## **Samples of Traditional Wedding Vows**

Remember that you can both say the same vows, or you can say completely different ones. You can also ask your friends and family to participate in your wedding vows.

#### **Traditional Wedding Vows 1:**

I, (name), take you, (name), to be my wife/husband, to have and to hold from this day forward, for better or for worse, for richer, for poorer, in sickness and in health, to love and to cherish; from this day forward until death do us part.

### **Traditional Wedding Vows 2:**

I, (name), take you, (name), to be my (optional: lawfully wedded) husband/wife, my constant friend, my faithful partner and my love from this day forward. In the presence of God, our family and friends, I offer you my solemn vow to be your faithful partner in sickness and in health, in good times and in bad, and in joy as well as in sorrow. I promise to love you unconditionally, to support you in your goals, to honour and respect you, to laugh with you and cry with you, and to cherish you for as long as we both shall live.

#### **Traditional Wedding Vows 3:**

(Name), I take you to be my lawfully wedded husband/wife. Before these witnesses I vow to love you and care for you as long as we both shall live. I take you with all your faults and your strengths as I offer myself to you with my faults and strengths. I will help you when you need help, and I will turn to you when I need help. I choose you as the person with whom I will spend my life.

#### **Traditional Wedding Vows 4:**

I, (name), take you, (name), to be my beloved wife/husband, to have and to hold you, to honour you, to treasure you, to be at your side in sorrow and in joy, in the good times and in the bad, and to love and cherish you always. I promise you this from my heart, for all the days of my life.

## Traditional Wedding Vows 5 (Circle of Love):

I, (name), take you, (name), to be my wife/husband, to share the good times and hard times side by side. I humbly give you my hand and my heart as I pledge my faith and love to you. Just as this ring I give you today is a circle without end, my love for you is eternal. Just as it is made of incorruptible substance, my commitment to you will never fail. With this ring I thee wed.

# Non-traditional Wedding Vows

## My One True Love – Vow 6:

I, (name), take you, (name), to be my husband/wife, my partner in life and my one true love. I will cherish our union and love you more each day than I did the day before. I will trust you and respect you, laugh with you and cry with you, loving you faithfully through good times and bad, regardless of the obstacles we may face together. I give you my hand, my heart, and my love, from this day forward for as long as we both shall live

## The Man/Woman You Will Become – Vow 7:

I, (name), take you, (name), to be my partner, loving what I know of you, and trusting what I do not yet know. I eagerly anticipate the chance to grow together, getting to know the man/woman you will become, and falling in love a little more every day. I promise to love and cherish you through whatever life may bring us.

## When Our Love is Simple, and When it is an Effort – Vow 8:

(Name), I love you. You are my best friend. Today I give myself to you in marriage. I promise to encourage and inspire you, to laugh with you, and to comfort you in times of sorrow and struggle. I promise to love you in good times and in bad, when life seems easy and when it seems hard, when our love is simple, and when it is an effort. I promise to cherish you, and to always hold you in highest regard. These things I give to you today, and all the days of our life.

## **Trust in You Completely – Vow 9:**

(Name), with all my love, I take you to be my wife/husband. I will love you through good and bad, through joy and sorrow. I will try to be understanding, and to trust in you completely. Together, we will face all of life's experiences and share one another's dreams and goals. I promise I will be your equal partner in a loving, honest relationship for as long as we both shall live.

## Share in Your Dreams – Vow 10:

(Name), from this day forward I promise you these things. I will laugh with you in times of joy, and comfort you in times of sorrow. I will share in your dreams, and support you as you strive to achieve your goals. I will listen to you with compassion and understanding, and speak to you with encouragement. I will remain faithful to our vows for better or for worse, in times of sickness and health. You are my best friend and I will love and respect you always.

## Short and Sweet – Vow 11:

(Name), I promise to love and care for you and I will try in every way to be worthy of your love. I will always be honest with you, kind, patient and forgiving. But most of all, I will promise to be a true and loyal friend to you. I love you.

# **Romantic Wedding Vows**

#### With Kindness, Unselfishness and Trust – Vow 12:

I, (name), affirm my love to you, (name), as I invite you to share my life. You are the most beautiful, smart, and generous person I have ever known, and I promise always to respect you and love you. With kindness, unselfishness and trust, I will work by your side to create a wonderful life together. I take you, (name), to be my lawful wife/husband, 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.

## The Best Person I Can Be – Vow 13:

(Name), from the moment I first saw you, I knew you were the one with whom I wanted to share my life. Your beauty, heart and mind inspire me to be the best person I can be. I promise to love you for eternity, respecting you, honouring you, being faithful to you, and sharing my life with you. This is my solemn vow.

#### To Grow Along with You - Vow 14:

(Name), today I become your husband/wife and you become my wife/husband. I will strive to give you the best of myself, while accepting you the way you are. I promise to respect you as a whole person with your own interests, desires and needs, and to realise that those are sometimes different but no less important than my own. I promise to keep myself open to you, to let you in to my innermost fears and feelings, secrets and dreams. I promise to grow along with you, to be willing to face change as we both change, keeping our relationship alive and exciting. And finally, I promise to love you in good times and in bad, with all I have to give and all that I am, in the only way I know how – completely and forever.

## Love You Without Reservation – Vow 15:

(Name), today I take you for my wife/husband. I promise to love you without reservation, comfort you in times of distress, encourage you to achieve all of your goals, laugh with you and cry with you, grow with you in mind and spirit, always be open and honest with you, and cherish you for as long as we both shall live.

#### **Best Friend – Vow 16:**

(Name), today I take you to be my husband/wife. Together, we will create a home, becoming a part of one another. I vow to help create a life that we can cherish, inspiring your love for me and mine for you. I vow to be honest, caring and truthful, to love you as you are and not as I want you to be, and to grow old by your side as your love and best friend.

# **Funny Wedding Vows**

### Funny Wedding Vows 17:

I, (name), take you, (name), to be my beloved wife/husband. I promise to love you and be your faithful partner, for better for worse, for richer, for poorer, when the All Blacks are winning, and when they are losing, in sickness, and in health, and in All Blacks-induced sickness. I will be true and loyal, and cherish you for all the days of our lives.

### Funny Wedding Vows 18:

I, (name), take you, (name), to be my wife/husband, to have and to hold from this day forward, for better or for worse, for richer, for poorer, for even poorer when I've been shopping a lot, in sickness and in health, to love and to cherish; from this day forward until death do us part.

#### Funny Wedding Vows 19:

I, (name), take you, (name), to be my lawfully wedded husband/wife and chief tennis doubles partner, for richer, for poorer, for better, for worse, in sickness and in health, for when we win and the very, very rare occasion when we lose. I promise to love, honour and cherish you, to return your serves and do my best not to foot fault. This I vow to you.