

COMITMENT CEREMONY FORMAT

INTRODUCTION

This is a nice opportunity to set the mood for the ceremony. I welcome your guests and touch on the bond between the couple and what has them here to this day to celebrate their commitment to each other.

A READING OR POEM

Something special chosen by the couple that represents the bond that has been formed.

THE PRESENTATION OF COUPLE

This is an opportunity for the couple to be presented to one and other. Some examples are a parent, children, close friend and or family. This is also an opportunity to give a personal touch to the bond between the couple and their friends and family.

THE ASKING

This is when I ask the couple to take each other as life partners, again an opportunity for personal touch see examples with in this book.

THE VOWS

This is where the couple exchange their intentions and express their lifetime commitment to one another. I have provided examples for you to choose from or you may like to write your own.

RING CEREMONY

The exchanges of rings with some personal words by the couple I have provided some examples or write your own.

A FINAL READING, SONG OR POEM

There are lots of readings and poems to chose from. There are some examples at the back of this booklet for you to consider, or maybe just have a special song sung by a friend or family member.

CEREMONY RITUAL

There are all sorts of ceremony rituals that can be incorporated into the ceremony. These can symbolise aspects of the bond between the couple. Some rituals are religious, some have historic significance and others are unique to the couple's journey to this point and their future together.

DECLARATION OF COMMITMENT

It is at this stage we reflect on the declaration the couple have made to one another before family and friends.

SIGNING OF THE PRESENTATIONS CERTIFICUT

At this stage I will ask the guests to sit quietly while the couple and their witnesses sign their certificate.

CONCLUSION

Congratulate the Couple on their commitment to each other before their friends and family.