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I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Estonia. I just finished primary school in Denmark and am now considering what my next step should be. I'm fluent in danish.

What educational path would you recommend for me?

Thanks for sharing that—it's a great moment in your life to think about what kind of future you'd like to build. Since you just finished primary school in Denmark (which typically ends at 9th or 10th grade), you're at the point where you choose between different secondary education paths. Here's an overview of your options and some advice to help you choose based on your interests and goals:

🇩🇰 Your Main Options in Denmark After Primary School:

1. Gymnasiale uddannelser (Upper Secondary Education - Academic)

These are meant for students who plan to go to university.

- **STX (Almen Studentereksamen)**

Focus: Broad general education (languages, science, humanities)

Good if: You're not sure yet and want to keep your options open for higher education.

- **HTX (Teknisk Studentereksamen)**

Focus: Science and technology

Good if: You enjoy subjects like math, physics, and tech innovation.

- **HHX (Højere Handelseksamen)**

Focus: Business, economics, and international trade

Good if: You're interested in business, entrepreneurship, or economics.

- **HF (Højere Forberedelseksamen)**

Shorter (2 years) and more practice-oriented

Good if: You want a more direct path to certain professions or don't want a 3-year academic program.

2. Erhvervsuddannelser (Vocational Education and Training – EUD)

- Combines school and paid work (apprenticeship)
- Leads directly to a skilled job (e.g. electrician, chef, mechanic, carpenter)
- Can also lead to further education like **EUX** (a combo of vocational training and academic courses)

✓ **EUX** is a great path if you want both a trade and the option to go to university.

How to Decide?

Ask yourself a few questions:

1. Do you like theoretical learning or more hands-on, practical work?

- Like studying? → Go for **STX**, **HTX**, **HHX**, or **HF**
- Like working with your hands or doing something practical? → Look into **EUD** or **EUX**

2. Do you have a specific interest already?

- Tech or science → **HTX**
- Business or economics → **HHX**
- Healthcare or social work → **HF** or some EUD options

3. Do you want to go to university later?

- Yes → Any of the gymnasiale uddannelser or EUX
- No → EUD is a quicker path to a job

Your Background

Being fluent in Danish and having Estonian roots is a strong asset. You could:

- Consider international studies later (maybe take an extra language or international focus in HHX or STX)
- Explore exchange programs (many upper secondary schools offer them)
- Think about combining your cultural background with your career (e.g. international business, languages, EU-related work)

Recommendation

If you're unsure and want to keep as many doors open as possible:

👉 **STX** is the safest general choice, especially if you're academically strong.

If you know you're into science, tech, or engineering:

👉 **HTX** gives you a head start.

If you're curious about business or dream of starting your own:

👉 **HHX** is great.

If you're eager to start working but still want qualifications:

👉 **EUX** is ideal — job-ready *and* keeps university open.

If you want, you can tell me more about what subjects you like, your hobbies, or what kind of work you see yourself doing. That way, I can give you more tailored guidance.