

'Cogheart' by Peter Bunzl (Prologue and Chapter 1)

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Key Vocabulary	Definition	
airship	A power drive aircraft kept buoyant by gas.	
rudder	A flat piece of wood at the back of the ship for steering.	
hull	The main body of a ship.	
flight-deck	Where you would control / steer the airship.	
propellers	A set of twirling blades that move the airship forwards.	
pistons	A cylinder which goes up and down in an engine causing parts to move.	
crankshafts	A rotating part inside an engine which moves other parts.	
mechanical	Something that is operated by a machine.	
mechanimal	An animals that is operated by a machine,	
Penny Dreadful	A horror story comic that cost a penny.	
deportment	The way a person stands and walks.	
etiquette	A code of polite behaviour within a society or group.	



The book was written in 2016 and is
the first in a trilogy. Set in the
Victorian times, this novel falls into the
'steampunk' fiction genre - a fantasy
book that features steam-powered
technology that is ahead of its time. It
is the author, Peter Bunzl's, first novel.
Peter is a BAFTA-winning animator, as
well as a writer and film-maker.
'Murder, mayhem and mystery meet in
this gripping Victorian Adventure.'

Key Grammar	
Relative	Begins with a relative pronoun (who, whom, whose, that or
clauses	which) and adds more information about the noun.
Expanded	Additional information that describes the noun in a sentence.
noun phrases	
Commas for	Using commas to be clear on what you want to say e.g. Let's
clarity	eat Grandma OR Let's eat, Grandma.
Semi colon	Punctuation that can be used to separate two independent
	clauses in a sentence.
Colon	Punctuation that can be used to separate two independent
	clauses in a sentence - often used in place of the word
	'because'.

Characters		
Lily	Main character - a loving, tomboy who	
	enjoys reading about pirates and vampires.	
John	Lily's dad – a clever man who builds	
	mechanical animals and people.	
Malkin	A mechanical fox – he can be a bit	
	grumpy but is very loyal to John.	
The Kraken	AKA Mrs McKracken – Lily's teacher,	
	who she has nicknamed after the	
	mythical sea beast.	
Alice	A particularly unpleasant girl in Lily's	
	class.	

Other information		
Plot	John's airship has been boarded and he	
	had now gone missing. His mechanical	
	fox, Malkin has escaped with a letter for	
	John's daughter Lily, who is at a very	
	exclusive boarding school. Lily does not	
	enjoy deportment classes and would	
	much prefer to read one of her gory	
	Penny Dreadful magazines.	
Setting	The story is set around	
	Brackenbridge village and the city of	
	London in Victorian times (1896).	