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As a Speech-Language Pathologist who has worked with many students and patients who cannot communicate their needs, thoughts and wishes without an augmentative device, I can tell you this kind of 'camp' would make a world of difference in how someone learns to use such a device more rapidly and efficiently. This environment of an immersive teaching and structured practice, with constant use and enjoyable activities, as well as family participation, is the most effective and functional method for learning and carrying over it's use to all parts of their lives and places.