

The New York Times Best Seller List

This Week	December 7, 2008 Fiction	Last Week	Weeks On List
1	CROSS COUNTRY, by James Patterson. (Little, Brown, \$27.99.) Alex Cross chases the leader of a lethal teenage gang.	--	1
2	THE CHRISTMAS SWEATER, by Glenn Beck with Kevin Balfe and Jason Wright. (Threshold Editions, \$19.99.) A boy learns from his disappointment with his mother's gift.	1	2
3	THE PRIVATE PATIENT, by P. D. James. (Knopf, \$25.95.) Cmdr. Adam Dalgliesh investigates the murder of a journalist who had been a patient at a private clinic.	--	1
4	THE HOUR I FIRST BELIEVED, by Wally Lamb. (Harper, \$29.95.) A man reconstructs five generations of family history.	4	2
5	DIVINE JUSTICE, by David Baldacci. (Grand Central, \$27.) Members of Washington's Camel Club rally to save their leader, who is hiding out in the town of Divine, Va.	3	3
6	JUST AFTER SUNSET, by Stephen King. (Scribner, \$28.) Short stories blending fantasy and psychological realism.	2	2
7	A MERCY, by Toni Morrison. (Knopf, \$23.95.) In 17th-century America, a slave mother urges a Northern farmer to buy her daughter so that she can have a better life.	5	2
8	THE GATE HOUSE, by Nelson DeMille. (Grand Central, \$27.99.) In a sequel to "The Gold Coast" (1990) a tax attorney and his ex-wife explore a reconciliation.	6	4
9	DASHING THROUGH THE SNOW, by Mary Higgins Clark and Carol Higgins Clark. (Simon & Schuster, \$23.) Life in a picturesque New Hampshire town is not what it seems.	--	1
10	THE STORY OF EDGAR SAWTELLE, by David Wroblewski. (Ecco, \$25.95.) A mute takes refuge with three dogs in the Wisconsin woods after his father's death.	11	24
11	THE LUCKY ONE, by Nicholas Sparks. (Grand Central, \$24.99.) A marine returning home sets out to track down the woman whose photo he found in Iraq.	9	8
12	EXTREME MEASURES, by Vince Flynn. (Atria, \$27.95.) Mitch Rapp teams up with a C.I.A. colleague to fight a terrorist cell — and the politicians who would rein them in.	7	5
13	THE GUERNSEY LITERARY AND POTATO PEEL PIE SOCIETY, by Mary Ann Shaffer and Annie Barrows. (Dial, \$22.) A journalist meets the island's old Nazi resisters.	--	14
14	THE BRASS VERDICT, by Michael Connelly. (Little, Brown, \$26.) Harry Bosch and Mickey Haller (the Lincoln lawyer) team up to find a killer.	12	6
15	SALVATION IN DEATH, by J. D. Robb. (Putnam, \$25.95.) Lt. Eve Dallas investigates the murder of a mysterious priest; by Nora Roberts, writing pseudonymously.	8	3
16	THE BODIES LEFT BEHIND, by Jeffery Deaver. (Simon & Schuster, \$26.95.) A sheriff's deputy is hunted in the Wisconsin woods by hit men after she finds the scene of their crime.	13	2

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1	OUTLIERS, by Malcolm Gladwell. (Little, Brown, \$27.99.) Why some people succeed — it has to do with luck and opportunities as well as talent — from the author of “Blink” and “The Tipping Point.”	--	1
2	TOO FAT TO FISH, by Artie Lange with Anthony Bozza. (Spiegel & Grau, \$24.95.) Humorous memories from the comedian, a member of the cast of “The Howard Stern Show.”	1	2
3	DEWEY, by Vicki Myron with Bret Witter. (Grand Central, \$19.99.) The kitten left freezing in the returned-book slot of an Iowa public library and his rise to fame.	3	10
4	AMERICAN LION, by Jon Meacham. (Random House, \$30.) Andrew Jackson, the seventh president, in the White House, by the editor of Newsweek.	2	2
5	DO THE RIGHT THING, by Mike Huckabee. (Sentinel, \$25.95.) A campaign memoir and statement of principles from the former Republican presidential aspirant.	--	1
6	HOT, FLAT, AND CROWDED, by Thomas L. Friedman. (Farrar, Straus & Giroux, \$27.95.) How a green revolution can renew America, by the New York Times columnist.	4	11
7	THE SNOWBALL, by Alice Schroeder. (Bantam, \$35.) The life of Warren Buffett.	5	8
8	A BOLD FRESH PIECE OF HUMANITY, by Bill O'Reilly. (Broadway, \$26.) The Fox News commentator on his upbringing and career.	6	9
9	WHY WE SUCK, by Denis Leary. (Viking, \$26.95.) Sardonic essays from the actor and comedian, currently the co-creator and star of the TV series “Rescue Me.”	--	1
10	ANNIE LEIBOVITZ AT WORK, by Annie Leibovitz. (Random House, \$40.) Memorable photographs, and a text — part memoir, part commentary — based on conversations with the book's editor.	--	1
11	LETTER TO MY DAUGHTER, by Maya Angelou. (Random House, \$25.) Reminiscences, appreciations and poems from the author of “I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings.”	9	8
12	CALL ME TED, by Ted Turner with Bill Burke. (Grand Central, \$30.) The entrepreneur's personal story.	8	2
13	THE AMERICAN JOURNEY OF BARACK OBAMA, by the editors of Life magazine. (Little, Brown, \$24.99.) Photographs and essays, starting with Obama's birth in Hawaii.	7	3
14	DREAMS FROM MY FATHER, by Barack Obama. (Crown, \$25.95.) The president-elect on life as the son of a black African father and a white American mother.	10	3
15	THE AUDACITY OF HOPE, by Barack Obama. (Crown, \$25.) The president-elect asks Americans to move beyond political divisions.	11	33