L2, L3 and L4 Language Options at the European School Copenhagen

At the European School Copenhagen, students choose their first foreign language (L2) in Primary 1 and their second foreign language (L3) in Secondary 1. Both are compulsory subjects and must be different from the language chosen as L1 (the language of the section).

The language options will depend on the number of students choosing the different languages, as it takes a minimum of seven students to form a language group. Please see the L2 and L3 options by language section below:

	Danish language section (L1)	English language section (L1)	French language section (L1)
L2 (from P1)	English, German or French	French or German	English or German
L3	English, German or	French, German or	English, German or
(from S1)	French	Danish	Danish
L4 (from S4, optional)	German, French,	German, French,	German, French,
	Spanish	Spanish	Spanish

Regardless of the language chosen, the students follow the same curriculum and planning and have the same number of lessons.

The level within a language group can vary a lot and the teachers take this into account and use different methods and resources to differentiate in their teaching.

In addition to the language teaching above, the school has been using UU (Understøttende Undervisning/Supportive Teaching) lessons to offer Danish as a foreign language (two 30-minute lessons per week) in Primary 1-5 EN and FR. However, this is not part of the European School curriculum and is therefore not guaranteed.

Finally, it is important to note that later in Secondary, the subjects Human Science, Economics, Geography and History are taught in the student's L2. PE, ICT, religion, art, and music may be taught in either English, German, French or Danish.

