

Paperback Best Sellers Trade Fiction

This Week	TRADE FICTION	Weeks On List
1	THE LOVELY BONES , by Alice Sebold. (Back Bay, \$14.99.) A girl looks down from heaven as she describes the aftermath of her kidnapping and murder.	19
2	A RELIABLE WIFE , by Robert Goolrick. (Algonquin, \$14.95.) Complications ensue when a wealthy Wisconsin widower in 1907 advertises for a spouse.	3
3	DEAR JOHN , by Nicholas Sparks. (Warner, \$13.99.) An unlikely romance between a soldier and an idealistic young woman is tested after 9/11.	20
4	THE GIRL WITH THE DRAGON TATTOO , by Stieg Larsson. (Vintage, \$14.95.) A hacker and a journalist investigate the disappearance of a Swedish heiress.	31
5	PUSH , by Sapphire. (Vintage, \$12.95.) An abused, illiterate 16-year-old in Harlem meets a teacher who helps change her life; the basis for the film "Precious."	22
6*	THE ART OF RACING IN THE RAIN , by Garth Stein. (Harper Paperbacks, \$14.99.) An insightful Lab-terrier mix helps his owner, a struggling race car driver.	33
7	TRUE COLORS , by Kristin Hannah. (St. Martin's Griffin, \$14.99.) Two sisters grow up in a small Washington town, betray each other and eventually reconcile.	3
8	OLIVE KITTERIDGE , by Elizabeth Strout. (Random House, \$14.) A seventh-grade math teacher is the link in 13 stories set on the Maine coast; a 2009 Pulitzer winner.	40
9*	THE SHACK , by William P. Young. (Windblown Media, \$14.99.) A man whose daughter was abducted is invited to an isolated shack, apparently by God.(†)	88
10	SARAH'S KEY , by Tatiana de Rosnay. (St. Martin's Griffin, \$13.95.) A contemporary American journalist investigates what happened to a little girl and her family during the roundup of Jews in Paris in 1942.	50
11	THE GUERNSEY LITERARY AND POTATO PEEL PIE SOCIETY , by Mary Ann Shaffer and Annie Barrows. (Dial, \$14.) A journalist meets the island's old Nazi-resisters.	38
12	LET THE GREAT WORLD SPIN , by Colum McCann. (Random House, \$15.) Philippe Petit's 1974 high-wire walk between the twin towers is pivotal to the lives in this novel, a winner of the 2009 National Book Award.	8
13*	THE TIME TRAVELER'S WIFE , by Audrey Niffenegger. (Harvest/Harcourt, \$14.95.) Life with a dashing librarian who travels back and forth through time.	32
14	THE PIANO TEACHER , by Janice Y.K. Lee. (Penguin, \$15.) An Englishwoman in 1950s Hong Kong discovers devastating secrets from the years of the Japanese occupation.	10
15	THE ELEGANCE OF THE HEDGEHOG , by Muriel Barbery. (Europa, \$15.) A young girl and a widowed concierge, both closet intellectuals, become friends.	54
16	HOTEL ON THE CORNER OF BITTER AND SWEET , by Jamie Ford. (Ballantine, \$15.) A friendship between a Chinese-American boy and a Japanese-American girl in Seattle during World War II.	8
17	NIGHTLIGHT , by The Harvard Lampoon. (Vintage, \$13.95.) Belle Goose falls for Edward Mullen in this parody of the Stephenie Meyer novel "Twilight."	5
18	AGINCOURT , by Bernard Cornwell. (Harper, \$14.99.) An English archer joins Henry V at the famous battle of 1415.	1
19	WHEN WILL THERE BE GOOD NEWS? , by Kate Atkinson. (Back Bay, \$13.99.) Thirty years after her family was murdered, a woman disappears when the killer is released on parole; Jackson Brodie investigates.	1
20	THE ROAD , by Cormac McCarthy. (Vintage, \$14.95.) A father and son travel in post-apocalypse America.	77

This Week	TRADE FICTION EXTENDED
21	THE ALCHEMIST , by Paulo Coelho. (HarperOne)
22	STILL ALICE , by Lisa Genova. (Pocket)
23	THE STORY OF EDGAR SAWTELLE , by David Wroblewski. (Ecco)
24	GUILTY PLEASURE , by Lora Leigh. (St. Martin's Griffin)
25	PRIDE AND PREJUDICE AND ZOMBIES , by Jane Austen and Seth Grahame-Smith. (Quirk)
26	THE SWEETNESS AT THE BOTTOM OF THE PIE , by Alan Bradley. (Bantam)
27	THE LUCKY ONE , by Nicholas Sparks. (Grand Central)
28	DUETS , by Nora Roberts. (Silhouette)
29	THE BRIEF WONDROUS LIFE OF OSCAR WAO , by Junot Díaz. (Riverhead)
30	THE WOMEN , by T. C. Boyle. (Penguin)
31	THE KITE RUNNER , by Khaled Hosseini. (Riverhead)
32	SAY YOU'RE ONE OF THEM , by Uwem Akpan. (Back Bay/Little, Brown)
33	BED OF ROSES , by Nora Roberts. (Berkley)
34	THE UNBEARABLE LIGHTNESS OF SCONES , by Alexander McCall Smith. (Anchor)
35	DUST OF DREAMS , by Steven Erikson. (Tor)

Rankings reflect sales, for the week ending Jan. 23, at many thousands of venues where a wide range of general interest books are sold nationwide. These include hundreds of independent book retailers (statistically weighted to represent all such outlets); national, regional and local chains; online and multimedia entertainment retailers; university, gift, supermarket, discount department stores and newsstands. An asterisk (*) indicates that a book's sales are barely distinguishable from those of the book above. A dagger (†) indicates that some bookstores report receiving bulk orders. Among those categories not actively tracked are: perennial sellers; required classroom reading; text, reference and test preparation guides; journals and workbooks; calorie counters; shopping guides; comics and crossword puzzles. Expanded rankings are available on the Web: nytimes.com/books.