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2. Where the Crawdads Sing
   Delia Owens, Putnam, $26
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   Jeanine Cummins, Flatiron Books, $27.99
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   Louise Erdrich, Harper, $28.99
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   Kiley Reid, Putnam, $26
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   Isabel Allende, Ballantine, $28
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   Lily King, Grove Press, $27
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    James McBride, Riverhead Books, $28
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    Jenny Offill, Knopf, $23.95
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    Rebecca Serle, Atria, $27
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2. The Splendid and the Vile
   Erik Larson, Crown, $32
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   Malcolm Gladwell, Little Brown, $30
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   Charlie Mackesy, HarperOne, $22.99
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   Rebecca Solnit, Viking, $26

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   Tara Westover, Random House, $28
7. The Mamba Mentality
   Kobe Bryant, MCD, $35
8. A Very Stable Genius
   Philip Rucker, Carol Leonnig, Penguin Press, $30
9. Open Book
   Jessica Simpson, Dey Street Books, $28.99
10. The Body
    Bill Bryson, Doubleday, $30
11. Nothing Fancy
    Alison Roman, Clarkson Potter, $32.50
12. Becoming
    Michelle Obama, Crown, $32.50
13. Until the End of Time
    Brian Greene, Knopf, $26.95
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    Julian Barnes, Knopf, $28
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    Ronan Farrow, Little Brown, $30

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