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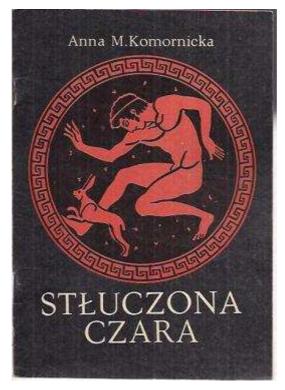
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Summary: Athens during the times of Socrates. Potter Blepyros dreams that his son Leagros lost at sea fifteen years earlier asks him to make a vase decorated with a painted boy running after a hare, the same Leagros happened to break in the past. A ship arrives in the port of Piraeus carrying slaves, among them, Chryzos, a youth with golden hair. Kinesias, Blepyros younger son, visits the port with a friend; upon hearing the youth sing a Greek song, he stops and talks to him about the beautiful city of Athens. Someone wants to buy Chryzos to work in

the mines but Kinesias with his friend convince his uncle Sophron met by chance to pay a bond to the slave merchant and take Chryzos on trial as an apprentice for Blepyros. On the way to Athens, the boys show interesting places and buildings to Chryzos. At the potter's, Chryzos recognizes the vase with the running hare he remembers from his childhood, the song he sang in the port turns out to be the same Kinesias' mother Kleonike sang to his first son lost fifteen years earlier. Chryzos proves to be Leagros, Kinesias brother and Blepyros' son.

Classical themes: the story, set in 5th century B.C.E. Athens, presents scenes from everyday life of this period: topography, arts, material culture (pottery, types and decorations), family life, social realities (slavery). The theme of recognition (*anagnorisis*) based on tokens, in this case the painting and the song.

Key words: Athens, pottery, vases.



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