**1.** **What is the date of the event?**Please provide the full name (first and last) of the subject of the speech (If there is a person/people being directly honored...I.e. wedding, anniversary, award, bar/bat mitzvah, retirement, etc, please provide full names of all main honorees).

Wedding Speech for Anita Khoong (bride)  and Mark Howard (groom)

**2. What is your relationship to the person to whom the speech is being presented?**

Anita and I met during our rotations for graduate school about 5 years ago

**3. What is your location/time zone?**
Central time zone/ Wedding and reception will be held in the suburbs of Chicago (Wheaton, IL)

**4. To what size group will the speech be delivered?**
  About 100-125 people

**5. The speech will be delivered to a group made up of mostly?**

    Family, childhood friends, college friends (Chinese and Caucasians)

**6. Where will the event be held?**

Venue will be held at restaurant

**7. What kind of speech do you want?**

Sentimental heartwarming, a little funny

**8. Is there a key person(s) to whom the speech will be given? Tell us their name(s) and a little about his/her personality.**

Anita (Bride): She is outspoken, honest, loyal, goofy. Anita and I have only known each other for 5 years, but I consider her to be one of my closest friends (may be even closer than some of my childhood friends). Anita is such a great listener and remembers everything in detail. Very rarely do I connect with someone so well, I was surprised how easy it is to talk to her. I was going through a tough time in my life and Anita was there for me like how one of my best friends since childhood would be there for me, and at that point, Anita and I have only been friends for about a year. She would drop all her plans and be there for me, in a heart beat. (I don’t want that in the speech, but it gives you an idea of what kind of person she is) . Oh, and she loves to EAT! we both are big foodies, we like to seek out food around Chicago and make plans to try them out together. That’s a good 50% of our relationship, it revolves around eating/food.

Mark (Groom): They met a year after Anita and I met. Mark is super laid back, genuine, down to earth. I honestly consider him a good friend of mine as well, he gives me good advice about life and I can always rely on him. He’s also a great cook/ grill master.

**9. Please share information about events or memories you have together that you would like mentioned in the speech.**

-Just recently on her bachelorette party trip, we went to Portland and had amazing food. We had two huge orders of pasta and appetizers, and right afterwards, Anita asked if we could get Sushi because Portland is known to have good seafood. I don’t know any other friends that would have two dinners back to back and then eat more free food at the airport.

- We take turns hosting dinners (me, anita, and mark) , then have netflix and chill nights.

-Restaurant week where all restaurants have fixed menus at a cheaper price (people take advantage of this esp for the really high end restaurants), it’s like a big deal in Chicago, Anita and I have a spreadsheet and try to narrow down which restaurants we want to try because obviously we can’t try them all!

-Anita was too tired to get ready for dinner on her bachelorette party, that I ended up doing her make up while she was laying in my bed, half awake.

-Road trip down to Nashville visiting Donna (who is her best friend from childhood and also giving a speech), frolicking downtown, rooftops, shopping, and of course eating.

**10. What do you want your audience to think or feel as a result of experiencing your presentation?**

That although we’ve only known each other for a few years, I consider her a very good friend of mine.

**11. Is there an action that you would like your audience to take as a result of experiencing your presentation?**

**12. What is your deadline for delivering the speech?**

End of August (8/30)

**13. Finally, please provide your speechwriter with any additional information you would like to have included in your speech. Include all information you feel is essential to your speech.**

Below is a rough draft of what I wrote so far (It gives you an idea of how I want it structured) . I don’t necessarily want to keep all of it, i trust your judgment what sounds good. Thanks!

Hi Everyone!  For those who don't know me, I'm Vi. Anita and I met during one of our rotations for OT school.  There are very few people I've encountered in life who I instantly click with. And that's how I felt with Anita.  I think our very first conversation we had was our love for food. And that's really 80% of what we talk about now. She is the absolute greatest friend I could ever ask for. She's also quite a one-of-a-kind woman. She can eat 2 big servings of pasta at an Italian restaurant then ask if we can go get sushi right after. She manages to go to bed with perfectly straight hair but will wake up with bed head every morning. Silliness aside,  Anita is kind-hearted, loyal, dependable, and goofy. She puts forth effort and dedication into everything that she does, I know for sure she will approach her new role as a wife the same exact way.

Alright, Mark it's your turn. Mark is a super cool guy, it's nice that he's also a big foodie, that was definitely a plus! He would tag along on our food adventures and that's how I've gotten to know Mark. My impression of Mark was that he was super easy-going, personable, and down to earth. I had also heard about his superb culinary skills/grill master, he took me by surprise when he grilled these perfect steaks and made his own butter and herb sauce to go with them.

Some advice I could give you about Anita which you may already know... Make sure she gets her hourly feedings, otherwise Anita can get pretty hangry, she may need a bib so that she doesn't get stains on her clothing constantly, always have freshly homemade mac and cheese and mashed potatoes ready on the off-chance you do anything that might make her upset, Anita loves The Bachelor/Bachelorette (accept it and move on),

You're a very lucky lucky guy Mark!

Congrats to you both! I wish you guys infinite years of happiness!