

Boudreaux and Thibodeaux went fishing way out in the marsh - out farther than they had every been. Suddenly a boat full of Pirates pulled up next to them.

"We're the Pirates of Jean Lafitte. You can join us or die", a big Pirate roared.

"Boudreaux looked at the big mean looking men and their gleaming knives and announced, "We'll join ya".

"Welcome", the big Pirate roared, "But we have an initiation".

"What's dat?", Boudreaux asked.

"Each of you must take ten lashes from the cat-o-nine-tails", the Pirate explained, "But to help you along we can allow you to put whatever you want on your back. You first". The Pirate pointed at Thibodeaux.

"Put some catfish slime on my back, it will take the sting out", Thibodeaux said.

It took a while to catch the catfish and scrape the slime off of them but it was done. Thibodeaux stood and took the lashes with a smile on his face. The Pirates were much impressed and Thibodeaux laughed.

The big Pirate pointed at Boudreaux and said "Now you. What do you want on your back?".

Boudreaux looked carefully at the cat-o-nine-tails, then examined the mess of whelps on Thibodeaux's back. He thought for a few minutes, looked at the big Pirate, and said, "Put Thibodeaux on my back".

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