Step In The Arena (1991)

Gang Starr

Once you step in the arena, cheater, you're gonna be a-Mazed when you gaze at the armor on this leader Fully clad and glad to find a cause, I won't pause Fear is a joke, slowpoke, I'm like claws That'll rip 'cause your gift, is merely flesh Superficial and I wish you, would give it a rest But if you don't, I'll unsheath my Excalibur Like a noble knight, so meet ya challenger A true hero, while you're a through zero Gettin beat to a pulp so that you can't run for help I heard a gulp in your throat, cause you hope that I'll be merciful But coo-cluck, I made you strut as I rehearse a few Battle drills, and watch your bladder spill Yellow fluid, check out how I mellowed into it Face to feet to defeat, you can tell Γ'm into it As I'm pullin out my lance, to kill you and advance to The winner's throne, cause I own you once you step in the arenaIn the arenak, or rather coliseum There's people gatherin by multitudes to see one Perpetrator fall to the dust after the other Quickly disposed of at the hand of a known brother Born wit the art in his heart that is Spartacus And one-to-one combat Jack, just a thought of this Match-up, makes GangStarr want to snatch up One or two phrases from the new book with new pages Of rhymes that are built like a chariot Dope vocals carry it, to the battle set If a beat was a princess, I would marry it But now I must bow to the crowd as I stand proud Victorius, glorious, understand now Cause battles and wars and much fights I have been through One MC got beheaded, and you can too Forget it, cause you'd rather be just a spectator An onlooker, afraid you may get slayed or Struck by a blow, from a mic gladiator I betcha that later you might be sad that you played yourself Cause you stepped up, chest puffed out And in just one lyric, you got snuffed out Cause rhymin is serious, I'm strong, I'm like Hercules You'll get hurt with these lines, close the curtains please

And suckers can jet cause I wreck once you step in the arenaIn the arena or forum, weak MC`s I will floor `em Causin' mayhem, I`ll slay them, and the blood`ll be pourin'

Furthermore I implore, that as a soldier of war
I go in only to win and be the holder of more
Trophies, titles, and triumphs cause I dump all the sly chumps
Never choosin' to lose my spot, not once
For the mere idea of an opponent that I fear
Is foolish utterly, I mean but none`ll be
Tryin' to toy wit a destroyer of many
You shitted your pants cause you can`t figure any
Foe that can step to this concept so
You better sit again citizen, weak MC`s I get rid of them
Watch the way they get distraught when they get caught
In the worst positions, cause they didn`t listen
And tried goin' up against a hungry killer who`s itchin
To maim and murder, those who claimed that they were the
Toughest ones, they get done once they step in the arena

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