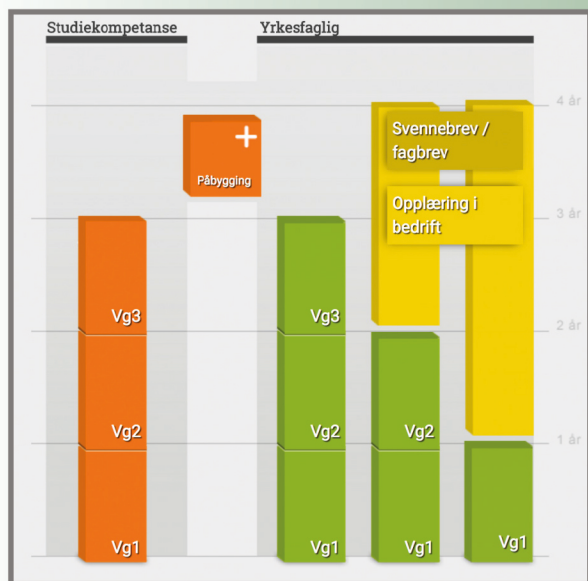


## Did you know?



- ▶ In Norway, all young people are entitled to 3-5 years of free high school education.
- ▶ If you choose vocational studies, you can do a supplementary course which qualifies you for university studies.
- ▶ With a trade certificate you can start working as soon as you graduate, whereas if you choose general studies, you have to move on to at least three more years of studies in order to complete your degree.
- ▶ There are many careers which don't require higher education, but which nevertheless pay well.



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## About MiR

MiR is a network of and for parents, children and young people irrespective of ethnic and social backgrounds. With a multicultural view, MiR provides information, counseling and support in matters related to day care, school, family life and community life. MiR also acts as a spokesperson for individual groups in meetings with the authorities and the society at large.

MiR's vision is to build bridges between parents, children, young people and the society, aiming to achieve improved life skills, mutual understanding and equal participation for all as a result. The organization is politically and religiously independent.

### Usefull websites:

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## All parents want the best for their children... ... but do parents always know best?

Your child is about to make an important decision.

The support from you as parents is crucial, so that your child makes the right decision for themselves and their future.

A degree and a prestigious career is something many parents want for their children.

If your child doesn't like reading books or studying, vocational studies might be the best option!

Did you know that an electrician may start out with a higher salary than a teacher?

There are many jobs where you can earn good money without higher education.



## Education, career and gender

Which educational programmes and careers that are considered suitable for boys and for girls vary between countries. Many male-dominated careers pay well and are well regarded in the society. In Norway, all educational programmes and careers can be chosen by girls and boys alike. Many vocational careers pay well and provide a high level of job security.

A good job makes you independent of others!



Young people should get a possibility to choose their education and job freely, based on their interests, competencies and desires for the future.

## Find good solutions together!

This is how you as a parent can help your child making the right decision:

- ▷ Listen to your child's opinions. It's their life, not yours!
- ▷ Which careers provide good job opportunities?
- ▷ Participate in information meetings organised by the school, and education- and career fairs in your local community.
- ▷ Every school has an advisor specialising in education and career. Have you talked with her?



**What dreams do your child have for their future?**



**Have you had a talk with your child about what they like to do?**

**What is realistic for your child to achieve?**

**You are the one who know your child the best, and who know what they are good at!**

