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There has been a fundamental shift in the way people with and without disabilities access information: eBooks, online courses, user-created materials, open educational resources, and the widespread use of graphics to convey information have created a "new normal" for how we teach and learn. While these resources are readily available, too many of them are not accessible. For people with visual and/or physical impairments and severe learning disabilities, often times they face barriers to printed text and images. To address the gaps in assessable educational content, however more and more educators are becoming content creators themselves. With technology driving the way students access educational materials, now is the time to change the way this content is created. We will discuss Bookshare and the DIAGRAM Center and how they are exploring ways to use touch-screen technology, tactile graphics, and smart images to make images more interactive and dynamic.