Uddannelsesmuligheder efter folkeskole

> I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Kuwait. 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 great that you've finished primary school and are thinking carefully about your next steps—this is an important moment.

In Denmark, after primary school (*folkeskole*), you typically have a few main paths to choose from, depending on your interests, strengths, and future goals:

🔧 1. Erhvervsuddannelse (Vocational Education and Training, EUD)

- **For you if**: You enjoy hands-on work, want to start earning sooner, or are interested in becoming, for example, an electrician, carpenter, hairdresser, chef, etc.
- **Pros**: Paid internships (*læreplads*), clear job path, can always build on it later with more education.
- **Time**: Usually 3-5 years, includes practical training in a workplace.

📚 2. Gymnasiale Uddannelser (Upper Secondary Education)

These programs prepare you for university or other higher education.

💡 STX – Studentereksamen (General upper secondary)

- Broad education: humanities, science, languages, and social science.
- Good if you want flexibility or don't yet know what you want to study at university.

⚙️ HTX – Teknisk studentereksamen (Technical focus)

- More science and technology.
- Good if you like tech, biology, IT, or engineering.

📊 HHX – Handel studentereksamen (Business and economics)

- Focuses on economics, business, and marketing.
- Useful if you're interested in working in business or starting your own company.

🎭 HF – Højere forberedelseseksamen

- A 2-year program (shorter), good for people who want a quicker route to certain educations.

- Often chosen by students who prefer practical learning or didn't get high grades in folkeskole.

🔁 3. 10. klasse (Optional 10th year)

- If you're unsure what to do next or want to improve grades before gymnasiet or vocational education.
- Some take it at a *efterskole* (boarding school), which can be a great experience socially and academically.

What to consider

Ask yourself:

- Do I enjoy school subjects or prefer practical work?
- Do I want to go to university someday?
- Am I curious about business, science, tech, health, or another area?
- Do I want to try something new, like an *efterskole*?

✅ Recommendation based on your background

As someone fluent in Danish and born in Denmark, you have the same educational options as any Danish citizen. Given that you've completed *folkeskole* and depending on your interests, **starting a gymnasium (STX, HTX, or HHX)** is a solid option if you're open to more studies. It keeps your options open for the future.

If you're unsure or want a more social and exploratory year, **10th grade at an efterskole** might also be a fantastic personal and educational experience.

Would you like me to help you:

- Explore specific gymnasiums near you?
- Compare STX vs HTX vs HHX?
- Think about career goals that match your interests?

Let me know what you're most curious about!