3 prompts to start your best man speech

Start with three short writing prompts, not a blank page. Answer (1) how you met the groom, (2) one story that shows who he is with his partner, and (3) the toast you want to land in twenty words or fewer. Those three answers give you an opening, a middle and an ending. Then shape them into a full speech with a template or our step-by-step how-to-write guide.

Checklist

- [ ] Why prompts beat a blank page
- [ ] Prompt 1: the friendship origin
- [ ] Prompt 2: one story that shows who he is
- [ ] Prompt 3: write the toast first
- [ ] How to turn the answers into a speech
- [ ] What these prompts are not
- [ ] Opening. Use Prompt 1 plus a short self-introduction. Practise the first two lines from memory.
- [ ] Middle. Use Prompt 2 as your main story. Add a second only if you still have time after a rehearsal aloud.
- [ ] Turn and toast. Use Prompt 3. Look at the couple, raise the glass, stop talking.

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