The New York Times Best Seller List

This Week	February 24, 1991 Fiction	Last Week	Weeks On List
1	HEARTBEAT, by Danielle Steel. (Delacorte, \$21.95.) A chance meeting of a man and a woman, both with successful careers in television, enables them to solve their marital and romantic problems.		1
2	COLD FIRE, by Dean R. Koontz. (Putnam, \$22.95.) A despondent reporter finds hope and romance while she tracks the course of a good Samaritan.	1	5
3	THE SECRET PILGRIM, by John le Carré. (Knopf, \$21.95.) A member of British intelligence recalls his three decades as a spy.	2	7
4	BATTLEGROUND, by W. E. B. Griffin. (Putnam, \$19.95.) The experiences of marines from Midway to Guadalcanal.	3	5
5	FORGIVING, by LaVyrle Spencer. (Putnam, \$19.95.) A young woman finds familial problems and love in Dakota Territory.	4	2
6	THE PLAINS OF PASSAGE, by Jean M. Auel. (Crown, \$24.95.) Europe in the Ice Age.	5	19
7	POSSESSION, by A. S. Byatt. (Random House, \$22.95.) A pair of British academics pursue the relationship between two Victorian poets.	7	10
8	MAGIC HOUR, by Susan Isaacs. (HarperCollins, \$21.95.) The romantic and professional lives of a homicide detective become entangled.	10	3
9	THE FOURTH K, by Mario Puzo. (Random House, \$22.) The tumultuous career of President Francis Xavier Kennedy, cousin of John and Robert.	9	7
10	THE OLD CONTEMPTIBLES, by Martha Grimes. (Little, Brown, \$19.95.) Scotland Yard's Richard Jury finds himself a suspect in the strange death of a widow from England's Lake District.	8	2
11	CIRCLE OF FRIENDS, by Maeve Binchy. (Delacorte, \$19.95.) The coming of age of women in an Irish village and in Dublin's academia.	6	5
12	THE WITCHING HOUR, by Anne Rice. (Knopf, \$22.95.) The relationship of a professional woman, the descendant of witches, and a rich man.	14	16
13	MIDDLE PASSAGE, by Charles Johnson. (Atheneum, \$17.95.) A newly liberated slave voyages to Africa in the early 19th century.	11	4
14	DAZZLE, by Judith Krantz. (Crown, \$21.95.) The familial, professional and romantic life of a California woman who becomes a photographer.	12	13
15	OH, THE PLACES YOU'LL GO! by Dr. Seuss. (Random House, \$12.95.) The problems of finding your way through life; in verse and pictures.		51
16	VITAL SIGNS, by Robin Cook. (Putnam, \$21.95.) A physician's quest for fertility brings her horrifying adventures in America, Australia and China.	13	6

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1	IRON JOHN, by Robert Bly. (Addison-Wesley, \$18.95.) The passage of the male from boyhood into manhood, as practiced in various cultures.	1	14
2	THE PRIZE, by Daniel Yergin. (Simon & Schuster, \$24.95.) The role that oil has played in world history from the mid-19th century to the present.	2	4
3	A LIFE ON THE ROAD, by Charles Kuralt. (Putnam, \$19.95.) The newscaster's memoirs.	3	15
4	THE CIVIL WAR, by Geoffrey C. Ward with Ric Burns and Ken Burns. (Knopf, \$50.) From Fort Sumter to Appomattox, in words and pictures.	6	20
5	YOU JUST DON'T UNDERSTAND, by Deborah Tannen. (Morrow, \$18.95.) The different languages men and women speak.	4	29
6	PATRIMONY, by Philip Roth. (Simon & Schuster, \$19.95.) The novelist tells of his father's struggle with a fatal brain tumor.	5	5
7	MILLIE'S BOOK, as dictated to Barbara Bush. (Morrow, \$17.95.) The White House dog's memoirs.	7	22
8	THE SPIRITUAL LIFE OF CHILDREN, by Robert Coles. (Davison/Houghton Mifflin, \$22.95.) The nature of God and salvation as perceived by Christian, Jewish and Muslim children.	9	6
9	AND THE SEA WILL TELL, by Vincent Bugliosi with Bruce B. Henderson. (Norton, \$22.95.) An enigmatic 1974 murder case involving two American couples on a Pacific atoll.	12	2
10	MAKE ROOM FOR DANNY, by Danny Thomas with Bill Davidson. (Putnam, \$22.95.) From nightclub comedian to television star and producer: the late entertainer's autobiography.		1
11	THE NEW RUSSIANS, by Hedrick Smith. (Random House, \$24.95.) The profound changes in the Soviet Union during the past 15 years.	8	6
12	BO KNOWS BO, by Bo Jackson and Dick Schaap. (Doubleday, \$18.95.) The autobiography of the athlete who plays both baseball and football.	10	15
13	THE JAPAN THAT CAN SAY NO, by Shintaro Ishihara. (Simon & Schuster, \$18.95.) A Japanese politician contends his homeland will surpass the United States and become "first among equals."	14	2
14	POWERSHIFT, by Alvin Toffler. (Bantam, \$22.95.) How world changes are altering our daily lives.	11	15
15	ALL I REALLY NEED TO KNOW I LEARNED IN KINDERGARTEN, by Robert Fulghum. (Villard, \$8.95.) A gift edition of the inspirational essay.		13
16	DARKNESS VISIBLE, by William Styron. (Random House, \$15.95.) The novelist's memoir of a period of severe depression.	13	18