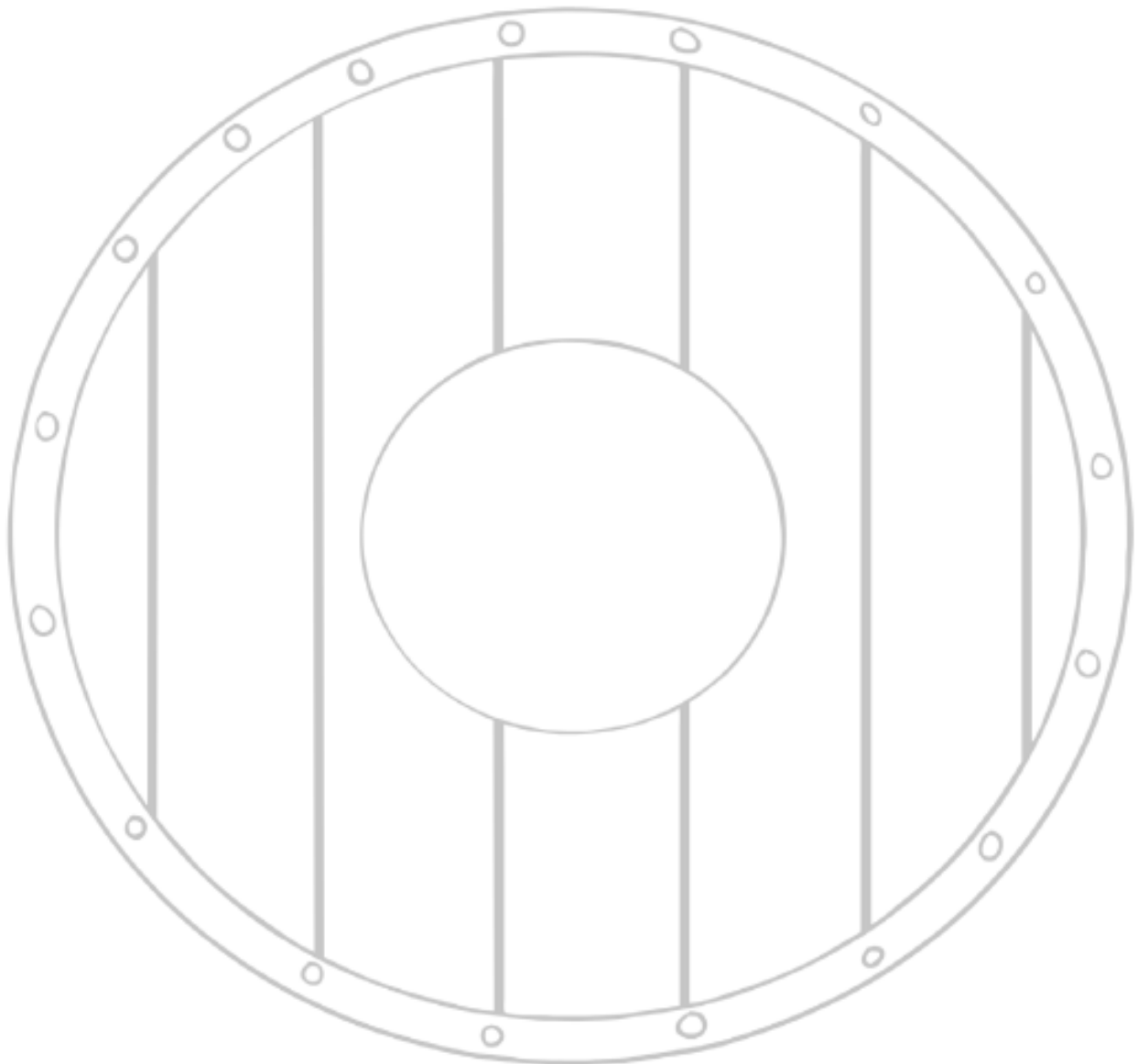


Year 3 – History Learning Activity

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.



Year 3 – History Learning Activity

The Grendel

The Vikings loved sagas about brave, confident heroes who were often direct descendants from the gods and fought vicious, evil monsters.

Beowulf is a Viking saga that tells the adventures of Beowulf and his defeat of a vile monster called Grendel.

The poem is over 3000 lines long (that's why it's called a saga!)

What do you think the Grendel might have looked like? You can research in books or on the internet to help you come up with some ideas if you would like to.

Draw and label a picture of the Grendel in the box below.

