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 - please contact us if you need help with suggestions for this.

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

Displayed below are the 3 categories with different wording options to choose from.

Simply use the wording set which applies to you, delete the wording you don’t require and leave or insert anything you do.

Insert the names and other details as appropriate, but please don’t worry about formatting or centring the text, as we will do all of that for you. These are simply suggestions - feel free to change as much of the wording as you wish!

Please note: some of the words or details are optional - **those which are required are in bold text**.

When you have completed your wording, copy and paste it into a new document, then email it back to us.

We will proof read it very carefully and will contact you if we believe there to be any errors or ambiguities

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**

**(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 - only required on invitation if there is no RSVP card)

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 - only required on invitation if there is no RSVP card)Bride and Groom

**(bride’s name) & (groom’s name)**

together with their families

**are delighted to invite** or

**have great pleasure in inviting** or

**request the pleasure of the company of**

**(guests’ names)**

**to celebrate their 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 - only required on invitation if there is no RSVP card)