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Wedding Wording Samples

Invitation Formula

HOST LINE: Technically, this line should be the name/s of the host/s of the wedding, usually the bride's parents, but some couples prefer to have both sets of parents mentioned. Others issue the invitation themselves or add the words "together with their families"

REQUEST LINE: Where the actual "inviting" takes place. "request the honor/honor of your presence", "request the pleasure of your company", "invite you to share in their love and future together", "invite you to celebrate their marriage"

EVENT LINE: What your guests are being invited to. "at the marriage of their daughter", "at the wedding reception for their daughter", "at the marriage of their children", "at their marriage/ wedding reception"

BRIDE AND GROOM LINES: If the invitation is issued by the bride's parents, the bride is referred to by her first & middle names, with no title or last name. If a couple is issuing, use Miss/Ms. and Mr. as well as their last names and the joining word "and". Initials & nicknames should not be used.

DATE AND YEAR LINES: The day of the week is capitalized & no numerals are used. Using the word "on" prior to the day of the week is optional. Formal: everything is written out. Casual: may use numerals for the year.

TIME LINE: Is also written out in full. AM/PM is not necessary. You may include "in the morning/afternoon/evening" Casual: use numerals.

LOCATION LINE: spell out the entire name in full

THE ADDRESS AND CITY, STATE LINE: Actual street address is optional. Everything is written in full and numerals under 100 should be spelled out

RECEPTION LINE: Formal: should always have a separate reception card. Casual: "and afterwards at the reception", "reception immediately following", "reception to follow". If reception is in another location state type of reception and where on a separate line

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: option to include on the lower left-hand corner "Black Tie" "Black Tie Optional", "Kindly Respond", "Regrets Only"

Traditional

Bride's married parents host

Mr. and Mrs. Ethan John Kennedy
request the honour/honor of your presence
at the marriage of their daughter
Jade Elise
to
Doctor James Kirk Strickland

Bride's married parents host; mother has retained maiden name

Francine Marie Clark and Grant Alan McIver
request the honour/honor of your presence
at the marriage of their daughter
Emma Caroline
to
Mr. Charles Edward Geller

Bride's divorced and remarried parents co-host

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Thomas Sloan
and
Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Tom Cummings
request the honour/honor of your presence
at the marriage of
Olivia Carol Cummings
to
Mr. Winston Abrams

Bride's divorced mother hosts (not remarried)

Mrs. Constance Marcus Clark
or
Ms. Constance Marcus
requests the honour/honor of your presence
at the marriage of her daughter
Deborah Ann
to
Mr. Gerald Alexander Mosely

Bride's divorced parents host; mother has remarried

Mrs. John Harold Dobson
Mr. Timothy White Anderson
request the honour/honor of your presence
at the marriage of their daughter
Mary Geneva Anderson
to
Mr. Naser Mahmud

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Contemporary

Bride's married parents host

We invite you to share our joy
as we celebrate the marriage of our daughter

Jade Elise

to

Doctor James Kirk Strickland
on Saturday, the tenth of August

Two thousand eleven

at four o'clock

Saint Elizabeth's Church

Baltimore, Maryland

Please join us after the ceremony for the reception

Richmond Country Club

Eighty six Centennial Avenue

Mr. and Mrs. Ethan John Kennedy

or

Margaret and Ethan Kennedy

Bride's divorced and remarried parents co-host

Shiela and Ed Sloan

and

Ava and Ken Cummings

request the pleasure of your company
at the wedding reception for their daughter

Olivia Carol

to

Mr. Winston Abrams

Couple & family hosts

Together with their families,

Deborah Ann Clark

and

Gerald Alexander Mosely

invite you to share in their joy
as they are wed

Couple hosts

On this day, two become one

Mary Geneva Anderson

and

Naser Mahmud

invite you to witness their marriage

Traditional

Bride's remarried mother and husband host

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Jacque Carvey
request the honour/honor of your presence

at the marriage of her daughter

Angelina Marie Martinez

to

Mr. Theodore Leon Green

1 parent is deceased

Doreen Louise Michaels

daughter of Mrs. Marvin Gadsen Michaels

and the late Mr. Michaels

and

Roger Leonard Simpson

Son of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Simpson

Both parents host

Senator and Mrs. Roberto Mendez

and

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Knowles

request the honour/honor of your presence

at the marriage of their children

Sheryl Laura Mendez

and

Justin Russell Knowles

Bride and groom host – version 1

Miss Maria Ines Mendez

and

Mr. Justin Russell

request the honour/honor of your presence

at their marriage

Bride and groom host – version 2

The honour/honor of your presence

is requested at the marriage of

Miss Leslie Kay Woods

to

Commander George Nichols

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Contemporary

Couple hosts

Please join
Angelina Marie Martinez
and
Theodore Leon Green
as they celebrate their marriage

Couple hosts

Jessica Gale and Mitchell Raines
hope that you can be with us
for our wedding and celebration brunch
Sunday, the sixteenth of April
at eleven o'clock
118 Cedar Creek Drive
Pawling, New York

Couple hosts

Olivia Marie Chambers
and
Justin Thomas Leon
invite you to attend their wedding
on Saturday, the eleventh of September
at five o'clock
32 Magnolia Terrace
Long Island City, New York
and afterward at the reception

Announcement only

Claire and Frank Williamson
have the honor/honour of announcing
the marriage of their daughter
Judith Elaine
to
Pierre Michael Dumas
January 17, 2011
Oakland, California

Other

Grandparents hosting

Mr. and Ms. Ethan John Kennedy
request the honour/honor of your presence
at the marriage of their granddaughter
Jade Elise Brand
And
Mr. James Kirk Strickland

Jewish Wedding

Mr. and Ms. Ethan John Kennedy
request the honour/honor of your presence
at the marriage of their daughter
Jade Elise
and
Mr. James Kirk Strickland
son of
Mr. and Mrs. Marc Ellis Strickland
Saturday, the tenth of August
at four o'clock in the afternoon
Shalom Temple
Long Island City, New York

Catholic Wedding with Mass services

Mr. Timothy White Anderson
request the honor/honour of your presence at the
Nuptial Mass uniting their daughter
Mary Geneva Anderson
and
Mr. Naser Mahmud

Announcement only

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Williamson
have the honor/honour of announcing
the marriage of their daughter
Judith Elaine
to
Mr. Pierre Michael Dumas
Saturday, the seventeenth of January
Oakland, California

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Wedding Location Variations

Wedding at home

Saturday, the tenth of August
Two thousand eleven
at four o'clock
142 Scottswood Lane
Huntersville, North Carolina

Wedding at a residence other than hosts

Saturday, the tenth of August
Two thousand eleven
at four o'clock
at the residence of
Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Carl Alistair
566 Red Farm Drive
Astoria, New York

Ceremony and reception invitation both events at same location

Saturday, the tenth of August
at four o'clock
The University Club
New York, NY
And afterwards at the reception

Events at separate locations

Saturday, the tenth of August
Two thousand eleven
at four o'clock
Saint Elizabeth's Church
Baltimore, Maryland
Reception immediately following
The Fountainhead
Towson, Maryland

Separate Reception Card

Together with their families,
Jade Elise Kennedy
and
James Kirk Strickland
invite you to share in their joy
as they are wed
Saturday, the tenth of August
Two thousand eleven
at four o'clock
Glen Cove Country Club
Baltimore, Maryland

Separate Reception Card

Reception immediately following the ceremony
The University Club
New York, New York

Separate Reception Card

Jennifer & James
request the pleasure of your company
at our wedding reception
on Saturday, the fourth of September
at seven o'clock in the evening
Harvard Club of New York
Fifteen West 44th Street
New York, New York

Separate Reception Card

Mr. Timothy White Anderson
request the pleasure of your company
at the wedding reception of their daughter
Mary Geneva Anderson
and
Mr. Naser Mahmud

Separate Reception Card

We invite you to the reception
At five o'clock in the evening
Followed by dinner and dancing
Ritz Carlton
Charlotte, North Carolina

Separate Reception Card

Reception
Saturday, the tenth of January
Two thousand twelve
at half past six in the evening
Studio Squared
Long Island City, New York

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Wedding Stationery and Enclosures

Response Cards

Sample 1

The favour/favor of a reply is requested
before the fifteenth of July

M _____
Will _____ attend
or
_____ will attend
_____ will not attend

Sample 2

The favour/favor of a reply is requested
before the fifteenth of July

_____ accepts
_____ regrets
or
_____ nobly accepts
_____ humbly regrets

Sample 3

Please reply before the fifteenth of July

or
Without lines

Breakfast

Mark popped the ?
& Carol said YES!

All the planning is over, from hall to dress
Only 1 thing remains for the weekend to be fun
On Sunday morning, please do not pack & run
For breakfast will be served on the Newlywed's day
So come send them good wishes
Before you head on your way

Accommodation Cards

Sample 1

Special rates have been arranged at hotel name for
the weekend of the wedding at a discounted rate of
\$143 for a double per night. Reservations must be
made by date. Please reference the (name) Wed-
ding when calling.

Transportation will be provided to and from the hotel
& event space. For additional information please
visit our website at: www.theknot.com/ourwedding

Sample 2

Special rates (\$139 plus tax for partial view, or \$179
plus tax for full view of the Manhattan skyline) have
been guaranteed until March 5th for the "Name Wed-
ding". Standard rates will apply after March 5th
deadline. Transportation will be provided on the
wedding day to event space from hotel.

Transportation

We are offering transportation for our guest
to and from the reception. Buses will be leaving
from the Rockville Centre, Best Western at 4:00pm
and will be making a stop at the Garden City Hotel
at 4:15pm. Buses will drop off at the same locations
following the reception.

Programs

Your names

The date

The location

Chronologic ceremony outline

Titles of readings and songs

Name of officiant

Names of wedding party members
and their relation to the couple

Names of others involved (readers, soloists, etc)

You may also include: dedications and thanks, words
to readings, songs or vows, foreign translations, expla-
nations of cultural or religious traditions, favorite poem
or quote, meaningful motif, monogram, or image