

C & T Notes: 9/17/08

-Thoughts on movie:

- Pretty good, wouldn't watch again
- Didn't get the plot, no real story

-Wend Kuune was accepted to the lineage and seemed to have more respect than the girl.

-Did his mother plan on running away?

- She left everything when they ran away

-Being mute

- Must have been from being traumatized

-The flute

- He must have been experienced in making the flute
- The flute scene lasted too long
- Everyone thought he was making a dart gun

-His name meaning "a gift from God"

- The lineage quickly adopted him
- He was immediately respected more than the girl

-Shells were used for currency

- They differed from usual currency
- They eliminated use of the barter system

-When did the movie take place?

- Pre-colonial
- Better before the "white man" came
- It could have been recent with an African tribe that hasn't progressed in technology much.

-Did the man of the couple fighting kill his wife?

- There was a quick scene
- Not too certain whether it was the wife or mother

-Everything was hand made

- The machine for making cloth
- The children making better and delivering it
- Why did the mother sweep the ground?
- They got water from the river often

-The court scene was short

- It consisted of an older leader with other adult man

-The girl talked about spirits changing sexes

-Wend Kuuni said that he wished to be a girl, why?

- Possibly to impress the girl
- They would be allowed to be together more

-Is there any type of sexual discrimination?

- They always yell at the girl
- The fighting couple; the woman yells at the man
- Women seem to have equal power

-Why didn't anyone enter Wend Kuuni's mother's home?

- They may have believed it was cursed
- They burned it, possibly to kill the spirits

-They did search for Wend Kuuni's family lineage for longer than expected.

-What about the lone traveler?

- Is he a father figure?
- Could be father starting new life
- May have been his father but he didn't know it

-Do you think they had good lives?

- According to their past and present, they are familiar with their current culture and lifestyle, so they might be living a good life
- We would probably not enjoy living at their standards

-The elder man was the leader and the big boss of the lineage