Viking Shields

Viking shields were usually made of wood, reinforced with metal bars and covered in leather. They were carried using a single hand-held grip on the back as this made it easier to move them around. The shields were about 80-90cm in diameter and were decorated in colours and patterns that were specific to the people who used them.

Can you design your own Viking shield using the template below? Then find and write some facts of your own about Viking shields.

