

AMENDMENT 1

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Q1. Under the problem statement it states: *“It is costly and time-consuming to produce physical formats like Braille and human-narrated audiobooks.”*

By physical audiobooks, do you mean e-readers such as kindles, etc?

A1. The idea here is that some physical formats, like Braille, and some audiobooks, specifically human-narrated ones, are usually expensive to produce. Like many people who read audiobooks, persons with disabilities tend to prefer human-narrated audiobooks, instead of those that use a digitized voice. Hiring actors to read and record the books in a studio is costly, so using a digital voice is often more cost-effective.

Additionally, electronic readers, such as Kindles, are not always made accessible by default and can be very costly for the user. Some audiobooks must be manufactured specifically with accessible features that allow a print-disabled person to access the same reading materials as a person without a disability (i.e, creating an accessible e-book instead of a standard e-book).