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The league tables are a misrepresentation of data collated from schools. They do not show where students started from in their skills and abilities when they started school, they will create a divide between schools in low-socio economic areas and other areas, teachers are not going to want to teach at schools which are branded as failures, the league tables do not acknowledge the hard work that most teachers put in to teaching, they did not compare like schools with like schools, they will put pressure on teachers to teach to the NAPLAN, instead of giving students a broad curriculum that is rich, that challenges them and develops higher order thinking or many of the other skills required in life and in a career and apart from all that if I was a parent with kids still at school I would not want the whole nation to know what the results are of my kids even if they are not identified. Employers are likely to use league table data to assess who they will employ and it won't be the aspiring and highly skilled young person from a school that has 'poor results' according to the league tables. Look at what Finland does for education as they have far better results in education than England and the US where all this type of so called 'trying to improve results originated.'