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The term leadership refers to the act of leading a group of people to achieve a common goal or objective. A leader is a person who drives the people to achieve a pre-decided goal, he or she sets the direction and suggests the ways or strategies through which that goal is going to be achieved. There are various leadership practices and styles that are being followed all over the world and leaders try to get their followers to follow their orders. The concept of leadership has also been portrayed in various movies and dramas, to strengthen the idea and exhibit the perfect way of carrying it out.

In this regard, various movies have been produced that portrays the idea of leadership in an excellent manner. One of the finest movies that I have seen in this respect is Gladiator. Gladiator is a historical drama film, produced in 2000 (MacDonald & Scott, 2000). The movie was directed by Ridley Scoot and written by David Franzoni, William Nicholson, and John Logan. Gladiator contains some brilliant leadership lessons in it and teaches the modern day leaders as well as how to carry on the important responsibility. There are two lead characters in the movie; Commodus who is a strong and powerful emperor and rules a huge kingdom, whereas the other one is Maximus, who is a Roman General and a gladiator. The movie shows that people obey the emperor, Commodus, but only out of fear, but Maximus, although being a gladiator only, is a famous leader among the other gladiators.

There is a scene in the movie where the gladiators have to fight a group of charioteers. The leadership skills of Maximus become very clear at this very moment as he takes the control immediately and starts thinking strategically that how to plan out the things. The other gladiators or his followers also put their trust in him and follow his instructions. These are the qualities which a good leader must have (Ng, et al., 2015).

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