

The New York Times Best Seller List

This Week	January 8, 2006 Fiction	Last Week	Weeks On List
1	MARY, MARY, by James Patterson. (Little, Brown, \$27.95.) The F.B.I. agent Alex Cross tracks a Hollywood killer who announces the crimes via e-mail.	1	6
2	THE DA VINCI CODE, by Dan Brown. (Doubleday, \$24.95.) A murder at the Louvre leads to a trail of clues found in the work of Leonardo and to the discovery of a secret society.	5	144
3	"S" IS FOR SILENCE, by Sue Grafton. (Marian Wood/Putnam, \$26.95.) Kinsey Millhone searches for a woman who disappeared 34 years ago.	2	3
4	AT FIRST SIGHT, by Nicholas Sparks. (Warner, \$24.95.) The young couple from "True Believer," who are now expecting a child, receive a disturbing message.	3	10
5	AMAZING PEACE, by Maya Angelou. (Random House, \$9.95.) A poem read at the lighting of the White House Christmas tree in December 2005.	4	3
6	PREDATOR, by Patricia Cornwell. (Putnam, \$26.95.) On the trail of a possible serial killer, Dr. Kay Scarpetta turns to a jailed psychopath for advice.	7	9
7	FOREVER ODD, by Dean Koontz. (Bantam, \$27.) Odd Thomas, a character from Koontz's 2003 novel of the same name who can communicate with the dead, searches for a missing friend.	6	4
8	THE CAMEL CLUB, by David Baldacci. (Warner, \$26.95.) A group of eccentric conspiracy theorists stumbles across an actual plot reaching to the highest levels of government.	10	9
9	CHRIST THE LORD: OUT OF EGYPT, by Anne Rice. (Knopf, \$25.95.) What happened in Bethlehem; a story narrated by a 7-year-old who discovers that he is the Prince of Peace.	11	8
10	THE LIGHTHOUSE, by P. D. James. (Knopf, \$25.95.) Commander Adam Dalgliesh is called in to solve a murder (or two) on a remote Cornish island.	9	5
11	LIGHT FROM HEAVEN, by Jan Karon. (Viking, \$26.95.) Father Tim's bishop asks him to revive a long-closed mountain church; the final novel in the Mitford series.	8	7
12	SON OF A WITCH, by Gregory Maguire. (ReganBooks/HarperCollins, \$26.95.) Liir makes his way through the dangerous land of Oz; a sequel to "Wicked."	12	13
13	THE FIVE PEOPLE YOU MEET IN HEAVEN, by Mitch Albom. (Hyperion, \$19.95.) An old man who died trying to rescue a girl from danger finds that all is explained to him in the afterlife.	--	100
14	TOXIC BACHELORS, by Danielle Steel. (Delacorte, \$27.) On a Mediterranean vacation, three resolutely single friends meet three impressive women.	14	7
15	THE MARCH, by E. L. Doctorow. (Random House, \$25.95.) The story of Sherman's sweep through the South and the lives he left in his wake, from the author of "Ragtime."	--	7

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1	TEAM OF RIVALS, by Doris Kearns Goodwin. (Simon & Schuster, \$35.) The political genius of Abraham Lincoln, revealed in his relationship with his cabinet, from the author of "No Ordinary Time."	3	9
2	TEACHER MAN, by Frank McCourt. (Scribner, \$26.) The author of "Angela's Ashes" remembers his years teaching high school English in New York City.	1	6
3	MARLEY & ME, by John Grogan. (Morrow, \$21.95.) A newspaper columnist and his wife learn some life lessons from their neurotic dog.	4	10
4	OUR ENDANGERED VALUES, by Jimmy Carter. (Simon & Schuster, \$25.) The former president warns against blurring politics and fundamentalist religion.	2	8
5	1776, by David McCullough. (Simon & Schuster, \$32.) An account of America's founding year by the Pulitzer Prize-winning author, focusing on the inexperienced George Washington and heroic citizen soldiers.	6	31
6	THE WORLD IS FLAT, by Thomas L. Friedman. (Farrar, Straus & Giroux, \$27.50.) A columnist for The New York Times analyzes 21st-century economics and foreign policy and presents an overview of globalization trends.	5	38
7	THE YEAR OF MAGICAL THINKING, by Joan Didion. (Knopf, \$23.95.) The author's attempts to come to terms with the death of her husband and the grave illness of their only daughter.	8	12
8	FREAKONOMICS, by Steven D. Levitt and Stephen J. Dubner. (Morrow, \$25.95.) A maverick scholar applies economic thinking to everything from sumo wrestlers who cheat to legalized abortion and the falling crime rate.	7	37
9	THE TRUTH (WITH JOKES), by Al Franken. (Dutton, \$25.95.) A comic attack on the Bush administration from the author of "Lies (and the Lying Liars Who Tell Them)."	9	9
10	THE EDUCATION OF A COACH, by David Halberstam. (Hyperion, \$24.95.) A profile of Bill Belichick, the coach of the New England Patriots.	14	5
11	MY FRIEND LEONARD, by James Frey. (Riverhead, \$24.95.) The author of the addiction memoir "A Million Little Pieces" remembers a helpful mobster friend.	10	12
12	A MAN WITHOUT A COUNTRY, by Kurt Vonnegut. (Seven Stories, \$23.95.) Autobiographical essays and observations from the author of "Slaughterhouse-Five."	--	7
13	ARE MEN NECESSARY?, by Maureen Dowd. (Putnam, \$25.95.) A New York Times columnist considers the relationship between the sexes.	--	6
14	BLINK, by Malcolm Gladwell. (Little, Brown, \$25.95.) The author of "The Tipping Point" explores the importance of hunch and instinct to the workings of the mind.	12	47
15	THE CITY OF FALLING ANGELS, by John Berendt. (Penguin, \$25.95.) The author of "Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil" investigates a fire in Venice.	15	11