The New York Times Best Seller List

This Week	January 21, 1990 Fiction	Last Week	Weeks On List
1	DADDY, by Danielle Steel (Delacorte, \$19.95.) Unexpected crises wreck the safe, predictable world a man has built for himself and his family.	2	10
2	CLEAR AND PRESENT DANGER, by Tom Clancy (Putnam, \$21.95.) The C.I.A.'s Jack Ryan fights Colombian drug lords.	3	21
3	CARIBBEAN, by James A. Michener (Random House, \$22.95.) The history of the sea islands told in fictional form.	4	10
4	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	12
5	VINELAND, by Thomas Pynchon. (Little, Brown (\$19.95.) The passions of the 1960's continue to rule the lives of members of a community in Northern California.		1
6	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.	5	14
7	HARMFUL INTENT, by Robin Cook (Putnam, \$18.95.) A physician struggles to clear his name in a "medical malpractice" death and to prevent others from occurring.	15	2
8	A RULING PASSION, by Judith Michael (Poseidon, \$19.95.) A young widow's entry into the world of television brings her adventures fraught with love, intrigue, revenge and murder.		1
9	TALES FROM MARGARITAVILLE, by Jimmy Buffett (Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, \$16.95.) Short stories set on a mythical Caribbean island.	8	14
10	MYSTERY, by Peter Straub (Dutton, \$19.95.) A bright young man and an elderly eccentric join hands to solve a murder that haunts them both.		1
11	STRAIGHT, by Dick Francis. (Putnam, \$18.95.) A steeplechase jockey inherits property and a mysterious enemy.	7	9
12	SPY LINE, by Len Deighton (Knopf, \$18.95.) To salvage his reputation, the British agent Bernard Sams undertakes a hazardous mission in Vienna.	12	3
13	THE ELEVENTH HOUR, by Graeme Base (Abrams, \$14.95.) An illustrated mystery story about a birthday party attended by 11 animals.	9	8
14	OLDEST LIVING CONFEDERATE WIDOW TELLS ALL, by Allan Gurganus (Knopf, \$21.95.) A 99-year-old woman reflects her on past.	14	16
15	COLD HARBOUR, by Jack Higgins (Simon & Schuster, \$19.95.) The O.S.S. agent Craig Osbourne on a perilous mission during World War II.		1

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1	IT WAS ON FIRE WHEN I LAY DOWN ON IT, by Robert Fulghum (Villard, \$17.95.) A new collection of inspirational essays.	1	18
2	LIAR'S POKER, by Michael Lewis (Norton, \$18.95.) Wall Street's tumultuous 1980's, as witnessed by a young bond trader.	3	11
3	ALL I REALLY NEED TO KNOW I LEARNED IN KINDERGARTEN, by Robert Fulghum. (Villard, \$17.95.) Inspirational essays about everyday matters.	2	64
4	THE TEMPTING OF AMERICA, by Robert M. Bork (Free Press, \$22.50.) A critique of the relationship between politics and the law by Ronald Reagan's Supreme Court nominee.	12	6
5	A BRIEF HISTORY OF TIME, by Stephen W. Hawking (Bantam, \$18.95.) A scientist views efforts to create a unified theory of the universe.	6	92
6	MY TURN, by Nancy Reagan with William Novak (Random House, 21.95.) The former First Lady's memoir of her White House years.	4	12
7	ROSEANNE, by Roseanne Barr (Harper & Row, \$18.95.) The autobiography of the television comedian.	5	15
8	ALL MY BEST FRIENDS, by George Burns with David Fisher. (Putnam, \$17.95.) Reminiscences about show business acquaintances.	7	9
9	AMONG SCHOOLCHILDREN, by Tracy Kidder. (Todd/Houghton/Mifflin, \$19.95.) A year in the life of a fifth-grade schoolteacher in Holyoke, Mass.	11	21
10	DRIVE, by Larry Bird with Bob Ryan (Doubleday, \$17.95.) The autobiography of the Boston Celitcs baseball star.	8	11
11	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.	9	12
12	THE EMPEROR'S NEW MIND, by Roger Penrose (Oxford University, \$24.95.) A physicist maintains that computers will never replace human thinking.		1
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.	13	7
14	FROM BEIRUT TO JERUSALEM, by Thomas L. Friedman (Farrar, Strauss & Giroux, \$22.95.) The Arab Israeli conflict as observed by a New York Times correspondent over the past decade.	15	17
15	WHO NEEDS GOD, by Harold Kushner (Summit, \$18.95.) A rabbi tells how religious commitment can make great differences in our lives.		1