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| When is the wedding? |  |
| Where is the wedding and reception taking place? |  |
| Are the bride’s parents hosting the wedding? Do you want to thank them? |  |

**THE CONTEXT FOR YOUR SPEECH**

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| Who is speaking before you? | . |
| Is anybody introducing you? |  |
| Are you responding to a toast to the bridesmaids?. If so, who are their names? |  |
| Will you be finishing with a toast? If so, who to (usually the happy couple)? |  |

## YOUR SPEAKING STYLE

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| Would you like your speech to be mainly funny, or do you prefer something more serious or sincere? |  |  |
| How nervous will you be when you stand up to speak? |  |
| Do you have any experience of public speaking? |  |
| How long would you like to speak for? |  |

**AUDIENCE**

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| How many people will be there? |  |
| How many of them will know you? |  |
| Do you expect it to be a relatively sedate atmosphere, or will there be a younger more raucous crowd? |  |
| What sort of speech will appeal to the majority?  Is there an angle / theme / approach that you think might be particularly relevant or inappropriate for  them? |  |

## THE GROOM

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| What’s the groom’s name and age |  |
| How do you know him? When did you meet him? |  |
| What’s your very first memory of him? |  |
| Where was he born? |  |
| Do you have any amusing stories about him as a toddler/young child (include any bizarre hobbies and interests)? |  |
| Where did he go to school/university |  |
| What was his first job? |  |
| What does he do for a living? |  |
| What are his main interests/hobbies? | . |
| Can you describe his personality in three words? |  |
| How would you describe him physically? |  |
| How would his family and friends describe him? |  |
| Can you give an example of a great story or two that you’ve been involved in with him? |  |
| If there was a theme to hold your description of him together, what would it be? |  |
| Any other nostalgic stories of your friendship I can work in? |  |

## THE GROOM’S FAMILY

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| Are you close to them? If so, who else needs mentioning in your speech? | . |

**THE BRIDE**

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| What is her name? |  |
| How would you describe her? |  |
| What does she do? |  |
| Anything particularly quirky, original or different about her? |  |
| How did she meet the Groom? |  |
| When did he first mention her to you? |  |
| When did you realise things between them were serious? | . |
| What do you remember about meeting her? |  |
| How did he propose? |  |
| How has he changed (for the better!) as a result of her influence? |  |

**TABOO SUBJECTS-**

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| Anything we should avoid mentioning? |  |

**OTHER**

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| Are there subjects not covered above that you know will amuse / interest your audience? Please give me as much detail as possible. |  |