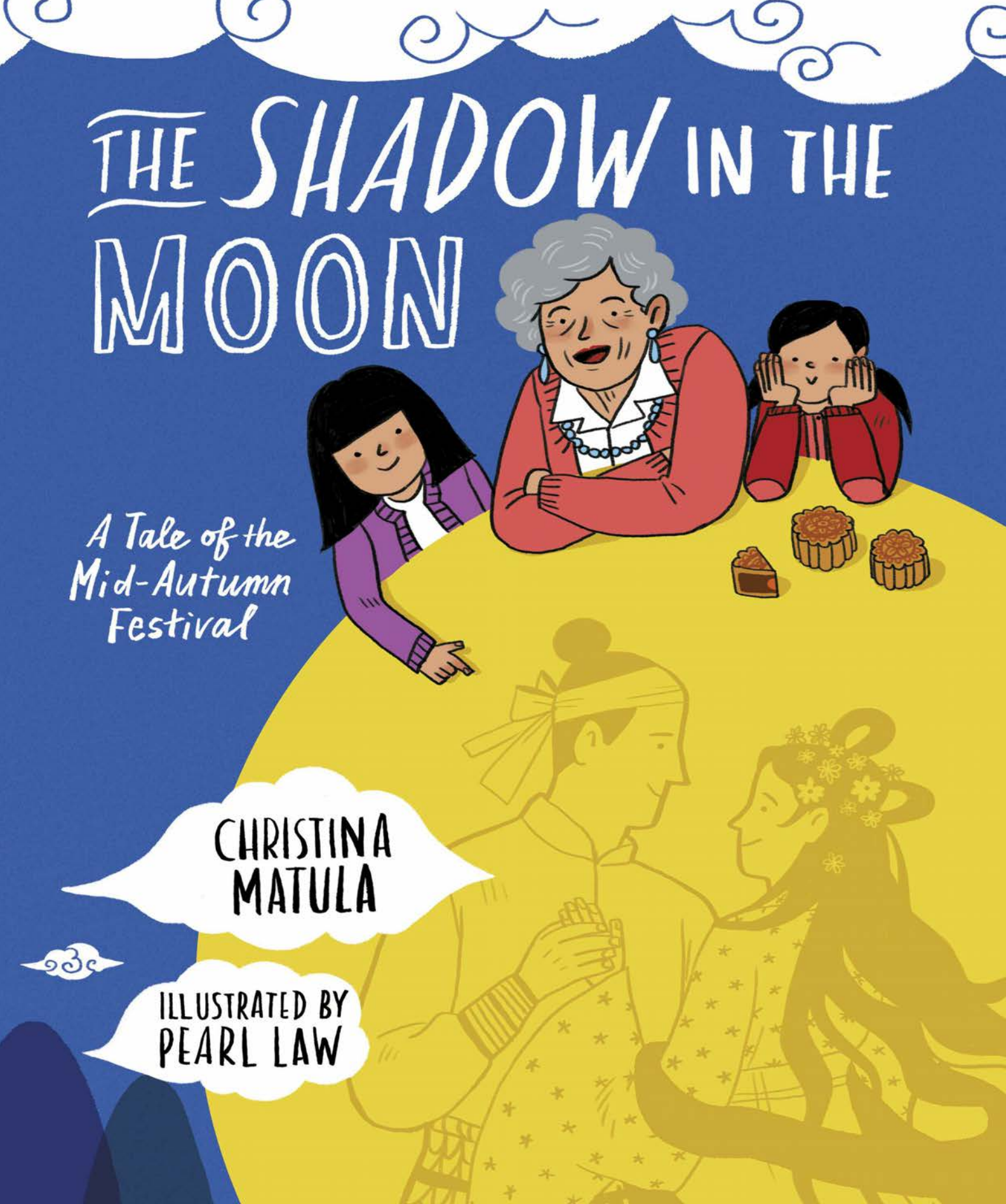


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For Elsa & Sandor—C. M.

To my parents and to my grandfather, who  
patiently took me around the markets for hours  
to search for my perfect lantern—P. L.

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Tonight is our Mid-Autumn Festival feast.  
My sister and I watch as the whole family gathers in our home.





This is the time of year when the moon is biggest and brightest. It is when we celebrate and give thanks for the harvest. Our family comes together and becomes whole again, like the whole, full moon. First we look to the moon and give thanks, and then we make a wish for the coming year. This year, I'm still not sure what to wish for.





