Orange=the New Black=Camp

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Presentation Summary:

This presentation considers the successful Netflix series as an example of camp at its finest. Dr. Piontek shows that in *Orange Is the New Black* camp is not just a source of humor, but rather characterizes the way the inmates remake themselves behind bars and the political stance these marginalized subjects take in response to their incarceration.