EVALUATION TOOL 12:	SHIELDS			
OVERVIEW:	This is a quantitative evaluation tool that is a creative alternative to feedback forms.			
WHAT YOU WILL NEED:	- A copy of the programme outcomes - Flip chart paper - Felt tips - Scissors	PREPARATION:		Decide on what the different sections of the shield will mean.
PROCESS:	Step 1: At the end of the programme gather the group together. Between you see if you can remember all the aspects of the programme or course. Draw a visual map of everything that you have done. Step 2: Have a list of the course outcomes in front of you. For each outcome in turn, ask the group which aspects of the programme helped them work towards which outcome. For example, 'Which part of the programme helped you learn how to communicate better with your peers?' Step 3: Ask each group member to draw a shield (you may want to have one prepared for them to copy). Ask them to divide the shield up into the appropriate number of course outcomes. For each outcome, ask them to give themselves a score for before and a score for after. Step 4: Referring back to the group's visual map, ask them to add a description to explain why they have given that score, what aspect of the programme contributed, etc. Step 5: You may like to share these as a group. Step 6: Photocopy/photograph the shields as a record. The group might want to take them back and hang them from the ceiling at home/youth centre, etc.			
ANALYSIS:	You can get distance travelled scores, which can be compared between groups and over time. You can identify common themes of what was learned, as well as which aspects of the programme promoted the most learning.			
STRENGTHS:	A more creative format than a form	WEAKNESSES:		Still a written piece of work.

A template is provided.