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"This common core curriculum is often times incomprehensible to even college educated parents. We did not learn things this way, and if there is no example provided (and sometimes even when there is), it is incomprehensible what they are asking for. I have an AS degree and I was having trouble understanding my first graders math homework. They took something so simple, first grade arithmetic and turned it into a mystery calculus for the parent. (Just go on YouTube and see all the videos of parents making fun of and denouncing common core). How are parents supposed to help their children with their homework if we can't even understand what is being asked of them in first grade?! It almost seems like a deliberate attempt to dumb down the students. And in case you didn't know it; children are our future! If it's not broke don't fix it!"