

Uddannelsesmuligheder efter folkeskole



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from The United Arab Emirates. 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?

That's a big and exciting decision—well done for getting through primary school!

In Denmark, after finishing **primary and lower secondary education (folkeskole)** around age 15-16, you generally have a few main educational paths to choose from. The best choice for you depends on your interests, goals, and learning style. Here's a breakdown of the main options:

1. Gymnasium (STX, HHX, HTX) – Upper Secondary School (3 years)

If you're aiming for **university** in the future, this is the most common route.

- **STX (Alment Gymnasium)** Broad academic focus (languages, sciences, humanities). Good for general university preparation.
- **HHX (Handelsskole)** Business, economics, marketing. Good for business-related university programs or careers.
- HTX (Teknisk Gymnasium) Technology, science, IT, design. Great if you're into engineering, computers, or natural sciences.
- Recommended if: You enjoy schoolwork, want to keep options open, or plan to go to university.

2. Erhvervsuddannelse (EUD) – Vocational Education and Training (2-5 years)

This combines school and hands-on training in a job.

Examples: Electrician, carpenter, chef, healthcare assistant, IT-supporter.

Recommended if: You prefer practical learning, want to start working sooner, or already know a trade/skill you enjoy.

There's also **EUX**, a combo of vocational training + a studentereksamen (upper secondary exam), which keeps university options open.

🜎 3. International Options or Boarding Schools (Efterskole, IB, etc.)

- **Efterskole (1 year)**: A special Danish tradition for 9th or 10th grade, focusing on personal growth, friendships, and exploring interests (like music, sports, or languages).
- International Baccalaureate (IB): If you're open to studying in English or abroad in the future.

- **10th Grade (10. klasse)**: Optional, for students who want more time to figure things out or improve grades.
- **Recommended if:** You want to try something new before choosing your final path.

My Suggestions for You (Based on What You Said):

Since you're fluent in Danish, were born and raised in Denmark, and just finished primary school, here are **3 good paths to consider**:

- STX if you enjoy academic subjects and want flexibility (especially if you're still exploring your interests).
- 2. **HHX or HTX** if you're more into business or tech.
- 3. **EUX** if you're interested in a more practical career but still want the option to study further later.

If you're unsure about your long-term goals, a year in **10th grade or an efterskole** could be a great way to explore yourself, meet new people, and clarify what you want.

If you'd like, I can help you make a more specific recommendation if you tell me:

- What subjects or activities you enjoy most?
- Whether you think you'd prefer more practical or more academic learning?
- Any career ideas you've thought about (even if you're unsure)?

Let me know and I'll guide you further!