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"I think the common core tests are horrible. My son's 3rd grade teacher in NYC taught to the test - meaning that spelling, creative writing, and developing a love for reading were neglected in the teacher's pursuit of good grades. The tests are tricky and do not accurately reflect what students know. Personally, I have a Juris Doctor and did not understand many of the questions. In addition, many of the reading excerpts are well above the kids' reading levels. In the suburbs where I now live, the teachers do not stress the tests as much as they did in NYC and my kids are much happier and less stressed out. They enjoy learning."