

The New York Times Best Seller List

This Week	November 17, 1996 Fiction	Last Week	Weeks On List
1	THE DEEP END OF THE OCEAN, by Jacquelyn Mitchard. (Viking, \$23.95.) The disappearance of a 3-year-old brings a family anguish and redemption.	1	8
2	"M" IS FOR MALICE, by Sue Grafton. (Wood/Holt, \$25.) Murder results when sons in line to inherit a family fortune seek their long-missing black sheep brother.	--	1
3	DESPERATION, by Stephen King. (Viking, \$27.95.) Visitors to a small mining town in Nevada encounter terrifying forces.	3	6
4	MY GAL SUNDAY, by Mary Higgins Clark. (Simon & Schuster, \$23.) An ex-President and his Congresswoman wife investigate four crimes in the capital.	4	3
5	THE LAWS OF OUR FATHERS, by Scott Turow. (Farrar, Straus & Giroux, \$26.95.) The trial of a probation officer for his mother's murder recalls the turbulent 60's.	2	3
6	EXECUTIVE ORDERS, by Tom Clancy. (Putnam, \$27.95.) Vice President Jack Ryan has problems after the deaths of the President and most of the Cabinet, Congress, the Joint Chiefs and the Supreme Court.	5	12
7	THE TAILOR OF PANAMA, by John le Carré. (Knopf, \$25.) A London tailor, now living in Panama City, is blackmailed into becoming a spy for British intelligence.	7	3
8	THE THIRD TWIN, by Ken Follett. (Crown, \$25.95.) A research scientist's study of genetic components brings her frightening experiences and romance.	15	2
9	THE REGULATORS, by Richard Bachman. (Dutton, \$24.95.) Killings and other horrors disrupt a quiet suburban town in Ohio.	6	6
10	THE NOTEBOOK, by Nicholas Sparks. (Warner, \$16.95.) A World War II veteran meets an old flame who is about to be married.	9	4
11	THE YELLOW ADMIRAL, by Patrick O'Brian. (Norton, \$24.) Jack Aubrey's naval ambitions and domestic happiness are endangered when peace threatens to break out during the Napoleonic Wars.	13	2
12	THE CELESTINE PROPHECY, by James Redfield. (Warner, \$17.95.) An ancient manuscript, found in Peru, provides insights into achieving a fulfilling life.	11	142
13	TO THE HILT, by Dick Francis. (Putnam, \$24.95.) Trials and tribulations await a reclusive painter summoned to the bedside of his dying stepfather.	8	6
14	FALLING UP, by Shel Silverstein. (HarperCollins, \$16.95.) Poems and drawings, for children and grown-ups, celebrating strange characters and experiences.	12	24
15	A SECRET AFFAIR, by Barbara Taylor Bradford. (HarperCollins, \$16.) A chance encounter in a Venetian bar transforms the lives of two Americans.	--	3

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1	THE SOUL'S CODE, by James Hillman. (Random House, \$23.) A psychologist analyzes the elements that make up each person's essence.	--	1
2	DOGBERT'S TOP SECRET MANAGEMENT HANDBOOK, by Scott Adams. (Harper Business, \$16.) A satirical look, in words and cartoons, at the current foibles of business and management.	4	4
3	DON'T BLOCK THE BLESSINGS, by Patti LaBelle with Laura B. Randolph. (Riverhead, \$24.95.) The memoirs of the Grammy Award-winning singer.	5	4
4	THE DILBERT PRINCIPLE, by Scott Adams. (Harper Business, \$20.) More observations on the foibles of the business world, reported in words and cartoons.	2	29
5	AMERICAN TRAGEDY, by Lawrence Schiller and James Willwerth. (Random House, \$27.50.) An inside look at the O. J. Simpson defense team.	1	3
6	SLOUCHING TOWARDS GOMORRAH, by Robert H. Bork. (Regan Books/HarperCollins, \$25.) An indictment of modern liberalism by the former judge.	3	7
7	HOW GOOD DO WE HAVE TO BE? by Harold S. Kushner. (Little, Brown, \$21.95.) How a new understanding of guilt and forgiveness can change our lives.	6	8
8	ANGELA'S ASHES, by Frank McCourt. (Scribner, \$24.) An Irish-American writer recalls his childhood amid the miseries of Limerick.	9	9
9	MY SERGEI, by Ekaterina Gordeeva with E. M. Swift. (Warner, \$18.95.) A memoir of the Russian ice skater Sergei Grinkov, who died last year, by his longtime partner and wife.	--	1
10	LOVE, LUCY, by Lucille Ball with Betty Hannah Hoffman. (Putnam, \$24.95.) The posthumous autobiography of the television star.	8	6
11	UNLIMITED ACCESS, by Gary Aldrich. (Regnery, \$24.95.) Events in the Clinton White House as reported by an F.B.I. agent formerly on duty there.	10	18
12	FOREVER, ERMA, by Erma Bombeck. (Andrews & McMeel, \$22.95.) More than 190 pieces written over 31 years by the syndicated columnist, who died this year.	--	1
13	MIDNIGHT IN THE GARDEN OF GOOD AND EVIL, by John Berendt. (Random House, \$23.) The mysterious death of a young man in Savannah, Ga.	12	132
14	JAMES HERRIOT'S FAVORITE DOG STORIES, by James Herriot. (St. Martin's, \$17.95.) Ten tales recounted by the Yorkshire veterinarian, who died last year.	11	7
15	UNDAUNTED COURAGE, by Stephen E. Ambrose. (Simon & Schuster, \$27.50.) The story of how Thomas Jefferson sponsored Lewis and Clark's exploration.	14	36