

The New York Times Best Seller List

This Week	May 18, 1997 Fiction	Last Week	Weeks On List
1	PRETEND YOU DON'T SEE HER, by Mary Higgins Clark. (Simon & Schuster, \$25.) A chance witness to a murder is obliged to live anonymously to save her life.	1	4
2	THE PARTNER, by John Grisham. (Doubleday, \$26.95.) The pursuit of \$90 million stolen by a Mississippi lawyer who has apparently died and been cremated -- but is actually hiding in Brazil.	2	10
3	THE RANCH, by Danielle Steel. (Delacorte, \$25.95.) Three women who were college roommates come to terms with themselves at a Wyoming resort.	3	5
4	MASON & DIXON, by Thomas Pynchon. (Holt, \$27.50.) The story of the two British surveyors who drew the boundary between the North and the South in the 1700's.	--	1
5	THE NIGHT CREW, by John Sandford. (Putnam, \$23.95.) A video crew patrolling the streets of Los Angeles for news is beset by a series of violent deaths.	4	4
6	THE NOTEBOOK, by Nicholas Sparks. (Warner, \$16.95.) A World War II veteran meets an old flame who is about to be married.	5	30
7	OUT TO CANAAN, by Jan Karon. (Viking, \$23.95.) The fourth volume of "The Mitford Years," a series about life in a small North Carolina town.	7	3
8	AFFAIR, by Amanda Quick. (Bantam, \$23.95.) A private investigator undertakes to find the murderer of a wealthy woman who was her client.	6	3
9	THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO THE SON, by Norman Mailer. (Random House, \$22.) The life of Jesus, narrated in the first person.	13	2
10	SMALL VICES, by Robert B. Parker. (Putnam, \$21.95.) The private eye Spenser has a brush with death while pursuing a young woman's murderer.	9	5
11	3001: THE FINAL ODYSSEY, by Arthur C. Clarke. (Del Rey/Ballantine, \$25.) One of the heroes of "2001: A Space Odyssey" tries to save the human race from a dangerous monolith.	10	10
12	CHROMOSOME 6, by Robin Cook. (Putnam, \$24.95.) The missing liver of a corpse found floating in a river may provide clues to the murder of a crime figure.	11	7
13	MCNALLY'S GAMBLE, by Lawrence Sanders. (Putnam, \$24.95.) Archy McNally, hired by a rich widow's children, finds himself in a sea of greed and murder.	8	5
14	THE CELESTINE PROPHECY, by James Redfield. (Warner, \$17.95.) An ancient manuscript, found in Peru, provides insights into achieving a fulfilling life.	12	161
15	EVENING CLASS, by Maeve Binchy. (Delacorte, \$24.95.) Family secrets, aspirations and passions surface during a course in Italian at a Dublin school.	--	11

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1	ANGELA'S ASHES, by Frank McCourt. (Scribner, \$24.) An Irish-American writer recalls his childhood amid the miseries of Limerick.	2	35
2	UNDERBOSS, by Peter Maas. (HarperCollins, \$25.) Life in the Mafia as lived and observed by Salvatore (Sammy the Bull) Gravano.	1	3
3	INTO THIN AIR, by Jon Krakauer. (Villard, \$24.95.) A journalist's account of his ascent of Mount Everest in 1996, the deadliest season in history.	5	2
4	JUST AS I AM, by Billy Graham. (HarperSanFrancisco/Zondervan, \$28.50.) The autobiography of the crusading preacher.	--	1
5	MOTHERS & DAUGHTERS, by Carol Saline and Sharon J. Wohlmuth. (Doubleday, \$24.95.) The bond between 37 women and their daughters, celebrated in essays and photographs.	4	3
6	CONVERSATIONS WITH GOD: Book 1, by Neale Donald Walsch. (Putnam, \$19.95.) The author addresses questions of good and evil, guilt and sin.	3	22
7	LOCKED IN THE CABINET, by Robert B. Reich. (Knopf, \$25.) Washington life as experienced and observed by the former Secretary of Labor.	6	3
8	THE MILLIONAIRE NEXT DOOR, by Thomas J. Stanley and William D. Danko. (Longstreet, \$22.) An analysis of the lives of wealthy Americans discloses that they have seven characteristics in common.	9	17
9	MIDNIGHT IN THE GARDEN OF GOOD AND EVIL, by John Berendt. (Random House, \$23.) The mysterious death of a young man in Savannah, Ga.	8	148
10	PERSONAL HISTORY, by Katharine Graham. (Knopf, \$29.95.) The autobiography of the former publisher of The Washington Post and capital grande dame.	7	14
11	THE GIFT OF PEACE, by Joseph Cardinal Bernardin. (Loyola Press, \$17.95.) Reflections on the last three years of his life by the late Archbishop of Chicago.	10	15
12	NICKEL DREAMS, by Tanya Tucker with Patsi Bale Cox. (Hyperion, \$23.95.) From Willcox, Ariz., to Nashville: the autobiography of the country singer.	11	5
13	CONVERSATIONS WITH GOD: Book 2, by Neale Donald Walsch. (Hampton Roads, \$19.95.) More discussions of moral questions.	--	1
14	WALK ON THE WILD SIDE, by Dennis Rodman with Michael Silver. (Delacorte, \$22.95.) The flamboyant basketball player continues his ruminations.	--	1
15	NAKED, by David Sedaris. (Little, Brown, \$21.95.) Autobiographical comic essays whose subjects include the author's family and a nudist trailer park.	12	7