

The New York Times Best Seller List

This Week	May 6, 2012 Fiction	Last Week	Weeks On List
1	THE INNOCENT, by David Baldacci. (Grand Central, \$27.99.) A hitman who has become a target of the government rescues a teenage girl whose parents have been murdered and who may be at the center of a dangerous conspiracy.	--	1
2	THE WITNESS, by Nora Roberts. (Putnam, \$27.95.) A programmer hides from the Russian mob in the Ozarks.	--	1
3	CALICO JOE, by John Grisham. (Doubleday, \$24.95.) A pitcher beans a promising rookie, ending both their careers; years later, the pitcher's son brings them together.	1	2
4	UNNATURAL ACTS, by Stuart Woods. (Putnam, \$26.95.) The New York lawyer Stone Barrington becomes involved in the family problems of a billionaire hedge fund manager.	--	1
5	GUILTY WIVES, by James Patterson and David Ellis. (Little, Brown, \$27.99.) Four friends in Monte Carlo for a luxurious girls' vacation find themselves in prison, accused of a crime.	2	4
6	THE LOST YEARS, by Mary Higgins Clark. (Simon & Schuster, \$26.99.) A biblical scholar who made an amazing discovery is murdered.	3	3
7	WHAT DOESN'T KILL YOU, by Iris Johansen. (St. Martin's, \$27.99.) A Hong Kong woman who works for the C.I.A. searches for a deadly formula while she fights to save her son.	--	1
8	COME HOME, by Lisa Scottoline. (St. Martin's, \$27.99.) A woman joins with her estranged former stepdaughter to investigate the possible murder of her ex-husband.	4	2
9	SACRÉ BLEU, by Christopher Moore. (Morrow/HarperCollins, \$26.99.) Vincent van Gogh's friends in the 19th-century Parisian art world investigate his suicide.	6	3
10	THE SHOEMAKER'S WIFE, by Adriana Trigiani. (Harper/HarperCollins, \$26.99.) Childhood sweethearts in turn-of-the-20th-century Italy meet again in America.	5	3
11	THE LIMPOPO ACADEMY OF PRIVATE DETECTION, by Alexander McCall Smith. (Pantheon, \$24.95.) The 13th novel in the No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency series.	9	3
12	BETRAYAL, by Danielle Steel. (Delacorte Press, \$28.) A happy and successful Hollywood director discovers that someone is embezzling large sums of her money.	7	4
13	STAY CLOSE, by Harlan Coben. (Dutton, \$27.95.) A disappearance in Atlantic City brings together three frustrated people whose lives were once connected.	8	5
14	A DANCE WITH DRAGONS, by George R. R. Martin. (Bantam, \$35.) After a colossal battle, the Seven Kingdoms face new threats; Book 5 of "A Song of Ice and Fire."	10	38
15	THE LIFEBOAT, by Charlotte Rogan. (Reagan Arthur/Little, Brown, \$24.99.) A power struggle in the lifeboat carrying survivors of an ocean liner's mid-Atlantic explosion in 1914.	12	2
16	THE BEGINNER'S GOODBYE, by Anne Tyler. (Knopf, \$24.95.) A middle-aged man mourning his wife's death is comforted by her unexpected appearances.	11	3

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1	DRIFT, by Rachel Maddow. (Crown, \$25.) America's path to war has become too easy, with excessive power ceded to the executive branch, the MSNBC host argues.	1	4
2	LET'S PRETEND THIS NEVER HAPPENED, by Jenny Lawson. (Amy Einhorn/Putnam, \$25.95.) A blogger recalls her unusual upbringing.	--	1
3	IMAGINE, by Jonah Lehrer. (Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, \$26.) An account of the science of creativity argues that it is not a gift but a thought process that can be learned.	4	5
4	THE PRESIDENTS CLUB, by Nancy Gibbs and Michael Duffy. (Simon & Schuster, \$32.5.) Two journalists examine the relationships between sitting presidents and their predecessors.	--	1
5	THE BIG MISS, by Hank Haney. (Crown Archetype, \$26.) The golf coach's memoir describes his six eventful years with Tiger Woods.	3	4
6	STEVE JOBS, by Walter Isaacson. (Simon & Schuster, \$35.) A biography of the recently deceased entrepreneur based on 40 interviews with Jobs conducted over two years.	10	26
7	MRS. KENNEDY AND ME, by Clint Hill with Lisa McCubbin. (Gallery Books, \$26.) Recollections of the Secret Service agent assigned to guard Jacqueline Kennedy.	2	3
8	WILD, by Cheryl Strayed. (Knopf, \$25.95.) A woman's account of a life-changing 1,100-mile hike along the Pacific Crest Trail.	8	5
9	THE POWER OF HABIT, by Charles Duhigg. (Random House, \$28.) A Times reporter's account of the science behind how we form, and break, habits.	7	8
10	KILLING LINCOLN, by Bill O'Reilly and Martin Dugard. (Holt, \$28.) The host of "The O'Reilly Factor" recounts the heart-stopping events surrounding the assassination of Abraham Lincoln.	11	30
11	A NATURAL WOMAN, by Carole King. (Grand Central, \$27.99.) A memoir by the songwriter, singer and activist whose 1971 album "Tapestry" remained in the No. 1 position on the Billboard chart for 15 weeks.	6	2
12	UNBROKEN, by Laura Hillenbrand. (Random House, \$27.) An Olympic runner's story of survival as a prisoner of the Japanese in World War II.	12	75
13	TRICKLE DOWN TYRANNY, by Michael Savage. (Morrow/HarperCollins, \$26.99.) The radio host denounces President Obama's domestic and foreign policies as tyranny.	5	3
14	AMERICAN SNIPER, by Chris Kyle with Scott McEwen and Jim DeFelice. (Morrow/HarperCollins, \$26.99.) A member of the Navy SEALs discusses his childhood, his marriage and his battlefield experiences.	9	16
15	DROP DEAD HEALTHY, by A. J. Jacobs. (Simon & Schuster, \$26.) The author of "The Know-It-All" and "The Year of Living Biblically" samples workouts, diets and gadgets in pursuit of optimal health in every organ.	13	2