Topic Tuesday 12th January

WALT: Make a Viking Sword

How to Make a sword instructions

- ► Today for your topic you are going to use your instructions from yesterday's English and make your own Viking Sword!
- You can see what you will need and how to do it from the steps on the following two slides which are from your English instructions
- You can skip steps 4 and 5 if they are a bit tricky without adult help
- If you do not have the equipment, you can design your own Viking sword drawing a picture of it and naming it instead

HOW TO MAKE A CARDBOARD SWORD

Have you ever seen a picture of a Viking in battle? They are rarely without their famous swords. Today you will make a Viking sword of your own. Follow this simple guide to making a Viking-style sword out of cardboard and foil. YOU WILL NEED:

- Strong cardboard
- Kitchen foil
- Sticky tape
- Pen/pencil
- Ruler
- Small mug to draw around
- Scissors or a craft knife

METHOD

I. DRAW OUT THE SHAPE OF YOUR SWORD



Use the picture as a guide for this.

Draw three straight parallel lines

45cm long and 3cm apart, leaving extra space at one end

of the cardboard. This will form the two sides of your blade and the place where you hold your sword, which is called the hilt.

You'll need to make one end of your blade pointy. Draw identical triangles on each side, making sure that the point is half way.



At the other end, the hilt of your sword ends in a rounded pommel. To draw this, put your mug over the

hilt-end of one side of the blade and draw half way around it.

2. CUT OUT YOUR SWORD

First cut out the shape of your sword. Then, using a ruler as a guide, score down the middle line with some scissors. Fold the two sides of your blade onto each other and tape them together secure.

3. WRAP YOUR BLADE WITH FOIL

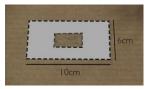
Take a piece of kitchen foil the same length as your blade and stick it to the middle of one side of your blade.

Carefully wrap/fold the foil around the blade and stick in place. At the 'sharp end' fold the corners down as if you're starting to wrap a present and glue/tape in place.

4. MAKE YOUR HILT

5. MAKE YOUR CROSS GUARD

To make the cross guard which protects your hand, draw a rectangle on your cardboard 6cm wide and 10cm long. You'll need a slot out of the middle that is the





Top Tip

To find the middle of your cross guard, draw straight lines between each corner and half way across each side then measure out your rectangles. same side as your blade. It The place that you hold your sword is called the hilt. Draw a straight line up your cardboard loo roll and smooth it out flat. Tape it to the pommel-end of your sword.

Fold the loo roll around the blade until you can't fold it anymore, then tape it together with masking tape across the long side.

will be about 3cm x 1.5cm, depending on how thick your cardboard is.

6. PUT IT ALL TOGETHER

You're almost ready for battle! Slide the cross guard piece down the blade (pencil side down) and tape it to the hilt underneath.

Fun Fact

The tradition of naming swords started in prehistory, and continued into the Middle Ages.



7. NAME YOUR WEAPON