

The New York Times Best Seller List

This Week	August 12, 1990 Fiction	Last Week	Weeks On List
1	THE BURDEN OF PROOF, by Scott Turow. (Farrar, Straus & Giroux, \$22.95.) An attorney tries to unravel the mystery of his wife's death while defending his wheeler-dealer brother-in-law.	1	9
2	MESSAGE FROM NAM, by Danielle Steel. (Delacorte, \$21.95.) A woman journalist's coming of age in the 1960's and 70's.	2	8
3	COYOTE WAITS, by Tony Hillerman. (HarperCollins, \$19.95.) The murder of a Navajo tribal policeman involves an ancient artifact.	3	6
4	SEPTEMBER, by Rosamunde Pilcher. (Dunne/St. Martin's, \$22.95.) Guests from many parts of the world at a get-together in a small Scottish town.	5	17
5	THE WOMEN IN HIS LIFE, by Barbara Taylor Bradford. (Random House, \$21.95.) The rise of a billionaire tycoon, from Nazi Berlin to London and New York, and his relationships with five women.	--	1
6	THE STAND, by Stephen King. (Doubleday, \$24.95.) Doomsday brings horrors to America; the uncut version of a novel first published in 1978.	4	14
7	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.	7	25
8	STARDUST, by Robert B. Parker. (Putnam, \$18.95.) A host of problems besets the private eye Spenser when he's hired to protect a glamorous television star.	6	3
9	AN INCONVENIENT WOMAN, by Dominick Dunne. (Crown, \$19.95.) Manners, morals and murder in Los Angeles's high society.	9	14
10	DRAGON, by Clive Cussler. (Simon & Schuster, \$21.95.) In 1993, Dirk Pitt moves fast to save America from a Japanese extremist.	10	14
11	GET SHORTY, by Elmore Leonard. (Delacorte, \$18.95.) A Miami crook goes to Hollywood, where he finds that his life is the stuff of which motion pictures are made.	--	1
12	THE BOURNE ULTIMATUM, by Robert Ludlum. (Random House, \$21.95.) Jason Bourne plans to infiltrate the ruthless Medusa Brigade.	8	22
13	SULLIVAN'S STING, by Lawrence Sanders. (Putnam, \$19.95.) The ordeals of a female cop assigned to track down a Florida con man.	13	8
14	HAMMERHEADS, by Dale Brown. (Donald I. Fine, \$19.95.) A Coast Guard unit wages war against the South American drug cartel.	14	2
15	KILLING MISTER WATSON, by Peter Matthiessen. (Random House, \$21.95.) How the enigmatic career of a turn-of-the-century Florida plantation owner evolved into an enduring legend.	11	3

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1	MEN AT WORK, by George F. Will. (Macmillan, \$19.95.) The political pundit and baseball buff describes the craft of the game as practiced by three players and a manager.	1	18
2	THE POLITICS OF RICH AND POOR, by Kevin Phillips. (Random House, \$19.95.) How the rich got richer during the 1980's and what may lie ahead for American society.	6	2
3	DAVE BARRY TURNS 40, by Dave Barry. (Crown, \$16.95.) Reflections on the crises of middle age by the syndicated humorist.	2	11
4	BARBARIANS AT THE GATE, by Bryan Burrough and John Helyar. (Harper Collins, \$22.95.) The 1988 battle for control of RJR Nabisco.	4	29
5	MEGATRENDS 2000, by John Naisbitt and Patricia Aburdene. (Morrow, \$21.95.) Prognostications for the next decade.	3	29
6	IT WAS ON FIRE WHEN I LAY DOWN ON IT, by Robert Fulghum. (Villard, \$17.95.) A new collection of inspirational essays.	7	47
7	FATHER, SON & CO., by Thomas J. Watson Jr. and Peter Petre. (Bantam, \$22.95.) The autobiography of the man who headed I.B.M.	5	10
8	YOU JUST DON'T UNDERSTAND, by Deborah Tannen. (Morrow, \$18.95.) The different languages men and women speak and how the sexes can understand each other better.	11	2
9	CAPTAIN SIR RICHARD FRANCIS BURTON, by Edward Rice. (Scribners, \$35.) The strange and remarkable career of the British explorer.	9	6
10	BEHIND THE MASK, by Dave Pallone with Alan Steinberg. (Viking, \$18.95.) The memoirs of the controversial former National League umpire.	8	5
11	A NATURAL HISTORY OF THE SENSES, by Diane Ackerman. (Random House, \$19.95.) How our ability to taste, touch, smell, hear and see affects our lives.	13	2
12	DON'T SHOOT, IT'S ONLY ME, by Bob Hope with Melville Shavelson. (Putnam, \$19.95.) The comedian reminisces about his career.	10	10
13	LIAR'S POKER, by Michael Lewis. (Norton, \$19.95.) Wall Street's tumultuous 1980's as witnessed by a young bond trader.	12	40
14	ALL I REALLY NEED TO KNOW I LEARNED IN KINDERGARTEN, by Robert Fulghum. (Villard, \$17.95.) Inspirational essays.	15	92
15	EVERY SPY A PRINCE, by Dan Raviv and Yossi Melman. (Jaffe/Houghton Mifflin, \$24.95.) A history of the Israeli intelligence community.	--	1