2007 Phoenix Award Winner

Memory by Margaret Mahy (Dent, 1987; McElderry, 1988)



Five years after his sister Janine's death, nineteen-year-old Jonny Dart is deeply troubled by his inability to remember the details of the accident that took her life. In an attempt to learn the truth, as well as assuage his nagging feelings of guilt, he sets out to find Bonny, his sister's friend who was the only other witness to the incident. In his search, he encounters Sophie West, an elderly woman with senile dementia, from whom, after he moves into her home to care for her, he learns the true meaning of both memory and loss.

2007 Phoenix Honor Book



Waiting for the Rain by Sheila Gordon (Orchard, 1987)