

# Uddannelsesmuligheder efter folkeskolen



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Sudan. 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. You're at an important point in life, and it's great that you're thinking ahead. In Denmark, after finishing **primary school (folkeskolen)**, you typically have a few good options depending on your interests, skills, and career goals.

Here's a breakdown of your main paths, and how to think about them:

#### **a** 1. Gymnasium (Upper Secondary Education)

**Recommended if:** You're interested in continuing to university or want to keep your options open.

There are several types:

- **STX (Almen gymnasium):** Focus on general academic subjects like science, literature, history, and languages.
- HHX (Handelsskole): Focus on business, economics, and international trade.
- HTX (Teknisk gymnasium): Focus on science, technology, and innovation.
- **HF (Højere Forberedelseseksamen):** A shorter, 2-year option if you prefer a faster path to higher education (often used if you didn't complete 9th/10th grade traditionally).
- If you're still exploring what you want to be, STX or HTX are good general routes.

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**Recommended if:** You prefer hands-on work and want to go straight into a job (or later take an academy or vocational college education).

- Combines school and apprenticeship.
- Examples: electrician, carpenter, healthcare assistant, chef, mechanic, etc.
- Some programs (EUX) combine vocational training **with a gymnasium-level exam**, letting you keep university options open.
- **If you're practical and want to earn while you learn**, this is a strong choice.

## 3. International or Special Programs

**Recommended if:** You want a more global education or have a strong interest in specific fields.



- **IB** (**International Baccalaureate**): Taught in English, internationally recognized.
- Great if you're thinking about studying or working abroad in the future.

## **So what should** *you* **consider?**

Here are some reflection questions to help you choose:

- Do you enjoy theory and reading, or prefer hands-on tasks?
- Are you curious about **science**, **business**, **technology**, **art**, or something else?
- Do you see yourself going to **university**, or would you prefer to get a **job earlier**?
- Would you like to **study in Danish** or explore programs in **English or Arabic** as well?

#### ★ Recommendation Based on What You Shared

Since you're fluent in Danish, born and raised in Denmark, and just finished primary school:

**If you're unsure what you want to do yet**, I'd recommend going to **STX or HTX**. These will keep your future options open — including university, professional training, or working later on. And you can always shift paths after a year or two.

If you already know you're into something practical (like mechanics, healthcare, design, cooking, or building), then an **EUX or vocational education** could be amazing — and financially rewarding too.

#### Would you like me to help you:

- Compare STX vs HTX in detail?
- Explore careers based on your interests?
- Suggest schools in your area?

Let me know what sounds most helpful next!