

Support children in poor countries with Karito Kids dolls

Someone once said that charity begins at home. That must be what the folks at Kids Give had in mind when they developed the Karito Kids. A quintet of multicultural dolls, the Karito Kids are like a modern-day, international version of the American Girl dolls. They include Lulu (Kenya), Wan Ling (China), Pita (Mexico), Zoe (New York) and Gia (Italy). ("Karito," from the constructed language Esperanto, means "charity" and "love of one's neighbor.")

Each doll comes with a novel that tells a girl's story and a passport that includes a secret activation code. Enter the code at www.karitokids.com, and a percentage of the purchase price funds Plan, an organization that supports children in poor countries worldwide. Kids can even choose how they want the money to be used, such as to benefit schools or health programs. (The Web site also includes e-cards, coloring pages and more.)

Find It: The dolls, somewhat pricey at \$99.99 each, are intended for children 6 and older; books, accessories and outfits are sold separately. Available at www.karitokids.com or at Neiman Marcus.

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Zoe



Lulu



Pita



Ling



Gia

