Objective

By the end of this lesson, you will learn about the history and significance of Staffordshire dogs.

Materials and Prep

- Internet access for research
- · Paper and colored pencils for drawing
- Open mind and curiosity

Activities

- **Research Time:** Use the internet to find out more about Staffordshire dogs. Look for their origin, characteristics, and why they are popular.
- **Draw Your Own Staffordshire Dog:** Use your artistic skills to draw your own version of a Staffordshire dog. Get creative with colors and patterns!
- **Role Play:** Pretend to be a Staffordshire dog and act out their daily life. What would they do? How would they interact with humans?

Talking Points

- "Staffordshire dogs are a type of pottery figurine that originated in England in the 19th century. They were popular as decorative pieces in homes."
- "These figurines were often modeled as dogs, particularly the Staffordshire Bull Terrier breed, hence the name Staffordshire dogs."
- "People collected Staffordshire dogs because they were affordable, charming, and added a touch of whimsy to their homes."
- "Staffordshire dogs are still popular today and are considered collectible items by antique enthusiasts."