



Weddings are an extraordinary time, not only for the bride and groom, but for the wedding party as well. As important elements of the marriage ceremony, the bridal party and groomsmen are responsible for most of the wedding speeches. Preparing, writing the perfect expressions of your love, and practicing before the big day, are all large parts of delivering the perfect wedding speech.

Before writing the wedding speech, sit down and write all the things you genuinely feel about the couple and their relationship. The more honest and heartfelt you are with your feelings toward the two, the better your speech will become. Also, jot down humorous stories you know about them or other great memories you've shared. Jokes are acceptable in moderation, but only if they are tasteful and clean. Keep the audiences' interest by not adding any unnecessary embellishment to stories. Quotes are another popular speech tool. Try not to use anything too cheesy. Instead you could make up your own endearing, affectionate advice for the newlyweds.

Now organize your thoughts in a logical manner. For the introduction, a joke that will make the audience chuckle is always good, followed by the introduction of yourself and your relationship to the couple. Complimenting the help from the rest of the wedding party is a great way to segue into the rest of the wedding speech. Go into the memories you have written down of the couple, whether they are

humorous or meaningful is fine. Do not talk about anything too embarrassing because it is their special day. Wrap up the wedding speech by congratulating the couple, followed by the toast. Use one of the quotes you wrote down or your own inspirational advice, then “cheers” to the wedded couple. Hugging and kissing the bride and groom are also good traditional ends to a toast.

Practicing your wedding speech is the key to the perfect delivery. It’s normal to have note cards with you, but try your best not to use them if you can. Though, if you do get nervous, they are a good fall back. Rehearse in front of your significant other or a few friends, even record yourself, and get some feedback. Listening to your recorded voice can also help you memorize the speech. Knowing most or all of the wedding speech before the day you must deliver it will definitely benefit you.

On the day of your unforgettable wedding speech, don’t think about it. Mingle with guests and talk a lot. This will help keep you occupied so you don’t get nervous. If you start to get the jitters, just relax. Everyone knows wedding speeches are a hard thing, so no one will judge you if you have to pause and gather your thoughts. Putting all your emotions into the speech will help as well. Let all your happiness for the couple out. Laugh, cry, it doesn’t matter. The couple will love your genuine delivery and incredible wedding speech.

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