

Print Children's Best Sellers

THIS WEEK	PAPERBACK BOOKS	WEEKS ON LIST	THIS WEEK	SERIES	WEEKS ON LIST
1	THE RED PYRAMID , by Rick Riordan. (Disney-Hyperion, \$9.99.) Ancient gods (this time from Egypt) and a mortal family meet. (Ages 10 and up)	3	1	THE HUNGER GAMES , by Suzanne Collins. (Scholastic, hardcover and paper.) A girl fights for survival on live TV. (Ages 12 and up)	54
2	THE BOOK THIEF , by Markus Zusak. (Knopf, \$11.99.) A girl saves books from Nazi burning. (Ages 14 and up)	208	2	THE 39 CLUES , by various authors. (Scholastic, hardcover only.) A brother and sister search for the key to their family's power. (Ages 9 to 12)	87
3	THIRTEEN REASONS WHY , by Jay Asher. (Razorbill, \$10.99.) Before she commits suicide, a girl sends recordings to 13 people. (Ages 12 and up)	12	3	PERCY JACKSON & THE OLYMPIANS , by Rick Riordan. (Disney-Hyperion, hardcover and paper.) Children of the gods battle monsters. (Ages 9 to 12)	217
4	THE ABSOLUTELY TRUE DIARY OF A PART-TIME INDIAN , by Sherman Alexie. Illustrated by Ellen Forney. (Little, Brown, \$8.99.) A boy leaves his reservation for an all-white school. (Ages 12 and up)	110	4	BIG NATE , Lincoln Peirce. (HarperCollins, hardcover; Andrews McMeel, paper.) Where Nate goes, trouble is sure to follow. (Ages 8 to 12)	31
5	I AM NUMBER FOUR , by Pittacus Lore. (HarperCollins, \$9.99.) Members of another civilization live secretly among Earth-dwellers. (Ages 14 and up)	2	5	HARRY POTTER , by J. K. Rowling. (Arthur A. Levine/Scholastic, hardcover and paper.) A wizard hones his skills while fighting evil. (Ages 10 and up)	268
6	THEODORE BOONE: KID LAWYER , by John Grisham. (Puffin, \$7.99.) He's only 13, but he knows how to handle a murder case. (Ages 8 to 12)	18	6	DIARY OF A WIMPY KID , written and illustrated by Jeff Kinney. (Abrams, hardcover only.) The travails of adolescence, in cartoons. (Ages 9 to 12)	138
7	THE NINE LIVES OF CHLOE KING , by Liz Braswell. (Simon Pulse, \$10.99.) A girl with special catlike powers is hunted by assassins. (Ages 14 and up)	12	7	SEVEN REALMS , by Cinda Williams Chima. (Hyperion, hardcover and paper.) Warriors, wizards and thrones in a turbulent world. (Ages 12 and up)	1
8	SOUL SURFER , by Bethany Hamilton with Sheryl Berk and Rick Bundschuh. (MTV/Gallery, \$14.) Surfing again after a shark attack. (Ages 12 and up)	18	8	MAGIC TREE HOUSE , by Mary Pope Osborne. Illustrated by Sal Murdocca. (Stepping Stone/Random House, hardcover and paper.) These siblings can overcome space and time. (Ages 6 to 9)	246
9	NERDS (BOOK ONE: NATIONAL ESPIONAGE, RESCUE, AND DEFENSE SOCIETY) , by Michael Buckley. (Amulet/Abrams, \$6.95.) Stealth is hard when you wear orthodontic headgear. (Ages 8 to 12)	10	9	DORK DIARIES , by Rachel Renée Russell. (Aladdin, hardcover only.) Nikki Maxwell navigates the halls of middle school. (Ages 9 to 13)	12
10	THE MAZE RUNNER , by James Dashner. (Delacorte, \$9.99.) A stone wall imprisons teenagers who live by their wits. (Ages 12 and up)	24	10	THIRST , by Christopher Pike. (Simon & Schuster, paper only.) A 5,000-year-old vampire struggles with her identity and her enemies. (Ages 14 and up)	2

Rankings reflect sales, for the week ended September 3, 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. Perennial sellers are not actively tracked. Expanded rankings are available on the Web: nytimes.com/books. All four children's lists appear each week on the Book Review's Web site. Publishers have provided the age designations for their best-selling children's titles.