

**BEST
BOOKS
OF 2001**



- 1** *The Corrections* by Jonathan Franzen
- 2** *Austerlitz* by W.G. Sebald
- 3** *Empire Falls* by Richard Russo
- 4** *The Noonday Demon* by Andrew Solomon
- 5** *The True History of the Kelly Gang* by Peter Carey
- 6** *Hateship, Friendship, Courtship, Loveship, Marriage* by Alice Munro
- 7** *John Adams* by David McCullough
- 8** *Seabiscuit: An American Legend*
by Laura Hillenbrand
- 9** *Fast Food Nation* by Eric Schlosser
- 10** *John Henry Days* by Colson Whitehead

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***Nickel and Dimed: On (Not) Getting
By in America*** by Barbara Ehrenreich

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Carter Beats the Devil by Yann Martel

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My Name is Red by Orhan Pamuk

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***The Metaphysical Club: A Story of Ideas
in America*** by Louis Menand

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***Uncle Tungsten: Memories of a Chemical
Boyhood*** by Oliver Sacks

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Theodore Rex by Edmund Morris

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Back When We Were Grownups by Anne Tyler

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Peace Life a River by Leif Enger

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Bel Canto by Ann Patchett

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American Gods by Neil Gaiman

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Honorable Mentions

- American Chica: Two Worlds, One Childhood*** by Marie Arana
- Mystic River*** by Dennis Lehane
- Among the Missing*** by Dan Chaon
- The Battle for God*** by Karen Armstrong
- Borrowed Finery*** by Paula Fox
- Boswell's Presumptions Task*** by Adam Sisman
- Carry Me Home: Birmingham, Alabama: The Climactic Battle of the Civil Rights Revolution*** by Diane McWhorter
- Eva Moves the Furniture*** by Margo Livesey
- Germ: Biological Weapons and America's Secret War*** by Judith Miller, William J. Broad, and Stephen Engelberg
- The Hiding Place*** by Trezza Azzopardi
- The Invention of Clouds: How Amateur Meteorologist Changed the Language of the Skies*** by Richard Hamblyn
- The Last Report on the Miracles at Little No Horse*** by Louise Erdrich
- The Lost Children of Wilder: The Epic Struggle to Change Foster Care*** by Nina Bernstein
- The Miracle Life of Edgar Mint*** by Brady Udall
- Positively 4th Street: The Lives and Times of Joan Baez, Bob Dylan, Mimi Fariña, and Richard Fariña*** by David Hadju