

All soldiers had a large rectangular **shield**, the **scutum**, which had rounded corners to fit around the body of the **soldier**. They were also wide enough to be put against the shield of other soldiers for protection when fighting in formation. The shield was made of wood. It was light but very strong and had a metal ball at the front to hit enemies with.



1. Look at the image and create sentences about the shield. I have done a couple below you can try and then write 2-3 of your own.
2. Create a mind map describing the shield.
What does it look like?
What colour is it?
Does it look heavy?

Read the facts about the shield and then build a sentence.

The shield is _____ and _____.

The shield is made of _____ and is _____.

The shield will _____.

Protect, shield, wood, curved, powerful, strong, battle, red, gold, weapon, formation, group