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Wedding Invitation Wording

The etiquette for wording on a wedding invitation, although not strict any more, does follow a certain pattern. Generally, the first line is the names of the people *issuing* the invitation (responsible for most of the costs involved), and these usually fall into 3 categories:

- ★ Bride's parents
- ★ Both sets of parents
- ★ Bride and groom

Of course, there are variations within these options to take into account parents who have re-married, or to mention parents who are deceased. Our advice in these instances is to include people who matter to you. If divorced parents are paying for the wedding but are not happy to be listed together, then mention each of them on a separate line. The focus of the invitation is the wedding - such relationship issues are secondary.

There are also different levels of formality to consider, as weddings can be extremely grand affairs or simple, intimate ceremonies. Most are somewhere in between. Your choice of wording will set the tone.

On the following pages you will find the 3 categories with different wording options to choose from. They are suggestions only - of course you may prefer to use your own words to make it more personal.

Our advice is not to overcrowd the actual announcement of the wedding with any information which could be included elsewhere.

Please note: some of the words or details we have suggested are optional and may not be relevant to you - those which are required are in **bold text**.

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Invitation issued by Bride's Parents

Mr & Mrs John Smith *or*
John & Susan Smith

are delighted to invite *or*
have great pleasure in inviting *or*
request the pleasure of the company of

(guests' names)

to celebrate the marriage of their daughter

(bride's name)

to *or* **and**

(groom's name)

son of (names of groom's parents)

on **(day and date of wedding)**

at **(name and address of ceremony venue)**

at **(time of ceremony)**

with a reception to follow at (time)

at (reception venue name and address)

Dress:

RSVP date:

RSVP contact details (address, phone number, email address as desired -
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Invitation issued by Both Sets of Parents

Mr & Mrs John Smith *or*
John & Susan Smith

together with

Mr & Mrs Peter Brown *or*
Peter & Jane Brown

are delighted to invite *or*
have great pleasure in inviting *or*
request the pleasure of the company of

(guests' names)

to celebrate the marriage of their children

(bride's name)

and

(groom's name)

on **(day and date of wedding)**
at **(name and address of ceremony venue)**
at **(time of ceremony)**

with a reception to follow at (time)
at (reception venue name and address)

Dress:

RSVP date:

RSVP contact details (address, phone number, email address as desired -
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Wedding Invitation Wording

Invitation issued by Bride and Groom

(bride's name) & (groom's name)

together with their *or* our families

are delighted to invite *or*

have great pleasure in inviting *or*

request the pleasure of the company of

(guests' names)

to celebrate their *or* **our marriage**

on **(day and date of wedding)**

at **(name and address of ceremony venue)**

at **(time of ceremony)**

with a reception to follow at (time)

at (reception venue name and address)

Dress:

RSVP date:

RSVP contact details (address, phone number, email address as desired -
these are only required on invitation if there is no RSVP card)

OTHER LINKS,
RESOURCES
& IDEAS FOR
WEDDINGS

Links to pages for other items you may need:

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[Other information cards](#)

[Order of Service booklets](#)

[Menus](#)

[Thank You cards](#)