The New York Times Best Seller List

This Week	October 25, 1992 Fiction	Last Week	Weeks On List
1	THE TALE OF THE BODY THIEF, by Anne Rice. (Knopf, \$24.) To prove he is still a hero among the living dead, Lestat embarks on a dangerous enterprise; "The Vampire Chronicles," continued.		1
2	THE STARS SHINE DOWN, by Sidney Sheldon. (Morrow, \$23.) The fortunes of a successful businesswoman are suddenly imperiled by secrets from her past and present relationships.	1	2
3	THE SECRET HISTORY, by Donna Tartt. (Knopf, \$23.) Close friends at a small college must deal with the consequences of a crime they committed.	3	6
4	THE PELICAN BRIEF, by John Grisham. (Doubleday, \$22.50.) A woman law student probes the murder of two Supreme Court justices.	5	33
5	WAITING TO EXHALE, by Terry McMillan. (Viking, \$22.) The friendships and romances of four black women in Phoenix.	2	22
6	WHERE IS JOE MERCHANT? by Jimmy Buffett. (Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, \$19.95.) A couple on a wild chase through the Caribbean on the trail of a deceased rock star who has been sighted there.	4	9
7	THE SHADOW RISING, by Robert Jordan. (Tor/ Doherty, \$24.95.) Book Four of "The Wheel of Time," a fantasy saga.	11	2
8	GERALD'S GAME, by Stephen King. (Viking, \$23.50.) Twenty-eight hours of horror suffered by a woman handcuffed to a bedpost.	6	15
9	SABINE'S NOTEBOOK, by Nick Bantock. (Chronicle Books, \$17.95.) Continuing the epistolary romance between two talented people begun in "Griffin & Sabine."	9	2
10	THE BRIDGES OF MADISON COUNTY, by Robert James Waller. (Warner, \$14.95.) A photographer and a lonely farmer's wife in Iowa.	7	11
11	ALL THAT REMAINS, by Patricia D. Cornwell. (Scribners, \$20.) Searching for the truth behind the strange deaths of five young couples in Virginia.	8	9
12	GRIFFIN & SABINE, by Nick Bantock. (Chronicle Books, \$16.95.) The romance of an artist and a secret admirer, told through cards and letters.		8
13	LEAVING COLD SASSY, by Olive Ann Burns. (Ticknor & Fields, \$21.) The story of a marriage that survives many strains; a sequel to the 1984 novel "Cold Sassy Tree."	10	2
14	THE SILKEN WEB, by Sandra Brown. (Warner, \$16.95.) Kathleen Haley faces a difficult choice: marriage to a well-to-do man or to an old flame.	12	3
15	TANGLED VINES, by Janet Dailey. (Little, Brown, \$21.95.) A television star encounters romance and shades of her unhappy childhood.		6

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1	THE WAY THINGS OUGHT TO BE, by Rush H. Limbaugh 3d. (Pocket, \$22.) Anecdotes and opinions offered by the talk show host.	1	6
2	IT DOESN'T TAKE A HERO, by H. Norman Schwarzkopf with Peter Petre. (Linda Grey/ Bantam, \$25.) The autobiography of the general who commanded the allied forces in the gulf war.	2	3
3	EVERY LIVING THING, by James Herriot. (St. Martin's, \$22.95.) Continuing the memoirs of the Yorkshire veterinarian.	4	8
4	THE SILENT PASSAGE, by Gail Sheehy. (Random House, \$16.) The psychological and social significance of menopause for today's women.	3	22
5	THE TE OF PIGLET, by Benjamin Hoff. (Dutton, \$16.) Aspects of Taoist philosophy explained through the actions of an A. A. Milne character.	5	5
6	TRUMAN, by David McCullough. (Simon & Schuster, \$30.) A biography of the 33d President.	7	19
7	WOMEN WHO RUN WITH THE WOLVES, by Clarissa Pinkola Estes. (Ballantine, \$20.) A Jungian analyst reinterprets myths and folk tales to enable women to understand their psyches.	8	11
8	EARTH IN THE BALANCE, by Al Gore. (Houghton Mifflin, \$22.95.) The Vice-Presidential candidate discusses factors affecting the environment and what must be done to save it.	14	20
9	THE LAST TSAR, by Edvard Radzinsky. (Doubleday, \$25.) The life of Nicholas II and his family, and their assassination in 1918.	10	12
10	THE SENATOR, by Richard E. Burke with William and Marilyn Hoffer. (St. Martin's, \$23.95.) The recollections of a man who served as an aide to Edward M. Kennedy for 10 years.	6	2
11	YOUNG MEN & FIRE, by Norman Maclean. (University of Chicago, \$19.95.) An account of a disastrous fire in a Montana forest in 1949.	9	8
12	DIANA: HER TRUE STORY, by Andrew Morton. (Simon & Schuster, \$22.) A biography of the Princess of Wales.	11	17
13	THE CREATORS, by Daniel J. Boorstin. (Random House, \$30.) Three thousand years in the history of religion, philosophy, literature and the arts, told through the lives of those who made it.	13	3
14	I CAN'T BELIEVE I SAID THAT! by Kathie Lee Gifford with Jim Jerome. (Pocket, \$22.) The autobiography of the co-host of the television show "Live With Regis and Kathie Lee."		1
15	CARE OF THE SOUL, by Thomas Moore. (HarperCollins, \$20.) A psychotherapist's discussion of spirituality and everyday life.		5