

# The New York Times Best Seller List

This Week	January 24, 2010 Fiction	Last Week	Weeks On List
1	THE HELP, by Kathryn Stockett. (Amy Einhorn/Putnam, \$24.95.) A young white woman and two black maids in 1960s Mississippi.	2	41
2	THE LOST SYMBOL, by Dan Brown. (Doubleday, \$29.95.) Robert Langdon among the Masons.	1	17
3	NOAH'S COMPASS, by Anne Tyler. (Knopf, \$25.95.) A retired teacher with a head injury struggles to regain his memory and his engagement in life.	--	1
4	IMPACT, by Douglas Preston. (Forge, \$25.99.) Scientists race to defuse a doomsday weapon pointed at Earth from one of the moons of Mars.	--	1
5	I, ALEX CROSS, by James Patterson. (Little, Brown, \$27.99.) Tracking the murderer of a relative, Alex Cross discovers a wild Washington scene with explosive secrets.	3	8
6	THE LAST SONG, by Nicholas Sparks. (Grand Central, \$24.99.) A 17-year-old girl spends the summer with her divorced father in North Carolina and finds many kinds of love.	8	18
7	DEEPER THAN THE DEAD, by Tami Hoag. (Dutton, \$26.95.) An F.B.I. investigator and a teacher track a series of murders in California in 1985.	7	2
8	SIZZLE, by Julie Garwood. (Ballantine, \$26.) A film student who witnessed a crime is aided by a handsome F.B.I. agent.	4	2
9	THE HONOR OF SPIES, by W. E. B. Griffin and William E. Butterworth IV. (Putnam, \$26.95.) An O.S.S. agent seeks information from a German prisoner of war; the fifth book in the Honor Bound series.	6	2
10	UNDER THE DOME, by Stephen King. (Scribner, \$35.) When a Maine town is trapped by an invisible force field, a sanctimonious and hypocritical politician takes over.	10	9
11	"U" IS FOR UNDERTOW, by Sue Grafton. (Putnam, \$27.95.) Kinsey Millhone investigates the case of a 4-year-old girl who disappeared 21 years earlier.	11	6
12	PIRATE LATITUDES, by Michael Crichton. (Harper/HarperCollins, \$27.99.) In the 17th-century Caribbean, a British pirate attacks a Spanish galleon.	12	7
13	ALTAR OF EDEN, by James Rollins. (Morrow/HarperCollins, \$27.99.) A Louisiana veterinarian discovers a wrecked fishing trawler filled with genetically altered animals.	9	2
14	THE GIRL WHO PLAYED WITH FIRE, by Stieg Larsson. (Knopf, \$25.95.) A Swedish hacker becomes a murder suspect.	15	13
15	I, SNIPER, by Stephen Hunter. (Simon & Schuster, \$26.) Bob Lee Swagger discovers that the murder of four '60s radicals is more complicated than it seems.	14	2

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1	COMMITTED, by Elizabeth Gilbert. (Viking, \$26.95.) The author of "Eat, Pray, Love" wrestles with, and overcomes, her ambivalence about marriage.	--	1
2	HAVE A LITTLE FAITH, by Mitch Albom. (Hyperion, \$23.99.) A suburban rabbi and a Detroit pastor teach lessons about the comfort of belief.	1	15
3	THE CHECKLIST MANIFESTO, by Atul Gawande. (Metropolitan/Holt, \$24.50.) Following checklists makes surgery safer and other activities more efficient, a doctor argues.	--	1
4	GOING ROGUE, by Sarah Palin. (Harper/HarperCollins, \$28.99.) A memoir by the former Alaska governor and vice-presidential candidate.	2	8
5	STONES INTO SCHOOLS, by Greg Mortenson. (Viking, \$26.95.) Building schools, many of them for girls, in northeast Afghanistan; takes up where "Three Cups of Tea" left off.	5	6
6	OUTLIERS, by Malcolm Gladwell. (Little, Brown, \$27.99.) Why some people succeed, from the author of "Blink."	8	60
7	SUPERFREAKONOMICS, by Steven D. Levitt and Stephen J. Dubner. (Morrow/HarperCollins, \$29.99.) A scholar and a journalist apply economic thinking to everything: the sequel.	4	12
8	WHAT THE DOG SAW, by Malcolm Gladwell. (Little, Brown, \$27.99.) A decade of New Yorker essays.	3	12
9	DRIVE, by Daniel H. Pink. (Riverhead, \$26.95.) What really motivates people is the quest for autonomy, mastery and purpose, not external rewards.	--	1
10	OPEN, by Andre Agassi. (Knopf, \$28.95.) The tennis champion's autobiography.	6	9
11	ANTICANCER, by David Servan-Schreiber. (Viking, \$26.95.) A doctor who survived brain cancer discusses his experience and reviews research about diet and mind-body balance.	--	2
12	ARGUING WITH IDIOTS, written and edited by Glenn Beck, Kevin Balfe and others. (Mercury Radio Arts/Threshold Editions, \$29.99.) The case against big government.	9	16
13	TOO BIG TO FAIL, by Andrew Ross Sorkin. (Viking, \$32.95.) The 2008 financial implosion on Wall Street and in Washington, by a New York Times reporter and columnist.	10	9
14	ALL THINGS AT ONCE, by Mika Brzezinski with Daniel Paisner. (Weinstein, \$24.95.) How the MSNBC newswoman combines being a wife, mother and journalist.	--	1
15	TRUE COMPASS, by Edward M. Kennedy. (Twelve, \$35.) The late senator's autobiography.	7	17