

The New York Times Best Seller List

This Week	February 28, 2010 Fiction	Last Week	Weeks On List
1	WORST CASE, by James Patterson and Michael Ledwidge. (Little, Brown, \$27.99.) A New York detective raising 10 children alone investigates a string of kidnappings and killings of teenagers by a villain with unusual motives.	1	2
2	THE HELP, by Kathryn Stockett. (Amy Einhorn/Putnam, \$24.95.) A young white woman and two black maids in 1960s Mississippi.	2	46
3	THE LOST SYMBOL, by Dan Brown. (Doubleday, \$29.95.) Robert Langdon among the Masons.	5	22
4	WINTER GARDEN, by Kristin Hannah. (St. Martin's, \$26.99.) After their father's death, two sisters must cooperate to run his apple orchard and care for their difficult mother.	4	2
5	FLIRT, by Laurell K. Hamilton. (Berkley, \$23.95.) Anita Blake, vampire hunter, and the males in her life.	3	2
6	POOR LITTLE BITCH GIRL, by Jackie Collins. (St. Martin's, \$26.99.) Hollywood murder, three beautiful 20-something high school friends, a hot New York club owner.	--	1
7	BRAVA, VALENTINE, by Adriana Trigiani. (Harper/HarperCollins, \$25.99.) An Italian-American shoemaker faces challenges at work, in her family and in love; the second book in a trilogy.	--	1
8	THE POSTMISTRESS, by Sarah Blake. (Amy Einhorn/Putnam, \$25.95.) Ordinary life in a Massachusetts small town and an American radio reporter in England in the 1940s.	--	1
9	THE MIDNIGHT HOUSE, by Alex Berenson. (Putnam, \$25.95.) Who is killing members of a secret unit that interrogated terrorists? The C.I.A. agent John Wells is on the case.	--	1
10	KISSER, by Stuart Woods. (Putnam, \$25.95.) Stone Barrington, the New York cop turned lawyer, pursues a case of financial fraud on the Upper East Side.	7	4
11	THE GIRL WHO PLAYED WITH FIRE, by Stieg Larsson. (Knopf, \$25.95.) A Swedish hacker becomes a murder suspect.	10	18
12	SECRETS OF EDEN, by Chris Bohjalian. (Shaye Areheart, \$25.) Murder, domestic abuse, spirituality and secrets in a small Vermont town.	6	2
13	ROSES, by Leila Meacham. (Grand Central, \$24.99.) Three generations in a small East Texas town.	8	5
14	THE SWAN THIEVES, by Elizabeth Kostova. (Little, Brown, \$26.99.) A psychiatrist treats a man who tried to slash a canvas in the National Gallery.	9	5
15	I, ALEX CROSS, by James Patterson. (Little, Brown, \$27.99.) Tracking the murderer of a relative, Alex Cross discovers a wild Washington scene with explosive secrets.	11	13

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1	GAME CHANGE, by John Heilemann and Mark Halperin. (Harper/HarperCollins, \$27.99.) Behind the scenes at the 2008 election with Barack Obama, Bill and Hillary Clinton, John and Elizabeth Edwards, John McCain and Sarah Palin.	1	5
2	THE POLITICIAN, by Andrew Young. (Thomas Dunne/St. Martin's, \$24.99.) A tell-all by John Edwards's closest aide.	2	3
3	STAYING TRUE, by Jenny Sanford. (Ballantine, \$25.) The ups and downs of life with South Carolina's Gov. Mark Sanford, by his estranged wife.	8	2
4	I AM OZZY, by Ozzy Osbourne with Chris Ayres. (Grand Central, \$26.99.) Recollections of heavy metal's "Prince of Darkness."	4	3
5	ON THE BRINK, by Henry M. Paulson Jr. (Grand Central, \$28.99.) The Treasury secretary during the financial meltdown describes the decisions that were made.	3	2
6	THE IMMORTAL LIFE OF HENRIETTA LACKS, by Rebecca Skloot. (Crown, \$26.) Race, poverty and science intertwine in the story of the woman whose cancer cells were cultured without her permission in 1951 and have supported a mountain of research undertaken since then.	5	2
7	STONES INTO SCHOOLS, by Greg Mortenson. (Viking, \$26.95.) Building schools, many of them for girls, in northeast Afghanistan; takes up where "Three Cups of Tea" left off.	11	11
8	WILLIE MAYS, by James S. Hirsch. (Scribner, \$30.) The life and career of a baseball legend.	--	1
9	COMMITTED, by Elizabeth Gilbert. (Viking, \$26.95.) The author of "Eat, Pray, Love" wrestles with, and overcomes, her ambivalence about marriage.	6	6
10	HAVE A LITTLE FAITH, by Mitch Albom. (Hyperion, \$23.99.) A suburban rabbi and a Detroit pastor teach lessons about the comfort of belief.	7	20
11	GOING ROGUE, by Sarah Palin. (Harper/HarperCollins, \$28.99.) A memoir by the former Alaska governor and vice-presidential candidate.	--	12
12	OUTLIERS, by Malcolm Gladwell. (Little, Brown, \$27.99.) Why some people succeed, from the author of "Blink."	9	65
13	MAKING ROUNDS WITH OSCAR, by David Dosa. (Hyperion, \$23.99.) A nursing-home cat who comforts patients when death is near.	12	2
14	JUST KIDS, by Patti Smith. (Ecco/HarperCollins, \$27.) The godmother of punk recalls her relationship with Robert Mapplethorpe and their yearnings for a life in art in the New York City of the 1960s and '70s.	10	4
15	THE CHECKLIST MANIFESTO, by Atul Gawande. (Metropolitan/Holt, \$24.50.) Following checklists makes surgery safer and other activities more efficient, a doctor argues.	14	6