The Wedding MC's Wedding Speech Guide



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Dear Wedding MC...

Congratulations on being chosen as the Wedding MC!

It's an exciting time for you as you help the bride and groom embark on their new adventure.

And you've taken on the very important responsibility of coordinating the wedding reception and events. A lot rides on your shoulders.

One of your duties may be to give a wedding speech and toast to the bride and groom - <u>if they've</u> requested you to give one.

Your wedding speech will set the tone for the event, so take the time to prepare a speech that the bride and groom will appreciate and remember.

The Top 5 Most Important Wedding Speech Tips

As you've read the articles and posts at WeddingSpeechesSecrets.com we hope you've picked up some handy tips for your wedding speech.

Here are what we consider the most important ones to keep in mind...

- (1) Don't try to "wing it" with your wedding speech. Spur of the moment comments can be a disaster. Give your wedding speech careful thought and preparation for the bride and groom's special day.
- (2) Start preparing your speech early. Give yourself lots of time for ideas to percolate. The less rushed you are, the better your speech will be.
- (3) Keep your speech to 5 minutes...maximum. That's about 750 words.
- (4) Memorize your opening and closing sentences and your toast. It will increase your confidence and allow for smooth transitions as your speech progresses.
- (5) Practice your speech. Out loud. In front of a mirror...or a friend. You don't have to memorize it word for word. But you should know what you are going to say so it sounds natural.

Talents You Can Use In Your Wedding Speech

As you think about what to say in your wedding speech, ask yourself why you were selected to give one. This can help you create the framework for your speech...

- Are you good at one-liners or have a deep bag of appropriate jokes that never fail to get a laugh?
- Are you a family friend who knows the bride or groom and can talk about the qualities that make them well suited for each other?

- Are you a friend of the bride or groom and do you have humorous anecdotes about them that you could share with the wedding guests?
- o Are you known for giving sound advice or words of wisdom?

Because you're the Wedding MC, your speech will in all likelihood be a combination of humor and emotion.

Craft your wedding speech to your personality. If you've got a serious personality, a joke or oneliner might fall flat. On the other hand, if you're a natural comedian or you have a dry sense of humor, it will be hard for you to give a serious wedding speech without at least a few teasing remarks about the groom or his bride.

Also consider the personalities of the bride and groom. Are they a fun loving couple who enjoy humor and a good laugh? Or are they serious minded and wouldn't appreciate some gentle ribbing? Alternatively, a neutral approach would be to include humorous words of advice to the bride and groom on how to make a marriage successful.

In preparing your wedding speech, consider the bride and groom, think about who you are, what your role is, what qualities you bring to your presentation or tribute, and then tailor your speech and message accordingly.

Public Speaking Confidence Booster

If you're like most of us, the thought of giving a speech in front of a group of people sends a shiver of panic through your body.

But with proper preparation you can overcome the worst of your fears very easily.

Whether you're performing a dual role at the wedding reception or you're looking for just the right words for your speech, <u>Best Man Speeches</u> (specifically tailored for the Best Man or similar role), <u>Father of the Bride Speeches</u> (specifically tailored for the Father of the Bride), or <u>Maid of Honor Speeches</u> (specifically tailored for the Maid or Matron of Honor) gives you a complete package of 20 sample speeches and over 100 toasts for inspiration and can be adapted for the Wedding MC speech. You'll also get over 100 jokes, quotes, and one-liners to inject humor into your presentation. They all come with full money-back guarantees.

Amazingly, being slightly nervous before giving your wedding speech can help you do even better. Even professional performers admit to being nervous before going on stage. But with a <u>well prepared and properly rehearsed speech</u> you'll have the confidence to perform your duties with ease and assurance.

What To Talk About In Your Wedding Speech

Ideally, your speech should be about both the bride and groom. That's why you'll need ideas to work with.

Here, then, are 10 questions you can ask that will help you put your presentation together...

• Was there something unusual about how the bride and groom met? Did they meet by accident or was it pre-planned by friends? Was it serendipity, coincidence, accident, or fate?

- Do they have personality "quirks" or habits you can comment on? Is he very neat and likes things "just so"? Does she take a lot of time getting ready before she goes out?
- Does one of them have an accent? Did he fall in love with her accent first? Was it the accent that started the relationship when he asked her where she was from?
- Was there something unusual or humorous about how they met? Did he nearly run her down accidentally in his car? Did he rescue her from something? Did he offer her his umbrella in a rainstorm?
- Do they have favorite movies, movie stars, TV shows, comedians, personalities, books, stories, music you can talk about?
- Do the bride and groom share the same profession -- musicians, lawyers, accountants, doctors. Can you link their professions to your wedding speech theme using terms that apply to that profession?
- Do they enjoy certain foods, restaurants, vacation spots, or sightseeing locations?
- Do the bride and groom have favorite or private names (a nickname, for example) for each other? Is it "honeybun," "pumpkin," "cupcake," or some other endearing or significant term? Is there a story behind the favorite names they have for each other?
- What do people admire most about the bride or groom?
- Is there a heartwarming (or humorous) story about the qualities of the bride or groom that you could talk about?

Use these questions to guide you as you prepare your speech. Select a couple of topics to develop your wedding speech theme around. (Note also that the material you gather at this stage might also be used as background material during the wedding reception events.)

If your speech is a delicate balance of humor and sentiment it is recommended that you use tact and good judgement - especially if you're making humorous remarks about the bride or groom.

What may seem humorous to you may not be to others. Be especially careful when using humor in your speech that you don't embarrass the bride or groom or any of the wedding guests.

Your goal - and role - is to <u>add special meaning</u> to the newlywed's day. After all, it's the day they'll remember forever.

If you're unsure about whether to include a humorous remark about someone, leave it out.

If you're not sure what words to use in your speech or how to say the toast, check out Best Man Speeches (specifically tailored for the Best Man or similar role), Father of the Bride), or Maid of Honor Speeches (specifically tailored for the Maid or Matron of Honor) for adaptable speeches and inspiration in creating your own wedding speech. Depending on your role at the wedding reception, you'll find one of them to be the perfect companion to this guide.

The Toast To The Bride And Groom

You've now come to the final part of your speech.

Make a few concluding or complimentary comments. Mention how beautiful the bride looks or how lucky the groom is to have such a wonderful woman to share his life with.

Then it's time to propose your toast to the bride and groom.

Ask the wedding guests to stand and join you in toasting the bride and groom.

The Bride And Groom Deserve Your Best Speech On Their Special Day

Your speech to the bride and groom will be one of the most important duties you perform on their wedding day.

It will set the "tone" for the wedding reception. And it will be remembered by the bride and groom.

So it deserves your best effort to make it a special occasion for the newlyweds.

When it comes to giving a wedding speech you can either write it from scratch without guidance or look for inspiration from other wedding speeches.

In <u>Best Man Speeches</u> you'll discover a wide selection of adaptable wedding speeches, toasts, quotations, and one-liners specifically tailored for the Best Man or similar role and designed to make your speech sparkle.

If you're the Father of the Bride as well as the Wedding MC, you'll find a wide range of readily adaptable speeches, toasts, quotes, and witticisms in the <u>Father of the Bride Speeches</u> speech making package.

<u>Maid of Honor Speeches</u> also provides the Maid or Matron of Honor with an assortment of speeches you can adapt. Plus, you get sample toasts, quotes, and one-liners you can use to put together a memorable presentation or tribute to the bride and groom.

Mix and match, cut and paste, adapt and fine tune. You'll cut down your preparation time dramatically and create a wedding speech that the bride and groom will compliment you on.

But that's not all! As Wedding MC...

You Might Have To Make Not Just One Wedding Speech...But Two!

If you're the Father of the Bride, the Best Man, or the Maid or Matron of Honor as well as the Wedding MC, you'll probably have to make more than one speech.

With all the pre-wedding functions you'll be attending, chances are you'll be called upon -- or feel obligated -- to make another toast or short speech

So it's a good idea to have more than one speech or toast ready for these other occasions.

You'll look like a true professional giving one speech and toast at the rehearsal dinner, for example, and then presenting totally different versions at the wedding reception.

With proper preparation before the wedding events get underway, you'll give one of your best speaking performances ever.

But giving a speech and toasting the bride and groom is **just the beginning**...

Your Wedding MC Duties As Facilitator...Entertainer...and Speaker

Like the conductor of a symphony, you orchestrate the wedding reception's events to ensure everything runs efficiently.

You'll be coordinating the bridal party, the guests, the caterers, the photographer, the videographer, and the entertainers.

From the arrival of the guests...to the dinner...to the speeches and toasts...to the cutting of the wedding cake...to the dancing...to the final farewell, you'll guide the activities from start to finish as everyone celebrates the bride and groom's big day.

How To Turn An "Ordinary" Wedding Reception Into A FUN and Memorable Event Even If You're A <u>Novice</u> Wedding MC

Highly Recommended!

The wedding reception will be a live performance. You'll have only <u>one chance</u> to do everything right. There won't be any "second takes."

And the last thing you want to do is disappoint the bride and groom on their special day by being unprepared.

If you don't know what to do...what to say...or how to prevent the reception from turning into an embarrassing disaster...and you're looking for guidance that walks you through the important steps of the Wedding MC's duties, then check out *How To Be A FUN Wedding MC*.

It's a <u>complete package</u> of Wedding MC duties and responsibilities with checklists, procedures, audience participation games, and word-for-word scripts that even tell you what to say!

You'll have at your fingertips...

- ✓ A Quick Start Guide that gets you up to speed fast
- Detailed Checklists and Worksheets to ensure you don't forget important even vital duties and responsibilities

- ✓ A Sample Wedding Reception Agenda or Run Sheet your critical outline to ensure the reception runs smoothly from start to finish
- **✓** The MC's Opening | Welcoming Speech to warm up the wedding guests, create a celebratory atmosphere, and heighten the anticipation of the bride and groom's arrival
- ✓ Audience participation games that heighten the mood and make the reception a FUN time
- Entertainment Ideas to keep the wedding guests laughing, entertained, and enjoying themselves
- Word-for-Word Scripts to help you introduce and smoothly transition into different events throughout the reception
- **✓** Amusing telegrams to entertain the guests with
- ✓ And much, much more, including a 100% money-back guarantee.

PLUS, you'll get an Exclusive Bonus - The Wedding MC's Secret List Of FUN Ideas

The *Wedding MC's Secret List of FUN Ideas* is a select group of powerful party and entertainment ideas that elevate a normal wedding reception to a memorable event.

These are the very ideas you'll need in order to create a FUN celebration for the newlyweds.

How To Be A FUN Wedding MC helps you avoid the traps that many novice wedding emcees fall into.

You'll have an entire <u>step-by-step blueprint</u> of wedding party details, reception procedures, wedding guest activities, introductions, as well as powerful ideas on how to make the wedding reception a FUN and memorable time for the bride and groom.

When you're standing in front of 50...100...200...or more wedding guests I'm confident you'll be glad you have *How To Be A FUN Wedding MC* as your guide.

As you can see, there's a lot riding on your performance.

In fact, your talents as a Wedding MC will determine whether the reception is a success or a failure.

With <u>How To Be A FUN Wedding MC</u> by your side you'll be able to carry out your Wedding MC duties with confidence instead of panicking when you think about the huge responsibility you have resting on your shoulders.

I wish you every success in your role as Wedding MC!

Mark Livingston

PS. Don't forget to get the sequel to the Wedding MC Speech Guide - Top 5 Questions MC's Ask. (immediate download)

It's a Special Report answering the following questions: "How do I make my speech funny?"..."What is the order of wedding speeches or toasts?" ..."How do I make my speech memorable?" ..."Where can I get inspiration for my wedding speech?"..."Where do I start?"

