

The New York Times Best Seller List

This Week	August 21, 1988 Fiction	Last Week	Weeks On List
1	THE CARDINAL OF THE KREMLIN, by Tom Clancy. (Putnam, \$19.95.) The C.I.A.'s Jack Ryan races to the rescue of America's highest-ranking secret agent in the Soviet Union.	1	3
2	ALASKA, by James A. Michener. (Random House, \$22.50.) The history of the 49th state told in fictional form.	2	8
3	TILL WE MEET AGAIN, by Judith Krantz. (Crown, \$19.95.) The exploits of a woman and her two daughters from pre-World War I Paris to present-day Los Angeles.	9	2
4	TO BE THE BEST, by Barbara Taylor Bradford. (Doubleday, \$19.95.) The Harte department store dynasty, founded by "a woman of substance," undergoes emotional and financial strains.	3	7
5	DOCTORS, by Erich Segal. (Bantam, \$19.95.) The life stories of five members of Harvard Medical School's class of 1962.	4	4
6	THE BONFIRE OF THE VANITIES, by Tom Wolfe. (Farrar, Straus & Giroux, \$19.95.) A bond trader caught in the jungles of New York.	5	42
7	ZOYA, by Danielle Steel. (Delacorte, \$19.95.) One woman's story, from St. Petersburg during the Russian Revolution to contemporary New York.	6	15
8	LOVE IN THE TIME OF CHOLERA, by Gabriel Garcia Marquez. (Knopf, \$18.95.) A Colombian poet's perdurable love for a woman is tested by life's changing conditions.	8	18
9	TIMOTHY'S GAME, by Lawrence Sanders. (Putnam, \$18.95.) A stock market operator investigates scams on Wall Street.	7	6
10	SHINING THROUGH, by Susan Isaacs. (Harper & Row, \$18.95.) The progress of a Queens woman from Wall Street secretary to wife of her boss to spy in Nazi Germany.	--	1
11	A THIEF OF TIME, by Tony Hillerman. (Harper & Row, \$15.95.) Tracking down a missing archeologist, missing artifacts and a murderer in the Indian ruins of New Mexico.	11	7
12	THE ICARUS AGENDA, by Robert Ludlum. (Random House, \$19.95.) A congressman's secret dealings with terrorists may bring him the Presidency - or death.	10	24
13	THE SHELL SEEKERS, by Rosamunde Pilcher. (St. Martin's, \$19.95.) A woman and a painting tie together three generations of an English family.	12	27
14	LIBRA, by Don DeLillo. (Viking, \$19.95.) Fictional speculation that President Kennedy's assassination was the result of a C.I.A. conspiracy.	13	2
15	THE INDIA FAN, by Victoria Holt. (Doubleday, \$18.95.) A shocking murder witnessed by a British woman during the Sepoy Rebellion changes the course of her life.	--	2

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1	A BRIEF HISTORY OF TIME, by Stephen W. Hawking. (Bantam, \$18.95.) A British scientist's review of efforts to create a unified theory of the universe.	1	18
2	TALKING STRAIGHT, by Lee Iacocca with Sonny Kleinfield. (Bantam, \$21.95.) More experiences and opinions of the Chrysler chairman.	3	10
3	GENERATION OF SWINE, by Hunter S. Thompson. (Summit, \$18.95.) Commentary on the current decade.	4	6
4	TRUMP: The Art of the Deal, by Donald J. Trump with Tony Schwartz. (Random House, \$19.95.) The career and business style of the New York entrepreneur.	2	36
5	THE DUCHESS OF WINDSOR, by Charles Higham. (McGraw-Hill, \$17.95.) The life of the woman from Baltimore who married King Edward VIII.	5	5
6	RIDING THE IRON ROOSTER, by Paul Theroux. (Putnam, \$21.95.) A yearlong journey by train through China.	6	10
7	SENATORIAL PRIVILEGE, by Leo Damore. (Regnery Gateway, \$19.95.) A reporter's reassessment of the 1969 accident on Chappaquiddick Island.	13	2
8	CAPOTE, by Gerald Clarke. (Simon & Schuster, \$22.95.) The life of Truman Capote.	7	9
9	THE RISE AND FALL OF THE GREAT POWERS, by Paul Kennedy. (Random House, \$24.95.) How economic and military forces affected the fortunes of great nations in the past 500 years.	10	29
10	THRIVING ON CHAOS, by Tom Peters. (Knopf, \$19.95.) The author discusses ways for companies to survive in today's and tomorrow's turbulent world.	8	40
11	FIREFIGHTERS, by Dennis Smith. (Doubleday, \$18.95.) Three dozen men and women from all parts of the country recall their most exciting experiences.	--	1
12	PICASSO, by Arianna Stassinopoulos Huffington. (Simon & Schuster, \$22.95.) A portrait of the artist as "creator and destroyer."	12	9
13	A TRAIL OF MEMORIES, edited by Angelique L'Amour. (Bantam, \$12.95.) Quotations from the works of Louis L'Amour, compiled by his daughter.	9	10
14	ALMOST GOLDEN, by Gwenda Blair. (Simon & Schuster, \$18.95.) The career of the television anchorwoman Jessica Savitch and the ways of newscasting during the past two decades.	14	3
15	CHAOS, by James Gleick. (Viking, \$19.95.) An account of a fast-developing new science that involves disorder, arrhythmia and the bizarre and the random in nature.	11	27