

## **Key terms for leaving Cert Home Economics exam questions**

Define:

Give the precise meaning of a word or phrase.

Identify, list, state, name and enumerate:

Briefly answer what the question asks. No examples or detailed answers are necessary here.

Suggest:

Make a suggestion. Give an idea, possible plan or action.

Analyse:

Examine and interpret the main ideas of the subject in detail, show why they are important and how they are related.

Classify:

Divide something into categories or classes.

Describe:

Give a detailed account in point form. If possible, give examples or diagrams to support your answer.

Explain:

Give reasons for something or clarify something by describing it.

Outline:

Give a brief account in point form.

Discuss:

Write about something in detail, taking into account different issues or ideas.

Give an account of:

Write about something in detail, giving as much information as possible.

Elaborate:

Develop your information in further detail.

Differentiate:

Explain the differences between two or more items.

Evaluate:

Give an assessment of the value of something.