

Plot In 'The Gladiators'

"In the winter of 180A.D.,
Emperor Marcus Aurelius' twelve-year campaign
Against the Barbarian tribes in Germania was drawing to an end" - Beginning of plot rawr
Just one stronghold that.....

This above quote establishes the idea that we are picking up the story from the middle of it. Horris said this was a more effective way of telling the story. Draws reader in, audience wants to know more about the characters past life.

Being called "Sir, General" shows he is already a very important character and respected high up in the hierarchy.
Close-up of maximus's face
'Germania' up on screen, sets up scene of battle.
Maximus gives briefing to his soldiers,
Invading and relieving someone of their independence with the intention of taking over the Roman empire.
Beginning o the battle, flames and arrows shot at the opposition.
Director trying to make the audience take the same side of Maximus, the tragic hero.
Maximus is portrayed to the audience as an important character of high respect.
Introduction of Commodus

Maximus talks to Caesar and Caesar offers maximus to take his place in being in power of Rome when he dies. He offers this to Maximus instead of his own son, Commodus!

Commodus suffocates his father to death.
They try to kill Maximus, but he escapes his own death.
Maximus's wife and son get hanged, he is unable to save them in time. He loses everything that is important to him.

He gets taken away and sold as a slave to then become a gladiator.
He won't fight back, to prove something?
Gets rid of his tattoo (which signified he was in the army), removing every aspect of his past self.
Rising action:
Maximus does his first battle as a gladiator
His identity begins to come back as he compares the horses on his armour to his daughter and wife.

Climax (turning point) - big fight rawr XD
Emperor wants to meet "spaniard" (Maximus)
He realises its maximus and is shocked, but the crowd cheers and wants maximus to live.

Hope continues to be built throughout the film.

He attacks a statue of his father

Meeting in cells with maximus and sister

Falling action - Trying to hatch a plan to break maximus out

Maximus kills commodus and then dies himself in the gladiator arena