



## CIVIL CELEBRANT

### PERSONAL VOW EXAMPLES

Please feel free to use these personal vow examples. Or let them inspire you to write your own.

1. "I take you to be my partner in life,  
I promise in all else to live in truth with you  
And communicate fully and fearlessly,  
I give you my hand and my heart  
As a sanctuary of warmth and peace."
2. "I promise to respect and honour you  
To share in your joy and sorrow;  
To trust you and be loyal to you;  
To appreciate the purity of your emotions,  
And to nurture the eternal nature of our love and friendship."
3. "I vow to love you,  
I vow to respect you,  
I vow to care for you,  
I vow to be honest with you always  
And to be a loyal friend to you  
Now and in all days to come."
4. "I promise to love you from sunrise to sunset and as darkness falls across the sky  
I promise to be honest with you when the sky is clear and bright and when it darkens with clouds  
I promise to care for you in the calmness of spring into the turbulence of winter  
I promise to adore you as the heavens light up with an eternity of stars"
5. "I would marry you in a boat and with a goat. I would marry you in the rain and in the dark and on a train. And in a car and in a tree, you are so good - so good to me. So I will love you in a box and I will love you (you're a fox) and I will love you in our house even if it has a mouse, and I will love you here or there. I promise to love you anywhere (with apologies to Dr Seuss)."
6. "[Name], I will not take our time together for granted. And because words cannot do it, I promise to show you, for the rest of my life, how much I love you.  
I promise to encourage you to follow your dreams.  
I promise to make you laugh when you are taking yourself too seriously.  
I promise to hold your hand through the good times and through the bad times.  
I promise to be loyal and faithful and to put you before all else.  
I promise to never stop making up songs for you. Although, I know you wish I would."

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8. "I, [name], pledge my undying love to you, [name], as I invite you to share my life. I promise to be kind, unselfish, respectful, and trustworthy so that together, our dreams of a beautiful future can come true. To this end I call upon all present to witness that I take you [name] to be my [husband/wife], to have and to hold, from this day forward, for better or for worse, for richer or for poorer, in sickness and in health for as long as we both shall live."
9. "A pair of penguins mate for life, across hundreds of miles of tundra, the female penguin travels to bring food to the male, as he watches the egg over a month of sub-zero temperatures. As your husband, I promise never to ask you to do anything like that."
10. "I cannot promise I will always be perfect, but I promise to love you through all the good times and bad. I promise to always fight with you and for you, never against you. I promise to always be your biggest fan, confidant and best friend. I promise to remember we are not perfect—only perfect for each other. I promise to love you without hesitation from this day forward, for the rest of my life."
11. "I want so badly to be able to explain all the love I have for you. Not the love of butterflies and stomach knots—but more the blurring of self and the entanglement with another soul. Love is a word that is much too soft and used far too often to ever describe the fierce, infinite and blazing passion that I have in my heart for you. You are a million dreams and a million prayers of a little girl/boy come true. You are kind. You are silly. You are intelligent. Your laugh is contagious and you can put away an entire Baskin Robbins ice cream cake in one sitting like nobody else can. You acknowledge my strengths and accept my faults. You make me want to be a better person every day. I take you as you are now, tomorrow and for eternity to come, to be my husband/wife. Even when the day comes that we're old and grey, I promise to always see you with the same eyes and the same heart that I see you with at this exact moment. So today, I vow to honour you and respect you, support you and encourage you. I promise to dream with you, celebrate with you, and walk beside you through whatever life brings. I vow to laugh with you and comfort you during times of joy and times of sorrow. I promise to always pursue you, to fight for you, and love you unconditionally and wholeheartedly for the rest of my life. You are my best friend and I'm the luckiest person on Earth to call you mine."
12. "You are my lover and my teacher,  
You are my model and my accomplice,  
And you are my true counterpart.  
I will love you, hold you and honour you,  
I will respect you, encourage you and cherish you,  
In health and sickness,  
Through sorrow and success,  
For all the days of my life."

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### THE ASKING ~ EXAMPLES

The Asking can be made in addition to your Personal Vows. Please feel free to use any of these for inspiration.

1. Will you, \_\_\_\_\_, keep \_\_\_\_\_ as your favourite person – to laugh with her/him, go on adventures with her/him, support him/her through life's tough moments, be proud of her/him, grow old with her/him, and find new reasons to love her/him every day?
2. \_\_\_\_\_, I vow to love every last bit of you... even your snoring and love of terrible '80s ballads! (or the likes).
3. \_\_\_\_\_, do you take \_\_\_\_\_ to be your lawfully wedded husband/wife? Will you love him/her, comfort him/her, honour and respect him/her? Do you promise to share all life has to offer, your hopes and dreams, your achievements and disappointments with her from this day forward? "I do" Repeat.
4. I promise to unclog the drains, even though you are the only one of us with hair.
5. I, \_\_\_\_\_ take you, \_\_\_\_\_ to be my husband/wife. I will share my life with yours, building our dreams together. I will support you through times of trouble, and rejoice with you in times of happiness. I promise to give you respect, love and loyalty through all the trials and triumphs of our lives together. This commitment is made in love, kept in faith, lived in hope, and made new every day of our lives.
6. When I say 'I do,' I don't mean the dishes.
7. [Name], do you promise to do your very best each day to create a loving, healthy, and happy marriage?
8. \_\_\_\_\_, in front of our friends and family gathered here, I promise to love and cherish you in good times and in bad. I promise to put down the toilet seat - and to replace the toilet roll when it's over and to never, ever, ever forget our wedding anniversary or your birthday.

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9. \_\_\_\_\_, do you take \_\_\_\_\_ to be your lawfully wedded wife/husband? Do you vow to love her/him and care for him for as long as you both shall live? Do you accept her/him, with all of his faults and strengths, and offer yourself to her/him with all of your own faults and strengths? Do you promise to be a faithful and loving companion and to always put the promises you make this day above all else?
  
10. \_\_\_\_\_, Have you come here today of your own free will to take \_\_\_\_\_ to be your husband/wife, that you may live together as equal partners sharing all that life has to offer?" (Answer): "I have." "Will you love him/her, comfort him/her, honour and keep him/her all the days of your life?"(Answer): "I will." [Repeat]
  
11. \_\_\_\_\_, do you come here freely and without reservation to give yourself to \_\_\_\_\_ in marriage? If so, answer "I do."
  
12. \_\_\_\_\_, will you take \_\_\_\_\_ to be your lawful wedded wife/husband? Will you love, honour and respect her/him, be honest with her/him, and stand by her through whatever may come, sharing your life with hers/his?
  
13. I vow to use a recipe as a guideline when fixing meals. I will delight in our many adventures and challenges. I vow to tolerate your icy toes. I will continue to play with you until we grow old and decrepit. I vow to be a quality roommate. I will wash more dishes.

## RING CEREMONY EXAMPLES

Please browse the following examples and choose one or be inspired to write your own.

1. Who has the wedding rings today? As you place the ring on \_\_\_\_\_ finger, please repeat after me: "With this ring I marry you, and offer a symbol of my everlasting love." [Repeat for partner] The roundness of the ring represents the eternity of your love, its pure metal speaks of the purity of your love for one another, its value is to remind you of the precious time you spend together. Wear these rings with love and gratitude.

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2. I \_\_\_\_\_, take you, \_\_\_\_\_ to be my wife/husband, and pledge my love to your forever.
3. \_\_\_\_\_, place the ring on \_\_\_\_\_ 's left hand and repeat after me. \_\_\_\_\_, I give you this ring to wear upon your hand as a symbol of our unity, love, respect and trust. [Repeat for partner]
4. Will you now place the ring on your beloved's finger and repeat after me?" I \_\_\_\_\_ take you \_\_\_\_\_ to be my husband/wife I will love and honour you, respect and cherish you all the days of my life.
5. With this ring I marry you, \_\_\_\_\_, as your wife/husband, I offer all that I am in return, and pledge to remember, every day of our lives together, the love and deep friendship we share.
6. With this ring I marry you. Wear this ring forever. As a sign of my love.
7. I give you this ring as I join my life to yours. Wear it and know my love for you always.
8. With is ring I marry you. You are forever in my heart. Wear it and know my love for you always.
9. Or as an addition to the vows: \_\_\_\_\_, as I place this ring on your finger know my heart, I promise...
10. \_\_\_\_\_, I give you this ring, as a symbol of our marriage, for today and tomorrow, and for all the days to come
11. This is the point in the ceremony where we usually talk about the wedding bands being a perfect circle, with no beginning and no end. But we all know that these rings do have a beginning. Rock is dug up from the earth. Metal is fired, then moulded, cooled, and painstakingly polished. Something beautiful is made from raw elements. Love is like that. It comes from humble beginnings, made by imperfect beings. It's the process of making something beautiful where there was once nothing at all. This ring is my promise to accept your imperfections and recognise your beauty.



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12. With this ring, I marry you, with my loving heart, with my willing body and with my eternal soul.
13. The fitting of this ring with its unending circle, symbolises my everlasting love for you. The placing of this ring on your finger, is the fulfilment of my dreams, to have you as my friend, my love, my husband/ wife, to live as one together.

### FINAL NOTE

The beauty about your ceremony is that you can choose to have separate ceremonial parts or combine them; i.e. you can combine your personal vows and ring ceremony or your vows and the asking.

It is of the utmost importance that you keep me up to date with the format you wish to have in place at your ceremony. It is essential that you communicate any changes you would like to make to the ceremony.

I will do everything in my power to make this day the most perfect day.

Please feel free to contact me.

Thank you for considering me as your Celebrant.

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