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I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Mauritius. 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 your background — that's helpful! Since you've just finished primary school in Denmark and you're considering your next step, you're likely around the stage of choosing between different types of **secondary education** (called *ungdomsuddannelser* in Danish). Here's a breakdown of your main options and some guidance based on your situation:

🎓 Main Educational Paths After Primary School (Folkeskole)

1. Gymnasiale Uddannelser (General Upper Secondary Education)

These programs prepare you for university and are academically oriented.

- **STX (Studentereksamen)** – The most general upper secondary education with a mix of humanities, sciences, and social sciences.
- **HHX (Højere Handelseksamen)** – Focus on business, economics, and marketing. Good if you're interested in commerce or entrepreneurship.
- **HTX (Højere Teknisk Eksamen)** – Focus on science, technology, and engineering. Great for tech-savvy students.
- **HF (Højere Forberedelseksamen)** – A shorter (2-year) general education path, often for students who want to move faster into further education or have had a break in their studies.

✓ Recommended if:

- You enjoy academic subjects.
- You think you might want to go to university later.
- You're still figuring out your career and want to keep your options open.

2. Erhvervsuddannelser (Vocational Education and Training - EUD)

These programs combine school and apprenticeship, preparing you directly for a job or skilled trade.

- Examples: electrician, mechanic, hairdresser, carpenter, health care assistant, etc.
- You earn money during the apprenticeship period.
- You can also continue into higher education via *EUX*, which combines vocational training with more academic subjects.

✓ Recommended if:

- You prefer hands-on learning.
- You want to enter the workforce earlier.
- You're interested in a specific trade or profession.

Choosing What's Right for You

Since you're fluent in Danish, born in Denmark, and just finished *folkeskolen*, all of these options are open to you. Think about these questions:

- Do you enjoy school and academic subjects?
- Are you curious about university or professions like doctor, engineer, lawyer, teacher, etc.?
- Or do you prefer practical work — using your hands, solving real-world problems, or learning by doing?
- Are there areas like business, technology, social work, or healthcare that interest you?

Suggested Next Steps

1. Talk to your school's guidance counselor (*UU-vejleder*)

They can help you explore your interests and set up visits to schools or training centers.

2. Try a “*brobygning*” (bridging course)

You can visit different types of schools to see what feels right before you choose.

3. Consider STX or HHX if you're unsure

They both keep your options open for university later, while HHX can give a more business-oriented direction.

Extra Note: Your Background

Your Mauritian heritage is a strength — multilingual, multicultural individuals often have broader perspectives and soft skills that are valued in both education and the job market. If you speak French or Creole too, that can open more opportunities, especially in international business, tourism, or diplomacy.

Would you like me to help you explore one of these paths in more detail — for example, what it's like to attend STX vs. HHX, or what jobs vocational training could lead to?