



# Bayview High

## *Making the Grade* Chapter 16: A Slippery Slope

### Working with Words—Writing Thumbnail Sketches

Riley's dog is a bull terrier. Do you know anything about bull terriers? A thumb-nail sketch is a short description giving only the main details. The following information is a thumbnail sketch of what a bull terrier is like.

#### **Bull Terriers**

Bull terriers belong to the terrier breed group. They can weigh 20 to 30 kilograms and range in height from 53 to 56 centimetres. They are usually white or white with markings on the head. They are muscular, so need exercise to keep fit. Bull terriers are loyal and loving. They are lively and tough but get along well with children. They are not good with other dogs. They enjoy long walks and playing with a rubber ball.

Choose one of the following dog breeds that you are interested in and write a thumbnail sketch. Use a reference book from the library or check online about dog breeds.

Afghan Hounds

Akita

Beagle

Pit Bull

Border Collie

Bichon Frise

Schnauzer