



DECIDE ON THE LENGTH AND TONE OF YOUR VOWS

Do you want your vows to be funny, romantic, sentimental or completely unique? Do you want a few paragraphs or a few sentences? Either way, I recommend that your vows last for one to two minutes.

TIPS FOR  
FUNNY VOWS

Make sure you include things that family and friends know about, so they're "in" on the jokes.

This isn't a stand-up routine or a roast, so keep it lighthearted.

TIPS FOR  
ROMANTIC VOWS

Include 1-3 personal, unique promises.

Avoid cliches, and don't include anything too personal or romantic.

TIPS FOR  
SENTIMENTAL VOWS

Tell a couple anecdotes that showcase your love.

Practice in front of a few friends a couple times to make sure you can keep it together.

BRAINSTORM

Read sample vows on my blog for ideas but remember your vows are unique to you. Your vows are the promises you are making as husband and wife. Reflect on the questionnaire you completed and why you are marrying each other. Could be fun to incorporate song lyrics or movie quotes that are meaningful to your relationship. Collect personal sentiments by jotting down answers to the following questions:

Top Three Memories:

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Where did you meet?

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What attracted you?

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What do you compliment them on?

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What makes you laugh?

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Four Promises to them:

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What makes you fall in love with them everyday?

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How do they make you a better version of yourself?

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How do you see your future together?

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Other thoughts:

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## THE THREE TIERS TO ORGANISING MEMORABLE VOWS

Good vows, like a good story, have a beginning, middle, and end. An outline for your vows might look something like:

1

Begin with some background details on how you met or when you knew you were in love. Keep this brief.

2

Tell your partner how much you love them, how they have changed your life, and why they are important to you. Use this time to talk about what makes your relationship unique.

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End with what you're looking forward to most and promises for your future. Be creative and include your own promises. These can be as serious or ligh hearted as you want.

## FINAL TIPS BEFORE THE BIG DAY

Check out my blog - How do I write my wedding vows?

<http://www.foreveryoursweddings.com.au/news/how-do-i-write-my-wedding-vows/>

**Edit and Rewrite:** Write multiple drafts

Don't expect perfection on the first draft, or even the fifth. Give yourself plenty of time to write and edit your vows. Book a one of one with me if you are stuck and do not know where to start.

**Send a copy to me**

I will review your vows and make sure you are both on the same page. I try not to change much as this is coming from your heart and is individual and unique to you.

**Practice:** Read your vows out loud

Try practicing in front of close friends, family, or a mirror. Once you perfect your delivery, you will be as confident as possible and ready for your big day. When it's time, look your partner in the eyes and speak from your heart.

*Love your Celebrant*