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...services to the public **web users to knowledge**
ideas to business plans **communities to their past**
research to development **students to scholarship**
talent to inspiration **authors to plots** nature-lovers
to the call of the wild **scientists to results** listeners
to dialects **undergraduates to early newspapers**
children to heritage **innovators to opportunities**
producers to potential markets **new generations**
to ancient texts inventors to entrepreneurs **artists**
to subjects the Library to the world