

The New York Times Best Seller List

This Week	March 29, 1981 Fiction	Last Week	Weeks On List
1	THE COVENANT, by James A. Michener. (Random House, \$17.95.) Fifteen thousand years of South African history.	1	23
2	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.	2	7
3	CENTURY, by Fred Mustard Stewart. (Morrow, \$13.95.) Saga of an Italian-American family.	5	6
4	MASQUERADE, by Kit Williams. (Schocken Books, \$9.95.) A fantastic tale about the Sun, the Moon and a lost treasure.	3	11
5	THE COMPANY OF WOMEN, by Mary Gordon. (Random House, \$12.95.) One modern young woman's experience with the manners and mores of Roman Catholicism.	11	3
6	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.	4	14
7	THE KEY TO REBECCA, by Ken Follett. (Morrow, \$12.95.) German espionage in Cairo during the desert campaigns of 1942.	6	27
8	COME POUR THE WINE, by Cynthia Freeman. (Arbor House, \$12.95.) A woman's long journey to self-discovery.	7	24
9	THE DELTA DECISION, by Wilbur Smith. (Doubleday, \$12.95.) A plot to unite international terrorist groups into one global organization.	--	1
10	THE AVIATOR, by Ernest K. Gann. (Arbor House, \$10.95.) Romance and adventure in the early days of the U.S. airmail service.	--	1
11	FIRESTARTER, by Stephen King. (Viking, \$13.95.) Eight year old Charlie can look at anything and turn it into flames.	8	32
12	RAGE OF ANGELS, by Sidney Sheldon. (Morrow, \$12.95.) An idealistic young woman lawyer triumphs over two vengeful men.	9	40
13	CONGO, by Michael Crichton. (Knopf, \$10.95.) Three intrepid Americans search for lost diamonds in the jungles of modern Africa.	10	11
14	UNFINISHED TALES, by J.R.R. Tolkien. (Houghton Mifflin, \$15.) Hitherto unpublished fragments of writing about Middle-earth.	12	19
15	THE COLLECTED STORIES OF EUDORA WELTY. (Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, \$17.50.) Five decades of storytelling by a Southern writer who is a magnificent American artist.	15	6

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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.	1	20
2	NEVER-SAY-DIET BOOK, by Richard Simmons. (Warner, \$14.95.) Regimen for exercise, diet and life style.	2	8
3	WILLIAM E. DONOGHUE'S COMPLETE MONEY MARKET GUIDE, by William E. Donoghue with Thomas Tilling. (Harper & Row, \$12.95.) "How to profit from inflation and fluctuating interest rates."	--	1
4	NICE GIRLS DO, by Irene Kassorla. (Stratford Press, \$9.95.) "How women may solve their own sexual problems."	4	9
5	BEST EVIDENCE, by David S. Lifton. (Macmillan, \$16.95.) An account of the author's effort to prove that J.F.K.'s death was part of a plot by high-level Government conspirators.	6	7
6	THE LAST MAFIOSO, by Ovid Demaris. (Times Books, \$15.) The story of Jimmy Fratianno, professional hit man who turned Government witness.	3	7
7	ALL YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT THE IRS, 1981 Edition, by Paul N. Strassels and Robert Wool. (Random House, \$11.95.) A taxpayer's guide.	--	1
8	BETTY CROCKER'S INTERNATIONAL COOKBOOK. (Random House, \$13.95.) A completely new collection of recipes under a long-established name.	5	19
9	NOTHING DOWN, by Robert G. Allen. (Simon & Schuster, \$11.95.) How to buy real estate with little or no cash.	12	43
10	THE SKY'S THE LIMIT, by Wayne Dyer. (Simon & Schuster, \$10.95.) Prescription for "achieving perfection of body and mind."	8	26
11	YOU CAN NEGOTIATE ANYTHING, by Herb Cohen. (Lyle Stuart, \$12.) "How to get an edge on life."	10	5
12	CRISIS INVESTING, by Douglas R. Casey. (Stratford Press, \$12.50.) "Opportunities for investing in the coming Great Depression."	7	30
13	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.	9	33
14	PAPER MONEY, by Adam Smith. (Summit, \$13.95.) An economist throws light on that mysterious thing, money.	13	2
15	MONEY DYNAMICS FOR THE 1980s, by Venita VanCaspel. (Reston Publishing Co., \$15.) A money management guide for individuals.	14	6