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Chant in Gladiator (2000) is identical to Zulu (1964)

Question

The battle chant in "Gladiator" from the Germanic Tribe in the opening Battle is identical to the Zulu battle chant in "Zulu".

Gladiator

<https://youtu.be/mtdsFKFigl8?t=216>

Zulu

https://youtu.be/hY86SQTS_Q8?t=73

Thoughts? Do you think it's the same?



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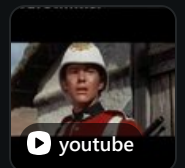


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History Buffs (good YT channel) covered this years ago.

Ultimately, as long as there are no discernible words, I don't see a problem with it. It would be weird if the germanic tribe was speaking Zulu, but the chant is just intended to be intimidating in both cases.

EDIT: Just found an example of a recycled effect that irrationally annoys me in movies. This wooden door sound is forever associated with Diablo in my mind, but keep hearing it throughout a surprising number of movies. The Wilhelm scream is amusing, I don't mind it. But this one just sounds lazy, like no one's recorded a new door sound in at least 20 years.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8-HUM65Wwig&t=2991s>



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There's a certain horse whinny sound effect that's used in everything but ESPECIALLY in Xena, and once you clock it you can never stop hearing.



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Yes. Call it a homage.



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of the 20-30 songs in that movie. I spotted it because I'm a big Zulu history nerd. No one else who saw the movie with me noticed or cared when I mentioned it.



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It is the same, and it's always bothered me. How lazy was the Gladiator sound editor - or maybe it's supposed to be a joke, like a Wilhelm scream.



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