

The New York Times Best Seller List

This Week	January 23, 2005 Fiction	Last Week	Weeks On List
1	THE DA VINCI CODE, by Dan Brown. (Doubleday, \$24.95.) The murder of a curator at the Louvre leads to a trail of clues found in the work of Leonardo and to the discovery of a centuries-old secret society.	1	95
2	THE FIVE PEOPLE YOU MEET IN HEAVEN, by Mitch Albom. (Hyperion, \$19.95.) An old man who died while trying to rescue a little girl from danger discovers that all will be explained to him in the afterlife.	3	68
3	CHAINFIRE, by Terry Goodkind. (Tor/Tom Doherty, \$29.95.) The 10th volume of the "Sword of Truth" fantasy series.	--	1
4	STATE OF FEAR, by Michael Crichton. (HarperCollins, \$27.95.) Reverse eco-terrorists create natural disasters to convince the public that global warming is real.	2	5
5	BY ORDER OF THE PRESIDENT, by W. E. B. Griffin. (Putnam, \$26.95.) An Army officer tries to thwart a terrorist plot to crash a stolen 727 into the Liberty Bell.	9	2
6	UNEXPECTED BLESSINGS, by Barbara Taylor Bradford. (St. Martin's, \$24.95.) Continuing the story of the Harte family and its financial empire, told through four generations of women.	--	1
7	NIGHT FALL, by Nelson DeMille. (Warner, \$26.95.) A husband and wife who work for an antiterrorism task force reopen the investigation into the crash of T.W.A. Flight 800 over the Atlantic, off Long Island, in 1996.	5	7
8	BLACK WIND, by Clive Cussler and Dirk Cussler. (Putnam, \$27.95.) Dirk Pitt and his children confront a villain who has acquired biotoxins from World War II.	6	6
9	ENTOMBED, by Linda Fairstein. (Scribner, \$26.) Alexandra Cooper, a Manhattan assistant district attorney, searches for the Silk Stocking Rapist and probes a murder case involving Edgar Allan Poe.	--	1
10	A SALTY PIECE OF LAND, by Jimmy Buffett. (Little, Brown, \$27.95.) A cowboy's life is changed forever when he meets a 101-year-old woman who hires him to be a lighthouse keeper in the southern Bahamas.	7	6
11	AFTERBURN, by Zane. (Atria, \$24.95.) A chiropractor becomes enamored of a beautiful woman who works at a bank in Washington.	--	1
12	LONDON BRIDGES, by James Patterson. (Little, Brown, \$27.95.) The F.B.I. agent Alex Cross contends with two deadly enemies: the supercriminal known as the Wolf and the assassin known as the Weasel.	8	9
13	I AM CHARLOTTE SIMMONS, by Tom Wolfe. (Farrar, Straus & Giroux, \$28.95.) A very smart, very innocent freshman from the Blue Ridge Mountains is amazed by what she finds at a prestigious university.	11	9
14	LIFE EXPECTANCY, by Dean Koontz. (Bantam, \$27.) A pastry chef must struggle all his life against a family of evil madmen.	4	5
15	THE CAT WHO WENT BANANAS, by Lilian Jackson Braun. (Putnam, \$23.95.) Jim Qwilleran and his cats investigate the suspicious death of an actor.	16	2

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1	WITNESS, by Amber Frey. (ReganBooks/HarperCollins, \$25.95.) A memoir by the California massage therapist who testified for the prosecution in the murder trial of Scott Peterson.	--	1
2	AMERICA (THE BOOK), by Jon Stewart, Ben Karlin and David Javerbaum. (Warner, \$24.95.) "The Daily Show" offers a lavishly illustrated parody of a civics textbook.	1	16
3	COLLAPSE, by Jared Diamond. (Viking, \$29.95.) A historical investigation, by the author of "Guns, Germs, and Steel," into why some societies succeed while others fail.	6	2
4	HIS EXCELLENCY, by Joseph J. Ellis. (Knopf, \$26.95.) A biography of George Washington, by the author of "Founding Brothers."	3	11
5	EATS, SHOOTS & LEAVES, by Lynne Truss. (Gotham, \$17.50.) An Englishwoman expounds on the use and misuse of punctuation marks.	5	40
6	CHRONICLES: VOLUME ONE, by Bob Dylan. (Simon & Schuster, \$24.) Recollections and observations from the singer/songwriter.	2	14
7	WHEN WILL JESUS BRING THE PORK CHOPS? by George Carlin. (Hyperion, \$23.95.) Another volume of observations and opinions from the stand-up comedian.	4	13
8	FAITHFUL, by Stewart O'Nan and Stephen King. (Scribner, \$26.) Two novelists — and die-hard Boston Red Sox fans — chronicle the 2004 championship season, from spring training to the World Series.	7	7
9	CONFESSIONS OF AN ECONOMIC HIT MAN, by John Perkins. (Berrett-Koehler, \$24.95.) A former employee of an international consulting firm denounces the American global empire and its "corporatocracy."	--	1
10	HOW TO TALK TO A LIBERAL (IF YOU MUST), by Ann Coulter. (Crown Forum, \$26.95.) A collection of the columnist's writing about what's wrong with liberals.	9	14
11	THE LAST SEASON, by Phil Jackson with Michael Arkush. (Penguin Press, \$24.95.) The former coach of the Los Angeles Lakers recalls his final year with Shaquille O'Neal and Kobe Bryant.	12	11
12	A BROTHER'S JOURNEY, by Richard B. Pelzer. (Warner, \$21.95.) The brother of Dave Pelzer, author of "A Child Called 'It,'" details the abuse he himself suffered at the hands of their alcoholic mother.	--	1
13	WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH KANSAS? by Thomas Frank. (Metropolitan/Holt, \$24.) An examination of what the author calls the Great Backlash, in which conservatives "won the heart of America."	10	18
14	IN FOCUS. (National Geographic Society, \$30.) A collection of more than 250 of National Geographic magazine's "greatest portraits."	15	2
15	DO-GOODERS, by Mona Charen. (Sentinel, \$25.95.) The syndicated columnist indicts liberals for failing "to help those they set out to help."	--	1
16	A PAPER LIFE, by Tatum O'Neal. (HarperEntertainment, \$24.95.) In this autobiography, the actress remembers her child stardom, her marriage to John McEnroe and her battles with drug addiction.	--	6