

# Indie Bestsellers

## Hardcover

### Week of 02.17.11

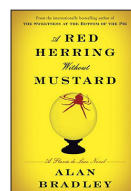
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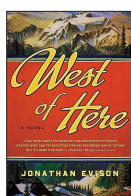
1. **The Girl Who Kicked the Hornet's Nest**  
Stieg Larsson, Knopf, \$27.95
2. **Swamplandia!**  
Karen Russell, Knopf, \$24.95
3. **The Help**  
Kathryn Stockett, Amy Einhorn Books/Putnam, \$24.95



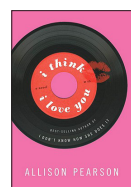
4. **Room**  
Emma Donoghue, Little Brown, \$24.99
- ★ 5. **A Discovery of Witches**  
Deborah Harkness, Viking, \$28.95
6. **Squirrel Seeks Chipmunk**  
David Sedaris, Ian Falconer (Illus.), Little Brown, \$21.99



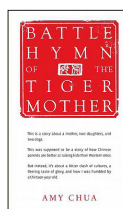
7. **Freedom**  
Jonathan Franzen, FSG, \$28
- ★ 8. **A Red Herring Without Mustard**  
Alan Bradley, Delacorte, \$23
9. **Tick Tock**  
James Patterson, Michael Ledwidge, Little Brown, \$27.99



10. **The Red Garden**  
Alice Hoffman, Crown, \$25
11. **An Object of Beauty**  
Steve Martin, Grand Central, \$26.99
12. **While Mortals Sleep**  
Kurt Vonnegut, Delacorte, \$27

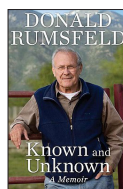


- ★ 13. **West of Here**  
Jonathan Evison, Algonquin, \$24.95
14. **The Sentry**  
Robert Crais, Putnam, \$26.95
15. **The Weird Sisters**  
Eleanor Brown, Amy Einhorn Books/Putnam, \$24.95
- ↑ 18. **I Think I Love You**  
Allison Pearson, Knopf, \$24.95

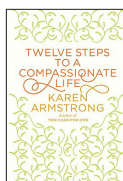


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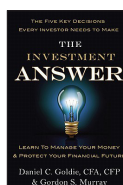
1. **Unbroken**  
Laura Hillenbrand, Random House, \$27
2. **Cleopatra**  
Stacy Schiff, Little Brown, \$29.99
3. **Battle Hymn of the Tiger Mother**  
Amy Chua, Penguin Press, \$25.95



4. **Life**  
Keith Richards, Little Brown, \$29.99
5. **Autobiography of Mark Twain**  
Mark Twain, University of California Press, \$34.95
- ★ 6. **Known and Unknown: A Memoir**  
Donald Rumsfeld, Sentinel, \$36



7. **The Hidden Reality**  
Brian Greene, Knopf, \$29.95
8. **Twelve Steps to a Compassionate Life**  
Karen Armstrong, Knopf, \$22.95
9. **The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks**  
Rebecca Skloot, Crown, \$26



10. **At Home**  
Bill Bryson, Doubleday, \$28.95
11. **Poser**  
Claire Dederer, FSG, \$26
12. **The 4-Hour Body**  
Timothy Ferriss, Crown, \$27
13. **The Investment Answer**  
Gordon Murray, Daniel C. Goldie, Business Plus, \$18



14. **Barefoot Contessa How Easy Is That?**  
Ina Garten, Clarkson Potter, \$35
15. **Sh\*t My Dad Says**  
Justin Halpern, It Books, \$15.99
- ↑ 16. **I Beat the Odds**  
Michael Oher, Gotham, \$26

#### Other Indie Favorites



**Ghost Light: A Novel, by Joseph O'Connor (Farrar, Straus and Giroux, \$24)** "Occasionally, a novel will come along that breaks the bounds between fact and fiction, romance and reality, to create a story so insightful and true that the scenes come to life before your eyes. *Ghost Light* is the fictionalized account of the famed Irish playwright J.M. Synge and his lover, the actress Maire O'Neill. Alternating with the Dublin tableaux is the tale of Maire's later life as a poverty-stricken alcoholic in 1952 London. —**Carl Hoffman, Boswell Book Company, Milwaukee, WI**



**Day of Honey: A Memoir of Food, Love, and War, by Annia Ciezadlo (Free Press, \$26.00)** "If you're expecting *Day of Honey* to read like a typical memoir, think again. A mix of memoir, history, foodie narrative, and war story, this book is really quite amazing. Ciezadlo has the perfect voice for her chosen mix of topics: she's obviously intelligent, insightful, yet non-judgmental, and when needed, wickedly humorous. Who knew you could learn so much about war and culture in the Middle East while contemplating the recipe for Kibbeh Nayeh? Bravo!" —**Roni K. Devlin, Literary Life Bookstore & More, Inc., Grand Rapids, MI**