The New York Times Best Seller List

This Week	August 11, 1991 Fiction	Last Week	Weeks On List
1	THE KITCHEN GOD'S WIFE, by Amy Tan. (Putnam, \$22.95.) A Chinese-American matriarch tells the harrowing story of her life.	1	7
2	THE FIRM, by John Grisham. (Doubleday, \$19.95.) A young lawyer learns that his firm is engaged in secret, possibly illegal activities.	2	22
3	HEIR TO THE EMPIRE, by Timothy Zahn. (Spectra/Bantam, \$15.) The survival of the "Star Wars" galaxy is menaced by new forces.	4	12
4	LOVES MUSIC, LOVES TO DANCE, by Mary Higgins Clark. (Simon & Schuster, \$21.95.) Two women get caught in the snare of a serial killer.	3	14
5	BEAST, by Peter Benchley. (Random House, \$21.) The disappearance of a couple off Bermuda raises a question: is a creature from the deep responsible?	6	7
6	OUTER BANKS, by Anne Rivers Siddons. (HarperCollins, \$19.95.) An interior decorator comes to terms with herself at a college reunion.	8	3
7	PARADISE, by Judith McNaught. (Pocket, \$19.95.) The heirs of two family dynasties find true love when one of their businesses is threatened.	5	7
8	PASTIME, by Robert B. Parker. (Putnam, \$19.95.) The private eye Spenser learns much about his own past while helping a young man track down his mother, who has disappeared.	7	3
9	MAXIMUM BOB, by Elmore Leonard. (Delacorte, \$20.) A woman probation officer pursues the people trying to kill a redneck Florida judge.	14	2
10	OH, THE PLACES YOU'LL GO! by Dr. Seuss. (Random House, \$12.95.) Verse and pictures.	9	72
11	TEXAS! SAGE, by Sandra Brown. (Doubleday, \$18.) A young woman who has always been able to wrap men around her finger meets her match on a visit to her hometown.		1
12	AS THE CROW FLIES, by Jeffrey Archer. (HarperCollins, \$22.95.) A man strives to create the biggest store in the world.	10	14
13	DARKNESS, by John Saul. (Bantam, \$17.50.) A family moves back to a Florida town, where something evil awaits.	12	4
14	SKY MASTERS, by Dale Brown. (Fine/Putnam, \$21.95.) The United States Air Force comes to the aid of the Philippines in a war with China in 1994.	11	3
15	THE RUSTLERS OF WEST FORK, by Louis L'Amour. (Bantam, \$18.) A frontier novel featuring Hopalong Cassidy, first published in 1951.	13	8
16	DAMAGE, by Josephine Hart. (Knopf, \$18.) A British gentleman is mesmerized when he meets the woman his son plans to marry.		11

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1	IRON JOHN, by Robert Bly. (Addison-Wesley, \$19.95.) The passage of the male from boyhood into manhood, as practiced in various cultures.	3	38
2	CHUTZPAH, by Alan M. Dershowitz. (Little, Brown, \$22.95.) A prominent law professor's reflections on the lot of Jews in America.	1	8
3	PARLIAMENT OF WHORES, by P. J. O'Rourke. (Entrekin/Atlantic Monthly, \$19.95.) A humorist's attempt to explain the Federal Government.	2	8
4	TOUJOURS PROVENCE, by Peter Mayle. (Knopf, \$20.) The charms of rustic Provence, as savored by a London advertising man who moved there.	5	6
5	WHEN YOU LOOK LIKE YOUR PASSPORT PHOTO, IT'S TIME TO GO HOME, by Erma Bombeck. (HarperCollins, \$19.95.) The tribulations of travel suffered in all parts of the world.	4	3
6	FIRE IN THE BELLY, by Sam Keen. (Bantam, \$19.95.) The changing role of today's male.	6	13
7	A QUESTION OF CHARACTER, by Thomas C. Reeves. (Free Press, \$24.95.) A biography of John F. Kennedy.	9	6
8	BOSS OF BOSSES, by Joseph F. O'Brien and Andris Kurins. (Simon & Schuster, \$22.95.) The downfall of the mobster Paul Castellano.	7	5
9	WOODY ALLEN, by Eric Lax. (Knopf, \$24.) The life of the film director, writer and actor.	10	10
10	THE COMMANDERS, by Bob Woodward. (Simon & Schuster, \$24.95.) How President Bush and his commanders have made military decisions.	8	13
11	THE DAY AMERICA TOLD THE TRUTH, by James Patterson and Peter Kim. (Prentice Hall, \$19.95.) Americans' beliefs about sex, drugs and many other matters, as revealed through a poll.		3
12	COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT, by Clark Clifford with Richard Holbrooke. (Random House, \$25.) The memoirs of the Democratic adviser.	14	9
13	ILLIBERAL EDUCATION, by Dinesh D'Souza. (Free Press, \$19.95.) A critical account of the way matters of race and sex are treated on campus.	15	12
14	PETER LAWFORD, by James Spada. (Bantam, \$22.50.) The life of the Britishborn actor, Hollywood man about town and Kennedy in-law.	11	2
15	UNDER THE INFLUENCE, by Peter Hernon and Terry Ganey. (Simon & Schuster, \$24.95.) An unauthorized account of Anheuser-Busch.	17	5
16	THE BEAUTY MYTH, by Naomi Wolf. (Morrow, \$21.95.) An argument against our society's emphasis on the importance of women's physical appearance.		1