

## Make a Roman Shield



Hi Year 3, This is an activity we would have completed at school. I would love you to design your own Roman Shield. Why don't you use the internet to research patterns?

## Shield (Scutum)



The circular boss in the middle was used to punch with!

A Roman shield was called a **scutum**.

It was quite light so that it could be held in one hand.

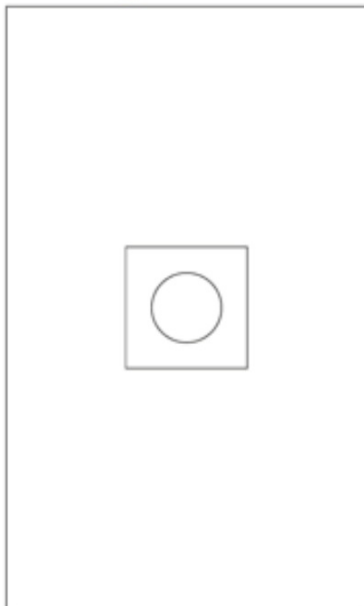
It was curved so that it would fit around a soldier's body to protect him from blows.

It was wide enough so that soldiers could join their scutums together in formation in battle.

The metal protrusion on the front could also be used to attack the enemy by using it in a punching motion.

# Design Your Shield

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Ensure that your decorative design shows off your strength. Designs often included:

- wings;
- eagles;
- lightning bolts.

Why not research some powerful Roman gods to help you with your design?

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