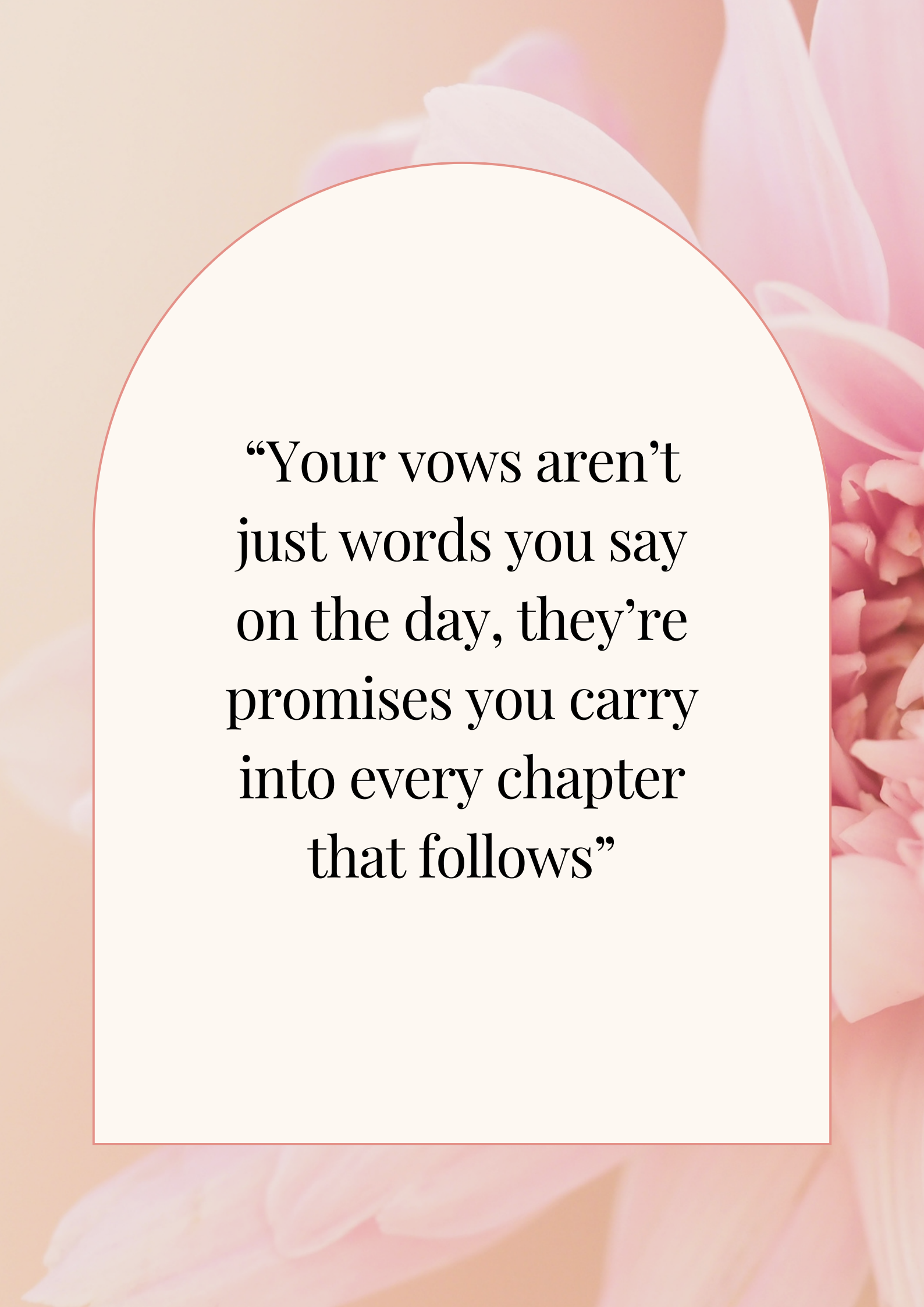




GUIDE TO WRITING YOUR VOWS

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A soft-focus background of pink flowers, likely peonies, in shades of light pink and peach. Overlaid on this is a large, white, arched shape that serves as a container for text. The text is in a black, serif font and is centered within the arch.

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

Wedding Vow Writing Guide

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.

1. Start with your story

Think about:

- How you met
- What you first noticed about them
- When it started to feel like something more

Write this out in a few lines, no pressure, just memories.

2. What do you love about them?

Be specific:

- The way they support you
- The things they do that make you laugh
- The small, everyday things

Tip: The more specific, the more meaningful.

3. 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
- Mix in something light if it suits you.

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4. Keep it natural

Write like you speak.

If it feels awkward to say, change it.

5. Keep it short

Aim for 1–2 minutes.

Enough to feel meaningful, not overwhelming.

6. Add a touch of you

A little humour or personality makes it feel real.

Example:

“I promise to always let you choose the movie... most of the time.”

7. Bring it together

Structure:

- A few lines about your story
- What you love
- Your promises
- A simple closing line

8. Practice (just once or twice)

Read it out loud.

Adjust anything that feels off.

Vow Templates

If you're not sure where to start, here are a few simple templates you can use or adapt. Take what feels right, leave what doesn't, and make it your own

Template 1: 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.

Vow Templates

Template 2: 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.

Vow Templates

Template 3: 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.

Vow Templates

Template 4: 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.

Vow Templates

Template 5: 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.

Vow Templates

Template 6: 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.



Vow Builder

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

There's no right or wrong way to write vows. Some are emotional, some are funny, some are beautifully simple. The most meaningful ones are the ones that feel honest and true to you.

Use the following prompts to help guide your thoughts and spark memories. Start with dot points, stories or little moments, you can always shape them later.

And remember, the vows people remember most are rarely the perfect ones... they're the real ones.

Bring It All Together



How you met / early memories:



What you first noticed



When it became something more



What you love about them

Bring It All Together



Small everyday things



Your promises



Something light or personal (humour/personality)



Your closing line (how you want to finish)

Draft Your Vows

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