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1. The implementation of the Common Core was felt by three stakeholders  
teachers- forced gaps in the curriculum, it was implemented too fast.  
parents- oh, that is just the Common Core  
students- are caught in the middle. Wherever the students were when the CCLS was implemented, there was a negative impact for them. And, how about the impact of SLOs on these children.
2. The Common Core curriculum should not be confused with assessments  
Parents are very confused about the Common Core Learning Standards and state assessments and how they relate.  
What if the Common Core was just implemented without instituting the assessments and the APPR?
3. The purpose of the Common Core was to send colleges students with lifelong learning skills. Has it done that? Where are these skills in the Common Core.  
If Common Core Standards are designed to build lifelong learning skills, assessments should be formative and performance-based to encourage lifelong learning.  
The New York state modules are not the Common Core. They are a delivery of the Common Core
4. The Common Core allowed us to realize that we were teaching above and beyond the core
5. The Common Core and APPR became political tools. Misrepresented in the media and by politicians.