



From the Introduction, Happy Here:

“I love telling stories about us, for us, and for everyone else, so they can see and understand that there is way more to being Black than just the colour of our skin and the struggles that come with it. I know the writers and illustrators in Happy Here agree with me on this. It’s why you’re holding this book right now. Happy Here is a celebration, and all of you readers out there? Well, you’re all invited to this party. We threw it for you, after all. You’re going to have such a good time, I promise. In these pages, you’ll find ten incredible stories, with ten stunning illustrations by Black creators that burst with joy, show happiness at home, and are about the love between friends and family. The characters in these stories and illustrations take up space, just by being themselves, by being whoever they want to be and it’s the best.”

Sharna Jackson, *Happy Here*