The New York Times Best Seller List

This Week	May 12, 1985 Fiction	Last Week	Weeks On List
1	THINNER, by Richard Bachman. (NAL Books, \$12.95.) In this pseudonymous novel by Stephen King, a young lawyer finds his body mysteriously wasting away.	1	11
2	CHAPTERHOUSE: DUNE, by Frank Herbert. (Putnam, \$17.95.) A new world rises from the Old Empire's ashes in this volume of the "Dune" series.	5	4
3	INSIDE, OUTSIDE, by Herman Wouk. (Little, Brown, \$19.95.) A traditionalist Jew's quest for identity in glittery contemporary America.	4	8
4	IF TOMORROW COMES, by Sidney Sheldon. (Morrow, \$17.95.) A young woman destroys the crime lords who got her an undeserved prison term.	2	16
5	THE HUNT FOR RED OCTOBER, by Tom Clancy. (Naval Institute Press, \$14.95.) A Lithuanian submarine driver defects to the United States with the Soviet Union's most advanced nuclear secrets.	3	8
6	FAMILY ALBUM, by Danielle Steel. (Delacorte, \$16.95.) A married couple with five children cope with the crises of contemporary America.	7	10
7	THE CLASS, by Erich Segal. (Bantam, \$17.95.) What happened to five members of the class of 1958 after they left Harvard Yard.	10	3
8	THE LONELY SILVER RAIN, by John D. MacDonald. (Knopf, \$15.95.) A yacht's disappearance, a debutante's murder and other puzzles Travis McGee must solve to save his life.	6	6
9	QUEENIE, by Michael Korda. (Linden Press/ Simon & Schuster, \$17.95.) The glamorous career of Dawn Avalon, whose life was not unlike that of the late Merle Oberon.	8	4
10	GLITZ, by Elmore Leonard. (Arbor House, \$14.95.) The escapades, romantic and melodramatic, of a cop on the lam after a murder in Miami.	11	14
11	PROOF, by Dick Francis. (Putnam, \$16.95.) A young wine merchant gets caught in a scam involving murder and vengeance.	9	8
12	MEN AND ANGELS, by Mary Gordon. (Random House, \$16.95.) The nature of love and motherhood reflected in a household dominated by two women.	12	2
13	A CREED FOR THE THIRD MILLENNIUM, by Colleen McCullough. (Harper & Row, \$17.95.) A man and a woman set out to salvage a spiritually exhausted America in the not-too-distant future.		1
14	THE SICILIAN, by Mario Puzo. (Linden Press/ Simon & Schuster, \$17.95.) A fictional life of Salvatore Giuliano, the Sicilian bandit of the 1940's.		23
15	THE FINISHING SCHOOL, by Gail Godwin. (Viking, \$16.95.) A young girl's relationship with an older woman leads to her mentor's downfall.		11

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1	IACOCCA: An Autobiography, by Lee Iacocca with William Novak. (Bantam, \$19.95.) The rise of the automobile executive from immigrants' son to top jobs at Ford and Chrysler.	1	28
2	SMART WOMEN, FOOLISH CHOICES, by Connell Cowan and Melvyn Kinder. (Clarkson N. Potter, \$13.95.) Two clinical psychologists analyze the successes and failures of modern women in looking for acceptable men.	3	6
3	BREAKING WITH MOSCOW, by Arkady N. Shevchenko. (Knopf, \$18.95.) The autobiography of the highest-ranking Soviet official ever to defect.	2	11
4	LOVING EACH OTHER, by Leo Buscaglia. (Slack/Holt, \$13.95.) Suggestions for "setting our priorities right in order to enjoy life to the fullest."	5	37
5	ONCE UPON A TIME, by Gloria Vanderbilt. (Knopf, \$16.95.) Memories of the first 17 years of a "poor little rich girl."	8	2
6	THE COURAGE TO CHANGE, by Dennis Wholey. (Houghton Mifflin, \$15.95.) Conversations with two dozen people about their problems with alcoholism.	4	13
7	THE SOONG DYNASTY, by Sterling Seagrave. (Harper & Row, \$22.50.) The tangled lives of Charlie Soong and his six children, who shaped much of China's modern history.	6	4
8	THE BLOOD OF ABRAHAM, by Jimmy Carter. (Houghton Mifflin, \$15.95.) The problems of the Middle East and what can be done about them, as seen by the former President.	7	3
9	THE BRIDGE ACROSS FOREVER, by Richard Bach. (Morrow, \$16.95.) The author of "Jonathan Livingston Seagull" tells of his search for love.	9	36
10	A PASSION FOR EXCELLENCE, by Tom Peters and Nancy Austin. (Random House, \$19.95.) Ways to achieve distinction in management.		1
11	"SURELY YOU'RE JOKING, MR. FEYNMAN," by Richard P. Feynman. (Norton, \$15.95.) A Nobel laureate in physics recounts his curious misadventures inside and outside his profession.	10	9
12	A LIGHT IN THE ATTIC, by Shel Silverstein. (Harper & Row, \$13.50.) Light verse and drawings.	11	129
13	MOSES THE KITTEN, by James Herriot. (St. Martin's, \$9.95.) A waif kitten is adopted by a pig; illustrated.		30
14	SON OF THE MORNING STAR, by Evan S. Connell. (North Point, \$20.) A biography of Custer that is also a history of the Plains Indian wars.	15	22
15	NO MORE VIETNAMS, by Richard Nixon. (Arbor House, \$14.95.) The former President's view of 10 years of change in American foreign policy.		1