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Guide to Writing Your Wedding Vows

Simple guidance, heartfelt inspiration and space to find the words that feel like you.

GUIDE + VOW TEMPLATES + WORKBOOK

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THE BEAUTY OF YOUR OWN WORDS

“Your vows aren’t just words you say on the day, they’re promises you carry into every chapter that follows.”

Writing your wedding vows can feel like a lot, but it doesn’t have to be. This guide will walk you through it step by step, in a very doable way.

A LITTLE REMINDER

There is no right or wrong way to write your vows. The most meaningful ones sound like you — not like something you think you should say.

YOUR STEP-BY-STEP GUIDE

From memories to promises

01

Start with your story

Think about how you met, what you first noticed and when it started to feel like something more. Write down a few memories — no pressure.

02

What do you love about them?

Be specific. The way they support you, the things they do that make you laugh and the small, everyday things are often the most meaningful.

03

What do you promise?

Keep it simple. “I promise to support you.” “I promise to keep showing up.” “I promise to always be on your team.” A little humour is welcome.

04

Keep it natural

Write like you speak. If it feels awkward when you say it aloud, change it.

YOUR STEP-BY-STEP GUIDE

Make the words your own

05

Keep it short

Aim for 1–2 minutes. Long enough to feel meaningful, not so long that it becomes overwhelming.

06

Add a touch of you

A little humour or personality makes it feel real. “I promise to always let you choose the movie… most of the time.”

07

Bring it together

A few lines about your story, what you love, your promises and one simple closing line.

08

Practise (just once or twice)

Read your vows out loud. Adjust anything that doesn’t quite sound like you.

THE INSPIRATION

Six ways to say “I do”

If you’re not sure where to start, these six templates offer a little inspiration. Use one as a starting point, borrow a line, mix and match — or simply let them spark an idea of your own.

CHOOSE WHAT FEELS RIGHT

01 Simple and heartfelt

02 Warm and personal

03 Light and playful

04 Short and meaningful

05 Modern and traditional

06 Deep and natural

EXAMPLE 01

Simple and heartfelt

I stand here with you today feeling really grateful for the life we've built, and the one we're about to create together.

I choose you. Not just for today, but for all the days ahead.

I promise to support you, to be patient, and to keep showing up for us, even when life feels a bit messy.

I promise to laugh with you, to listen to you, and to always be on your team.

I love you for who you are, and for who you're still becoming.

And I can't wait to keep doing life with you.

MAKE IT YOURS Swap in your own memories, details and promises.

EXAMPLE 02

Warm and a little more personal

From the moment we met, something just felt easy with you.

You've become my favourite person, the one I want to share everything with, from the big moments to the everyday ones.

I promise to support you, to encourage you, and to stand beside you through whatever comes next.

I promise to keep choosing you, to keep learning with you, and to keep growing together.

And I promise to keep life feeling like us — relaxed, real, and full of love, and probably a few laughs along the way.

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EXAMPLE 03

Light, relaxed and a little playful

I didn’t realise when we met just how much of my life you’d become.

Now I can’t imagine doing any of it without you.

I promise to support you, to be patient, most of the time, and to always have your back.

I promise to keep laughing with you, even when things don’t quite go to plan.

And I promise to keep choosing you, every day.

Because life with you just feels better.

MAKE IT YOURS Swap in your own memories, details and promises.

EXAMPLE 04

Short and meaningful

I choose you.

To share life with.

To grow with.

To stand beside.

I promise to support you, to care for you, and to keep showing up for us.

Today and always.

MAKE IT YOURS Swap in your own memories, details and promises.

EXAMPLE 05

A little more traditional (but still modern)

Today, I take you as my partner in life.

I choose you as my person, my friend, my support, and my home.

I promise to love you, respect you, and stand beside you through all that life brings.

I promise to be honest, to be kind, and to always be on your side.

And I promise to keep building a life with you that feels full, grounded, and true to us.

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EXAMPLE 06

Deeper but still natural

Standing here with you feels easy, and that's always been one of my favourite things about us.

I promise to support you through the highs and the challenges, and to walk alongside you in whatever comes next.

I promise to listen, to learn, and to keep growing, both as individuals and together.

I promise to create a life with you that feels steady, joyful, and full of love.

And I promise to keep choosing you, again and again.

MAKE IT YOURS Swap in your own memories, details and promises.

NOW IT'S YOUR TURN

Your vow builder

This is where everything starts to come together — your memories, your promises and the little moments that make your relationship yours.

Some vows are emotional, some are funny and some are beautifully simple. The most meaningful ones feel honest and true to you.

HOW TO USE THESE PAGES

Start with dot points, stories or little moments. You can always shape them into beautiful sentences later. There's no need to get it perfect on the first try.

BRING IT ALL TOGETHER

Find your words

01 **How you met / early memories**

Where did your story begin?

02 **What you first noticed**

What caught your attention?

03 **When it became something more**

Was there a particular moment?

04 **What you love about them**

Think of the qualities that are uniquely theirs.

BRING IT ALL TOGETHER

Find your words

05 **Small everyday things**

What little habits or gestures mean the most?

06 **Your promises**

What will you keep choosing, especially on hard days?

07 **Something light or personal**

A shared joke, a quirk, or a smile-worthy detail.

08 **Your closing line**

How do you want your vows to finish?

THE FIRST DRAFT

Your vows, your way

Pull it all together in your own words, exactly as you would say it.

KEEP GOING

Let the words flow

Continue here if you need a little more space. Then practise reading the finished version aloud.

THE HEART OF IT

What matters most

At the end of the day, your vows don't need to sound like anyone else's — they just need to feel true to you.

The most meaningful words are usually the simplest ones: honest, personal and spoken from the heart.

Long after the flowers, music and celebrations are over, these are the promises you'll carry with you into married life.

And if you're looking for a celebrant who'll guide you through every part of the process, including helping you feel confident writing your vows, I'd love to help create a ceremony that feels relaxed, meaningful and completely you.

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