The New York Times Best Seller List

This Week	February 15, 1981 Fiction	Last Week	Weeks On List
1	THE COVENANT, by James A. Michener. (Random House, \$15.95.) Fifteen thousand years of South African history.	1	17
2	THE KEY TO REBECCA, by Ken Follett. (Morrow, \$12.95.) German espionage in Cairo during the desert campaigns of 1942.	3	21
3	ANSWER AS A MAN, by Taylor Caldwell. (Putnam's, \$12.95.) A man who has made it big in early 20th-century America struggles against the corruption that engulfs his life.	2	8
4	COME POUR THE WINE, by Cynthia Freeman. (Arbor House, \$12.95.) A woman's long journey to self-discovery.	4	18
5	FIRESTARTER, by Stephen King. (Viking, \$13.95.) Eight year old Charlie can look at anything and turn it into flames.	5	26
6	CONGO, by Michael Crichton. (Knopf, \$10.95.) Three intrepid Americans search for lost diamonds in the jungles of modern Africa.	14	5
7	RAGE OF ANGELS, by Sidney Sheldon. (Morrow, \$12.95.) An idealistic young woman lawyer triumphs over two vengeful men.	6	34
8	THE FIFTH HORSEMAN, by Larry Collins and Dominique Lapierre. (Simon & Schuster, \$13.95.) Libyan terrorists have planted a thermonuclear device in New York and there are only 24 hours to find it.	10	23
9	MASQUERADE, by Kit Williams. (Schocken Books, \$9.95.) A fantastic tale about the Sun, the Moon and a lost treasure.	12	5
10	LOON LAKE, by E.L. Doctorow. (Random House, \$11.95.) The strange, lyrical adventures of a young man during the Depression.	7	20
11	BRAIN, by Robin Cook. (Putnam's, \$11.95.) A young physician copes with a conspiracy of medical researchers who steal young women's brains to create an artificial intelligence.		1
12	UNFINISHED TALES, by J.R.R. Tolkien. (Houghton Mifflin, \$15.) Hitherto unpublished fragments of writing about Middle-earth.	9	13
13	THE ORIGIN, by Irving Stone. (Doubleday, \$14.95.) Biographical novel of Charles Darwin.		23
14	THE HIDDEN TARGET, by Helen MacInnes. (Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, \$12.95.) Young American woman ensnared in an international terrorists' plot.	13	13
15	THE CLAN OF THE CAVE BEAR, by Jean M. Auel. (Crown, \$12.95.) A saga of Cro-Magnon and Neanderthal men and women, who inhabited Europe 35,000 years ago.	8	17

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1	COSMOS, by Carl Sagan. (Random House, \$19.95.) Thirteen billion years of the universe's evolution explained by the NASA medal-winning space scientist.		14
2	CRISIS INVESTING, by Douglas R. Casey. (Stratford Press, \$12.50.) "Opportunities for investing in the coming Great Depression."	1	24
3	BETTY CROCKER'S INTERNATIONAL COOKBOOK. (Random House, \$12.95.) A completely new collection of recipes under a long-established name.	2	13
4	NICE GIRLS DO, by Irene Kassorla. (Stratford Press, \$9.95.) "How women may solve their own sexual problems."	4	3
5	NEVER-SAY-DIET BOOK, by Richard Simmons. (Warner, \$14.95.) Regimen for exercise, diet and life style.	9	2
6	THE SKY'S THE LIMIT, by Wayne Dyer. (Simon & Schuster, \$10.95.) Prescription for "achieving perfection of body and mind."	3	20
7	CRAIG CLAIBORNE'S GOURMET DIET, by Craig Claiborne with Pierre Franey. (Times Books, \$10.95.) Recipes for eating well, losing weight and maintaining good health.	6	27
8	THE COMING CURRENCY COLLAPSE, by Jerome F. Smith. (Books in Focus, \$13.95.) "Investment survival manual for an age of hyperinflation."	5	10
9	SIDE EFFECTS, by Woody Allen. (Random House, \$8.95.) The comedian's observations on sex, death, religion and almost everything else.	7	18
10	PETER THE GREAT, by Robert K. Massie. (Knopf, \$17.95.) The life of the 18th-century Czar who brought Russia into the modern world.	8	15
11	AMERICAN DREAMS, by Studs Terkel. (Pantheon, \$14.95.) One hundred ordinary men and women talk about their hopes and fears.	10	17
12	BEST EVIDENCE, by David S. Lifton. (Macmillan, \$16.95.) An account of the author's effort to prove that JFK's death was part of a plot by high-level government conspirators.		1
13	GOODBYE, DARKNESS, by William Manchester. (Little, Brown, \$14.95.) A memoir of the Pacific war.	14	20
14	NOTHING DOWN, by Robert G. Allen. (Simon & Schuster, \$9.95.) How to buy real estate with little or no cash.		37
15	MAIDA HEATTER'S BOOK OF GREAT CHOCOLATE DESSERTS. (Knopf, \$15.) The art of chocolate cookery.		1