**Learning English Through Films:**

**Film-Viewing Worksheet**

**“Orange is the New Black” (Netflix) (season 1, Episodes 1 and 2)**

***Orange Is the New Black*** (often abbreviated to ***OITNB***) is an American [comedy-drama](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Comedy-drama) series[[1]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Orange_Is_the_New_Black#cite_note-Dunne-1)[[2]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Orange_Is_the_New_Black#cite_note-duocast-2) created by [Jenji Kohan](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jenji_Kohan), and Netflix's most watched series.[[8]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Orange_Is_the_New_Black#cite_note-8) The series revolves around [Piper Chapman](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Piper_Chapman) ([Taylor Schilling](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Taylor_Schilling)), a woman in her thirties living in [New York City](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/New_York_City), who is sentenced to 15 months in Litchfield Penitentiary, a minimum-security women's [federal prison](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Federal_prison) (operated by the "Federal Department of Corrections", a fictionalized version of the [Federal Bureau of Prisons](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Federal_Bureau_of_Prisons)) in upstate New York. Piper has been convicted of transporting a suitcase full of drug money for her then girlfriend [Alex Vause](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Alex_Vause) ([Laura Prepon](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Laura_Prepon)), an international [drug smuggler](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Illegal_drug_trade). The offense had occurred 10 years prior to the start of the series, and in that time Piper had moved on to a quiet, law-abiding life among New York's [upper middle class](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Upper_middle_class), so her sudden and unexpected indictment seriously disrupts her relationships with her fiancé, family and friends.

1.) Why is Piper Chapman sentenced to prison?

2.) What types of problems does Piper have once inside the Litchfield Penitentiary?

3.) How is the prison system shown corrupt or inadequate?

4.) Which couple is a better couple? “Piper and Alex” or “Piper and Larry”?

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