

The Glider Model Builder (Planeristka), circa 1930s-50s, a faience statuette of a young pioneer based on the 1930s design by D Kovalenko.

Tin glazed earthenware, 9" tall, 5" base. Young girl in her Young Pioneer uniform scans the sky while she holds a glider in her right hand; three more gliders lean against her side, ready to use. On the ground next to her left foot, "N 79" is lightly inscribed - perhaps the manufacturer's catalog number?

Excellent condition with no chips or cracks. There are a few tiny spots of blue paint here and there - the painter who applied the blue was slightly less skillful than the painters who applied the other colors - but the tiny blue spots do not detract. The figure would benefit from a careful cleaning with a very mild detergent.

Some copies of this popular figurine were produced by the Konakovo porcelain factory in the 1990s, after the breakdown of the USSR; older pieces in undamaged condition like this are quite rare.

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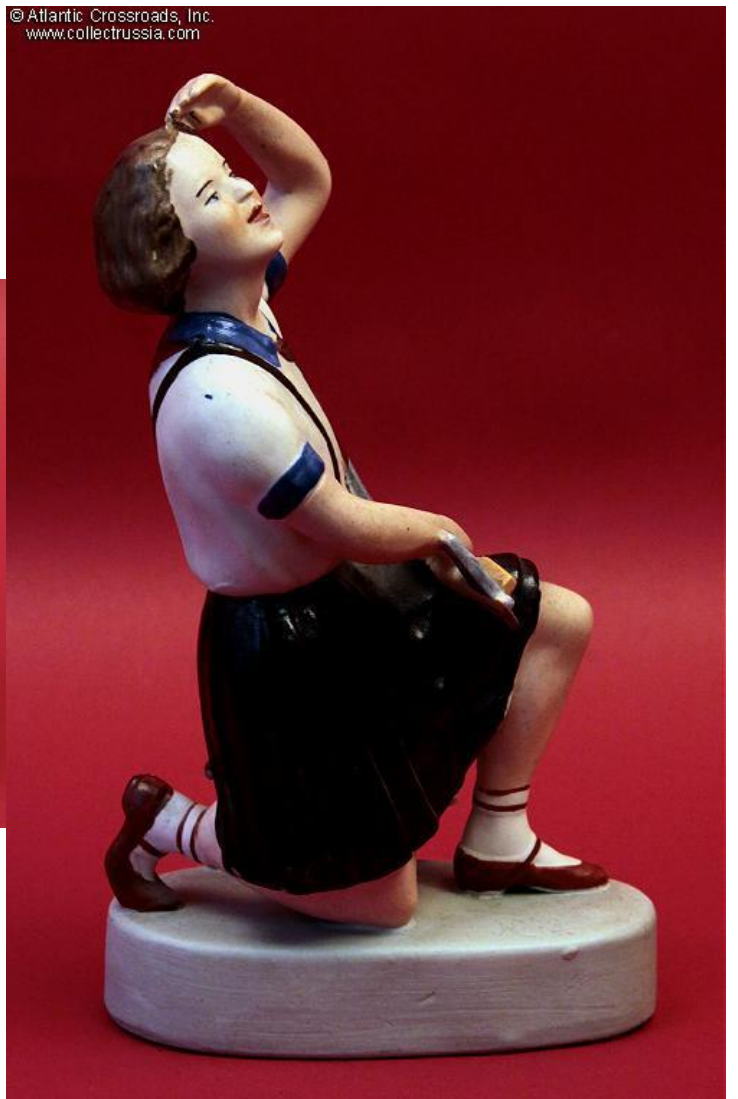
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