. (Zondervan, \$19.) A couple has sextuplets.	--	6
14	ANNIE LEIBOVITZ AT WORK, by Annie Leibovitz. (Random House, \$40.) Memorable photographs, and a text — part memoir, part commentary — based on conversations with the book’s editor.	10	2
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.	13	4
16	CALL ME TED, by Ted Turner with Bill Burke. (Grand Central, \$30.) The entrepreneur’s personal story.	12	3