At Junior Certificate level the student can:

Describe important aspects of rural home management and carry out some basic maintenance tasks

Learning Targets: - This has been demonstrated by your ability to
Select any 10 objectives to work on

1. Get information about sport clubs, training, youth organisations, for example, martial arts, swimming, water-safety classes, scouts, youth clubs, civil defence
2. Find out the law on the age at which you can drive a tractor, in the fields and on the road; and about the use of safety features (indicators, lights, cab etc.)
3. Describe the safety aspects of driving a tractor
4. Select from: be able to start a tractor; use gears and brakes; hitch up a trailer or spinner to PTO shaft; top a field or spread fertiliser; reverse with a trailer hitched up
5. Cut and save turf
6. Keep the milking parlour, bulk tank, line, cluster and all equipment clean and at the correct temperature
7. Wash out tank and parlour between milkings
8. Describe the care and feeding of calves (sour, feed, grass)
9. Get safety literature from Teagasc and explain basic safety measures about power lines, electricity, slurry tanks, slatted units, slurry pit, silage pit, built-up straw or hay bales
10. Know the basic guidelines for using farm equipment safely (electric fence, PTO shaft, handling animals, tractor and trailer)
11. Describe how to dispose of farm waste safely, for example dead animals, silage run-off, slurry, overflow tank)
12. Handle and administer farm animals (dosing)
13. Take care of stock, for example, assist with de-horning, care of hooves/feet, castration, shearing, docking tails, dagging (cutting of soiled wool before shearing), tagging, marking/branding with raddle or other marking

Refer also to: Science, Environmental and Social Studies, Civic Social and Political Education