Maximizing Pre-Orders



2018 Fall Regional Shows

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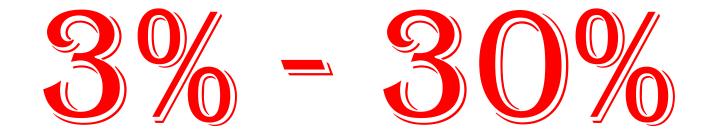
Why are we Talking About Pre-Orders Today?







Pre-Order Sales and The Life of The Book Pre-Order sales are **significant** in the life of a book...





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Pre-Orders

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On-line: 210 In-Store: 68

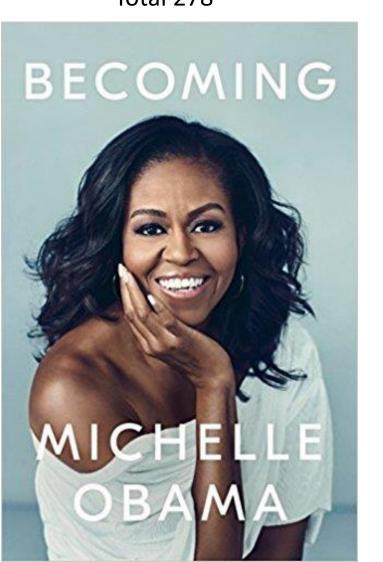
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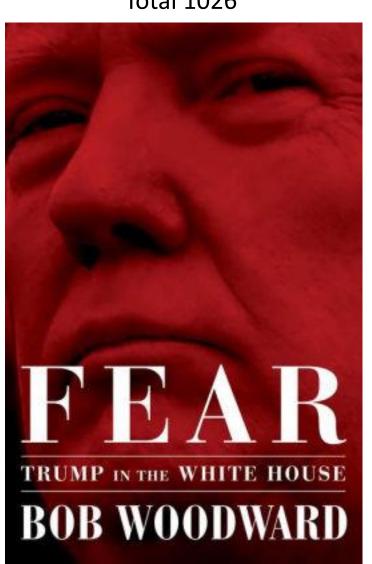
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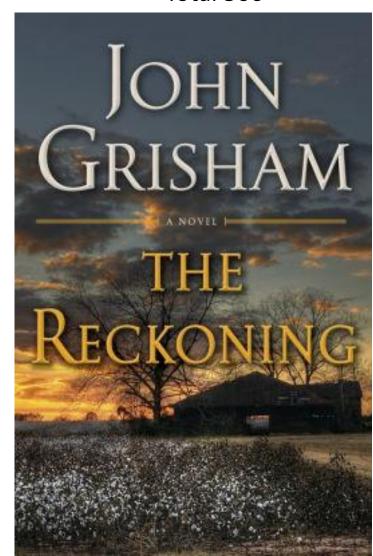
In-Store: 402

Total 1026

On-line: 353 In-Store: 147 Total 500







Our preorders grew exponentially after we started promoting them BUT, with the exception of the author-lead promotions, we did not see big spikes in preorders for the specific titles we promoted.

Rather, we saw a huge growth in preorders in general as we used the specific titles to promote the fact that we do preorders.

-Josh Cook, Porter Square Books (Cambridge, MA)



Pre-Order Task Force Data





Pre-Order Task Force

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Books Inc. (Multiple Northern California Locations)

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Bookshop Santa Cruz (Santa Cruz, CA)

Bookworm of Edwards (Edwards, CO)

Cellar Door Books (Riverside, CA)

Devaney, Doak & Garrett (Farmington, ME)

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Harvard Bookstore (Cambridge, MA)

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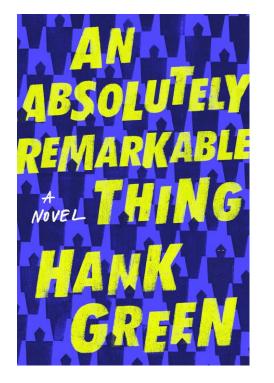
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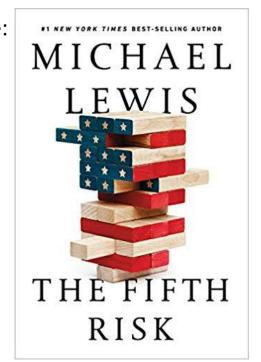
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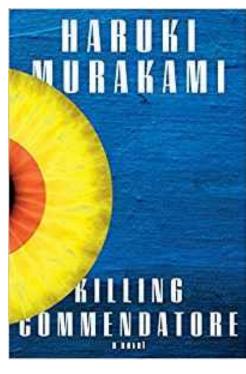
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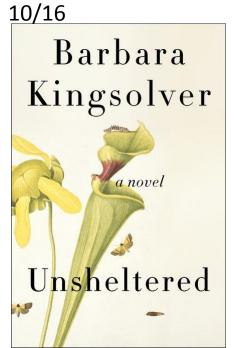
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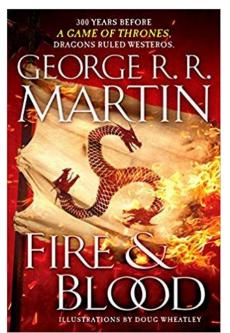
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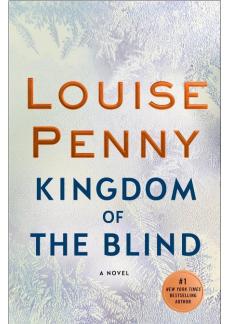
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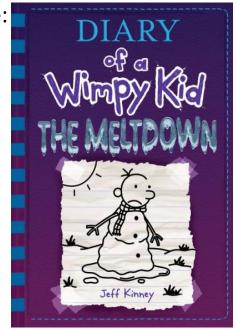
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On Sale: 11/27



On Sale: 10/30



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On-line = 120 In-store = 55

Pre-Orders 175

The Fifth Risk

On-line = 49In-store = 57

Pre-Orders 106

Killing Commendatore

On-line = 439

In-store = 211

Pre-Orders 650

Unsheltered

On-line = 198

In-store = 102

Pre-Orders 300

Fire & Blood

On-line = 55

In-store = 13

Pre-Orders 68

Kingdom of the Blind

On-line = 99

In-store = 420

Pre-Orders 519

Diary of a Wimpy Kid The Meltdown

On-line = 377

In-store = <u>91</u>

Pre-Orders 468



Update: Reporting Pre-Orders







Bookseller suggested tips for reporting on the on-sale date...





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- Standard Product Pages
- Custom Product Pages
- Custom Pages







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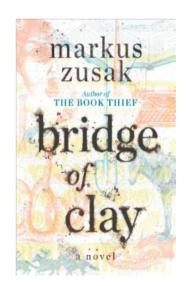
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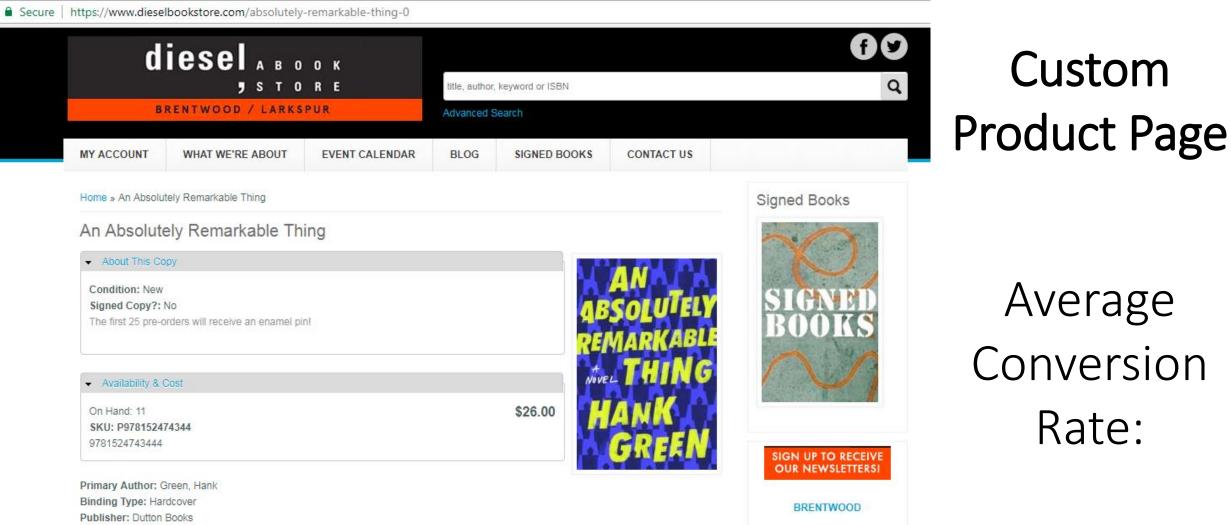
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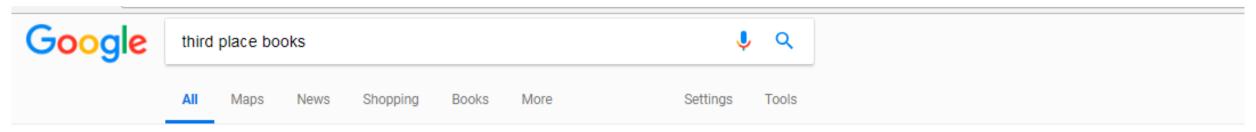
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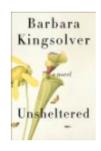
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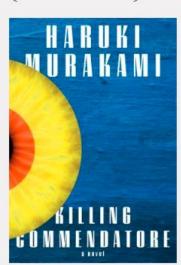
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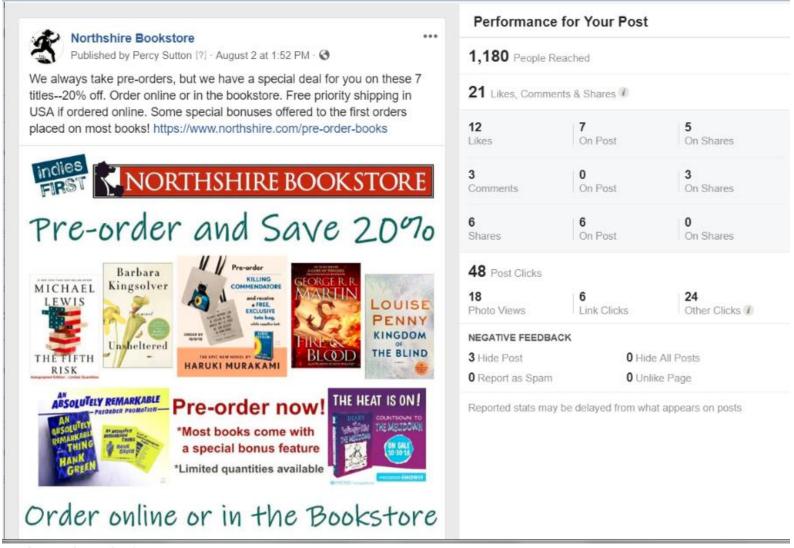
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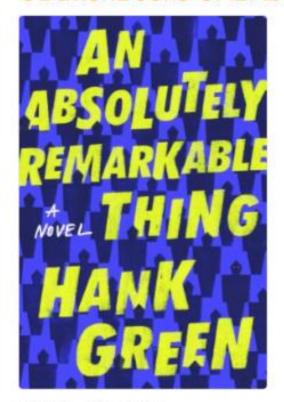




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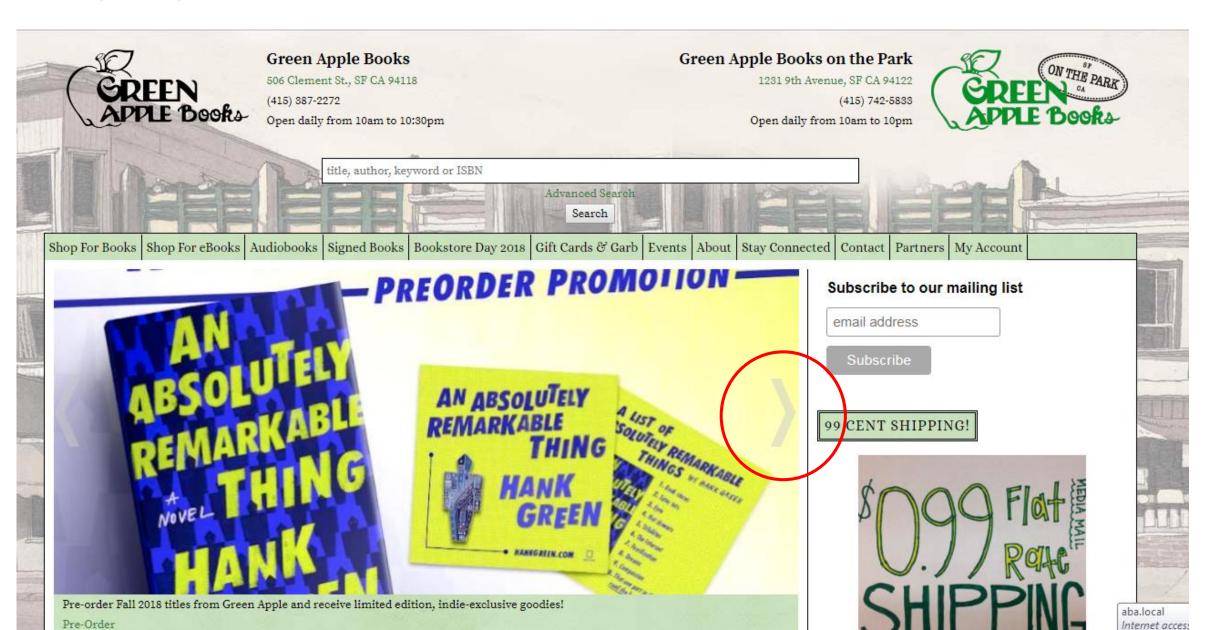
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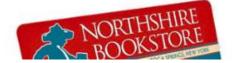








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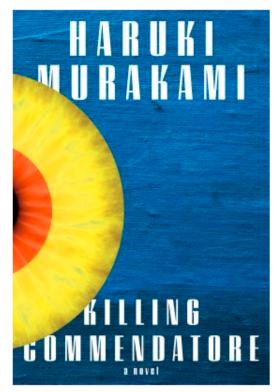


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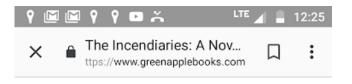
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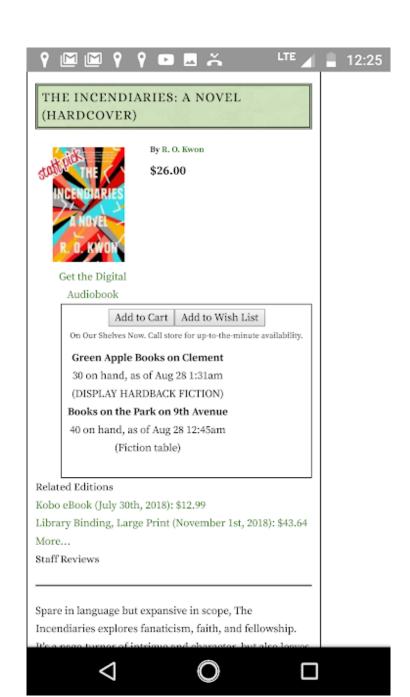
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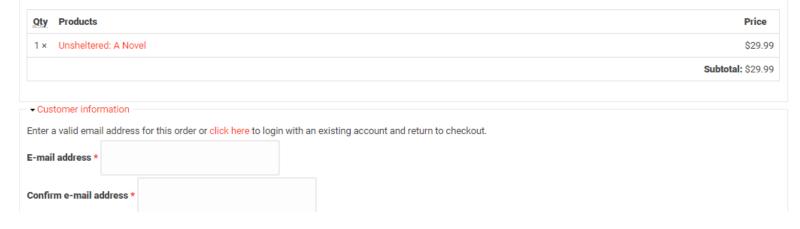




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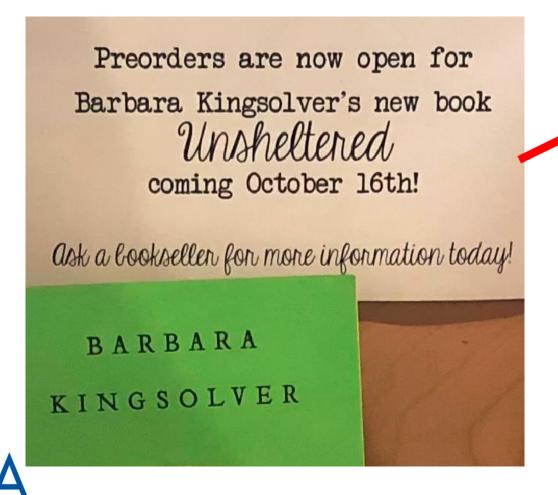






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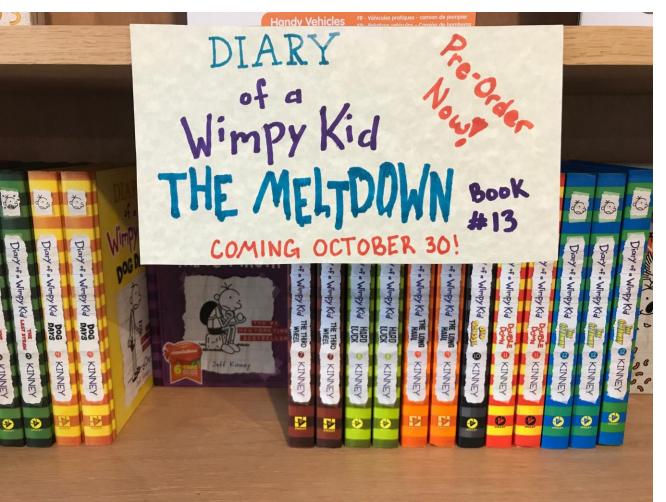


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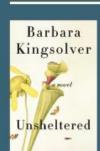
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