

Smallholder



Complete one of the following:

- (I)
1. Have a good knowledge of the farming practices of the local area, with emphasis on the nearby residential area.
 2. Know the farm organization and daily and seasonal operations of the farm residing, with special reference to the livestock, crops, cultivation and machinery used on the farm.
 3. Discuss with the assessor changes in farm practices that have taken place recently, with particular reference to the starting or giving up of crops or types of stock and the reasons for these changes.
 4. Produce a set of twelve photographs (simple snapshots are enough) including at least eight different seasonal jobs that cover a whole year. Give a brief description of what they represent.
- (II)
1. Cultivate out of doors an area of at least 17 m² for a year, during which time three kinds of hardy annual flowers, three kinds of vegetables and two kinds each of bulbs, herbaceous plants and flowering shrubs or roses should be successfully grown. As an alternative, grow eight types of vegetables.
 2. Discuss with the assessor the work done during the year and the results achieved.
- Note: The assessor should visit the garden at least four times during the year
- (III) Keep an animal for a year.
1. If the animal is a small animal such as a dog, cat, rabbit, mouse or tortoise etc., know its breeding habits and how the animal should be fed, housed, exercised and trained.
 2. If the animal is a farm animal such as a cow, goat, pig or sheep, know its breeding habits and economic use, and how the animal should be fed and housed. Show how to care for the animal, for example: milking the cow.

3. If the animal is a bird:
 - (a) caged bird – keep, feed and care for the bird;
 - (b) domestic bird such as a hen, duck, goose, pigeon, quail
 - keep, feed and care for the bird. Know the uses of the bird and how to handle it.
4. If the animals are bees, keep and manage a hive of bees for a year. Know their uses and show some of the produce.
5. If the animals are fish:
 - (a) set up and keep an aquarium containing a proper balance of fish and plant life. Keep a minimum stock of three fish.
 - (b) Discuss with the assessor the keeping of the aquarium during the year, with particular reference to the results obtained.

Note: An assessor should be assigned at the beginning of the year.