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The Bride's Thank You Guide: Thank You Writing Made Easy



Synopsis

Answering hundreds of questions about content, style, and etiquette, this guide will help newlyweds write thank-you notes that are both personal and appropriate. This new edition contains 60 sample letters highlighting the elements that should be included in each, discusses the appropriateness of e-mailed thank-yous, and features a new section on gift ideas for attendants. In addition to laying out the letter-writing "rules," this guide offers creative and helpful ideas to make each note warm and memorable, whether the thank-you be a special note for parents or an acknowledgement of a monetary, group, duplicate, or unusual gift. This invaluable resource also includes time-saving tips, stationery suggestions, a handy list of adjectives and descriptive words, and a listing of helpful wedding websites.

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Customer Reviews

This book has been very useful in helping me write all the thank you notes I have been writing. Before I had this book I would get one line out and be stumped for 10 minutes before deciding the next line. This book not only breaks down what should be said in a standard thank you note, and when to say it, but it also offers various examples of thank you notes for specific gifts including gifts

you actually don't like, and even offers examples for thanking the parents, Bridesmaids, and even the vendors, etc. for their help on your wedding day. The only drawback to this book is that sometimes the wording is too casual, and to be more formal you might want to rethink the actual words this book offers as examples. I still found it very useful though, since it sets the groundwork which used to be the part that took me the longest. Now I can write thank you notes much faster without having to regret, rethink and re-write what should be written.

I highly recommend this book to any bride. It was very helpful in giving good examples of things to say when you can't think of anything appropriate. I had quite a few people comment on what nice and sincere thank you notes I sent. A must have.

This slim 96 page volume offers some helpful advice but is coupled with unnecessary and outdated information. In the first 30 pages, the author addresses basic information such as who should write thank you notes, when they should be sent, and what kind of stationary to use. I'm assuming that most of today's brides would already have this knowledge, but for someone looking for very elementary assistance, this section could be useful. I found the fourth chapter, "General Outline," to be the most practical aspect of the book. In this chapter, the author provides a basic outline for all thank you notes and gives specific examples for each component; particularly helpful were the list of adjectives as well as the list of ways to describe how the gift will be used. Following this, the author answers some additional questions (eg, don't tell the giver when you receive a damaged gift), and then finally, the remainder of the book contains sample letters which are broken down into specific categories (monetary gift, thank yous to specific wedding participants, unusual gifts, etc.). Although somewhat repetitive, the letters did offer some additional useful ideas about writing notes. Overall, this book is a bit uneven in its utility, but given its low price, it would probably be a worthwhile investment for most brides.

The general outline of a thank you note and the list of adjectives to choose from were the best parts of this book. One note of wisdom - use a computer spreadsheet instead of the systems that the author suggests. It offered me a place to compose the notes, spell check them, then transpose them from the computer to the note cards. It also allows the writer to reuse text when needed and appropriate.

This book contains some very helpful examples of wedding thank-you letters. I found that many

other books on the subject were far too cheesy and insincere. The phrasing of the letters in this book, however, is able to capture my sincere gratitude in a way that does not sound canned. When faced with the task of writing 300 thank-you letters, I was very grateful that this very useful book had been published.

I thought this book had good advice and tips on thank you note writing, but I found I really couldn't use any of the sample thank you notes. They sound so phony to me - and if someone sent me a thank you note borrowing their language, I would fall off my chair laughing. The book has notes something like: "we adore the salad bowl you gave us and have filled it with floating candles and put it on the table so we can enjoy it every day!" I trust that others have found this book useful (mine is the only bad review here so far) but it just misses the mark for me, overall.

Great book. A friend told me to buy this when I got engaged and I am so glad she did. I got compliments on my lovely thank you letters. People noted that they were so nice and thoughtful. Thank goodness for this book or I would have sounded like an idiot.

There is nothing in this book that isn't reviewed by a larger, all encompassing etiquette book. It seemed like the suggestions didn't acknowledge the widely popular use of bridal registries. "Thank you for the crystal vase. It's just what we wanted." ...well obviously, if that's what you had registered for initially, right? It does, however, address some unusual situations. Fair content. Nothing special.

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