

# Uddannelsesmuligheder efter folkeskole



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

Thank you for sharing your background — that helps a lot. Since you've just finished primary school in Denmark (9th or 10th grade), you're now facing an important choice: what kind of upper secondary education to pursue. Let me outline some options based on the Danish system, your situation, and some things to consider:

# Gymnasiale uddannelser (General Upper Secondary Education)

These are great if you want to keep many doors open for future university studies:

### • STX (Almen studentereksamen)

- Broad and academic, focuses on languages, sciences, humanities.
- Good if you're not sure yet what you want to study later.
- Fits well if you enjoy school subjects, theory, and a wide range of topics.

#### • HHX (Højere Handelseksamen)

- Focus on business, economics, and international studies.
- Good if you're interested in business, management, or economics.
- Could also be useful if you have family or cultural ties to Kazakhstan and want to explore international business or trade.

#### • HTX (Højere Teknisk Eksamen)

- Focus on technology, IT, engineering, natural sciences.
- Perfect if you like science, technology, innovation.
- Growing demand for people with STEM skills in Denmark and internationally.

#### • HF (Højere Forberedelseseksamen)

- Shorter (2 years), more practically oriented.
- Good if you want to move on to professional education faster.

# Erhvervsuddannelser (Vocational Education & Training - VET)

If you prefer hands-on learning and want to enter the job market faster:

• Examples: Electrician, carpenter, IT-supporter, healthcare assistant, etc.

- Combines school with paid apprenticeship.
- Denmark has a strong tradition for vocational education, and skilled workers are in high demand.
- Can still lead to higher education later via *EUX* or *adgangskurser*.

## EUX (Vocational + General Upper Secondary)

- A mix of vocational education and academic subjects.
- You get both a skilled trade and the option to continue to higher education.
- Very good if you want both practical skills and future flexibility.

### Other Considerations

- Language skills: Being fluent in Danish is a huge plus. If you also speak Kazakh or Russian, that could open doors in international business, diplomacy, or companies working with Eastern Europe and Central Asia.
- **Interests**: Try to reflect honestly: do you enjoy practical work? Do you like studying theory? Are you more into business, technology, health, social work, or creative arts?
- Long-term goals: University? Quick job? Own business? Family business?

### My general advice:

Since you're young, born in Denmark, and have full language skills, I would probably recommend **STX**, **HHX**, **or HTX** depending on your interests — unless you already know that you prefer a more practical education, in which case **EUX** can be a very smart choice.

- If you want, you can tell me a bit more:
  - What subjects do you like most?
  - Do you prefer theory or practice?
  - Do you have any career dreams already?

Then I can give you a much more **personalized recommendation**.