Students in a classroom watch a video about mammals. Some students find it difficult to hear while others find it difficult to see. Some students have trouble staying focused for the duration of the video. As a result many students stop paying attention or fall asleep. Since it is not possible to personalise the learning experience, the needs and preferences of individual students cannot be met.

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While watching a video one of the students discovers the captions option, turns it on and changes the language to French. Since she is still learning English, she finds that this feature helps her to follow along with the audio while learning new words. <video player demo>

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Students in a classroom are learning from a transformable OER which allows them to choose an alternate mode, or to augment, translate or transform the content they are consuming. When necessary, students in the classroom can work with the same content, but consume it in personalised ways that meet their individual needs and preferences.

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