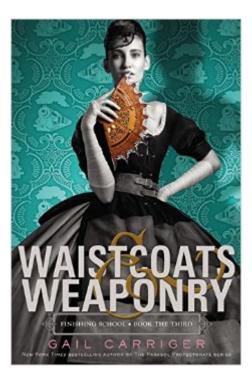
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# Waistcoats & Weaponry (Finishing School)





# Synopsis

Class is back in session....Sophronia continues her second year at finishing school in style--with a steel-bladed fan secreted in the folds of her ball gown, of course. Such a fashionable choice of weapon comes in handy when Sophronia, her best friend Dimity, sweet sootie Soap, and the charming Lord Felix Mersey hijack a suspiciously empty train to return their chum Sidheag to her werewolf pack in Scotland. But when Sophronia discovers they are being trailed by a dirigible of Picklemen and flywaymen, she unearths a plot that threatens to throw all of London into chaos. With her friends in mortal danger, Sophronia must sacrifice what she holds most dear--her freedom.Gather your poison, your steel-tipped quill, and the rest of your school supplies and join Mademoiselle Geraldine's proper young killing machines in the third rousing installment in the New York Times bestselling Finishing School series by steampunk author Gail Carriger.

### **Book Information**

Series: Finishing School (Book 3) Paperback: 320 pages Publisher: Little, Brown Books for Young Readers; Reissue edition (October 6, 2015) Language: English ISBN-10: 031619025X ISBN-13: 978-0316190251 Product Dimensions: 5.5 x 0.9 x 8.4 inches Shipping Weight: 8 ounces (View shipping rates and policies) Average Customer Review: 4.6 out of 5 stars Â See all reviews (241 customer reviews) Best Sellers Rank: #90,156 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #41 in Books > Teens > Science Fiction & Fantasy > Science Fiction > Steampunk #64 in Books > Teens > Mysteries & Thrillers > Historical #78 in Books > Teens > Historical Fiction > Europe Age Range: 12 - 17 years Grade Level: 7 and up

## **Customer Reviews**

I got a copy of this book to review through NetGalley. This is the third book in the Finishing School series by Carriger. There will be one more book in this series titled, Manners and Mutiny, which is supposed to release in November of 2015. This was another wonderful book in this series full of adventure and steampunk elements.Sophronia is in her second year at the finishing/espionage school for girls. One of Sophroniaâ <sup>™</sup>s close friends, Sidheag, gets awful news about the werewolf

pack she is part of on Scotland. Sophronia and her friends (Dimitry, Lord Felix Mersey, and the Sootie Soap) hijack a train to get Sidheag home. However they never expected the train they hijaked to be carrying goods that could throw all of London into chaos. This is a highly entertaining and action packed YA steampunk read. I really love the characters, the steampunk devices and action throughout. There is a lot of humor in here too, which makes it a very fun read!Sophronia is still getting into loads of trouble, although she is learning that having friends to help her out is a good thing. She also spends quite a bit of time contemplating what to do with her future. She has an offer to work for Lord Akeldama after graduation, the Queen would also like to have Sophronia in service, then of course there is the handsome Lord Felix whose company she enjoys. I continue to really enjoy Sophronia, she is plucky, energetic, and fun to read about. There is a lot more drama and romance in this book than in previous books. Sophronia spends a lot of time with both Felix and Soap; both are trying to woo her and she is in a tough spot having to spend time with them both. There is also a ton of action.

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