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The Standards, for the most part, are excellent, they push students and teachers to move to the next level. I am speaking from the elementary point of view, which is my expertise. Students and teachers in my district are doing wonder things that no one expected, but the children are thriving.

I feel the assessments are needed and important, but too lengthy and at times have passages that are either not at an appropriate grade level or may be readable, but require too much background knowledge for a timed test. I firmly believe that the majority of the push back around them is due to teacher evaluation and not due to the assessments themselves.

Thank you for this opportunity to give feedback.