

MIDWEST INDIE BESTSELLERS

HARDCOVER

Fiction

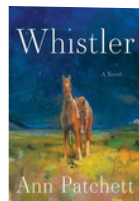


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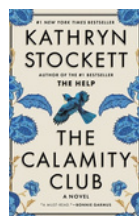
4. Whistler
Ann Patchett, Harper, \$30



5. Hollow Bones
Jodi Picoult, Ballantine Books, \$34

6. The Calamity Club
Kathryn Stockett, Spiegel & Grau, \$35

7. Mad Mabel
Sally Hepworth, St. Martin's Press, \$29



8. Murder at the Grand Alpine Hotel: The New Miss Marple Mystery
Lucy Foley, Agatha Christie, William Morrow, \$30

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13. We Chase Shadows: A We Solve Murders Mystery
Richard Osman, Pamela Dorman Books, \$31

14. Yesteryear (Indies Introduce)
Caro Claire Burke, Knopf, \$30

15. God's Country: A Novel (Cork O'Connor Mystery Series #22)
William Kent Krueger, Atria Books, \$28



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Non-Fiction



1. Swan Song
Charles Spencer, Penguin Press, \$35

2. End Times Fascism
Naomi Klein, Astra Taylor, Farrar, Straus and Giroux, \$32

3. Happy Snacking, Don't Die!
Alexis Nikole Nelson, S&S/Simon Element, \$35

4. How to Eat an Elephant
Sarah Longwell, St. Martin's Press, \$29



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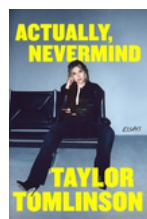


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Belle Burden, The Dial Press, \$30



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PAPERBACK

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Fiction



1. **Theo of Golden**
Allen Levi, Atria Books, \$20

2. **Dungeon Crawler Carl**
Matt Dinniman, Ace, \$20

3. **Wild Dark Shore**
Charlotte McConaghy, Flatiron Books, \$18.99

4. **Project Hail Mary**
Andy Weir, Ballantine Books, \$22



5. **Carl's Doomsday Scenario (Dungeon Crawler Carl #2)**
Matt Dinniman, Ace, \$21

6. **The Women**
Kristin Hannah, St. Martin's Griffin, \$21

7. **Stitched**
Eli McCann, Torrey House Press, \$18.95



8. **The Wedding People**
Alison Espach, Holt Paperbacks, \$18.99

9. **Free Falling: A Sweetwater Peak Novel**
Lyla Sage, Dial Press Trade Paperback, \$20

10. **I See You've Called in Dead**
John Kenney, Zibby Publishing, \$18.99

11. **Atmosphere**
Taylor Jenkins Reid, Ballantine Books, \$20



12. **The Road to Tender Hearts**
Annie Hartnett, Ballantine Books, \$20

13. **The Unselected Journals of Emma M. Lion: Vol. 1**
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14. **The Odyssey**
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15. **My Friends**
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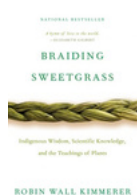


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2. **Braiding Sweetgrass**
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4. **Is a River Alive?**
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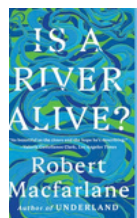


5. **Mother Mary Comes to Me**
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6. **Enshittification**
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8. **A People's History of the United States**
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10. **The Vision Through My Lens**
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12. **The Field Guide to Dumb Birds of North America**
Matt Kracht, Chronicle, \$16.95



13. **The Year of Magical Thinking**
Joan Didion, Vintage, \$18

14. **Bread of Angels**
Patti Smith, Random House Trade Paperbacks, \$20

15. **The Reverse Centaur's Guide to Life After AI**
Cory Doctorow, MCD, \$18

Mass Market

1. **Animal Farm**, George Orwell, Signet, \$12
2. **The Way of Kings**, Brandon Sanderson, Tor, \$12.99
3. **Mistborn: The Final Empire**, Brandon Sanderson, Tor, \$10.99
4. **1984**, George Orwell, Signet, \$12
5. **The Hero of Ages**, Brandon Sanderson, Tor, \$11.99
6. **Slaughterhouse-Five**, Kurt Vonnegut, Dell, \$10.99
7. **The Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers**, J.R.R. Tolkien, Ballantine, \$8.99
8. **The Long War**, Terry Pratchett, Stephen Baxter, Harper, \$9.99
9. **Siddhartha**, Hermann Hesse, Bantam, \$8.99
10. **Interview with the Vampire**, Anne Rice, Ballantine, \$12.99



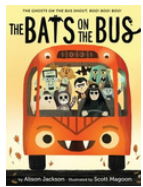
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CHILDREN'S

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Illustrated



1. Gruffalo Granny

Julia Donaldson, Axel Scheffler (Illus.), Dial Books, \$19.99

2. The Very Hungry Caterpillar

Eric Carle, World of Eric Carle, \$10.99

3. Room on the Broom

Julia Donaldson, Axel Scheffler (Illus.), Dial Books, \$9.99

4. The Skeleton and the Cat

Brandon James Scott, HarperCollins, \$19.99

5. Little Blue Truck Lost and Found

Alice Schertle, Jill McElmurry (Illus.), Clarion Books, \$19.99

6. The Bats on the Bus

Alison Jackson, Scott Magoon (Illus.), Christy Ottaviano Books, \$18.99

7. Goodnight Moon

Margaret Wise Brown, Clement Hurd (Illus.), Harper, \$10.99

8. Dragon Dog

Suzanne Lang, Max Lang (Illus.), Random House Studio, \$18.99

9. Don't Trust Fish

Neil Sharpson, Dan Santat (Illus.), Dial Books, \$18.99

10. Henri and Miko: Autumn in Bosk Olivette

Rebecca Green, Tundra Books, \$19.99

Children's Interest



1. Fake Skating

Lynn Painter, Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, \$13.99

2. Hatchet

Gary Paulsen, Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, \$9.99

3. Unsettling Salad!

Aaron Reynolds, Peter Brown (Illus.), Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, \$13.99

4. The One and Only Bob

Katherine Applegate, Patricia Castelao (Illus.), Storytide, \$10.99

5. Dogtown

Katherine Applegate, Gennifer Choldenko, Wallace West (Illus.), Square Fish, \$8.99

6. Super Duper Extra Deluxe Essential Handbook (Pokemon)

Scholastic, Scholastic, \$16.99

7. Charlotte's Web

E.B. White, HarperCollins, \$10.99

8. The New Girl: First Crush: A Graphic Novel

Cassandra Calin, Graphix, \$14.99

9. Orris and Timble: The Beginning

Kate DiCamillo, Carmen Mok (Illus.), Candlewick, \$16.99

10. The Forgotten War

Candace Fleming, Scholastic Focus, \$19.99

Children's Series

- Rowley Jefferson's Awesome Friendly Spooky Stories 2**, Jeff Kinney, Amulet Books, \$15.99
- Baby-sitters on Board!: A Graphic Novel**, Raina Telgemeier, Graphix, \$16.99
- The Mirror of Infinite Endings**, Stephanie Garber, Lotusbubble, Flatiron Books, \$21.99
- The Neverfear**, Katherine Rundell, Ashley Mackenzie, Knopf Books for Young Readers, \$19.99
- Yarn Is Everything!**, Aaron Reynolds, Peter Brown, Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, \$13.99
- Impossible Creatures**, Katherine Rundell, Ashley Mackenzie, Yearling, \$11.99
- Warriors Graphic Novel: The New Prophecy, Part One of Three**, Erin Hunter, Gibson Twist, Sammy Savos, HarperAlley, \$15.99
- Dog Man: Big Jim Believes**, Dav Pilkey, Graphix, \$15.99
- The Princess in Black and the Trick-or-Treating Trouble**, Shannon Hale, Dean Hale, LeUyen Pham, Candlewick, \$16.99
- I Survived the Night of the Lions, 2025**, Lauren Tarshis, Scholastic Inc., \$7.99



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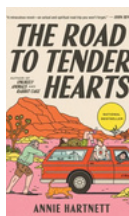


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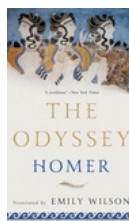


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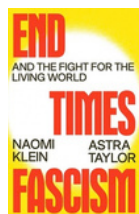


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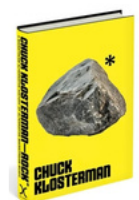
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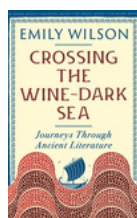
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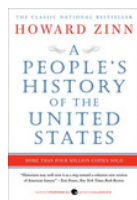
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Patti Smith, Random House Trade Paperbacks, \$20

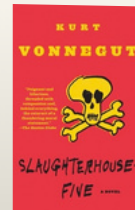
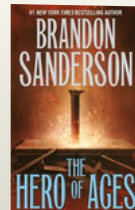
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- 3. Mistborn: The Final Empire**, Brandon Sanderson, Tor, \$10.99
- 4. 1984**, George Orwell, Signet, \$12
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- 6. Slaughterhouse-Five**, Kurt Vonnegut, Dell, \$10.99
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- 8. The Long War**, Terry Pratchett, Stephen Baxter, Harper, \$9.99
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