The New York Times Best Seller List

This Week	November 12, 1989 Fiction	Last Week	Weeks On List
1	THE DARK HALF, by Stephen King. (Viking, \$21.95.) After a writer of horror tales kills off his pseudonym, the deceased goes on a murderous rampage.	1	2
2	CLEAR AND PRESENT DANGER, by Tom Clancy. (Putnam, \$21.95.) The C.I.A.'s Jack Ryan fights Colombian drug lords.	2	11
3	FOUCAULT'S PENDULUM, by Umberto Eco. (Wolff/Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, \$22.95.) Ancient documents and arcane codes produce astonishing results when thrown into a computer.	3	4
4	TALES FROM MARGARITAVILLE, by Jimmy Buffett. (Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, \$16.95.) Short stories set on a mythical Caribbean island.	6	4
5	JIMMY STEWART AND HIS POEMS, by Jimmy Stewart. (Crown, \$9.95.) Verses by the venerable motion picture star.	5	8
6	SOME CAN WHISTLE, by Larry McMurtry. (Simon & Schuster, \$19.95.) A middle-aged writer meets the daughter he has never seen.	11	3
7	THE PILLARS OF THE EARTH, by Ken Follett. (Morrow, \$22.95.) The lives of men and women whose fortunes are linked by the construction of a cathedral in 12th-century England.	4	9
8	CALIFORNIA GOLD, by John Jakes. (Random House, \$19.95.) A young man from Pennsylvania makes his fortune in 19th-century Los Angeles.	7	9
9	POODLE SPRINGS, by Raymond Chandler and Robert B. Parker. (Putnam, \$18.95.) The private eye Philip Marlowe discovers the dark underside of an exclusive southern California desert mecca.	9	3
10	THE MINOTAUR, by Stephen Coonts. (Doubleday, \$19.95.) The hunt for a mole in the Pentagon who is giving defense secrets to the Russians.	10	5
11	OLDEST LIVING CONFEDERATE WIDOW TELLS ALL, by Allan Gurganus. (Knopf, \$21.95.) A 99-year-old woman reflects on her past.	8	9
12	FOREVER FIFTY: And Other Negotiations, by Judith Viorst. (Simon & Schuster, \$12.95.) Poems celebrating the pains of growing older.	16	4
13	THE JOY LUCK CLUB, by Amy Tan. (Putnam, \$18.95.) The tensions and bonds shared by Chinese- American women and their immigrant mothers.	13	32
14	THE LOST YEARS, by J. M. Dillard. (Pocket, \$17.95.) What happened to the crew of the Enterprise after its five-year "Star Trek" mission.	12	6
15	SURE OF YOU, by Armistead Maupin. (Harper & Row, \$18.95.) Professional ambitions, romantic relationships and marital obligations under stress in contemporary San Francisco.		1

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1	ALL I REALLY NEED TO KNOW I LEARNED IN KINDERGARTEN, by Robert Fulghum. (Villard, \$17.95.) Inspirational essays about everyday matters.	1	54
2	MY TURN, by Nancy Reagan with William Novak. (Random House, \$21.95.) The former First Lady's memoir of her White House years.	8	2
3	IT WAS ON FIRE WHEN I LAY DOWN ON IT, by Robert Fulghum. (Villard, \$17.95.) A new collection of inspirational essays.	2	8
4	ROSEANNE, by Roseanne Barr. (Harper & Row, \$18.95.) The autobiography of the television comedian.	3	5
5	AMONG SCHOOLCHILDREN, by Tracy Kidder. (Todd/Houghton Mifflin, \$19.95.) A year in the life of a fifth-grade teacher in Holyoke, Mass.	4	11
6	CONFESSIONS OF AN S.O.B., by Al Neuharth. (Doubleday, \$18.95.) The experiences of the founder of USA Today.	5	4
7	A BRIEF HISTORY OF TIME, by Stephen W. Hawking. (Bantam, \$18.95.) A scientist reviews efforts to create a unified theory of the universe.	7	82
8	I WANT TO GROW HAIR, I WANT TO GROW UP, I WANT TO GO TO BOISE, by Erma Bombeck. (Harper & Row, \$16.95.) Fifteen stories of children surviving cancer.	6	5
9	IT'S ALWAYS SOMETHING, by Gilda Radner. (Simon & Schuster, \$17.95.) The late comedian's memoir describes her battle with ovarian cancer.	9	23
10	EDUCATION OF A WANDERING MAN, by Louis L'Amour. (Bantam, \$16.95.) The author recalls the places he visited and the books he read in his youth.	15	2
11	CHILI DAWGS ALWAYS BARK AT NIGHT, by Lewis Grizzard. (Villard, \$17.95.) Essays on politics, religion, sex, golf, etc., by the syndicated columnist.	17	2
12	THE WRITING LIFE, by Annie Dillard. (Harper & Row, \$15.95.) A writer describes and reflects on the creative process.	10	9
13	WONDERFUL LIFE, by Stephen Jay Gould. (Norton, \$19.95.) What the contents of a small quarry in the Canadian Rockies have revealed about the past and about scientific methods.		1
14	DRIVE, by Larry Bird with Bob Ryan. (Doubleday, \$17.95.) The autobiography of the Boston Celtics basketball star.		1
15	LIAR'S POKER, by Michael Lewis. (Norton, \$18.95.) Wall Street's tumultuous 1980's, as witnessed and participated in by a young bond trader.		1