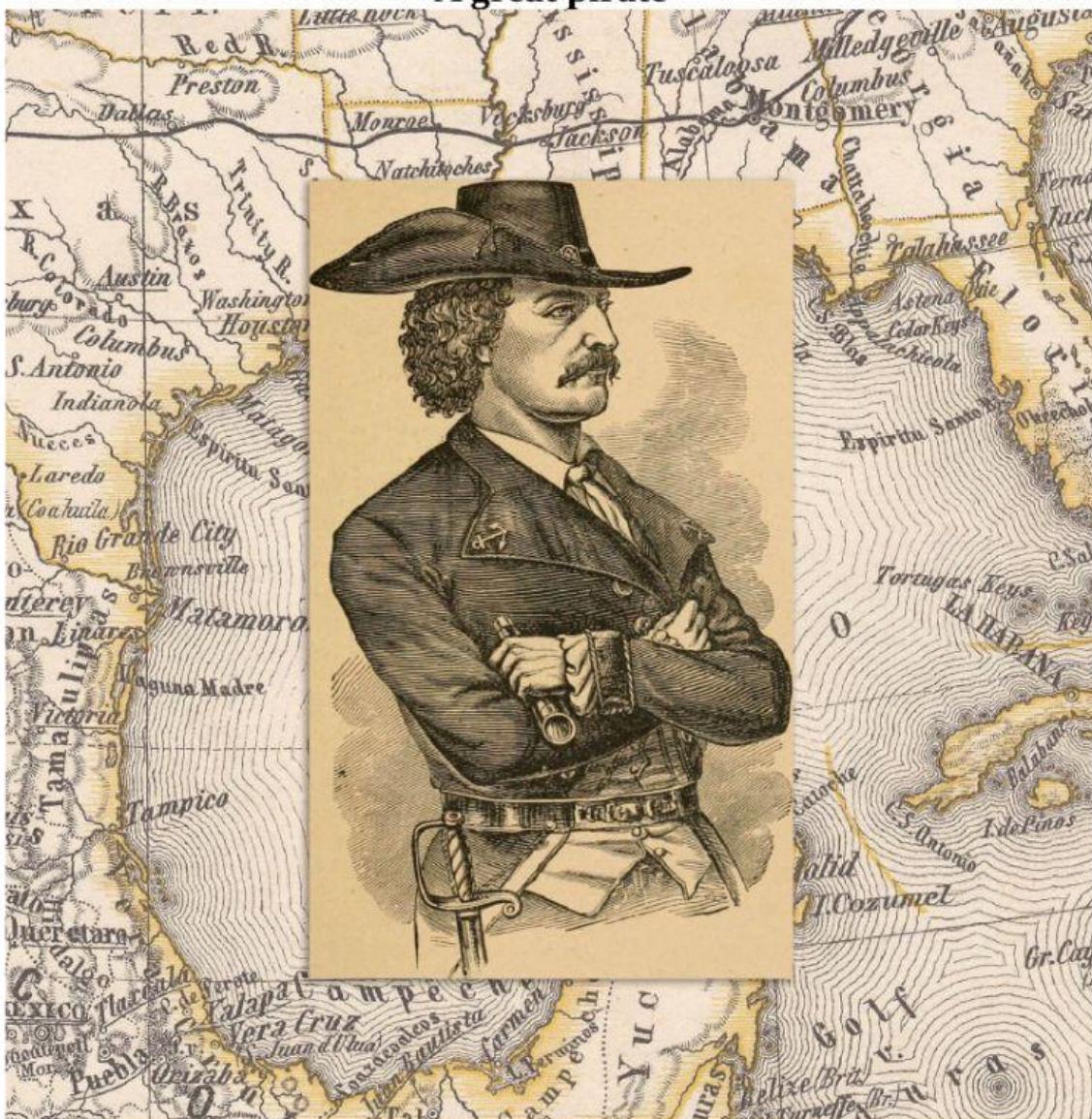


Read the text below. Fill in gaps. There are two choices you do not need to use

A great pirate



Born in 1780, Jean Lafitte, together with his brother, . The Lafitte brothers earned a reputation for piracy because they sometimes attacked Spanish ships in the Gulf, but it was smuggling . The local Governor Claiborne of Louisiana had been trying to imprison the heads of illegal smuggling operations, which included Lafitte, before the start of the war.

During the War of 1812, which saw the English fight against the United States, Lafitte was approached by the English. They planned to capture New Orleans and offered to and pay him \$30,000 for his services.

Pretending to think about taking the offer, Lafitte waited for the English to leave and then . He offered to help protect Louisiana.

Claiborne, ignored the offer. Sometime after, an American warship attacked and destroyed Lafitte's base and captured 80 of his men. Claiborne offered a \$500 reward . When Lafitte saw this he made similar posters calling for the governor's capture and offering a bigger sum of \$5,000.