

The speech template

Fill this in as you go. The rest of the guide explains why each section works and how to get the material for it, but you can start writing right here.

1. Welcome (brief)

Who you are to her, and how long.

2. The story

One story, chosen for warmth over shock value. Let the humour come from the telling.

3. The turn

What you have actually watched change in her since she met him.

4. A word to the groom (optional)

Something genuine, even brief. A natural bridge into the toast.

5. The toast

Names. Raise your glass.