

You have to know how your paddocks are doing. And how do you know what paddock is doing well or not?



So the first thing I think is measuring
and they're laughing at me because I
told them I measure sometimes twice
a week.



But I've a sad life



But unless you know what's in your paddock. How do you know when to take it out? And have you enough for the sheep coming forward?



I remember, just to throw in a little story. I remember when I started I got my blade meter from grass tech and the whole lot and started off on Monday morning bright and early the sun was shining. The two neighbours looking down on me they were chatting about cattle and they were saying what is that eejit doing now.



It took two or three years, one came late in the evening will you show me what you are doing. But he didn't want the other fella to see I was showing him.



But, I'd say that's the way it was a few years ago but I don't think it's that way anymore.



It's the same way in our house. I had to beat my husband into a discussion group, you know, and now under the darkness of night he will admit that he's into it and he'll look for the grass gauge on a Monday and stuff like that. But he won't say that in the pub on a Saturday night I can tell you.



Now I'm on a roll like you know... If you're not honest that you want to change things, you won't do anything, you won't start. Because there's a bit of work involved... putting up paddocks, achieving quality, measuring grass and things like that. I fecking dream of grass at night now. I actually do.

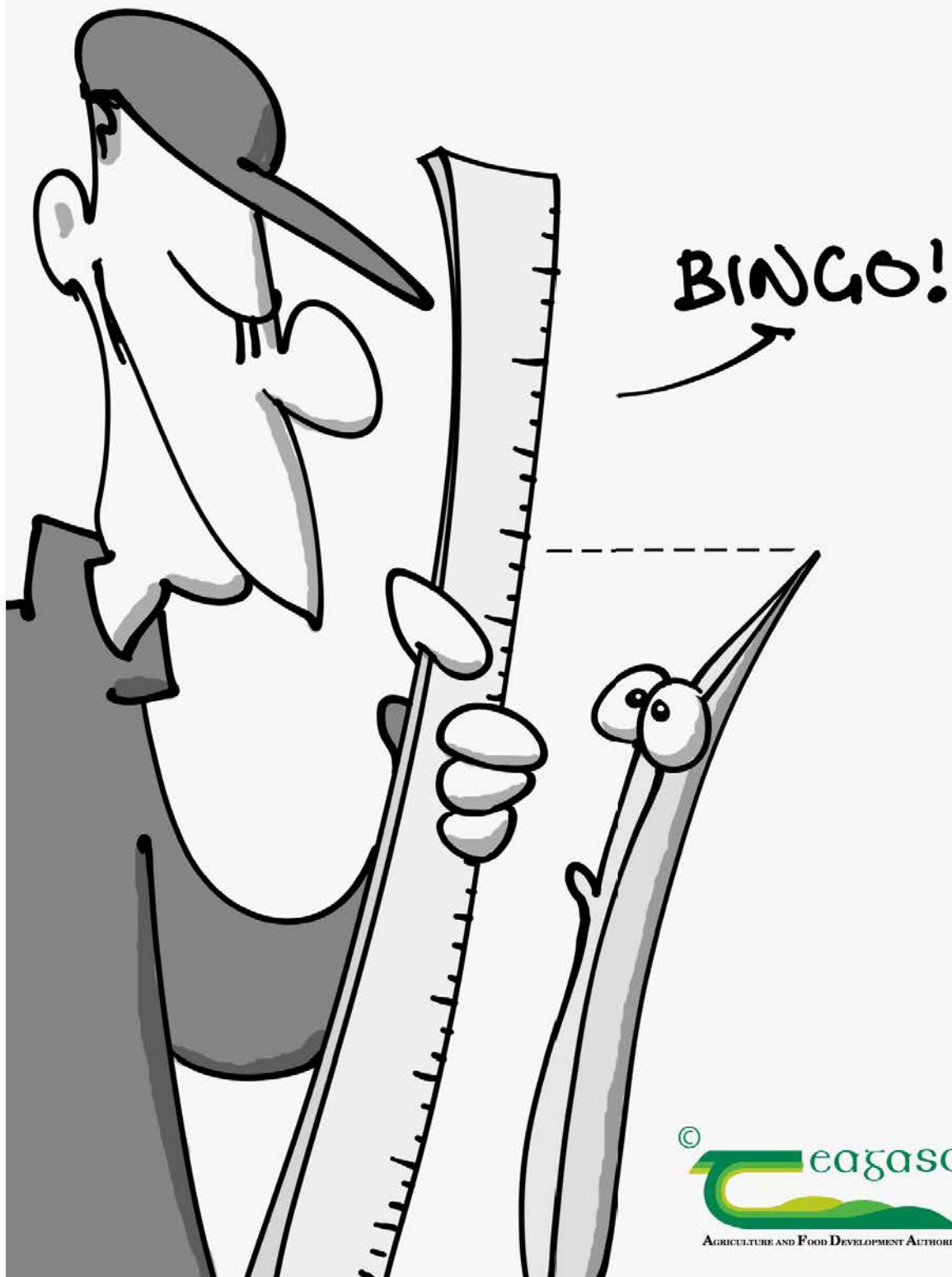
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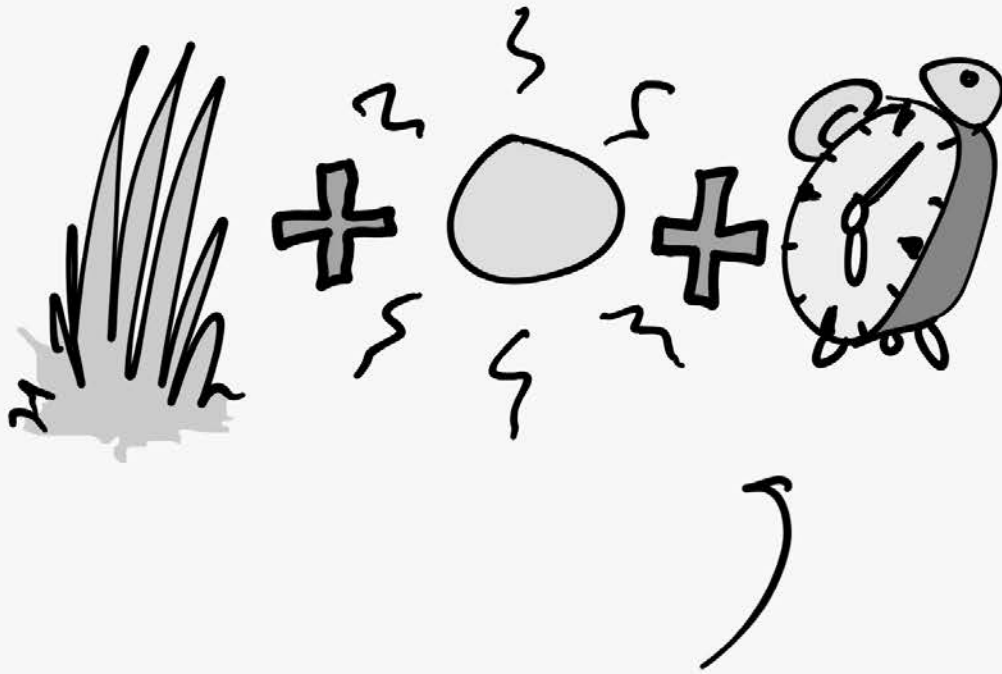
I can give you example, three years ago, I used to buy all my silage. Two years ago I used to buy half the silage, last year I bought none. And this year I've forty bales extra than I need.



And that's because of this: that I knew when to take them out, when to cut them at the right time. And you're making quality then when you cut them. When you take the paddock out after six weeks or so you've quality silage.



And it's just all about knowing what's in your fields and what you need and when to take it out. I think that's all I can talk about.



I could tell you a joke but I'm not.

