

Ceremony Element	Example:
Welcome to guests	“We have come together in the presence of family and friends to celebrate the uniting of _____ and _____ by the sacred ties of matrimony on this nineteenth day of October, two thousand and twenty-three.”
Giving of the Bride (if you choose to do so)	“Who gives this woman to be married to this man?” Immediately after, the officiant should ask guests to sit down. This is crucial!
Message/Remarks	This is where your officiant could speak about marriage in general, talk about your relationship, share a few stories, and offer wisdom and advice.
Song or reading	Scripture, poetry, or a blessing all work here.
Declaration of Intent	This is when couples face each other and answer a series of questions with the phrase, “I will,” or ‘I do.’ You can find examples you like online, or write your own!
Vows:	If writing your own, the officiant could say: “_____ and _____ have chosen to share vows they have written for one another.” or, if you are repeating the same vows to one another, simply: “Repeat after me”
Exchanging of Rings	The officiant usually says a few words about the symbolism of rings, and the couple repeats something like this: “This ring I give to you as a reminder of my love. and I pledge to you my loyalty and devotion, Until death do us part.”
Pronouncement	“Forasmuch as you, _____, and you, _____, have openly pledged yourselves to one another in love and faithfulness, and having confirmed the same by each giving and receiving a ring, I now pronounce you husband and wife.”
The Kiss!	The officiant will say, “You may now kiss the bride.” I also like when the officiant steps aside at this point.
Introduction of the Couple	It is my privilege to be the first to present to you...Mr. and Mrs. _____!