



Toronto Star bestsellers for the week ending May 8, 2019

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ORIGINAL FICTION

1. **The Mister**, E.L. James, Vintage (3)*
2. **The Tattooist of Auschwitz**, Heather Morris, Harper Paperbacks (31)
3. **18th Abduction**, James Patterson, Maxine Paetro, Little Brown (1)
4. **The Huntress**, Kate Quinn, William Morrow (11)
5. **The Spanish Promise**, Karen Swan, Macmillan (1)
6. **The 13-Minute Murder**, James Patterson (3)
7. **The Daughter's Tale**, Armando Lucas Correa, Atria (1)
8. **The Temptation of Gracie**, Santa Montefiore, Simon & Schuster (3)
9. **Redemption**, David Baldacci, Grand Central (3)

ORIGINAL NON-FICTION

1. **Becoming**, Michelle Obama, Crown (24)
2. **Educated**, Tara Westover, HarperCollins (62)
3. **Cat and Nat's Mom Truths**, Catherine Belknap, Natalie Telfer, Penguin Canada (8)
4. **The Moment of Lift**, Melinda Gates, Flatiron (2)
5. **Love and Courage**, Jagmeet Singh, Simon & Schuster (2)
6. **The Mueller Report**, The Washington Post, Scribner (1)

7. **12 Rules for Life**, Jordan B. Peterson, Random House Canada (66)
8. **The Art of Diplomacy**, Bruce Heyman, Vicki Heyman, Simon & Schuster (1)
9. **Things My Son Needs to Know about the World**, Fredrik Backman, Neil Smith, Simon & Schuster (1)
10. **The Forgotten Child**, Richard Galleary, HarperElement (6)

CANADIAN FICTION

1. **Washington Black**, Esi Edugyan, Patrick Crean
2. **Full Disclosure**, Beverley McLachlin, Simon & Schuster
3. **Warlight**, Michael Ondaatje, McClelland & Stewart
4. **The Quintland Sisters**, Shelley Wood, William Morrow
5. **Those Girls**, Chevy Stevens, Saint Martin's Griffin
6. **All the Wrong Places**, Joy Fielding, Doubleday Canada
7. **Secret Path**, Gordon Downie, Jeff Lemire, Simon & Schuster
8. **The Trouble with Vampires**, Lynsay Sands, Avon
9. **The Gown**, Jennifer Robson, Wm. Morrow Paperbacks
10. **Missing Daughter**, Rick Mofina, Mira

CANADIAN NON-FICTION

1. **Cat and Nat's Mom Truths**, Catherine Belknap, Natalie Telfer, Penguin Canada
2. **By Chance Alone**, Max Eisen, HarperCollins
3. **Feeding My Mother**, Jann Arden, Vintage Canada
4. **Love and Courage**, Jagmeet Singh, Simon & Schuster
5. **12 Rules for Life**, Jordan Peterson, Random House Canada

6. **A Good Wife**, Samra Zafar, HarperCollins Canada

7. **Mourning Has Broken**, Erin Davis, HarperCollins Canada

8. **Mistakes to Run With**, Yasuko Thanh, Hamish Hamilton

9. **This Team Is Ruining My Life (But I Love Them)**, Steve “Dangle” Glynn, ECW

10. **Homes**, Abu Bakr al Rabeeah, Winnie Yeung, Freehand

CHILDREN’S AND YOUNG ADULT

1. **Diary of an Awesome Friendly Kid**, Jeff Kinney, Amulet

2. **Why I Love My Mommy**, Daniel Howarth, HarperCollins Children’s

3. **Eye of the Earthquake Dragon**, Tracey West, Daniel Griffo, Scholastic

4. **Brawl of the Wild**, Dav Pilkey, Scholastic

5. **Just Jamie**, Terri Libenson, Balzer & Bray

6. **The Wonky Donkey**, Craig Smith, Katz Cowley, Scholastic

7. **Share Your Smile**, Raina Telgemeier, Graphix

8. **Big Nate: Payback Time!**, Lincoln Peirce, Andrews McMeel

9. **Dear Girl**, Amy Krouse Rosenthal, Holly Hatam, Paris Rosenthal, HarperCollins

10. **Dear Boy**, Jason Rosenthal, Holly Hatam, Paris Rosenthal, HarperCollins

MYSTERY

1. **Past Tense**, Lee Child, Dell

2. **18th Abduction**, James Patterson, Maxine Paetro, Little Brown

3. **Dark Sacred Night**, Michael Connelly, Grand Central

4. **Red Alert**, James Patterson, Marshall Karp, Vision

5. **The 13-Minute Murder**, James Patterson, Grand Central
6. **Spymaster**, Brad Thor, Pocket
7. **Redemption**, David Baldacci, Grand Central
8. **The Girl Who Takes an Eye for an Eye**, David Lagercrantz, George Goulding, Penguin Canada
9. **The Death of Mrs. Westaway**, Ruth Ware, Simon & Schuster
10. **Nothing to Hide**, Allison Brennan, Minotaur

* number of weeks on list

Trending

This week's Original Nonfiction list is a snapshot of the times in which we live.

The Mueller Report, by the Washington Post debuts at #6, a week after its April 30 release. It includes the redacted text issued by the U.S. Department of Justice and all sorts of bells and whistles (helpful timelines, people snapshots and key documents). There are 16 other versions available online, but this version, published by Scribner, is the clear favourite. The report is followed, in the #8 spot, by *The Art of Diplomacy: Strengthening the Canada-U.S. Relationship in Times of Uncertainty*, by Bruce and Vicki Heyman (Barack Obama's U.S ambassador to Canada and his partner.) Together, they write of the importance of diplomacy and, more specifically, their experiences over three years fostering one of the world's most important relationships.

Turning to the Original Fiction List, more evidence that literary fiction is a tough sell.

Ian McEwan is widely acknowledged as one of our finest novelists. Last week, *Machines Like Us*, his 15th novel over four decades, squeaked onto the list in the #10 spot. This week it has sunk to #38. Similarly, the literati enthused about young Irish writer Sally Rooney's, *Normal People*, which debuted last week at #8. Today it has slipped to #21.

-Sarah Murdoch

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