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## WORKSHOP

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# University students of tomorrow?



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# **The National Research-, Development- and Network Project**

## **Teaching Organisation, Teaching Forms/Methods and Teaching Media - seen across subjects in upper secondary education**

**2010-2014**

Funded by The Danish Ministry of Education



# Plan

The research project, - frame and findings

Discussion in groups, “keyword-production”

“Post-its walk and talk”



Research project, 2010-2014

Involved high schools:

**548 teachers**  
**5081 students**



# Overriding Purpose of Research Project

**Focus on rethinking - to be used in relation to:**

**New forms of teaching organizations, including feedback, evaluation, supervising, etc.**

**Student/teacher roles and functions**

**Learning resources (paper/digital media)**

**Assignment and assessment formats (paper/digital media)**

**Teaching activities -Student activation**

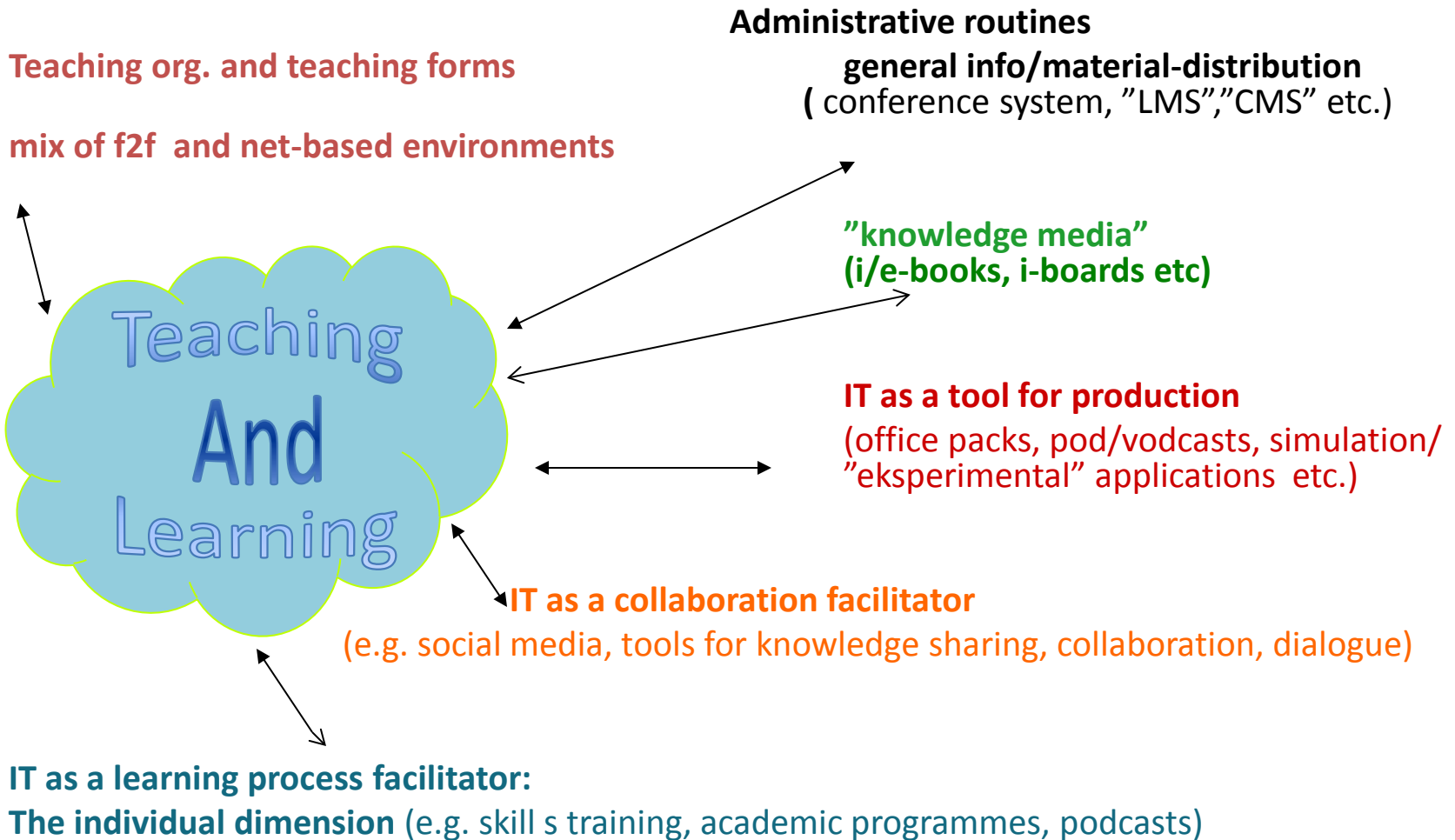
**Allocated time/place to homework/assignments**

**Leadership, role(s), school project support, implementation of new knowledge, school development and (ICT)-strategy**



## IT-usage in teaching – some perspectives

### Net-based teaching and learning technologies to underpin communication processes

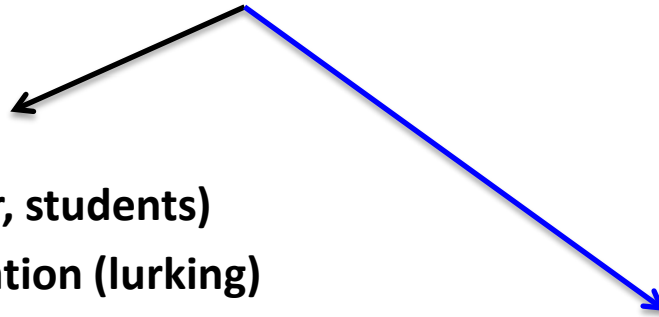


# Empirical research design

A consecutive research design (inspired by systems theory)

Focus on communication

## Data collection methods:



Observations (classroom)

Group interviews (teacher, students)

Net-mediated communication (lurking)

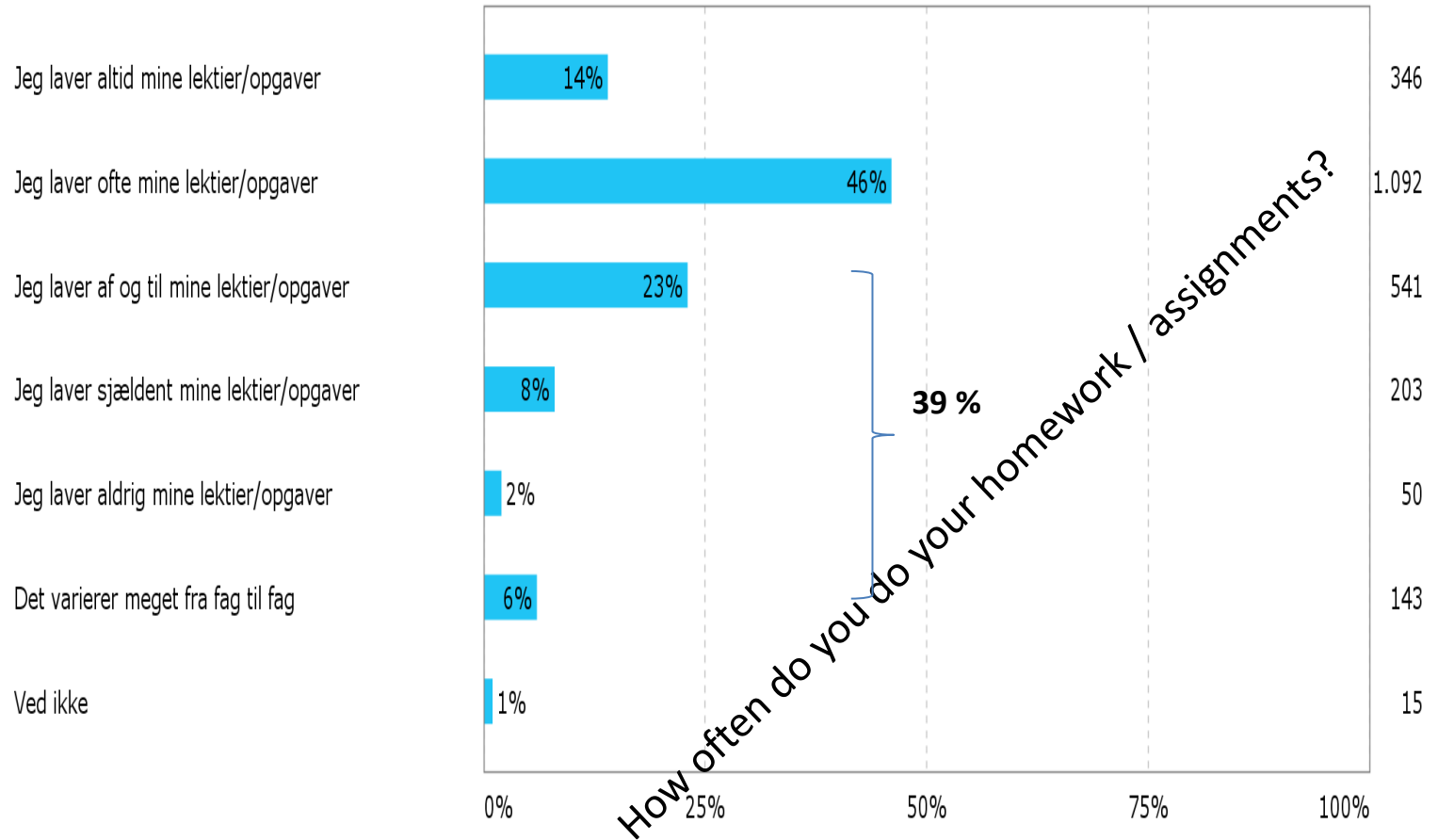
Selective representation of the field of study  
(qualitative analysis)

Questionnaire survey

"Full" representation of the field of study  
(quantitative analysis,  
response rate about 80%)

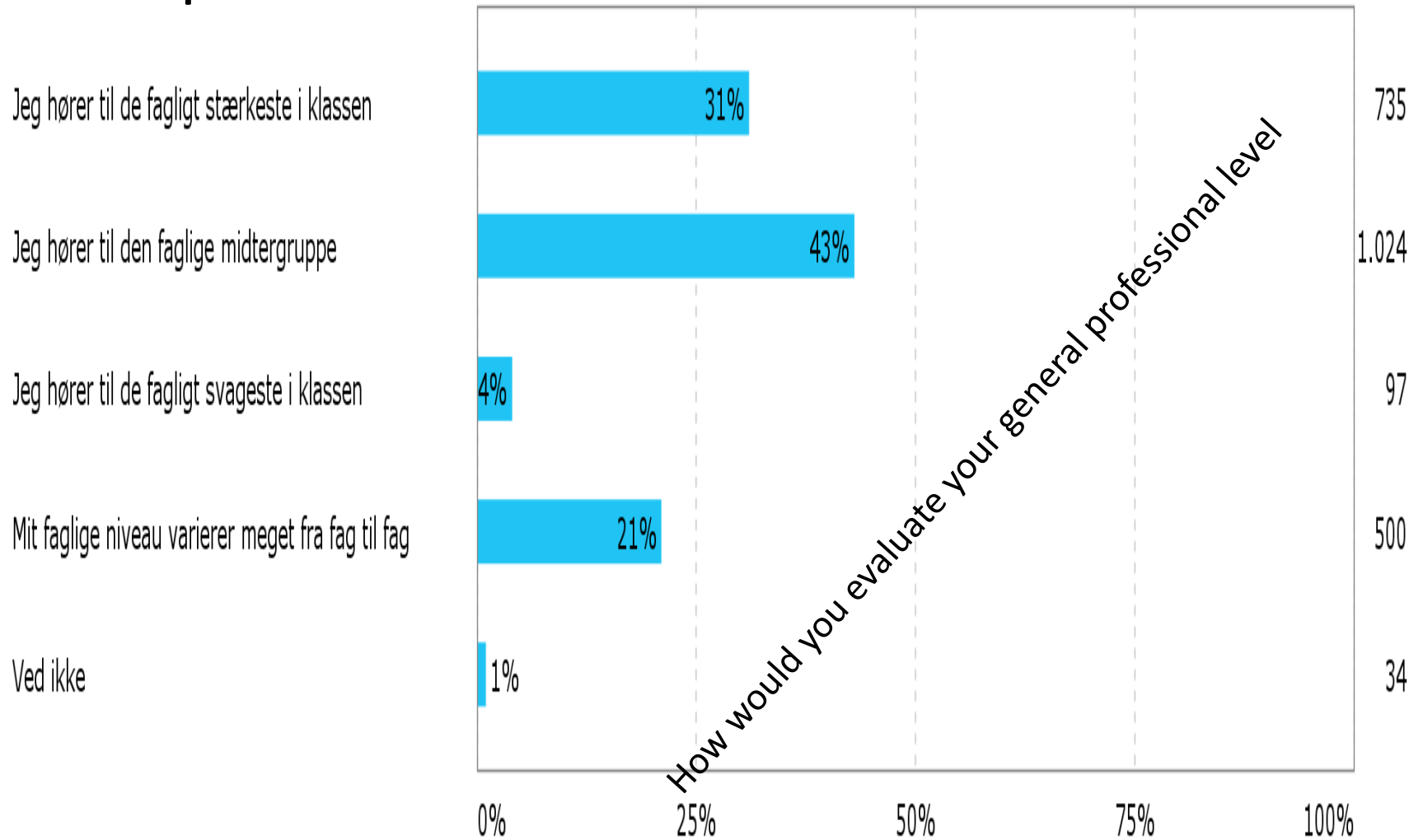


# Homework

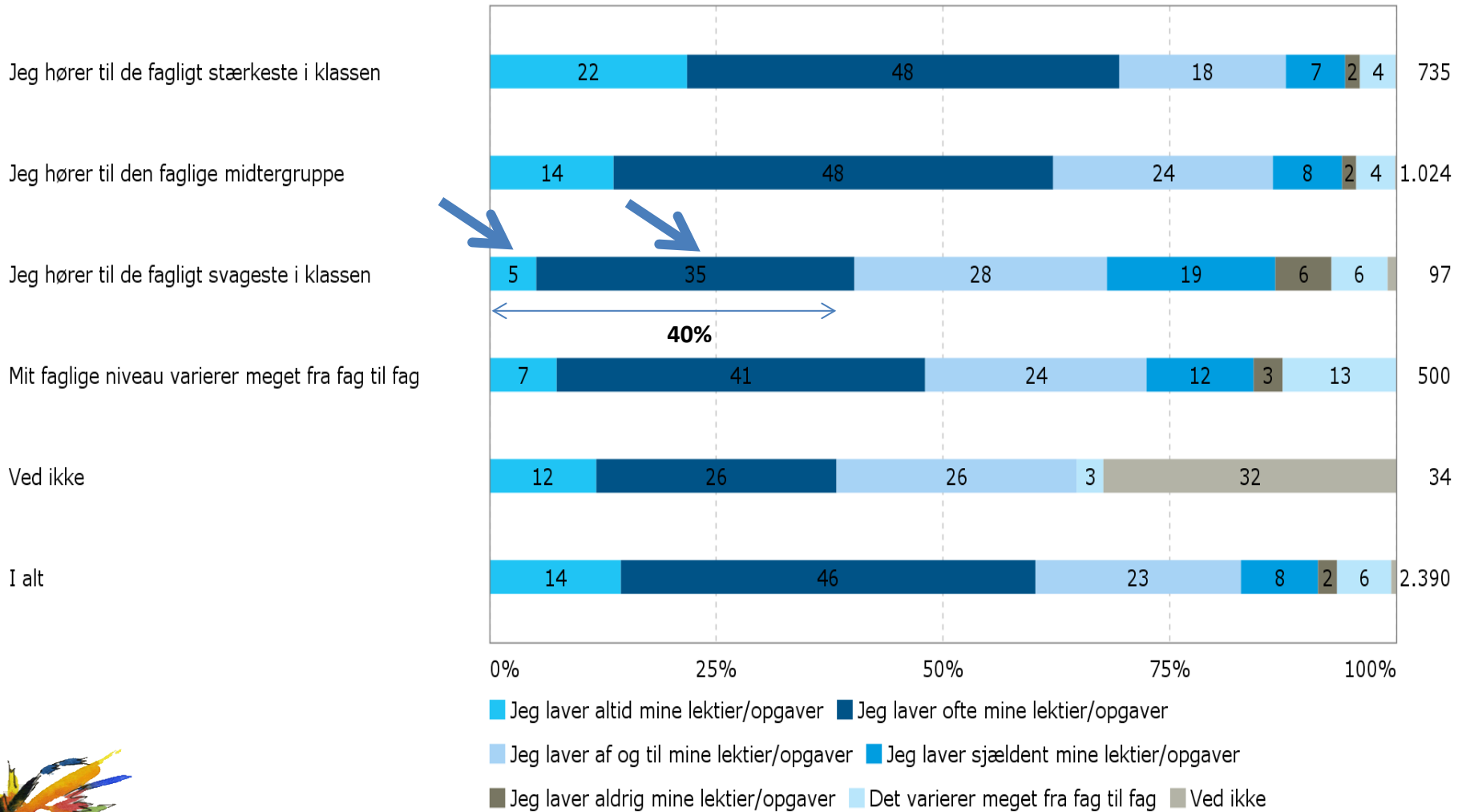




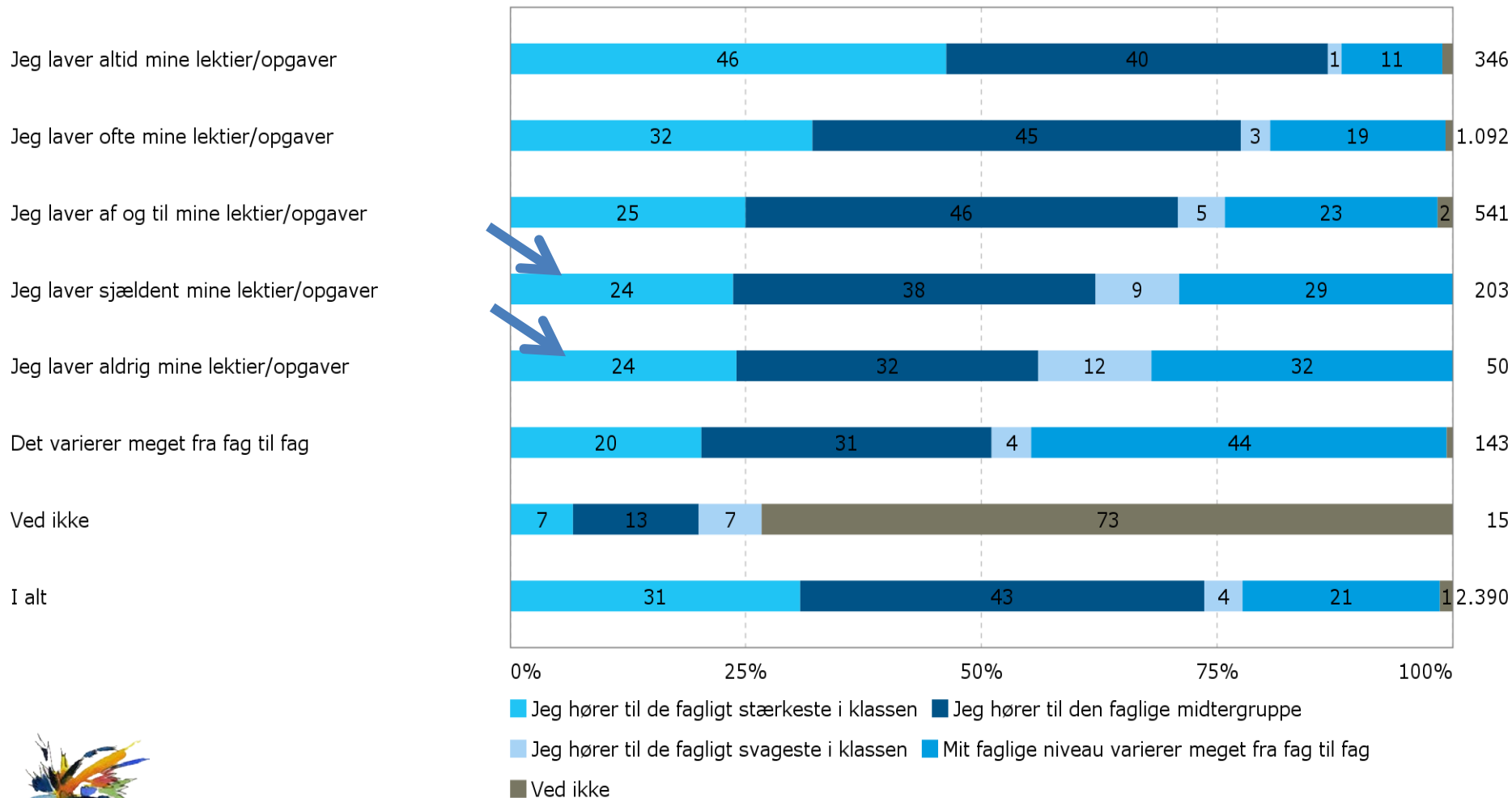
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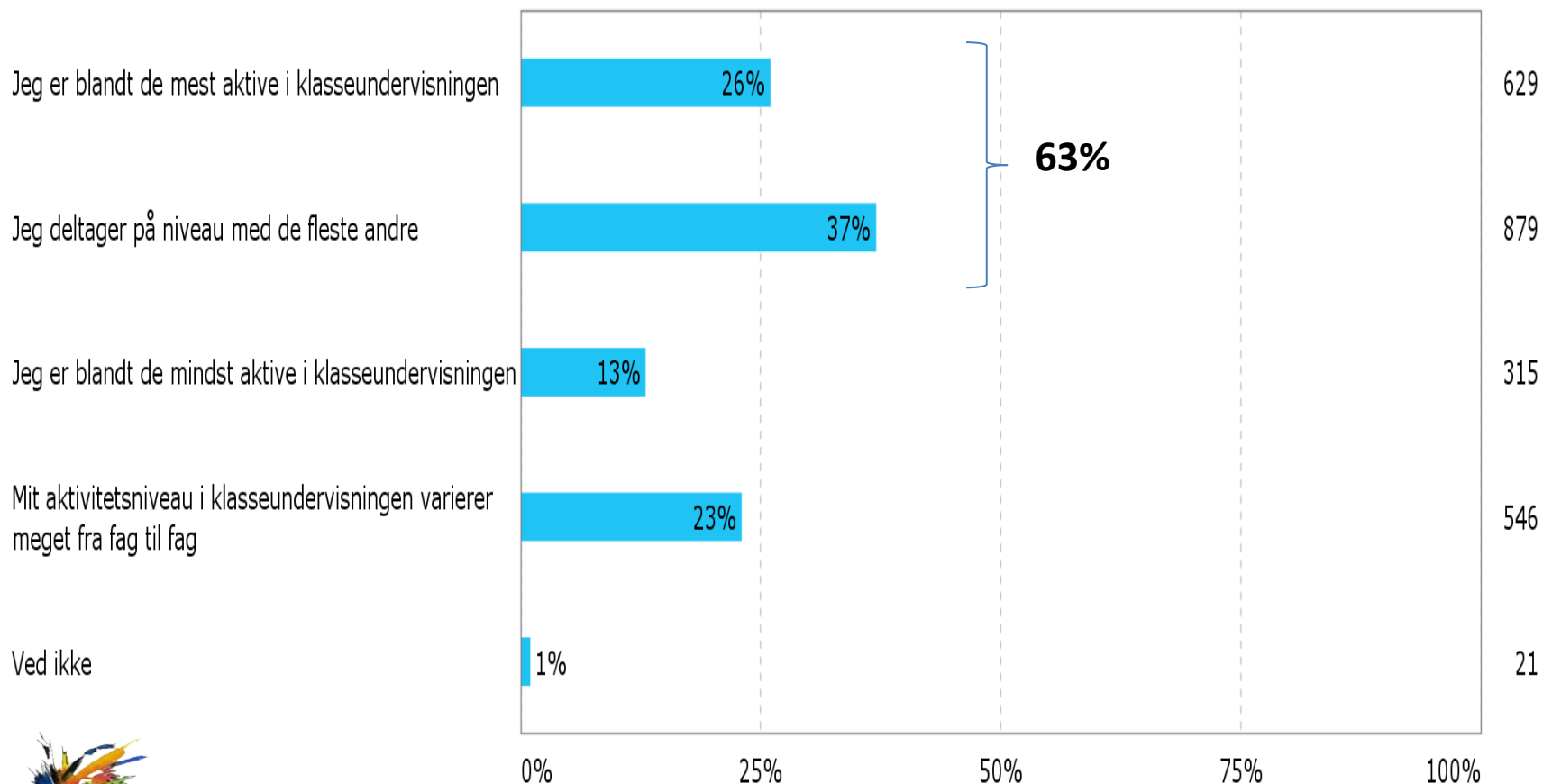
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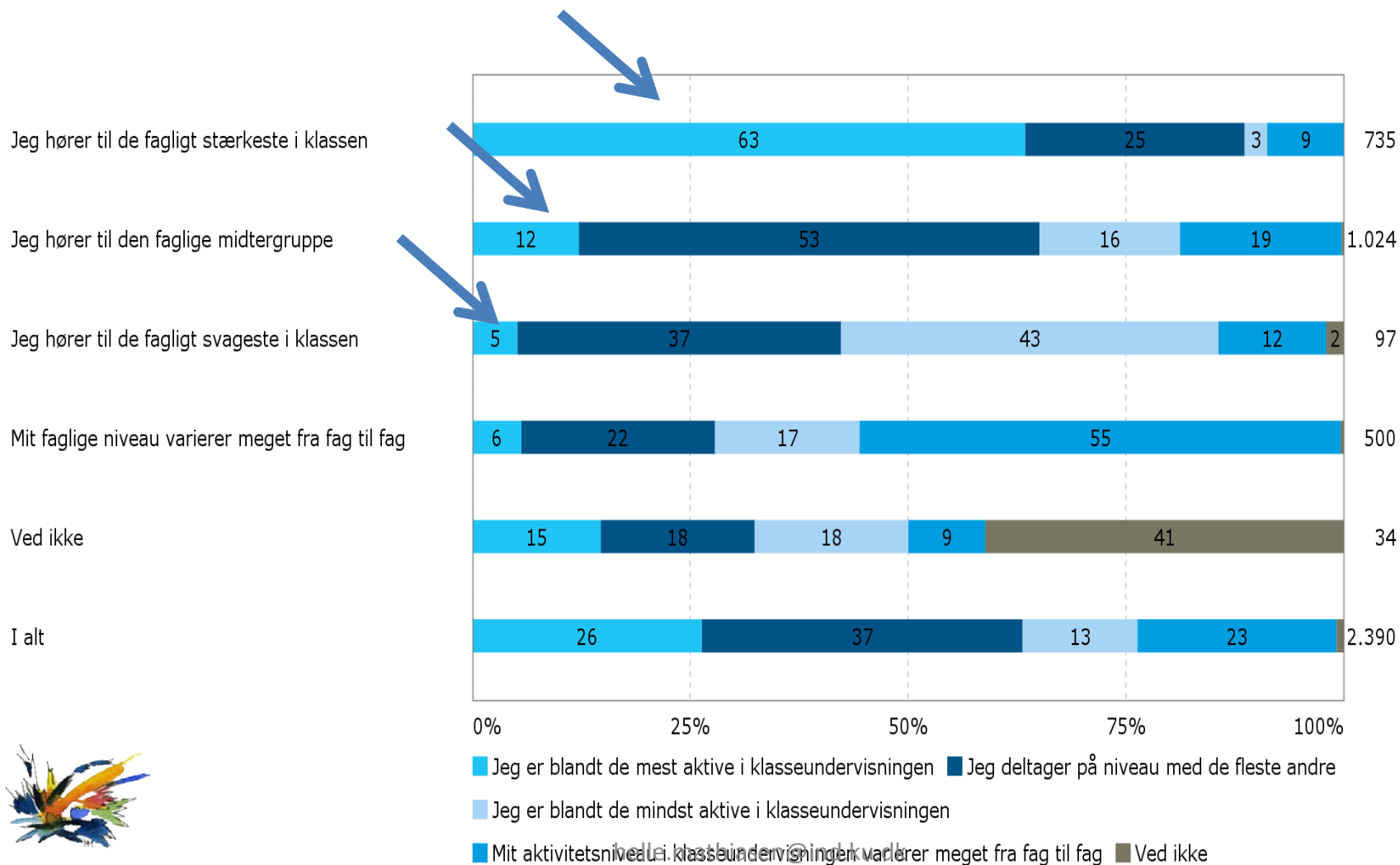
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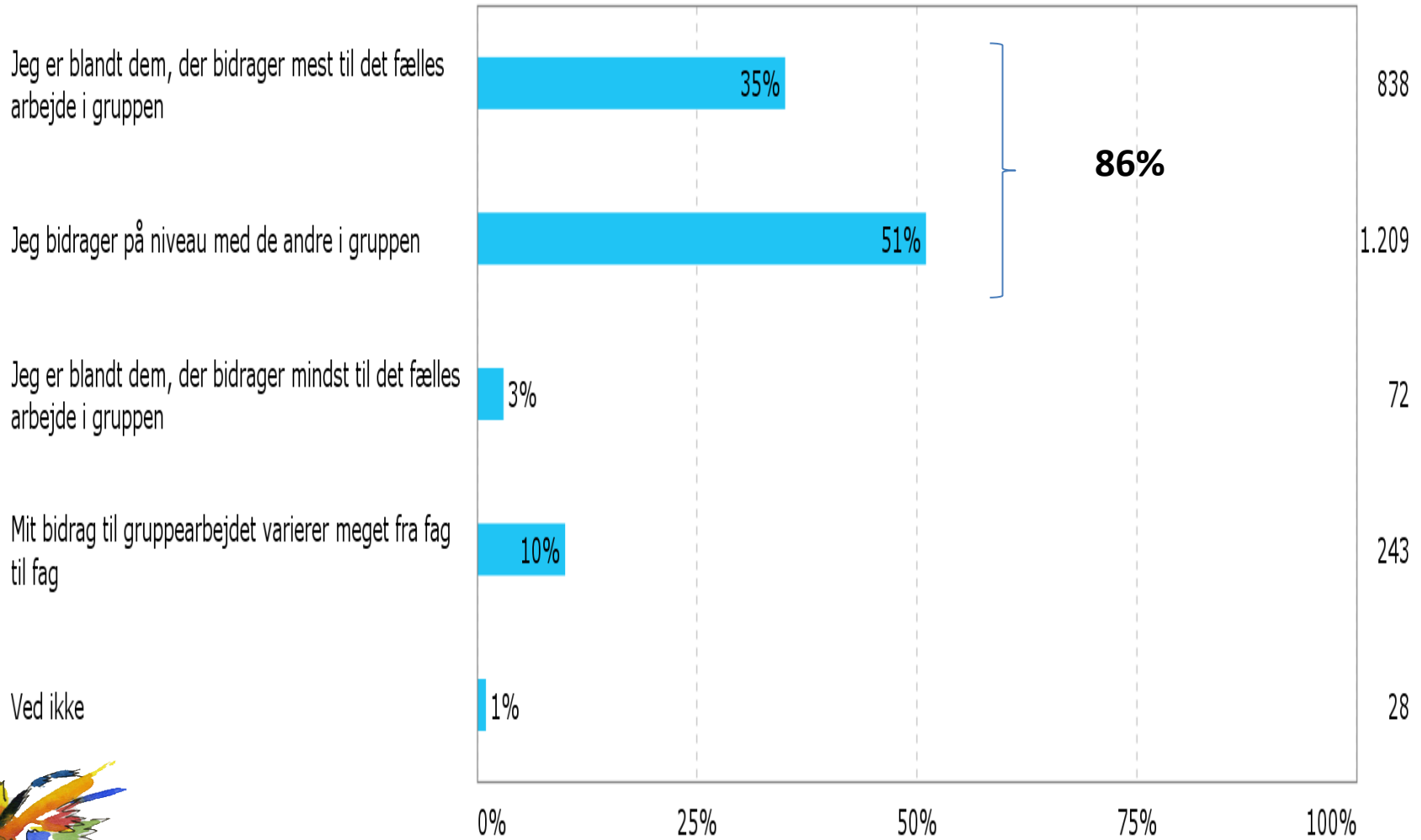
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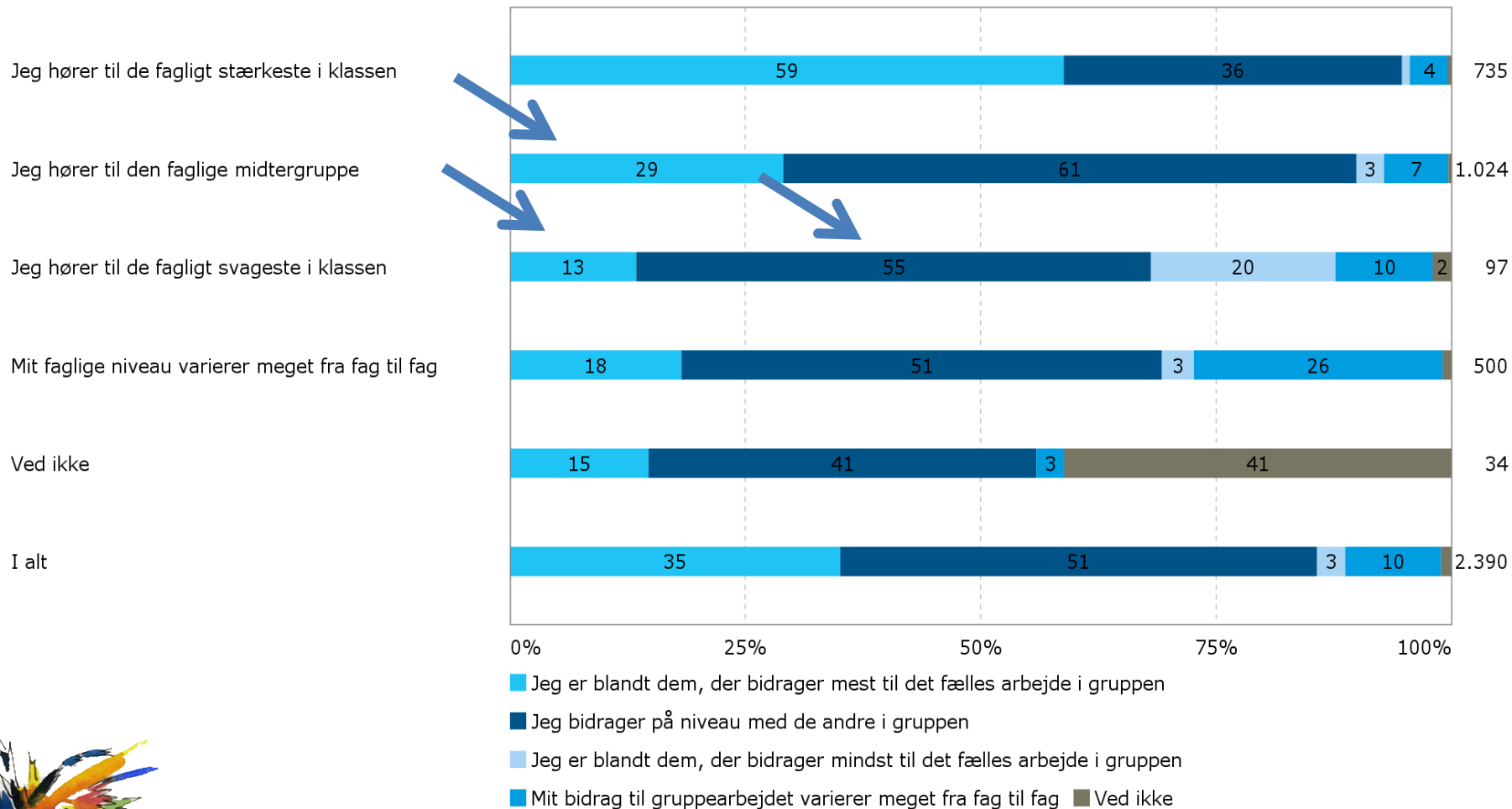
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The students' written answers to the “open question”:

If you could describe the perfect teaching environment in upper secondary education, what would that look like? What teaching materials, teaching forms/methods, it- tools etc. should/should not be included?

**3605** student answers





# 5% of the answers – the short ones

"I don't know. It depends on my mood, my energy level and how much I have slept"

"Then it's not the same every time. Surprise me"

"success experiences"

"quick, simple and fun"

"quiet and peaceful"

"authoritarian pedagogy!"

"sports"

"fun"

"shorter days"

"practical"

"LoL"

"A happy and prepared teacher, an interested class. The teaching is varied."

"when I do well"

"physics"

"Good classmates"

"without a teacher"

"lots of smart teachers"

"when I am good"

"everyone is included"

"academic success"

"The teacher is hot"

"good atmosphere in class"



“[...]Facebook and computer removes the life energy and desire to learn in class , it sucks often all energy and concentration, and assign the class in a zombie mode - quite seriously. It is deeply frustrating and problematic [...]”



“[...] my experience tells me that **about 20 of the 23 students in my class everyone is on facebook in the course of a day , many spend more time and focus on facebook than on teaching in the classroom** (And my class is one of the better in the school ... ) . I think that there is great potential in the idea, but I do not think that high school students have the **discipline and morale yet ..** [...]I am of the opinion that the student computers, at least in my class , **inhibits the general learning significantly .** [...] **it reduces the level of teaching very much and it is deeply discouraging for me and probably everyone else in a similar situation** “



# Discussion in groups

Hands out: Student quotes

What do you think is important to note in the student quotes?

And

**Post-it with your keywords**

Why?



## Students approaches to teaching and learning environments

Rethinking own teaching?

Teaching forms?

Using/producing learning resources?

Students' activities?

Students' roles and functions?

Student-teacher relations?

*In view of  
Students' preferences and requirements*



**Thank you**

